

2019-08-31 WTP 120 Liters Hydraulic Oil

GN reference #: 2019-357

Please find the following information as a follow up to the Spill report submitted August 31, 2019 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-WTP1826, Part H, Item 8c.

Spill Description

During operations at Whale Tail pit, the hydraulic hose at the rear of BAC13 broke due to mechanical failure causing hydraulic oil to spill on the ground.



Spill location: N 65 24'24" W 096 42'25" on IOL

There were no off site impacts or discharge to any receiving watercourses. Distance to the closest water body is estimated at 150 meters outside of Quarry 2.

Cause of Spill

The spill was due to the mechanical failure of the hydraulic hose.

Remediation Actions

The equipment was immediately shut down and maintenance was called to replace the broken hose. Once the hose was repaired and the equipment was moved, the contaminated material was removed and brought to the Meadowbank landfarm. Approximately 8m3 was brought to the landfarm.

Corrective measures

A routine visual inspection of all systems and hoses 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 Whale Tail site on August 31, 2019 and the cleanup activities. Please contact the undersigned should you have any questions.

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