



2020-02-06 MBK 150L Hydraulic Oil

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Please find the following information as a follow up to the Spill report submitted February 7, 2020 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-MEA1526, Part H, Item 8c.

Spill Description

During operations at Meadowbank, HTR22 was being started outside the Maintenance shop. Upon start-up, cold oil pressure built-up against the final drive seal and the seal failed causing hydraulic oil to spill on the ground.



Spill location: 65° 01'20.38" 96° 04'3.2" on IOL

There were no off site impacts or discharge to any receiving watercourses. Distance to the closest water body is estimated at 400 meters to Third Portage Lake.

Cause of Spill

The spill occurred due to a seal failure during cold start-up.

Remediation Actions

Spill pads were placed on the ground and the seal was replaced. Spill pads were collected and brought to the hazmat area and the ground was scraped clean. Approximately 0.5m³ of contaminated snow and material was collected and brought to the land farm at Meadowbank.




Corrective measures

A routine visual inspection of all system is performed during pre-operations checks as a part of the preventive maintenance program.

Closure

We trust that the above details described appropriately the spill incident that occurred at the Meadowbank site on February 6, 2020 and the cleanup activities. Please contact the undersigned should you have any questions.



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