

# 2021-04-18 WTHR 20L Diesel

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Please find the following information as a follow up to the Spill report submitted April 18, 2021 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, a loaded fuel tanker loss sight of the Whale Tail Haul Road due to poor visibility, and ended up on its side. A small slow fuel leak was observed from the top valve. It is estimated roughly 20L of diesel fuel was spilled into the snow, covering less than 1m<sup>2</sup>.



Spill location: 65°24'0.9" 96°37'14" on IOL.

There were no off site impacts or discharge to any receiving watercourses. Distance to the closest water body is 300 meters to an unnamed lake along the Whale Tail Haul Road.

## Cause of Spill

Equipment tipped over due to low visibility.

#### **Remediation Actions**

Absorbent pads were deployed under the leaky valve, and changed regularly until the tanker was emptied. Once emptied, tanker was removed from location, and contaminated snow retrieved. A total of 3 m<sup>3</sup> of contaminated snow was brought to the Meadowbank landfarm.



# Corrective measures

A safety standdown was done by the fuel operators to review procedures and to ensure equipment are parked if visibility is reduced. Agnico Eagle has a strict safety protocol in place concerning road status when low visibility is present.

# Closure

We trust that the above details described appropriately the spill incident that occurred at the Meadowbank site on March 22, 2021. Please contact the undersigned should you have any questions.

