

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

SITUATION REPORT

INCIDENT NAME: Van Horn NAPA Fire & Hazmat Release

SITREP #: 2

SPILL NUMBER: 11309914601

LEDGER CODE: 14311960

TIME/DATE OF SPILL: The Fairbanks City Fire and Rescue officials received a call about the fire at approximately 6:30 PM on May 26, 2011. The City of Fairbanks notified ADEC at 11:45 PM on the same day.

TIME/DATE OF SITUATION REPORT: 4:00 PM on June 1, 2011

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

TYPE/AMOUNT OF PRODUCT SPILLED: Unknown quantities of automotive lubrication products, degreasing and solvent chemicals, paints, lead acid batteries, and other petroleum-based chemicals were involved in the structural fire. A computer was recovered from the structure and is being examined to recover the on-site oil and hazardous material (Hazmat) inventory before the fire.

LOCATION: 1937 Van Horn Road, Fairbanks, Alaska

CAUSE OF SPILL: Causal factors are under investigation by the University Fire Marshal.

POTENTIAL RESPONSIBLE PARTY (PRP): NAPA Auto and Truck Parts

RESPONSE ACTION: Approximately 50 responders joined in a mutual aid response from the University Fire Department (FD), City of Fairbanks FD, North Pole FD, Steese Volunteer FD, Fairbanks International Airport FD, Fort Wainwright FD, and the Fairbanks North Star Borough (FNSB) Hazmat Team.

Spill responders from NorTech Environmental and Engineering, Emerald Alaska, and Inland Petroleum used heavy equipment and hand tools to dig a series of containment ditches around the building to direct the flow of petroleum product to collection points. Vacuum trucks and sorbents were deployed to collect and remove free standing petroleum product from the area ponds and road ditches. Approximately 27,500 gallons of oily water mix have been recovered. The spill area has been identified as being approximately three acres in size. Passive wildlife hazing is being used to keep migratory birds away from the site. A cleanup plan has been submitted and is under review.

Two ADEC spill responders are on site to provide direction and technical assistance.

SOURCE CONTROL: Spill responders have constructed a series of dikes and ditches to contain the petroleum product, or divert it to collection points where it is recovered using a vacuum truck and absorbents. Heavily contaminated soils in close proximity to the building are being removed and placed on a temporary stockpile.

RESOURCES AFFECTED: Land, freshwater ponds, parking lot, gravel pad, and roadways.

FUTURE PLANS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: Control source of remaining product inside building, recover heavily contaminated soils and other source materials. Develop Hazmat recovery, building demolition, cleanup and monitoring well plans, manage waste streams, and control access to the site.

WEATHER: Today, sunny, highs 70 to 75 °F, and light winds. Tonight, partly cloudy, lows 45 to 55 °F, and light winds.

UNIFIED COMMAND AND PERSONNEL:

Incident Commander:
F.O.S.C.:
S.O.S.C.: Tom DeRuyter (ADEC)
Field S.O.S.C.: Paul Lhotka (ADEC)

FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION CONTACT: Paul Lhotka, ADEC at (907) 451-2175.

Photographs and other spill information are available for viewing at:

<http://www.state.ak.us/dec/spar/perp/index.htm>

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Response contractor using heavy equipment to excavate contaminated soils.