

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 #: 4

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: 3:00 PM, March 15, 2006.

TIME/DATE OF THE NEXT REPORT: 3:00 PM, March 23, 2006.

TYPE/AMOUNT OF PRODUCT SPILLED: Produced water with a trace amount of crude oil. CPAI estimates that 250 to 500 gallons of produced water was released to snow covered tundra. An additional 200 gallons was contained in a portable tank that was placed under the release point after the leak was discovered.

LOCATION: Kuparuk Oil Field near Deadhorse, AK.

CAUSE OF SPILL: The cause of the leaks in the pipeline has not yet been determined. Three leaks were identified in the 24-inch diameter pipeline located near the 2M-Pad access road.

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

RESPONSE ACTION: CPAI has completed de-inventory of the three miles of pipeline and the pipeline has been purged with nitrogen to inhibit corrosion and increase operational safety. Two cranes are being used to install blinds at both ends of the pipeline to prepare the pipeline for steaming. The steaming operation will clean the pipe internally and prepare the pipe for permanent repair. The blinds will protect the valves from high temperatures during the steaming operation.

The spill site delineation has been completed, the source secured, and the spill is confined. Ice road and pad modifications are complete. Response equipment has been staged at the spill site and cleanup operations are expected to commence on Friday, March 17. Upon completion of the pipeline isolation and preparation for repair, CPAI will re-focus their response efforts upon cleanup.

Another visual survey of the pipeline was conducted and no indications of further release were observed.

CPAI has developed a cleanup plan and the plan has been approved by ADEC.

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 the pipeline has been emptied.

RESOURCES AFFECTED: The spill impacts a maximum area of 2,003 square feet of snow covered tundra.

FUTURE PLANS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: Additional response actions include developing a plan to permanently repair the pipe, investigation into the cause of the release, and determination of associated prevention actions.

WEATHER: 10° Fahrenheit below zero, east wind, 23 miles per hour (wind chill -36 F), blowing snow.

UNIFIED COMMAND AND PERSONNEL:

Incident Commander:	Paul Dubuisson (CPAI)
FOSC:	Carl Lautenberger (EPA)
S.O.S.C:	Ed Meggert (ADEC)

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

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