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The semi pulling a tanker trailer carrying 9,000 gallons of pressurized methane rolled and landed on its side at Mile 179 Parks Highway on August 18, 2008. Emergency authorities closed the highway for the majority of the day to safely vent the tank, and recover the semi and the tanker trailer. The road was closed between Mile 171.5 and Mile 184.5.

Methane is transported under pressure in refrigerated tanks.

The 103rd Civil Support Team, a weapons of mass destruction and hazardous materials response team from the Alaska National Guard located at Fort Richardson, happened to be driving in a caravan while enroute to a hazardous materials drill at Fort Greely in Delta Junction when they came upon the scene.



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Statewide Hazardous Materials Response Team

Truck Carrying Liquefied Methane Rolled Over on Parks Highway

Hazardous materials teams from the Matanuska-Susitna Borough and the military responded Monday to the crash of a truck tanker carrying 9,000 gallons of liquefied methane on the Parks Highway.