

GN reference #: 2024-120

Please find the following information as a follow up to the Spill report submitted April 23rd, 2024, 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 the operations at the Whale Tail Mine, a lube truck operator noticed a hydraulic oil leak originating from the side compartments of the equipment. Upon further investigation, they found that the hydraulic hose connected to the PTO pump had ruptured at the crimped fitting, leading to the discharge of approximately 150 liters of fluid onto the ground in the underground genset parking.



Spill location: 65°24'22.83" 96°40'54.8"on IOL

There were no off-site impacts or discharges. Distance to the closest water body is 950 m to Whale Tail South Lake

Cause of Spill

Equipment failure

Remediation Actions

Spill pads were placed on the ground and a loader was used to scrape and remove the contaminated material. The contaminated snow was collected and disposed of at the Whale Tail Landfarm.



Corrective measures

An investigation was conducted to scrutinize maintenance and operational practices, aiming to uncover any potential issues or gaps. Subsequent to the investigation, a new step was integrated into the task to mitigate the risk of a recurrence of such events. This addition was then communicated and reviewed by the users of the relevant equipment.

Closure

We trust that the above details described appropriately the spill incident that occurred at the Whale Tail site on April 23rd, 2024, and the cleanup activities. Please contact the undersigned should you have any questions.



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