

This publication provides a quick reference, but does not replace nor supplant the applicable, existing laws or regulations.

RELEASE/ EMERGENCY RESPONSE

Issue

An oil spill* occurred in the last 24 hours or a spill is occurring now.

Immediate Action

In the event of a release or emergency** response:

1. Take Four Safety Steps
 - Stop the source of the spill
 - Warn people in the area and evacuate
 - Shut off ignition sources
 - Notify land owners
2. Report the Spill
 - Call 911 or the tribal fire/rescue official
 - Report oil spills that come in contact with a waterway to the **National Response Center (NRC) at 800-424-8802**
 - For a list of suggested items to report to NRC, please see the back of this brochure

Who to Contact

- Call 911 and/or appropriate tribal/local officials
 - To report an oil spill, call the **NRC at 800-424-8802**
- www.nrc.uscg.mil

ABOVE GROUND STORAGE TANKS (AST)

Issue

A release from an AST has occurred.

Immediate Action

In the event of a release or emergency** response:

- Follow the immediate actions listed under **Release/Emergency Response** of this brochure and contact the **NRC at 800-424-8802**
- You may also need to submit an oil spill report to your regional EPA office. If you are required to have a Spill Prevention, Control and Countermeasure (SPCC) Plan, then follow the spill reporting requirements listed in your plan when you have a spill to a waterway of more than 1,000 gallons or two spills to a waterway larger than 42 gallons in a 12-month period.

Who to Contact

For additional information on spill prevention call the Superfund, Toxics Release Inventory (TRI), Emergency Planning and Community Right-to-Know Act (EPCRA), Risk Management Program (RMP) and Oil Information Center

800-424-9346 or **703-412-9810**

TDD **800-553-7672** or **703-412-3323**

www.epa.gov/superfund/contacts/infocenter/index.htm

www.epa.gov/emergencies

UNDERGROUND STORAGE TANKS (UST)

Issue

A release from a UST occurred or is suspected.

Next Steps

The size of a spill or release and other factors will affect what steps you should take. These are potential steps to take:

- Report the spill or release to EPA
- Investigate and confirm all suspected releases
- Contain and immediately clean up spill or overflow
- Take immediate action to prevent further release
- Assemble information about the site and the nature of the release

Who to Contact

If the release or spill is NOT an emergency**, but you are interested in cleanup: contact the appropriate regional office listed on the back of this document or the EPA Office of Underground Storage Tanks (OUST)

202-564-0663

www.epa.gov/ust

BROWNFIELDS ASSESSMENT AND CLEANUP

Issue

A property has suspected historic petroleum contamination.

Next Steps

When addressing a brownfields, these are potential steps to take:

- Obtain as much historical information (e.g., former uses, suspected environmental contamination, property ownership) about the property/contamination as possible
- Contact your Regional EPA office to discuss funding opportunities and determine property eligibility

Who to Contact

If you are interested in assessing a property to determine if a historic release/spill caused contamination to the environment, contact the appropriate regional office listed on the back of this brochure or the EPA Office of Brownfields and Land Revitalization (OBLR)

202-566-2777

www.epa.gov/brownfields

* Common causes of oil spills that require immediate action include, but are not limited to: tanker truck accidents; boat accidents; pipeline explosions; tank overfills; and train derailments.

** Incidents that immediately threaten public safety, health and welfare.

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Be prepared to provide the following information to the NRC:

- Address/location/phone number of facility
- Source/cause of the discharge
- Estimated total discharged on land/water
- Damages or injuries caused
- Actions used to stop/mitigate discharge
- Whether an evacuation may be needed
- Other individuals/organizations contacted

For Additional Information

Call the Superfund, Toxics Release Inventory (TRI), Emergency Planning and Community Right-to-Know Act (EPCRA), Risk Management Program (RMP) and Oil Information Center:

800-424-9346 or **703-412-9810**

TDD **800-553-7672** or **703-412-3323**

www.epa.gov/oil-spills-prevention-and-preparedness-regulations/contact-us-about-oil-spill-prevention-and-1

Visit the Office of Emergency Management (OEM)
www.epa.gov/oil-spills-prevention-and-preparedness-regulations

For more information on oil spill reporting requirements
www.epa.gov/oil-spills-prevention-and-preparedness-regulations/overview-discharge-oil-regulation-sheen-rule



ABOVE GROUND STORAGE TANKS (AST)

For Additional Information

Oil Pollution Prevention Regulation:
www.epa.gov/oil-spills-prevention-and-preparedness-regulations/overview-spill-prevention-control-and

To prevent oil spills from ASTs, many facilities are required to develop an oil spill prevention plan under the Spill Prevention, Control and Countermeasure (SPCC) regulation.

Steps to prevent oil spills from ASTs include, but are not limited to:

- Using tanks compatible with the oil stored
- Providing overfill prevention for oil tanks
- Providing secondary containment for tanks
- Inspecting and testing aboveground piping and oil tanks

Basic Information on the SPCC Rule:

- A Facility Owner/Operator's Guide to Oil Pollution Prevention: www.epa.gov/oil-spills-prevention-and-preparedness-regulations/facility-owneroperators-guide-oil-pollution
- SPCC Guidance for Regional Inspectors: www.epa.gov/oil-spills-prevention-and-preparedness-regulations/spcc-guidance-regional-inspectors



UNDERGROUND STORAGE TANKS (UST)

For Additional Information

Office of Underground Storage Tanks (OUST)

Headquarters and Regional Contact Information:

www.epa.gov/oust/regions/

OUST Headquarters *Judy Barrows*—202-564-0644

EPA Region 1 *Andrea Beland*—617-918-1313

EPA Region 2 *Ron Lockwood*—212-637-3413

EPA Region 4 *Winston G. Smith*—404-562-9467

EPA Region 5 *Bob Egan*—312-886-6212

EPA Region 6 *Ruben Moya*—214-665-2755

EPA Region 7 *Douglas Drouare*—913-551-7299

EPA Region 8 *Janice Pearson*—303-312-6354

EPA Region 9 *Rebecca Jamison*—415-972-3365

EPA Region 10 *Rob Rau*—206-553-6285

Cleaning Up Underground Storage Tank

System Releases: www.epa.gov/ust/cleaning-underground-storage-tank-ust-releases

Basic Information on UST Program in Indian Country:
www.epa.gov/ust/underground-storage-tanks-usts-program-indian-country



BROWNFIELDS ASSESSMENT AND CLEANUP

For Additional Information

Office of Brownfields and Land Revitalization (OBLR) Headquarters and Regional Contact

Information:

www.epa.gov/brownfields/brownfields-contacts-epa-regional-offices

OBLR Headquarters *Rachel Lentz*—202-566-2745

EPA Region 1 *AmyJean McKeown*—617-918-1248

EPA Region 2 *Phillip Clappin*—212-637-4431

EPA Region 4 *Olga Perry*—404-562-8534

EPA Region 5 *Rosita Clarke-Moreno*—312-886-7251

EPA Region 6 *Amber Howard*—214-665-3172

EPA Region 7 *Jennifer Morris*—913-551-7341

EPA Region 8 *Barbara Benoy*—303-312-6760

EPA Region 9 *Jose Garcia*—213-244-1811

EPA Region 10 *Mary Goolie*—907-271-3414

Basic Information on Brownfields:

www.epa.gov/brownfields

Basic Information on Petroleum Brownfields:

www.epa.gov/ust/petroleum-brownfields

