

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

SITUATION REPORT

INCIDENT NAME: APSC PS 9, Crude Oil Release to Secondary Containment **SITREP #:** 3

SPILL NUMBER: 10309914501 **LEDGER CODE:** 14287160

TIME/DATE OF SPILL: 10:30 AM on May 25, 2010

TIME/DATE OF SITUATION REPORT: 11:30 AM on May 27, 2010

TIME/DATE OF THE NEXT REPORT: 11:00 AM on May 28, 2010

TYPE/AMOUNT OF PRODUCT SPILLED: Alaska North Slope Crude; quantity has not yet been determined.

LOCATION: Trans-Alaska Pipeline System (TAPS) Pump Station 9, Tank 190. Pump Station 9 sits just off the Richardson Highway, eight miles south of Delta Junction and approximately 110 miles southeast of Fairbanks.

CAUSE OF SPILL: During a scheduled shut-down of the pump station, APSC switched the station's power supply from the electrical grid to an uninterrupted power source (UPS) battery. The UPS control circuit failed to close a valve, allowing oil to flow from the TAPS line into Tank 190 and then out the tank's vents into the lined secondary containment.

POTENTIAL RESPONSIBLE PARTY (PRP): Alyeska Pipeline Service Company (APSC)

RESPONSE ACTION: During the night of May 26th, APSC installed and began operating a pump-around-skid to pump oil from Tank 190, around the closed valve, and back into the TAPS line. This procedure will be used to draw oil in the tank down to a level that APSC engineers determine provides sufficient ventilation for the tank to be emptied using the more powerful permanently-installed pump.

This morning APSC crews are modifying the secondary containment's drainage piping so that vacuum trucks can be connected to it to collect the contained oil. APSC currently plans to re-inject recovered oil into the TAPS line either at Pump Station 9 or at the terminal in Valdez.

Power has been restored to the pump station, and it is capable of normal operation once a re-start plan has been approved by the Unified Command.

SOURCE CONTROL: APSC personnel closed the Tank 190 valve manually and stopped the flow of oil into the tank. The oil level in the tank has fallen to where oil is no longer escaping into containment.

RESOURCES AFFECTED: There have been no reports of oil outside of secondary containment.

FUTURE PLANS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: Remove oil from the secondary containment, establish the cause of the incident, and restore flow through the TAPS line.

WEATHER: Today and tomorrow: sunny, light winds, afternoon thunderstorms, high 75-80°F, low 35-50°F.

UNIFIED COMMAND AND PERSONNEL:

Incident Commander:	John Baldrige, APSC
F.O.S.C.:	Matt Carr, US Environmental Protection Agency
S.O.S.C.:	Tom DeRuyter, ADEC
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