

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

SITUATION REPORT

INCIDENT NAME: Unalakleet Power House Tank Overfill **SITREP #:** 1

SPILL NUMBER: 10389934701

LEDGER CODE: Requested

TIME/DATE OF SPILL: 5:00pm, December 12, 2010.

TIME/DATE OF SITUATION REPORT: 2:00pm, December 15, 2010.

TIME/DATE OF THE NEXT REPORT: As the situation warrants.

TYPE/AMOUNT OF PRODUCT SPILLED: The spill volume was estimated by the Unalakleet Valley Electric Coop (UVEC) to be approximately 1000 gallons of #2 Diesel fuel.

LOCATION: Unalakleet, Alaska

CAUSE OF SPILL: Tank over-fill during fuel transfer operations.

POTENTIAL RESPONSIBLE PARTY (PRP): Unalakleet Valley Electric Coop

RESPONSE ACTION: The power plant operator reported fuel was released into the ice and snow covered secondary containment at the U VEC tank farm, constructed approximately three years ago. Fuel records were reviewed to determine the relative quantity released, however, the estimate provided is still preliminary. Fuel recovery began with a pump set at the low point drain, transferring the free liquids to a 5,000 gallon tank within the containment area. Fuel may have migrated beneath the ice layer in the containment, but the snow/ice coverage was reported as "light with some drifts". An ADEC responder is scheduled to arrive in Unalakleet in the early afternoon on December 15.

SOURCE CONTROL: Source is controlled.

RESOURCES AFFECTED: None. The fuel spilled was within the secondary containment.

FUTURE PLANS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: An ADEC Spill Responder has been dispatched to Unalakleet to aid with the response process and evaluate the soundness of the secondary containment. After the free liquids have been removed from the containment area, an initial removal of the contaminated snow and ice will occur. A monitoring plan will be established to ensure any fuel that may have escaped containment is discovered. Final cleanup of the secondary containment will likely wait until spring/summer 2011.

WEATHER: Temperature 15 – 25 below zero, winds approximately 10 mph.

UNIFIED COMMAND AND PERSONNEL:

Incident Commander:
S.O.S.C.: Tom DeRuyter
Field S.O.S.C.: John Ebel

FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION CONTACT: Tom DeRuyter at 907-451-2145

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