

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

**SITUATION REPORT**

**INCIDENT NAME:** Huslia Elementary School Day Tank Overfill      **SITREP #:** 2

**SPILL NUMBER:** 11309906101      **LEDGER CODE:** 14309460

**TIME/DATE OF SPILL:** 7:00 AM, on March 2, 2011.

**TIME/DATE OF SITUATION REPORT:** 4:00 PM, on March 3, 2011.

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

**TYPE/AMOUNT OF PRODUCT SPILLED:** Diesel fuel. The spill volume is estimated by the Yukon/Koyukuk School District to be approximately 200 gallons.

**LOCATION:** Huslia, Alaska

**CAUSE OF SPILL:** The spill was caused by a failure of the automated fuel transfer pump and tank over-fill protection system.

**POTENTIAL RESPONSIBLE PARTY (PRP):** Yukon/Koyukuk School District

**RESPONSE ACTION:** School maintenance staff stopped the flow of diesel by manually cutting off the electrical power supply to the transfer pump. Diesel fuel that flooded the boiler room floor and accumulated in the septic system was recovered with pumps and absorbent material. Fuel was traced through the building's utility penetrations and found on the ground below the elevated building and in the enclosed utilidor. School classes have been cancelled until further notice and the building is being ventilated to reduce vapor accumulation.

**SOURCE CONTROL:** The fuel transfer operation was halted by turning off the power to the transfer pump.

**RESOURCES AFFECTED:** Snow, ice and soil beneath the elevated school building has been impacted by the spilled diesel fuel. No impacted wildlife has been reported.

**FUTURE PLANS AND RECOMMENDATIONS:** An ADEC Spill Responder is on site to provide technical assistance. All free liquids have been recovered and the surface area of the spill area has been delineated. Affected areas within the building are being cleaned and decontaminated. Air monitoring is being conducted to assure worker safety. Yukon/Koyukuk School District has dispatched additional personnel to inspect the utilidor and oversee the clean-up. Waste disposal and sampling plans are being developed to manage recovered product, and cleanup generated waste, and assure cleanup standards are met.

The school district will be working with the Alaska Department of Health and Social Services and ADEC's Contaminated Sites Program to evaluate vapor intrusion pathways, identify safe exposure limits, and determine when the school can be reopened for class

**WEATHER:** Partly cloudy. Temperature 5 – 15 degrees F, light winds.

**UNIFIED COMMAND AND PERSONNEL:**

Incident Commander: David Pratt  
S.O.S.C.: Tom DeRuyter  
Field S.O.S.C.: Wes Ghormley

**FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION CONTACT:** Paul Lhotka at (907) 451-2175

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