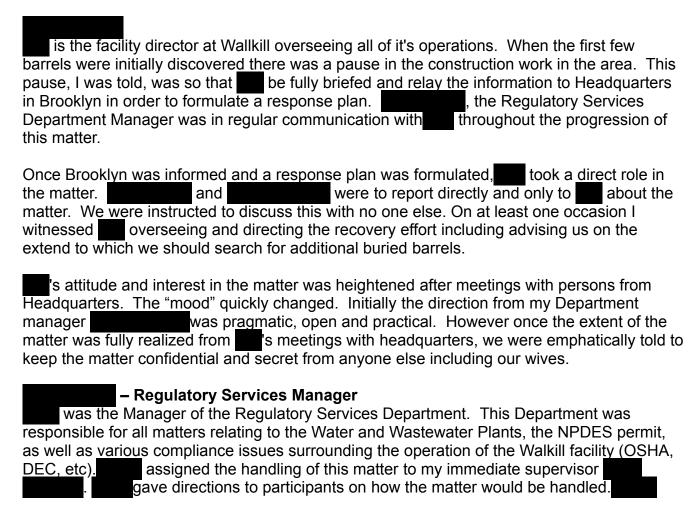


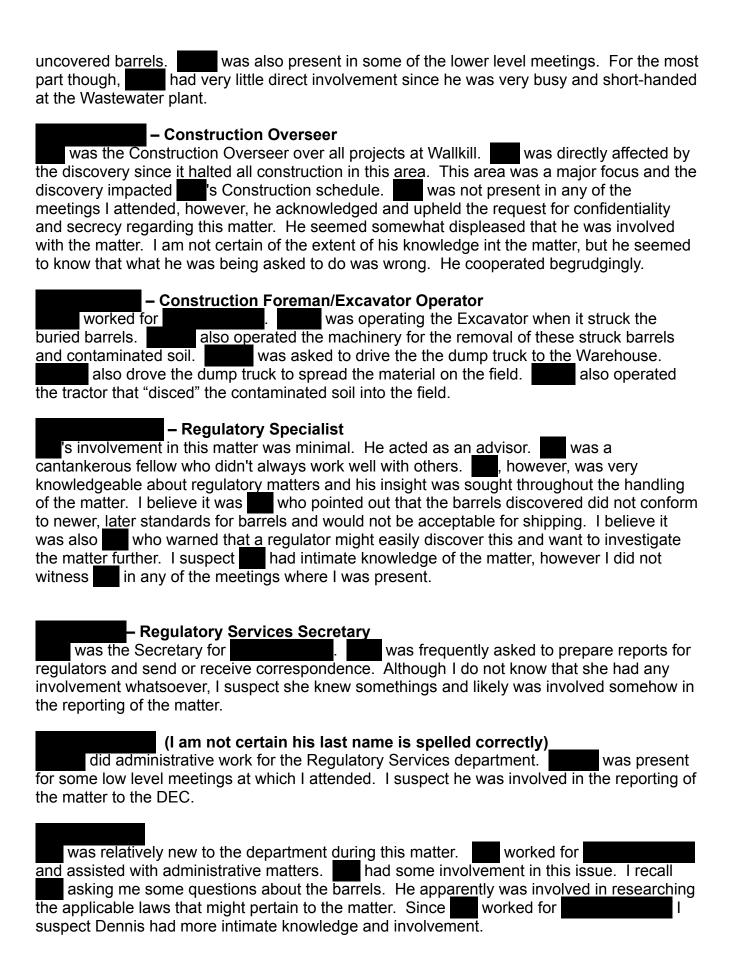
Background

The Watchtower Bible and Tract Society is the organization behind the Jehovah's Witnesses religion. The World Headquarters in Brooklyn NY oversees numerous facilities in various parts of the world. Every major country has a "Branch office". Some of these also serve as distribution outlets for literature distributed in that region.

For the United States there are three main complexes that support activities nationally. They are the book production facility in Brooklyn which also houses the World Headquarters. There is also the facility in Patterson Connecticut and the facility at Wallkill , NY. The facility at Wallkill employs approximately 1200 full time volunteers who live on site and support operations. The main purpose of the Wallkill facility is to print their religious magazines and serve as a food purchasing, production and distribution center for US operations. They print millions of magazines monthly and ship them to local congregations in the US for use in their door to door preaching activity. This is a large scale printing operation that has been in operation for many decades. The Wallkill property was originally purchased early in the 20th century as a farming operation to support the religious volunteers.



also gave us "closed door" updates on how the issue was being discussed between and Brooklyn Headquarters. I was told by that that it was "old timers" from Brooklyn was directly involved in the matter. I was also informed by that it was "old timers" from Brooklyn Headquarters who knew the history of the waste disposal practices of the Watchtower Society, and they apparently indicated that the amount of waste was extensive. During one meeting explained how Brooklyn viewed the matter. I recall holding up one of the Watchtower's religious magazines featuring an article about pollution and saying "How are we (The Watchtower Society) going to look when we tell people this?" I believe his intention was to emphasize how inconsistent it would be for Watchtower to teach the wrongfulness of polluting the environment, yet be found polluters themselves.
- Water Treatment and compliance was to be the "person on the ground" directly involved in handing and repackaging of the material found. was called upon by to lead the response team to remove initial and subsequent barrels as well as perform the repackaging of the old barrels into new ones, and the spreading of the contaminated soil onto the fields. was my immediate supervisor who directed me and two others (and on what tasks we were to perform.
Through many discussions of the matter informed me of the origin and history of the barrels we discovered. He explained that the Watchtower Society was in the habit of transporting and burying their wastes from their printing operations in Brooklyn to the Walkill facility. He also indicated that some of the waste was also from printing operations at Wallkill. showed me the fields where there were unpermitted dump cells. He explained that these where what heavily concerned the Headquarters staff. He referred to the entire matter as "Sins of our forefathers" and indicated that the waste dated back several decades. I suspect there is more that knew but did not tell me.
Bill Morgan (myself) Water Treatment Plant Crew leader/foreman I normally supervised Water Plant operators for the operation of Watchtower's two water treatment plants at Wallkill. I was asked to be part of the recovery team and I worked side by side with throughout this issue. I helped excavate partially uncovered barrels. I was instructed to use a metal detector on undisturbed areas near the excavation site in order to discover more hidden barrels. I was also instructed to assist in the repackaging of the older style barrels into new conforming barrels to be shipped for disposal. I also witnessed the spreading of contaminated soil onto fields. I was involved in all the field operations related to this issue. I was also party to many of the lower level meetings where information was relayed from higher level meetings.
- Water Plant Operator. for me in the Water Treatment plants. somewhat limited. assisted and I on a few occasions, helping us to remove barrels that were in open trenches and load them into dump trucks. Anthony also helped us detect additional barrels. was also present for meetings where our response to the matter was discussed as well as details from higher level meeting.
- Wastewater Plant Crew Leader/foreman 's involvement was even more limited. was brief on how to respond to reports of



Organizational Flow Chart.

This chart is meant to serve as an aid to understanding the organizational dynamics of the people related to this matter. It is not meant to be an exhaustive list of organization members.

