

## THE VIRGIN ISLANDS WATER & POWER AUTHORITY CORPORATE COMMUNICATIONS NEWS RELEASE

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## Clarification on WAPA Assisting the Coast Guard with Clean Up Efforts at Lindbergh Bay

U.S. VIRGIN ISLANDS – The Virgin Islands Water and Power Authority ("WAPA" or "Authority") would like to provide accurate information regarding the recent oil spill at Lindbergh Bay, St. Thomas. WAPA wishes to clarify that the oil spill's current investigation, at this time, indicates that this oil spill is not related to the previously contained diesel oil spill at the Randolph Harley Power Plant (RHPP) a couple weeks ago.

The Authority's support and assistance with oil clean-up efforts at Lindbergh Bay are part of its commitment to environmental stewardship and ensuring the Virgin Islands natural resources are protected.

We will continue to cooperate fully with the US Coast Guard's investigation and maintain an open line of communication.

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About WAPA: The Virgin Islands Water and Power Authority is an autonomous agency of the Virgin Islands Government which produces and distributes electricity and drinking water to residential and commercial customers in the territory. WAPA was created by the Fifth Legislature of the Virgin Islands in 1964 through Act No. 1248. Today, WAPA generates electrical power at production plants on St. Thomas and St. Croix and distributes electrical service through smart grids to customers on St. Thomas, St. Croix, St. John, Hassel Island, and Water Island. Potable water is distributed to almost 13,000 customers through water lines and standpipes. WAPA also has the responsibility of installing and maintaining streetlights.

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