

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

SITUATION REPORT

INCIDENT NAME: Savoonga Tank Farm Overfill

SITREP #: 1

SPILL NUMBER: 12389901901

LEDGER CODE: Requested

TIME/DATE OF SPILL: 5:30 PM, January 19, 2012.

TIME/DATE OF SITUATION REPORT: 4:00 PM, January 20, 2012.

TIME/DATE OF THE NEXT REPORT: As the situation warrants.

TYPE/AMOUNT OF PRODUCT SPILLED: The Savoonga Tank Farm Manager estimated that 3,600 gallons of #2 Diesel fuel spilled to the tank farm's secondary containment.

LOCATION: Savoonga, Alaska

CAUSE OF SPILL: Day tank over-fill during fueling operations.

POTENTIAL RESPONSIBLE PARTY (PRP): Native Village of Savoonga, IRA Council of Savoonga.

RESPONSE ACTION: The Savoonga Tank Farm operator reported that a new employee opened the wrong fuel valve during a gasoline purchase and pumped diesel fuel into a full 6,000-gallon day tank, resulting in an overflow of diesel heating fuel into secondary containment. Savoonga village responders are using sleds and hand tools to remove the uncontaminated snow from the secondary containment, a bermed area with a liner underneath that surrounds the tanks. In addition, they are using hand pumps and buckets to recover the free product and transfer the fuel to 250-gallon totes and smaller drums.

SOURCE CONTROL: The source is controlled.

RESOURCES AFFECTED: None. The fuel spilled within the secondary containment.

FUTURE PLANS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: Savoonga Village responders will continue to remove clean, uncontaminated snow and free liquids from within the tank farm containment. The contaminated snow will remain within in the secondary containment until spring, when an ADEC responder will be dispatched to the village to assist with the recovery of fuel from within the secondary containment. ADEC has requested that the source tank be measured for fuel loss and any fuel records be reviewed to assist in determining an accurate spill volume.

WEATHER: Today – Mostly clear; areas of blowing snow; lows 10 below to zero; north winds 20 to 35 mph.

UNIFIED COMMAND AND PERSONNEL:

Incident Commander: Francis Waghiyi

S.O.S.C.: Tom DeRuyter

FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION CONTACT: Wes Ghormley, ADEC, 907-451-2164

AGENCY/STAKEHOLDER NOTIFICATION LIST

This sitrep has been distributed via email to the Governor's office, Senator Begich's office, ADF&G, ADNR, SECC, USEPA, USDOJ, NMFS, USFWS, USFS and NOAA in addition to the following.

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Pooled diesel within the secondary containment



Response equipment used to remove uncontaminated snow from the tank farm