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ATTORNEY GENERAL

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Dear Mr. Babec:

I have been closely following this morning's news of a chemical spill at the Silfab facility in York County. Nearby residents and particularly parents of children at the Flint Hill Elementary School next door are expressing serious and legitimate concerns regarding their safety and their children's safety. Potassium hydroxide is a dangerous chemical that can cause serious health effects both through skin contact and inhalation as well as environmental damage. As our State Constitution notes, "[t]he health, welfare, and safety of the lives and property of the people of this State and the conservation of its natural resources are matters of public concern." S.C. Const. art. XII, § 1.

As South Carolina's chief legal officer responsible for protecting health, welfare, and safety, your answers to the following questions will help my Office decide on what further actions may be warranted.

- 1) Describe in detail the cause or causes of the potassium hydroxide spill, including when Silfab first became aware and first notified county authorities.
- 2) Describe in detail all measures in place to protect against such incidents or mitigate the impacts when they occur. Were those measures in accordance with accepted industry standards? What additional safeguards did Silfab put into place as a result of its proximity to the elementary school?

- 3) Initial reports placed the volume of the spill at approximately 1,500 gallons, which was later revised to 300 gallons. Why was the initial number so inflated? What level of confidence do you have in the 300-gallon number?
- 4) Communications to the public have all stated that there is no danger to the public. What is that determination based upon, and how was it decided there was no public danger so quickly, especially given the inaccuracy in how much potassium hydroxide was released?
- 5) What steps are being taken to remediate the environmental damage caused by this spill as well as ensuring that those costs are not borne by South Carolina taxpayers? How long will the mitigation process take?
- 6) How will injuries that may occur from exposure to potassium hydroxide in the area be reported and treated? How are residents and parents being informed about the potential health hazards and what signs of exposure to look for?

I will always keep public safety as my highest concern. Please respond to these questions as soon as possible, but no later than March 13, 2026.

Sincerely,



Alan Wilson

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