

2020-05-19 WTP 125L Hydraulic Oil

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Please find the following information as a follow up to the Spill report submitted May 20, 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-WTP1830, Part H, Item 8c.

Spill Description

During operations at the Whale Tail pit, the operator of excavator BAC08 was working at the bottom of Phase 3 pit, when a seal blew causing hydraulic oil to spill on the ground.



Spill location: 65° 24'28.2" 96° 41'44.8" on IOL

There were no off site impacts or discharge to any receiving watercourses. Distance to the closest water body is 300 meters to Lake A49.

Cause of Spill

The spill occurred due to an equipment failure on excavator BAC08.

Remediation Actions

The operator shut down the equipment and maintenance was called to fix the repair. Approximately 2m3 of contaminated 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 preventative maintenance program.

Closure

We trust that the above details described appropriately the spill incident that occurred at the Whale Tail site on May 19, 2020 and the cleanup activities. Please contact the undersigned should you have any questions.



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