

August 7th, 2016 MBK Transit Laydown spill

Please find the following information as a follow up to the Spill report submitted August 7th, 2016 by Agnico Eagle Meadowbank division. This detailed report is submitted to the Inspector in compliance with the conditions under the Nunavut Water Board License 2AM-MEA1525, Part H, Item 8c.

Spill Description

In the process of lifting a c-can in the transit area, product was noticed spilling from the bottom of the container. The operator immediately stopped work. Upon inspection product was identified as bulk bags of powdered copper sulfate.



There were no off site impact or discharge to any receiving watercourses. The distance to the closest lake is estimated at 375 meters.

Cause of Spill

After moving bags outside of container, it was noticed that one bag at the back had a small rip hole, probably caused during transportation.

Remediation Actions

The bulk bags were removed one by one and placed in an empty container brought on location. The majority of product was left inside the c-can and collected and placed in an empty drum.





The product that first spilled on the ground and during moving process was collected with a loader and contaminated material was disposed at the tailings storage facility.



Corrective measures

After investigation, it was determined that a bag inside the container appeared to be ripped during transportation. C-cans are inspected upon charging before transportation and also upon arrival and this practice enabled proper actions to be taken.

Closure

We trust that the above details described appropriately the spill incident that occurred at the Meadowbank on August 7th, 2016 and the cleanup activities. Please contact the undersigned should you have any questions.

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