

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

**SITUATION REPORT**

**INCIDENT NAME:** GC-2 Oil Transit Line Release

**SITREP #:** 23 & Final

**SPILL NUMBER:** 06399906101

**LEDGER CODE:** 14163060

**TIME/DATE OF SPILL:** The spill was first discovered by BPXA operators at 5:45 AM, March 2, 2006. The spill was reported to ADEC by the State Troopers at 6:15 AM, March 2, 2006.

**TIME/DATE OF SITUATION REPORT:** 3:00 PM, March 28, 2008.

**TIME/DATE OF THE NEXT REPORT:** None, this is the final sitrep.

**TYPE/AMOUNT OF PRODUCT SPILLED:** Crude oil. Following the Unified Command's release on March 10, 2006, of the best available estimate on the volume of oil spilled of 201,000 gallons +/- 33%, BPXA and ADEC initiated various analyses to determine the final spill volume. Based on these analyses and subsequent laboratory reviews, on March 25, 2008 the Unified Command ratified the final volume of the spill as 212,252 gallons. The components of the final spill volume consist of the following:

- 199,191 gallons of liquid crude oil recovered and evaporated from the spill site;
- 12,909 gallons entrained in the tundra trimmings/soil removed from the site;
- 152 gallons entrained in the gravel removed from the site.

**LOCATION:** A transit line between Gathering Center 2 (GC-2) and GC-1, Western Operating Unit, Prudhoe Bay, Alaska.

**CAUSE OF SPILL:** The joint incident investigation report dated April 14, 2006 confirmed that the leak occurred as a result of internal corrosion. The source was a quarter inch hole at the 6 o'clock position in an above ground 34-inch diameter crude oil transit pipeline. The hole was discovered in the pipe within a buried culvert (caribou crossing).

**POTENTIAL RESPONSIBLE PARTY (PRP):** BP Exploration Alaska (BPXA)

**RESPONSE ACTION:** Clean-up work was completed on May 2, 2006. The site was backfilled and covered with veggie-mat. Veggie-mat is a 4 to 6 inch layer of chunks of live, frozen tundra that was taken from a donor site and transplanted to the spill site. Site rehabilitation is monitored seasonally by independent consultants and various government agencies.

**SOURCE CONTROL:** BPXA decommissioned the entire 34-inch flow line, replaced it with a 20-inch line, containing pig launch and recovery sites.

**RESOURCES AFFECTED:** A survey of the site determined 1.93 acres of tundra and frozen lake surface were impacted by the spill.

**FUTURE PLANS AND RECOMMENDATIONS:** The success of the tundra restoration efforts will be the subject of long-term monitoring.

**UNIFIED COMMAND AND PERSONNEL:**

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Photographs and other spill information are available for viewing at the following Unified Command website:

<http://www.dec.state.ak.us/spar/gc2>**AGENCY/STAKEHOLDER NOTIFICATION LIST**

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