

**ALASKA DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION**  
**Division of Spill Prevention and Response**  
**Prevention and Emergency Response Program**

**SITUATION REPORT**

**INCIDENT NAME:** Kuparuk 2M-Pad Pipeline Release

**SITREP #:** 3

**SPILL NUMBER:** 06399906801

**LEDGER CODE:** 14163160

**TIME/DATE OF SPILL:** The spill was first discovered by a ConocoPhillips Alaska, Inc. (CPAI) operator at 4:15 PM, March 9, 2006. The spill was reported to ADEC by CPAI at 4:37 PM, March 9, 2006.

**TIME/DATE OF SITUATION REPORT:** 10:00 PM, March 13, 2006.

**TIME/DATE OF THE NEXT REPORT:** 3:00 PM, March 15, 2006.

**TYPE/AMOUNT OF PRODUCT SPILLED:** Produced water with a trace amount of crude oil. The volume is unknown at this time. ConocoPhillips Alaska, Inc. is in the process of estimating a volume.

**LOCATION:** Kuparuk Oil Field near Deadhorse, AK.

**CAUSE OF SPILL:** The cause of the leak in the pipeline has not yet been determined. The source is a 24 inch diameter pipeline near the 2M-Pad access road.

**POTENTIAL RESPONSIBLE PARTY (PRP):** ConocoPhillips Alaska, Inc.

**RESPONSE ACTION:** The spill site delineation has been completed. Fourteen spill response workers are on-site at Kuparuk and are preparing to begin cleanup operations.

CPAI initiated inspection of the 24-inch pipeline. Two more release points were identified. The spill volumes associated with the new release points were minimal. One spilled approximately one gallon of produced water to the snow and the other remained frozen in an icicle hanging from the pipeline.

Response efforts over the weekend focused on de-inventorying the 24 inch pipeline to ensure no further release to the environment, prevent freezing of the line contents, and facilitate x-ray inspection. Drains have been installed at low points of the three mile long pipeline and emptying of the line has commenced. Additional ice roads and pads were constructed to facilitate access to the pipeline.

Another overflight using infrared cameras was conducted to confirm the spills at the newly discovered release points were minimal. Two detailed pipeline surveys were also conducted. No further contamination was discovered.

CPAI has developed a cleanup plan and the plan is currently under ADEC review.

ADEC responders are in Prudhoe Bay working an additional spill and will be dispatched to Kuparuk as necessary.

**SOURCE CONTROL:** CPAI has shut in the pipe on either side of the leak and are in the process of emptying the line.

**RESOURCES AFFECTED:** The spill area encompasses an area within a maximum exterior perimeter that encompasses 2,003 square feet of tundra.

**FUTURE PLANS AND RECOMMENDATIONS:** Additional response actions include source control, developing a plan to permanently repair the pipe, spill volume estimation, and determining the cause of the release.

**WEATHER:** 32° Fahrenheit below zero, east wind, 10 miles per hour.

**UNIFIED COMMAND AND PERSONNEL:**

Incident Commander: John Hentges (CPAI)  
 FOSC: Carl Lautenberger (EPA)  
 S.O.S.C: Ed Meggert (ADEC)  
 Field S.O.S.C: Scot Tiernan (ADEC)

**FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION CONTACT:** John Dixon, 451-2164.

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