INCIDENT NAME: GC-2 Oil Transit Line Release

SPILL NUMBER: 06399906101

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: 10:00 AM, March 2, 2006. This is an initial notification situation report. As details of the spill and response actions are determined, they will be provided in subsequent situation reports.

TIME/DATE OF THE NEXT REPORT: 3:00 PM, March 2, 2006

TYPE/AMOUNT OF PRODUCT SPILLED: It has been confirmed that this is a crude oil release. The volume is unknown at this time.

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

CAUSE OF SPILL: Yet to be determined.

POTENTIAL RESPONSIBLE PARTY (PRP): BPXA

RESPONSE ACTION: The site is currently being evaluated by BPXA and has not been deemed safe by BPXA Safety personnel. Air monitoring near the site has indicated that high levels of volatiles are present. The Alaska Clean Seas (ACS) spill response team (SRT) will not have access to the site until the source has been controlled and Safety has confirmed the site is safe.

BPXA has activated their Incident Management Team (IMT) at the Prudhoe Bay Operations Center (PBOC).

ADEC has approved the use of vacuum trucks to remove free product when site access has been granted. The BPXA Environmental Unit is currently working on drafting a cleanup and disposal plan for agency review and approval.

Two (2) ADEC staff will be traveling to the North Slope tomorrow morning. ADEC will participate in the IMT and also have representation in the field.

SOURCE CONTROL: GC-2 has been shut down, and line has been blocked at each end and depressured. Wells connected to GC2 will still have to be freeze protected.

RESOURCES AFFECTED: At this point, visible product can be seen on the snow covered tundra. Once the site has been deemed safe and the full extent of the spill impacts determined, the SRT will evaluate whether any other additional resources have been impacted.

FUTURE PLANS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: BPXA will develop, and submit for ADEC approval, a cleanup and disposal plan. Additional response actions include: source control, identify spilled material, volume spilled, and cause of the rupture.

UNIFIED COMMAND AND PERSONNEL:
Incident Commander: Greg Alexander, Flow Station 1 Area Manager (BPXA)
FOSC: Carl Lautenberger (EPA)
S.O.S.C: Ed Meggert (ADEC)
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