

## ALASKA DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION

Barrow

Division of Spill Prevention and Response Prevention Preparedness and Response Program

SITUATION REPORT (SITREP)

## Eskimo's Inc. Unleaded Gasoline Tank Release

SITREP#: 1

**SPILL #:** 17399919501

TIME/DATE OF DISTRIBUTION: 21:00 P.M. July 15, 2017

POTENTIAL RESPONSIBLE PARTY (PRP): Eskimo's Inc.

**INCIDENT LOCATION:** Eskimo's Inc. Block B Fuel Storage Facility, Tank A, Barrow.

TIME/DATE OF SPILL: Discovered at 20:10 P.M. July 14, 2017.

**HOW/WHEN SPILL WAS DISCOVERED AND REPORTED:** A tank farm operator discovered the spill while working in the area and reported it to Eskimo's Inc. Eskimo's Inc. reported it to ADEC at 20:40 July 14, 2017.

**TYPE/AMOUNT OF PRODUCT SPILLED:** It is estimated that 6,000 gallons of unleaded gasoline was released into Tank A's secondary containment area.

**CAUSE OF SPILL:** The pressure relief valve malfunctioned, damaging the flex pipe which caused the ¾-inch pipe to separate from the tank allowing unleaded gasoline in the tank to flow from the tank into the secondary containment area.

**SOURCE CONTROL:** The breach was temporarily plugged to stop further release of unleaded gasoline. The secondary containment area is 67 feet long, 57 feet wide, and 2 feet in depth and consists of a bermed cell with a liner underneath. The release was contained by the berm, which remains intact. Tank A is the only tank in the containment area.

**RESPONSE ACTION:** The fire department and police department secured the area. Eskimo's Inc. responders recovered 4,200 gallons of unleaded gasoline from the secondary containment area by pumping the fuel into a tanker and using sorbent pads. No standing fuel remains. There were no injuries. Personnel transferred the remaining fuel in Tank A to another tank so that Tank A can be repaired.

**RESOURCES AT RISK OR AFFECTED:** The release is only known to have impacted the tank's secondary containment area.

**FUTURE PLANS AND RECOMMENDATIONS:** ADEC is working with Eskimo's Inc. to clean up the contaminated gravel within the secondary containment area. An ADEC responder will be arriving in Barrow to oversee the cleanup at approximately 12:00 July 16.

**WEATHER:** Temperature mid 40's F, wind 26 mph ENE, cloudy, no precipitation.

## **UNIFIED COMMAND AND PERSONNEL:**

Incident Commander: Avaiyak Burnell, Eskimo's Inc.

SOSC: Ashley Adamczak, ADEC

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

**FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION CONTACT**: Laurie Silfven, Environmental Program Specialist, ADEC (907) 269-7540

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