

# General Environmental Incident Summary

**Incident:** 5797                      **Notice:** 8/1/2018      1500      **Occurred:** 7/8/2018      1700

**DEM Incident No:**

**No Further Action:**

**Responsible Party:** Reed Merkel

**County:** Dickey

**Twp Rng Sec Qtr:** 129 61 12 NE

**Lat Long + Method:** 46.00823      -98.26167      Interpolation from map

**Location Description:** From Ellendale ND: 12.5 miles east on Hwy 11, south side of hwy.

**Submitted By Info:** reed merkel  
8924 99th st se  
Ellendale ND 58436

**Received By Info:**

**Contact Info:** reed merkel  
8924 99th st se  
Ellendale ND 58436

**Affected Medium:** 03 - soil

**Near. Occupied Bldg:** 1.5 Miles

**Type of Incident:** chemical spill

**Release Contained:** Yes

**Reported to NRC:** No

**Contaminant:** Liberty herbicide

**Volume of Release:** 177 gallons

**Duration of Release:** 15 minutes

**Agriculture Related:** Yes

**EPA Extremely Hazardous Substance:** No

**Number of Fatalities:** 0

**Number of Injuries:** 0

**Cause of Incident:**

Operator left pump switch on and pumped chemical into a tank that overflowed and then spilled onto ground.

**Risk Evaluation:**

none

**Potential Env. Impacts:**

none

**Action Taken/Planned:**

Called emergency spill hotline, county emergency director and fire department were called. Talked to Russel Martin, with the Department of Health. He recommended that we scoop up the dirt from the site and take else where. Excavator was called in. Dirt was scraped up, and hauled to a field, where it was spread out.

**Wastes Disposal Location:**

Scattered in a field.

**Other Agencies Involved:**

Local Fire Department, Local Law Enforcement, Local Emergency Manager

## **Updates**

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**Date:** 8/1/2018      **Status:** Reviewed - Follow-up Required

**Author:** Crowdus, Kory

**Notes:**

Impact to soil. Follow-up is required.

**Updated Volume:** None at the time of this update

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**Date:** 8/17/2018      **Status:** Correspondence

**Author:** Martin, Russell

**Notes:**

Dickey Co. Emergency Manager oversaw cleanup. Impacted material spread on responsible party's field. No further follow-up required at this time.

**Updated Volume:** None at the time of this update