

Chris Jahn President

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Dear State Emergency Response Commission Contacts,

In the wake of the West, Texas, fertilizer plant explosion involving ammonium nitrate, The Fertilizer Institute (TFI) has worked very hard to continue on-going education within the fertilizer retail industry on proper storage of ammonium nitrate.

One of those efforts involved the development of the "Safety and Security Guidelines for the Storage and Transportation of Fertilizer Grade Ammonium Nitrate at Retail Facilities." The guidance was developed by TFI and the Agricultural Retailers Association (ARA). We are making this document available to you with the request that it be distributed through your office to all Local Emergency Planning Commissions (LEPC) in your state.

This guidance document has been widely distributed throughout the fertilizer industry and Federal agencies and is posted on the TFI website at http://www.tfi.org/ammonium_nitrate_guidelines.

If you have any comments regarding the guidance, please contact Pam Guffain of my staff by email at pguffain@tfi.org.

Sincerely,

Chris Jahn