

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

SITUATION REPORT

INCIDENT NAME: Kuparuk 2M-Pad Pipeline Release

SITREP #: 5

SPILL NUMBER: 06399906801

LEDGER CODE: 14163160

TIME/DATE OF SPILL: The spill was first discovered by a ConocoPhillips Alaska, Inc. (CPAI) operator at 4:15 PM, March 9, 2006. The spill was reported to ADEC by CPAI at 4:37 PM, March 9, 2006.

TIME/DATE OF SITUATION REPORT: 3:00 PM, March 23, 2006.

TIME/DATE OF THE NEXT REPORT: The next report will be issued when the cause of the leak has been determined.

TYPE/AMOUNT OF PRODUCT SPILLED: Produced water with a trace amount of crude oil. CPAI estimates 250 to 500 gallons of produced water was released to snow covered tundra. An additional 200 gallons were collected in a portable tank that was placed under the release point after the leak was discovered.

LOCATION: Kuparuk Oil Field near Deadhorse, AK.

CAUSE OF SPILL: The cause of the leak in the pipeline has not yet been determined. Three additional release sites were identified in the 24-inch diameter pipeline located near the 2M-Pad access road. An investigation team is in the process of identifying the cause and ADEC is participating in the investigation.

POTENTIAL RESPONSIBLE PARTY (PRP): ConocoPhillips Alaska, Inc.

RESPONSE ACTION: CPAI completed steaming the pipeline on March 17, 2006 and began cleanup operations. Significant accomplishments include removal of snow from the spill area, construction of ice berms and installation of shore seal boom around the affected area. The ice berms and boom are in place to ensure that no contamination escapes the affected area while the cleanup is underway.

The affected area is being flushed with warm, fresh water to remove the produced water from the tundra. The water is then removed from the tundra with a vacuum truck. The flushing operation began on March 20, 2006, and will be completed today. Confirmation sampling will be performed tomorrow for verification that the contaminants have been removed.

ADEC responders are in Prudhoe Bay working an additional spill and will be dispatched to Kuparuk as necessary.

SOURCE CONTROL: CPAI has shut-in the pipe on either side of the leak and the pipeline has been emptied.

RESOURCES AFFECTED: The spill impacts a maximum area of 2,003 square feet of snow covered tundra.

FUTURE PLANS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: Additional response actions include developing a plan to permanently repair the pipe, investigating the cause of the release, and determining spill prevention actions.

WEATHER: 16° Fahrenheit below zero, west wind, 8 miles per hour, (-34 wind chill)

UNIFIED COMMAND AND PERSONNEL:

Incident Commander:	Van Lineberger (CPAI)
FOSC:	Carl Lautenberger (EPA)
S.O.S.C.:	Ed Meggert (ADEC)

FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION CONTACT: John Dixon, 451-2164.

Photographs and other spill information are available for viewing at:

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

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