



March 29th, 2017 km 77 tanker spill

Please find the following information as a follow up to the Spill report submitted March 29th 2017 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

Hauling diesel fuel from Baker Lake to the Meadowbank site, a tanker from Arctic Fuel Services went off road and rolled-over at km 77 on the AWAR. The operator was uninjured and was taken out of the equipment.

After estimation on volumes collected and volumes initially filed into the tanker, the spill was estimated at 4885 liters of diesel fuel.

Spill location: Easting 64°53'41" 96°20'22"

There were no off site impact or discharge to any receiving watercourses. The distance to the closest lake is estimated at more than 2000 meters.



Cause of Spill

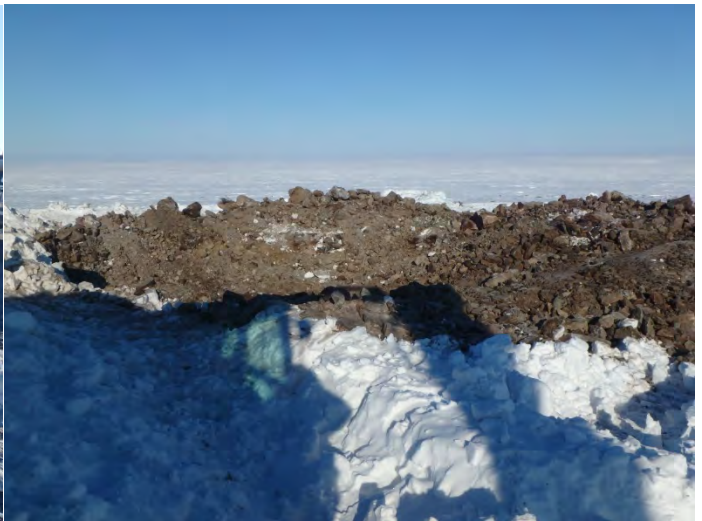
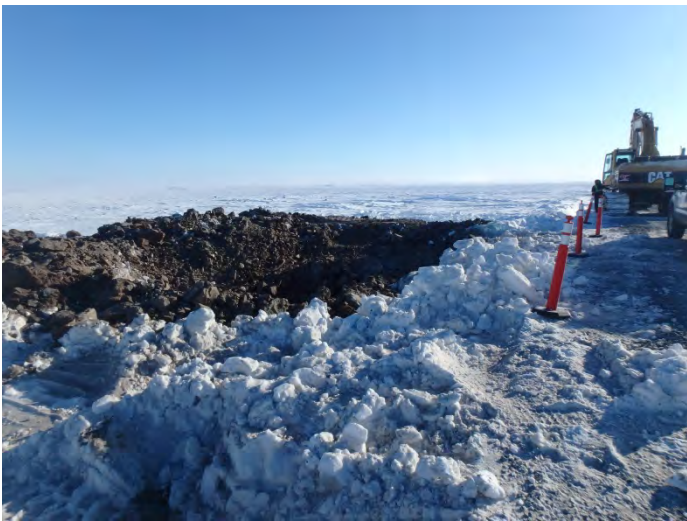
The incident occurred when the tanker moved on the side of the road for traffic coming in the opposite direction. What the driver thought was the side of the road was hardened snow and caused the tanker to roll over on its side. A leak was observed from the tank once responders arrived on location.



Remediation Actions

The leak was stopped and the fuel from the fallen tanker was pumped into a second one for transport to the meadowbank site. Once emptied, the damaged tanker was removed from the location. Contaminated snow was removed and brought to the tailings storage facility. The area was then excavated. A PID meter was used in-field to determine areas of clean-up. Contaminated soil was brought to the landfarm area. A third party assessment was completed on the clean-up actions, including soil samples collection.





Corrective measures

An investigation was completed with the current stakeholders and amongst contributing factors was: lack of communication, improper awareness of surroundings and inadequate work standards. The event was reviewed with the Arctic Fuel drivers to reinforce proper communication on the AWAR and the importance of training and comprehension of road procedures. An evaluation will also be done on the possibility of installing more reflectors along the road to Baker Lake.

Subsequent follow-ups and information

Upon reception of soil sampling results and reception of a field report from our consultant, more detailed information will be provided concerning clean-up. We trust that the above details described appropriately the spill incident that occurred at the Meadowbank on March 29th, 2017 and the first details of the cleanup activities. Please contact the undersigned should you have any questions.



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