

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

SITUATION REPORT

INCIDENT NAME: XTO Energy Tank #3

SITREP #: 2 and Final

SPILL NUMBER: 12239900901

LEDGER CODE: Not Requested

TIME/DATE OF SPILL: The spill was discovered at 4:30 PM on January 9, 2012, and XTO Energy Inc. (XTO) reported the spill to ADEC at 4:50 PM on the same day.

TIME/DATE OF SITUATION REPORT: 4:00 PM on January 18, 2012.

TIME/DATE OF THE NEXT REPORT: This is the final report.

TYPE/AMOUNT OF PRODUCT SPILLED: Crude oil and process water. XTO estimates the volume at 6,300 gallons.

LOCATION: XTO Onshore Facility, Nikiski, AK.

CAUSE OF SPILL: A faulty gasket on an access plate located on the side of tank #3 leaked. The access plate is used for tank inspection and maintenance when the tank is empty.

POTENTIAL RESPONSIBLE PARTY (PRP): XTO Energy Inc.

RESPONSE ACTION: On the night of January 9, XTO personnel and contractors responded to recover free liquids from the secondary containment area, which consists of a bermed area lined with a 60-mil liner. On January 10, XTO completed delineation of the impacted area and began gross removal of contaminated snow and ice. Over the next several days, responders melted snow and ice in the affected area down to the secondary containment liner and recovered the fluids from the liner. These fluids were re-introduced into the XTO facility. On January 17, XTO notified ADEC that they had completed cleanup and were beginning to demobilize the equipment utilized in the response. ADEC staff visited the site on January 18 and concurred that XTO had adequately addressed the release and that no further cleanup action is needed until spring. At that time, the secondary containment liner can be cleaned and any residual product within the containment can be recovered.

SOURCE CONTROL: Upon discovering the spill, XTO personnel re-directed process flow from the 5,000-barrel tank #3 to other storage tanks located at the facility. The fluids in tank #3 were pumped down to a level below the leaking access cover. The faulty gasket has been replaced on the tank.

RESOURCES AFFECTED: No resources have been affected by this release. All spilled fluids were captured within the secondary containment area.

FUTURE PLANS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: XTO will finish demobilization today. XTO and ADEC will confirm the adequacy of the response in the spring once all of the snow and ice have melted within the containment. XTO anticipates that some minor level of cleanup will be needed in the spring to address any remaining contamination within the secondary containment cell. XTO will conduct this effort under ADEC oversight.

WEATHER: Today – Sunny; highs zero to 10°F; variable wind 10 mph.

UNIFIED COMMAND AND PERSONNEL: N/A

FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION CONTACT: Don Fritz, ADEC, (907) 262- 3419

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