

2022-06-16 WTP 800L Engine Oil

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Please find the following information as a follow up to the Spill report submitted June 16, 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-WTP1830, Part H, Item 8c.

Spill Description

During operations at the Whale Tail Project, a tote containing 1000L of engine oil was punctured by an equipment during the process of removing the reservoir from the sea can, causing a total of 800L of oil to leak on the ground of the warehouse sea cans storage pad.



Spill Location: Northing: N65°24'05.85" W96°40'30.85" on IOL

There were no off-site impacts or discharges. Distance to the closest water body is 550m to Lake A55

Cause of Spill

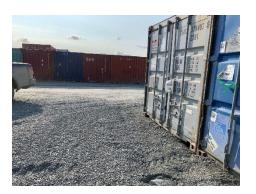
Punctured tote caused by the misplacement of the equipment forks by the operator.

Remediation Actions

The equipment was immediately removed from the area by the operator and absorbent pads/booms were placed around the seacan to contain the leak. Additionally, granular absorbent and a small pump were used to collect as much oil as possible. The seacan was then removed by the container handler to allow the decontamination of the area, approximately 12m3 of contaminated soil was collected and brought to the Meadowbank landfarm.







Corrective measures

A job task observation (JTO) of the tele handler operation was performed to identify the environmental and health & safety risks associated to the task. Following the JTO, wireless camera systems that will be mounted to the equipment forks boom were ordered and will be installed upon reception.

Closure

We trust that the above details described appropriately the spill incident that occurred at the Whale Tail site on June 16, 2022, and the cleanup activities. Please contact the undersigned should you have any questions.



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