# ALASKA DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION **Division of Spill Prevention and Response**

## **Prevention and Emergency Response Program**

### SITUATION REPORT

SITREP#: 7 & Final **INCIDENT NAME**: Sterling Gravel Pit Vehicle Fluids

SPILL NUMBER: 08239912601 **LEDGER CODE**: 14260660

TIME/DATE OF INCIDENT: On May 5, 2008, ADEC received a report from Mr. Al Self, of vehicles collecting at a gravel pit in Sterling, some of which were leaking various fluids.

TIME/DATE OF SITUATION REPORT: 12:00 PM on October 20, 2008.

TIME/DATE OF THE NEXT REPORT: This is the final sitrep

TYPE/AMOUNT OF PRODUCT SPILLED: An undetermined amount of vehicle fluids including glycol, engine lube oil, transmission oil, brake fluids, hydraulic fluids, and differential lubrication.

**LOCATION**: Chumley's Gravel Pit, Sterling.

CAUSE OF SPILL: The cause was reportedly due to human error when vehicles that had not been drained of fluids were stacked into piles of vehicles that were free of fluids. During this period, many of the vehicles had damage done to parts of vehicles where fluids are held, causing leakage.

POTENTIAL RESPONSIBLE PARTY (PRP): Ronald Smith, Peninsula Scrap and Salvage

**RESPONSE ACTIONS**: All vehicles, the crusher and fluid vacuum system with rack were removed from the site as of Thursday, June 19, 2008.

The environmental engineer submitted soil and groundwater samples to an independent lab on June 16, 2008. ADEC received the results for these samples on July 14, 2008, and all but two samples came back below ADEC clean-up levels. The two samples reflected slightly elevated glycol levels above ADEC acceptable standards. On August 4, 2008 a new sampling plan was approved by ADEC and the sampling completed on August 6, 2008. ADEC received the results for these new samples on October 13, 2008 and they were non-detectable levels for glycol in all the re-sampled areas.

**SOURCE CONTROL**: Vehicles have been removed.

**RESOURCES AFFECTED**: Soil in the pit.

FUTURE PLANS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: All open excavations from sampling are to be backfilled with clean soil. Contained stockpiled contaminated soil will be held on site until the spring of 2009 when it will be transported to Anchorage for thermal remediation.

**WEATHER**: Today partly cloudy with highs in the low 40s.

#### UNIFIED COMMAND AND PERSONNEL

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S.O.S.C: Gary Folley (ADEC)

R.P.I.C: Ron Smith (Peninsula Scrap and Salvage)

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