

General Environmental Incident Summary

Incident: 5559

Notice: 10/23/2017

Occurred: 10/19/2017

DEM Incident No:

No Further Action:

Responsible Party: Pace Construction, Inc.

County: Mercer

Twp Rng Sec Qtr: 144 86 18

Lat Long + Method: 47.29811 -101.61880 Interpolation from map

Location Description: 503 3rd Ave NE, Hazen, ND (located in alley North of this address)

Submitted By Info: Andy McDonald
Montana-Dakota Utilities Co
400 N 4th St
Bismarck ND 58501

Received By Info:

Contact Info:

P.O. Box 51330

Billings MT

Affected Medium: 03 - soil

Near. Occupied Bldg: 75 Feet

Type of Incident: Transformer leak

Release Contained: Yes

Reported to NRC: No

Contaminant: Transformer Mineral Oil (unknown PCB concentration, pending test)

Volume of Release: 1 gallons

Duration of Release:

Agriculture Related: No

EPA Extremely

Hazardous Substance: No

Number of Fatalities: 0

Number of Injuries: 0

Cause of Incident:

An overhead line was hooked by a contractor's dump truck and broke the utility pole that the transformer was attached to. The pole was leaning and energized secondaries hit the side of the transformer, causing a pinhole leak.

Risk Evaluation:

None

Potential Env. Impacts:

None, other than the soil that has been removed from the site.

Action Taken/Planned:

The MDU District Rep. was on site in less than ten minutes and placed absorbent pads on the ground to absorb the oil and proceeded to stop the leak from the transformer. Contaminated soil was removed from the area with an adequate buffer given the unknown concentration of the oil.

Wastes Disposal Location:

Pending the results of the oil analysis, the waste soil, absorbents, the transformer and oil will be disposed of at the appropriate facilities.

Other Agencies Involved:

Updates

Date: 10/23/2017 **Status:** Reviewed - Assigned to NDDEQ Division

Author: Schiermeister, Robin

Notes:

Release, due to a vehicle accident, spilled mineral oil. Release has been assigned to the NDDoH Division of Waste Management.

Updated Volume: None at the time of this update

Date: 12/29/2017 **Status:** Correspondence

Author: Striebel, Ivana

Notes:

12/29/2017 - Made information request of company representative. Needs additional follow-up.

Updated Volume: None at the time of this update

Date: 12/29/2017 **Status:** Correspondence

Author: Striebel, Ivana

Notes:

Received lab analysis from company, transformer oil PCBs below regulatory limits. Waiting for disposal records. Follow-up needed.

Updated Volume: None at the time of this update

Date: 1/29/2019 **Status:** Correspondence

Author: Striebel, Ivana

Notes:

1/29/2019 - Certificate of Disposal: Shipment was received on 12/15/17 by US Ecology in Idaho and corresponding paperwork was sent to electrical equipment owner and are located in file. No further action needed.

Updated Volume: None at the time of this update

Date: 1/29/2019 **Status:** Correspondence

Author: Striebel, Ivana

Notes:

Ivana Striebel sent a No Further Action letter dated January 29, 2019.

Updated Volume: None at the time of this update