

ALASKA DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION
Division of Spill Prevention and Response
Prevention and Emergency Response Program

SITUATION REPORT

INCIDENT NAME: Lisburne Common Line Release

SITREP #: 8

SPILL NUMBER: 09399933301

LEDGER CODE: 14281660

TIME/DATE OF SPILL: The spill was discovered at approximately 3:05 AM, November 29, 2009 by the BPXA operator making a routine check. BPXA notified ADEC at approximately 4:45 AM on November 29, 2009.

TIME/DATE OF SITUATION REPORT: 2:00 PM on December 6, 2009

TIME/DATE OF THE NEXT REPORT: 2:00 PM on December 7, 2009

TYPE/AMOUNT OF PRODUCT SPILLED: The spill was from an 18-inch three-phase common line carrying a mixture of crude oil, produced water, and natural gas. BPXA estimated the total volume of oily material released to be 45,828 gallons (1,091 barrels). This is a preliminary estimate only.

LOCATION: Approximately 1.5 miles from the Lisburne Production Center (LPC) heading east along the Drill Site Line 3 (L03) and west of T3C, Prudhoe Bay, North Slope, Alaska.

CAUSE OF SPILL: The cause of the spill is unknown and is under investigation.

POTENTIAL RESPONSIBLE PARTY (PRP): BP Exploration Alaska, Inc. (BPXA)

RESPONSE ACTION: Crews manually removed approximately 40 cubic yards of contaminated material during the 24-hour operational period ending at 6:00 AM today. This brings the total volume of contaminated material removed from the site to approximately 200 cubic yards. This material will be stored at the East Dock ice pit until it is melted and the volume of collected oil measured.

A 4 foot by 4 foot steam head was constructed and all necessary steamer equipment has been moved to the staging area. To insure worker safety while steam-melting the contaminated snow, BPXA is developing a job hazard assessment for Unified Command (UC) approval. Steaming will commence once safety and operational issues are addressed.

The ice berm around the spill site was completed at approximately 11:45 AM on December 5. Additional water was added to the berm overnight to improve integrity. However, an increase in ambient temperature at Prudhoe Bay has impacted the ability to make additional ice. The use of the steamer tactic will not be affected even if the ice berm cannot be improved. The approved tactic includes collecting the contaminated liquid after each application of steam, rather than allowing the liquid to build up within the containment area.

Work on the ice-road continues; approximately 0.3miles of the ice-road is complete. The ice ramp and turn-around area at the spill site has been completed.

SOURCE CONTROL: The 18-inch pipeline between the LPC and L03 was shut in. BPXA reports that the 18-inch line is no longer leaking product.

RESOURCES AFFECTED: BPXA estimates that 8,400 square-feet of snow-covered tundra have been affected with some contamination on the gravel road. Reports indicate that no product has reached the waters or shorelines of Prudhoe Bay. There are no reports of affected wildlife at this time.

FUTURE PLANS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: Once initiated, steamer operations will continue until all gross contamination has been collected. If the steamer tactic is unable to adequately collect contamination, water flush and vacuum recovery tactics may be applied to the site. This tactic will require further reinforcement of the ice berm.

WEATHER: Today: Mostly cloudy with scattered snow showers and local freezing rain this morning. Highs 25°F to 30°F. East winds 15 to 25mph becoming southwest. Tonight: Clouds with isolated snow showers. Lows between 10°F and 20°F with south winds around 10mph.

UNIFIED COMMAND AND PERSONNEL:

Incident Commander: Randy Selman, BPXA
 F.O.S.C.: Matt Carr, EPA
 S.O.S.C.: Tom DeRuyter, ADEC
 Field S.O.S.C.: Brian Jackson, ADEC
 L.O.S.C.: Waska Williams, North Slope Borough

FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION CONTACT: Dale Gardner, ADEC, (907) 632-2626 or Scot Tiernan, ADEC, (907) 465-5378.

Photographs and other spill information are available for viewing at:

<http://www.dec.state.ak.us/spar/lisburne>

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Acronyms/Abbreviations:

ADF&G = Alaska Department of Fish and Game	EPA = U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
ADNR = Alaska Department of Natural Resources	NMFS = National Marine Fisheries Service
AOGCC = Alaska Oil and Gas Conservation Commission	SECC = State Emergency Coordination Center
DOI = U.S. Department of the Interior	USFWS = U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service



The ice berm surrounding the spill site and the 18-inch and 24-inch pipelines in the background.



Spill cleanup crew manually collecting contaminated snow from the spill site.