

2022-04-25 MBK 30L Sewage

GN reference #: 2022-146

Please find the following information as a follow up to the Spill report submitted April 25, 2022 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-MEA1530, Part H, Item 8c.

Spill Description

During a routine inspection of the sewage piping of wing #6 at Meadowbank Camp, a worker observed a slow leak of sewage coming from the drain line. Upon further investigation, it was found that due to the building shifting, the pipe had slightly moved causing a small gap in the seal. As a result of the break, approximately 30L of sewage water was spilled under the building and onto the frozen ground.



Spill location: 65° 01' 15.90"N 96° 04' 19.14"W

There were no off-site impacts or discharges. Distance to the closest water body is 220 m to Third Portage Lake.

Cause of Spill

Damaged sewage line due to thermal expansion/contraction.

Remediation Actions

Monthly visual inspection of all sewage piping was conducted as part of regular maintenance activities. Hands shovels and equipment were used to manually excavate the contaminated area under the wing. The contaminated material was disposed of appropriately at the Hazmat area.



Corrective measures

Special couplings were ordered and will be installed to replace the existing joints to prevent the same event from reoccurring in the future.

Closure

We trust that the above details described appropriately the spill incident that occurred at the Meadowbank site on April 25, 2022. Please contact the undersigned should you have any questions.



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