

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

**SITUATION REPORT**

**INCIDENT NAME:** Van Horn NAPA Fire & Hazmat Release

**SITREP #:** 3

**SPILL NUMBER:** 11309914601

**LEDGER CODE:** 14311960

**TIME/DATE OF SPILL:** Fairbanks City Fire and Rescue officials received a call about the fire at approximately 6:30 PM on May 26, 2011. The City of Fairbanks notified ADEC at 11:45 PM on the same day.

**TIME/DATE OF SITUATION REPORT:** 4:00 PM on June 7, 2011

**TIME/DATE OF THE NEXT REPORT:** As the situation warrants.

**TYPE/AMOUNT OF PRODUCT SPILLED:** Unknown quantities of automotive lubrication products, degreasing and solvent chemicals, paints, lead acid batteries, anti-freeze, and other petroleum-based chemicals were involved in the structural fire. Material Safety Data Sheets (MSDS) for all hazardous substances known to be stored at the facility are being analyzed to evaluate the hazards and guide disposal.

**LOCATION:** 1937 Van Horn Road, Fairbanks, Alaska

**CAUSE OF SPILL:** Causal factors are under investigation by the University Fire Marshal.

**POTENTIAL RESPONSIBLE PARTY (PRP):** NAPA Auto and Truck Parts

**RESPONSE ACTION:** Response crews have finished recovering approximately 28,000 gallons of accumulated oily water from low lying areas within the spill area. Containment ditches remain in place to collect contaminated storm runoff. Roughly 1,200 yards of heavily contaminated surface soils have been removed and stockpiled on liners at the site. The spill site has been fully delineated and covers an area of approximately 3 acres. The damaged structure has been stabilized, allowing responders access to the building's interior where, over the next several days, they will inventory, segregate, and remove hazardous materials.

Passive wildlife hazing continues to be used to keep migratory birds away from the site.

Two ADEC Spill Responders are onsite daily to provide direction and technical assistance.

**SOURCE CONTROL:** Spill responders are removing hazardous materials from inside the building and using absorbents to contain and recover contaminants still seeping from the building.

**RESOURCES AFFECTED:** Soil, freshwater ponds, parking lot, gravel pad, and roadways.

**FUTURE PLANS AND RECOMMENDATIONS:** Responders will continue to remove hazardous materials remaining inside the building. A soil probe will be used to investigate the degree to which soil adjacent to and underneath the building has been contaminated. The responsible party and its contractors are developing building demolition, site assessment and monitoring well plans and will continue to manage waste streams and control access to the site.

**WEATHER:** Today – sunny, highs 65 to 70 °F, and light winds. Tonight – partly cloudy, lows 45 to 55 °F, and light winds.

**UNIFIED COMMAND AND PERSONNEL:**

Incident Commander: n/a  
 F.O.S.C.: n/a  
 S.O.S.C.: Tom DeRuyter (ADEC)  
 Field S.O.S.C.: Paul Lhotka (ADEC)

**FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION CONTACT:** Paul Lhotka, ADEC, at (907) 451-2175.

Photographs and other spill information are available for viewing at:

<http://www.state.ak.us/dec/spar/perp/index.htm>

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