

2022-08-29 MBK 200L Hydraulic Oil

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Please find the following information as a follow up to the Spill report submitted August 30th, 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 operations at Meadowbank, a hydraulic hose of the Hyster failed causing a total of 200L of hydraulic oil to leak on the ground at the Transit Laydown #4 between a row of sea cans.

Spill Location: Northing 65' 01' 01.66" Easting 96' 03' 53.64" on IOL There were no off-site impacts or discharges. Distance to the closest water body is 440m to Third Portage Lake

Cause of Spill

Hydraulic Hose Failure



Remediation Actions

The equipment was parked by the operator and absorbent pads were immediately place under the hose to capture as much oil as possible. The environment department was called to assess the spill and mechanics to repair the equipment. Approximately 2 cubic meters of contaminated material was collected and brought to the landfarm.



Corrective measures

A routine visual inspection of all systems is performed during pre-operation checks as a part of the preventative maintenance program. In addition, an environmental incident reduction plan has been developed. This plan includes a review of mechanical equipment failure, including hydraulic hose failure, to identify and address root causes.

Closure

We trust that the above details described appropriately the spill incident that occurred at the Meadowbank site on August 29th, 2022, and the cleanup activities. Please contact the undersigned should you have any questions.



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