

Under Pressure Connection
825 Route 15 South
South Williamsport, PA 17702

11/20/2018

Incident Report

Oil Spill Documentation

Incident Date: 10/22/2018

Event – Oil Spilled

Location – [REDACTED]

Address – [REDACTED]

City – [REDACTED]

State – [REDACTED]

Affordable Representative Handling – Arden Steiner

Level of Seriousness 1-10, 10 worst – 8.5

Product – Heating Oil

Owned or Rented – Customer Owns

Areas Impacted – Yard, Flower Bed, Deck, House, Driveway, shrubs, trees, siding, and windows.

Description of Event

On October 22, 2018 around 11:45 am Affordable Fuels Driver, Jeffrey Benfer was delivering fuel to [REDACTED]. The customer, [REDACTED] (not close relation) was not home at the time of the delivery. The driver started the pump for his 8th delivery of the day and pulled the hose to make the delivery. The driver made the delivery and when the whistle stopped, shut off the nozzle. At that time the nozzle separated from the hose and oil began pouring under full pressure out the end of the hose. The driver sprinted to the truck to shut down the PTO of the truck.

The oil spilled from the fill location back to the truck. The driver immediately notified the office and the manager on duty – Arden Steiner. The driver contained the oil using the materials carried on the truck - Oil booms, oil pads, oil dry were all deployed. The driver was instructed to return to the shop immediately to shower and decontaminate from the oil that had sprayed all him, his clothes, and personal items.

Arden Steiner responded to the scene to assess the damages and further contain and then begin cleaning up the spill.

Kevin Bailor, shop mechanic, responded to the scene with additional supplies and resources at the request of Arden Steiner.

Arden and Kevin deployed additional oil pads and additional oil dry and continued soaking as much oil as possible. The materials were then collected and placed in hazardous material bags and then placed in trash cans.

Arden and Kevin then began to deploy Vapor Remed to remediate the oil and eliminate the pungent oil odor that had infiltrated the exterior of the home. 15 gallons of product was deployed on the flower bed, the yard, the driveway, the deck, the siding, the shutters, the windows, the roof, and the vegetation surrounding the area.

The house, deck, and driveway was scrubbed with both Vapor Remed and then Dawn. The yard and the flower bed was agitated and the soil was turned over to allow the Vapor Remed to penetrate the soil and remediate the oil.

The customer was contacted the following day and the customer confirmed the oil smell was manageable. Affordable representatives returned October 23, 2018 and then again October 25, 2018 (delayed due to weather) and continued to clean up the spill. An additional 10 gallons of Vapor Remed was deployed as well as various cleaners including Dawn. The flower bed was again turned over, the yard was agitated and the driveway was scrubbed.

Affordable again returned October 30, 2018 and November 6, 2018 to continue extracting oil from the driveway and treat the flower bed, surrounding shrubbery and trees.

As of November 12, 2018 Affordable notates the following:

1. The driveway does not appear soft, still has a mild stain.
2. The grass has died where the oil was spilled and will need reseeded in the spring.
3. The siding, shutters, windows, and deck appear to be free from stain and damage and the homeowner is currently pleased.
4. The flower bed is treated.
5. The surrounding shrubbery (2) and trees (2) will not be assessed till spring when they bud. There is no way to establish their health in this season.
6. The smell of oil is complete gone at this time.