

U.S. Chemical Safety and Hazard Investigation Board

OFFICE OF GENERAL COUNSEL

Memorandum

To: Board Members

From: Steven Messer

Acting General Counsel

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Leadership Team

Subject: <u>Board Action Report</u> – Notation Item 2025-91 (Urgent) | Final investigation report for July 31, 2024, anhydrous ammonia release at the Cuisine Solutions, Inc. facility in Sterling,

Virginia

Date: September 24, 2025

On September 23, 2025, the Board approved Urgent Notation Item 2025-91. This vote approved the final investigation report on an accidental anhydrous ammonia release at the Cuisine Solutions, Inc. food processing facility in Sterling, Virginia, on July 31, 2024. The incident, which occurred when an emergency pressure relief valve discharged to the atmosphere and formed a toxic cloud, injured 33 workers and resulted in an estimated \$3 in million property damage at the facility.

Voting Summary – Notation Item 2025-91 (Urgent)

Disposition: APPROVED

Disposition date: September 23, 2025

	Approve	Disapprove	Calendar Not Participating	Date g
S. Johnson	X			9/23/2025
S. Owens	X			9/23/2025