

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

SITUATION REPORT

INCIDENT NAME: Milne Point H Pad

SITREP#: 2 and final

SPILL NUMBER: None Assigned

LEDGER CODE: None Assigned

TIME/DATE OF SPILL: 1:50 AM April 17, 2006, the spill was reported to ADEC by a BPXA employee at 2:00 AM on April 17, 2006.

TIME/DATE OF SITUATION REPORT: 11:30 AM, April 20, 2006

TIME/DATE OF THE NEXT REPORT: This is the final sitrep.

TYPE/AMOUNT OF PRODUCT SPILLED: There is no spill. Investigation has concluded that the water found behind the H Pad well house in Milne Point was snow melt and **not** produced water.

Approximately 200 gallons of water were discovered near a well house on H pad in Milne Point. It was unknown at time of discovery if the product was snow melt, produced water or a combination of both. Produced water is the water that comes out of the oil bearing formation with the crude oil. Produced water is normally separated from the crude oil and injected back into the oil formation. Produced water typically has a high salt concentration and can be toxic to tundra vegetation.

LOCATION: Milne Point H Pad, Deadhorse AK.

CAUSE OF SPILL: Heat from pipeline was trapped under a tarp and drifted snow, resulting in some snow melt.

POTENTIAL RESPONSIBLE PARTY (PRP): BPXA

RESPONSE ACTION: Steam and water were noticed behind a well house. The buried 4" produced water injection line that runs through this area was suspected of leaking. The line was shut in and Alaska Clean Seas (ACS) responders removed snow to get at the suspected spill area.

Samples of the water were taken to the lab and analyzed for salinity and conductivity levels. It was reported that these levels were only slightly higher than would normally be found in snow melt water. Since the water that had been collected had been in contact with the gravel pad it is assumed that these slightly elevated levels were from the melt water contacting the gravel.

Spill responders reported finding a tarp over the ground in the area of the injection line. It is speculated that the tarp and snow drifted over the area may have trapped enough heat to melt some of the snow. When the tarp, drifted snow and standing water were removed, the area froze back and no additional water has accumulated.

The area has been measured at 12' x 16'.

A Forward Looking Infrared Camera (FLIR) mounted in an airplane conducted an over-flight of H pad when it was discovered that all liquids were contained on the pad within the known delineated area.

A pressure test was conducted on the produced water injection line that runs under the area where the water was found. The line was determined to be in good condition.

SOURCE CONTROL: The 4" injection line had been shut in.

RESOURCES AFFECTED: None, the melt water was found near the center of the pad. No tundra has been impacted.

FUTURE PLANS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: None, the injection line may return to service.

WEATHER: Partly Cloudy, -5° F.

UNIFIED COMMAND AND PERSONNEL:

Incident Commander Dale Kruger (BPXA)
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 S.O.S.C..... Ed Meggert (ADEC)
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