Big State 17.5 mile Richardson Highway Rollover

SITREP #: 1 and Final

SPILL #: 17229901701

TIME/DATE OF DISTRIBUTION: 

RESPONSIBLE PARTY (RP): Big State Logistics, Inc.

INCIDENT LOCATION: Milepost 17.5 Richardson Highway

TIME/DATE OF SPILL: At approximately 12:45 pm on January 17, 2017

HOW/WHEN SPILL WAS DISCOVERED AND REPORTED: The spill was reported by Valdez City dispatch.

TYPE/AMOUNT OF PRODUCT SPILLED: The quantity released was approximately 30 gallons of Ultra-Low Sulfur Diesel.

CAUSE OF SPILL: A tanker truck hauling a main tank and secondary tank heading north on the Richardson Highway experienced a loss of traction, and the secondary tank (pup) initially left the roadway. While attempting to bring the secondary tank back onto the road, it rolled over on the roadway and onto its side. The secondary tank was compromised resulting in the release of fuel oil.

SOURCE CONTROL: The source was controlled.

RESPONSE ACTION: Big State Logistics response personnel arrived to the scene from Valdez by 1:00 p.m. with recovery equipment and supplies. The spill was localized to the Richardson Highway road surface. Big State Logistics placed sorbents at the area that fuel was being released from the tank and sorbent boom was placed around the entire secondary tank. Big State Logistics transferred the fuel oil from the compromised secondary tank to another tank trailer. The main fuel tank and the truck remained on the roadway and were not damaged during the incident. The secondary tank was removed from the incident location and transported to Valdez and Big State Logistics applied more sorbents to the roadway to recover remaining fuel on the roadway. The sorbent material was collected and removed from the scene for pending disposal. There were no injuries.

RESOURCES AT RISK OR AFFECTED: The spill was contained to the highway surface and did not leave the roadway.

FUTURE PLANS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: This is the final report.

WEATHER:

UNIFIED COMMAND AND PERSONNEL:
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RP: Laurence Chesley, Big State Logistics, Inc.
SOSC: Ron Doyel, ADEC

**TIME/DATE OF THE NEXT REPORT DISTRIBUTION:** This is the final report.

![Figure 1. Location of Milepost 17.5 of the Richardson Highway.](image)

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[dec.alaska.gov/spar/perp/response/sr_active.htm]
Figure 3. Sorbents around the compromised secondary tank. (Photo: ADEC)
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