Tip or Complaint: On August 7, 2025, I observed and photographed a recently removed commercial refrigeration unit abandoned in the rear outdoor area of Walmart Store #131 in Mount Pleasant, Texas (2311 S. Jefferson Avenue). The unit was used for open-air food storage and was taken from the sales floor during the store's ongoing remodeling project. It is now sitting unsecured and exposed to the elements, with no indication of proper environmental handling. Key concerns include: • No refrigerant recovery tag or documentation as required by 40 C.F.R. § 82.156(f); • Uncapped and exposed refrigerant lines, indicating refrigerant may still be present or was released improperly; • Exposed insulating foam, which may contain HCFCs or HFCs, with no signs of proper removal or containment; • Price tags and food labels still attached, suggesting recent use for perishable food; • No containment barriers, signage, or secure disposal documentation. These issues present clear risks of unauthorized emissions (air), improper solid waste disposal (land), and potential worker exposure. The condition of the unit suggests noncompliance with EPA and TCEQ environmental protection and appliance disposal protocols and could result in the release of ozone-depleting substances (ODS), greenhouse gases (GHGs), or refrigerant oils. This concern also supplements my prior complaint submitted to the EPA (Complaint No. 333810), which alleged failure to perform a required asbestos survey prior to construction at the same facility, and my earlier report to the Texas Department of State Health Services (DSHS) on related environmental and food safety concerns. The pattern of improper environmental oversight at this location strongly supports the need for multi-agency enforcement and regulatory inspection. I am available to provide photo documentation, model information from the unit, and prior communications with EPA and DSHS upon request. I respectfully submit this report in good faith based on direct observation and concern for environmental compliance, public health, and regulatory accountability. I am available to provide supporting documentation and photographs upon request.

Violation Still Occurring? Yes

State DEP/DEQ/DEM Notified? No