

**SPILL PREVENTION, CONTROL AND  
COUNTERMEASURE PLAN  
LOWER BAKER GENERATION PLANT  
47256 BAKER DAM ROAD  
CONCRETE, WASHINGTON**

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GeoEngineers is pleased to submit the Draft Spill Prevention, Control and Countermeasure (SPCC) Plan for Puget Sound Energy, Lower Baker Generation Plant, 47256 Baker Dam Road, Concrete, Washington. Our services were completed in general accordance with our agreement with Puget Sound Energy (Contract No. 4600001763).

This SPCC Plan has been prepared for the exclusive use of Puget Sound Energy, their authorized agents and regulatory agencies. This Plan is not intended for use by others, and the information contained herein is not applicable to other sites. Within the limitations of scope, schedule, and budget, our services have been executed in accordance with the generally accepted engineering practices for SPCC plans in this area at the time this Plan was prepared. No warranty or other conditions express or implied should be understood.

We appreciate the opportunity to assist Puget Sound Energy on this project. Please contact us if you have questions regarding this report.

Yours very truly,

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**SPILL PREVENTION CONTROL AND COUNTERMEASURE PLAN  
MANAGEMENT APPROVAL AND CERTIFICATION**

**Original Plan Date: August 25, 2008**

**Plan Amendment/Recertification Date:**

**MANAGEMENT APPROVAL**

**This SPCC Plan Will Be Implemented As Described Herein:**

**NAME: Edward R. Schild SIGNATURE \_\_\_\_\_**

**TITLE: Director of Energy Production & Storage DATE: \_\_\_\_\_**

*Designated Person Accountable for Spill Prevention*

**NAME: Gordie Johnston SIGNATURE \_\_\_\_\_**

**TITLE: Senior Environmental Scientist, Environmental Services DATE: \_\_\_\_\_**

**ENGINEER'S CERTIFICATION  
(PART 112.3)**

I hereby certify that (i) I am familiar with the requirements of 40 CFR Part 112; (ii) That I or my agent have visited and examined the facility; (iii) That the Plan has been prepared in accordance with good engineering practice, including consideration of applicable industry standards, and with the requirements of this part; (iv) That procedures for required inspections and testing have been established; and (v) That the Plan is adequate for the facility.

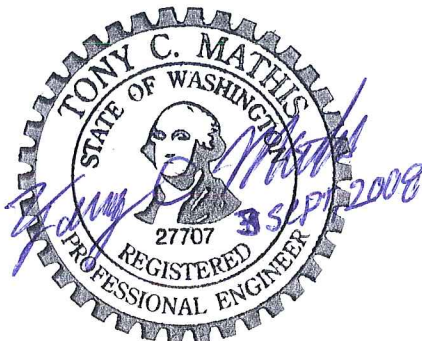
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**SPILL PREVENTION CONTROL AND COUNTERMEASURE PLAN  
SPCC PLAN REVIEW AND AMENDMENT  
(PART 112.5)**

In accordance with 40 CFR Part 112.5(b), a review and evaluation of this SPCC Plan will be conducted at least once every five years. As a result of this review and evaluation, Puget Sound Energy will amend the SPCC Plan within six months of the review to include more effective prevention and control technology if: (1) such technology will significantly reduce the likelihood of a spill event from the facility, and (2) such technology has been field-proven at the time of review. Any amendment to the SPCC Plan shall be certified by a Professional Engineer within six months after a change in the facility design, construction, operation, or maintenance occurs which materially affects the facility's potential for the discharge of oil into or upon the navigable waters of the United States or adjoining shorelines.

The undersigned individuals have completed a review and evaluation of the SPCC Plan for the Lower Baker Generation Plant, on the indicated date, and will amend the plan as described below.

**Designated Person Accountable for**

**Management Approval for Implementation Spill Prevention Review**

Signature: _____	Signature: _____
Name: <u>John Jensen</u>	Name: <u>Edward R. Schild</u>
Title: <u>Manager, Hydro Services</u>	Title: <u>Director, Energy Production &amp; Storage</u>
Review Date: _____	Review Date: _____

**Summary of SPCC Plan Amendments**

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## 1.0 FACILITY INFORMATION AND CONTACTS (PART 112.7)

The facility described in this Plan is under the primary responsibility of Puget Sound Energy Power Production. All questions relating to this SPCC Plan or facility should be directed to the appropriate contacts listed in this section.

### 1.1 EMERGENCY CONTACTS AND NOTIFICATIONS (PART 112.7 (A)(3)(VI))

**Local Emergency Services Telephone Number:** 911 (9-911 from internal phones)

#### Puget Sound Energy Notifications

**Name:** Gordie Johnston

**Title:** Senior Environmental Scientist, Spill Response Coordinator

**Contact Information:** 24-Hour Spill Pager: (206) 994-3186\*

#### **\*Contact this Number First in the Event of a Spill**

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**Title:** Manager Hydro Services

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**Title:** Lower Baker Operator

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**Federal, State, and Local Emergency Contacts to be Notified**

**Federal Notifications**

**Name:** National Response Center

**Contact Information:** 24-hour Telephone: (800) 424-8802

**Washington State Notifications**

**Name:** Washington Division of Emergency Management

**Contact Information:** 24-hour Telephone: (800) 258-5990

## 1.2 SPILL REPORTING PROCEDURES (PART 112.7 (A)(4))

Contact the Spill Response Coordinator at (206) 994-3186 first for assistance regarding a spill or suspected spill. Spills must be reported to appropriate Federal, State and local agencies if they result in a release of oil from the facility or produce a sheen or discoloration on the surface of an adjacent water body. The following information needs to be readily available when reporting a spill from the facility:

**Name of Facility:** Lower Baker Generation Plant

**Facility Main Telephone Number:** (360) 853-8341

**Location of Facility:** 47256 Baker Dam Road

Concrete, Washington 98237

**County:** Skagit

**GPS Coordinates:** N 48° 32'

W 121° 44'

**Date and Time of Release:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Type of Material Released:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Estimated Quantity of Material Released:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Source of Material Released:** \_\_\_\_\_

**All Media Affected by Release:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Cause of Release:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Damages or Injury Cause by Release:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Actions Being Used to Control the Release:**  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

**Is an Evacuation Needed?:** \_\_\_\_\_

**People and Organizations that have been Contacted Regarding this Release:**  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
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### 1.3 NON-EMERGENCY FACILITY CONTACTS AND INFORMATION

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<b>City, State:</b>	Bellevue, Washington 98009	Concrete, Washington 98237
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#### Environmental Services Department

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## **2.0 REGULATORY AUTHORITY, DEFINITIONS, GENERAL REQUIREMENTS AND PURPOSE OF THE PLAN (PART 112.1, 112.2, 112.3(A) & (B), AND 112.7)**

Regulations administered by the United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), and described in Title 40, Code of Federal Regulations, Part 112, dated July 17, 2002 (40 CFR, Part 112) require owners or operators of oil-handling or storage facilities to have Spill Prevention, Control and Countermeasure (SPCC) Plans in place to prevent the release of oil to navigable waterways. These requirements are applicable to non-transportation-related onshore or offshore facilities engaged in drilling, producing, gathering, storing, processing, refining, transferring, distributing, using, or consuming oil and oil products, which, due to their location, could reasonably be expected to discharge oil in quantities that may be harmful into or upon the navigable waters of the United States or adjoining shorelines.

An SPCC Plan is a document that details the equipment, workforce, procedures, and steps to prevent, control, and provide adequate countermeasures to prevent the discharge of oil to navigable waters of the United States. The Plan must be prepared in writing and have the full approval of management at a level to commit the necessary resources to fully implement the Plan.

Oil is defined as oil in any form, including, but not limited to fats, oils, or greases of animal, fish, or marine mammal origin; vegetable oils, including oils from seeds, nuts, fruits or kernels; and, other oils and greases, including petroleum, fuel oil, sludge, synthetic oils, mineral oils, oil refuse, or oil mixed with wastes other than dredged spoil.

These regulations apply to oil storage or handling facilities that are not transportation related, that have total aboveground oil storage of more than 1,320 gallons, or total belowground storage capacity of more than 42,000 gallons that is not regulated under a state program. Containers of less than 55-gallon capacity are not included in the calculation of the capacity of a facility. This facility exceeds the 1,320 gallon threshold requiring an SPCC Plan.

The compliance deadline for having an SPCC Plan in place that has been certified by a Professional Engineer (PE) and that is in conformance with the 2002 amendments to 40 CFR, Part 112 has been extended by the EPA as of May 2007. The new deadline for a facility SPCC Plan to comply with the 2002 amendments to 40 CFR, Part 112 is July 1, 2009.

It is the policy of Puget Sound Energy and its contractors to recognize that oil contamination of the waters of the United States or the State of Washington is harmful. Therefore, it is required that emphasis be placed on oil spill prevention, and that appropriate engineering and safety procedures be used when dealing with oil and its associated equipment.

### **2.1 PLAN ORGANIZATION AND CROSS REFERENCE (PART 112.7)**

This Plan contains the required elements of an SPCC Plan as described in 40 CFR, Part 112. The Plan has been organized to meet the requirement of 40 CFR Part 112.7 (a)(5) that requires organizing portions of the Plan to make them readily usable in the event of an emergency. A cross reference of the sections of 40 CFR, Part 112, Subparts "a" and "b" to the sections contained in this document is included in this section. This cross reference also lists the facility characteristics that must be described in the Plan.

The requirements of § 112.9 through § 112.15 (portions of Subpart "a" and Subpart "c") are not listed in this table. These requirements are for onshore oil production facilities or for facilities storing and

handling animal or vegetable oils, and are not applicable to this facility. Other information contained in the Plan includes the following:

- Appendix A includes a copy of the “Certification of the Applicability of the Substantial Harm Criteria,” as described in 40 CFR, Part 112, Appendix C. Based on the requirements listed on this checklist, the facility is not required to maintain a Facility Response Plan (FRP).
- Appendix B includes copies of PSE Standards and forms referenced in the SPCC Plan.
- Appendix C includes copies of inspection and maintenance records for the oil storage structures at the facility. This appendix will be maintained by the individual at the facility responsible for spill prevention.

**Table 1. Plan Elements and Cross Reference to 40 CFR (Part 112)**

<b>Section in 40 CFR Part 112</b>	<b>Description of Rule</b>	<b>Section in SPCC Plan</b>
§ 112.1	General Applicability	Section 2.0
§ 112.2	Definitions	Section 2.0
§ 112.3(a) & (b)	Requirement to Prepare and Implement an SPCC Plan	Section 2.0
§ 112.3(d)	Requirement to Prepare and Implement an SPCC Plan	Page i
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§ 112.7	General Requirements for SPCC Plans for all Facilities and all Oil Types	Section 2.0
§ 112.7(a) (1) & (2) § 112.8(a)	Discussion of Facility's Conformance with Rules and Applicable Requirements of Subpart A and B and Deviations from the Plan Requirements	Section 3.1
§ 112.7(a) (3)	Site Description and Facility Diagram	Section 3.0 Figures 2A, 2B, 3
§ 112.7(a) (3)(i)	Type of Oil in Each Container & Storage Capacity	Section 3.2
§ 112.7(a) (3)(ii)	Discharge Prevention Measures – Procedures	Section 5.2
§ 112.7(a) (3)(iii)	Discharge or Drainage Controls – Secondary Containment	Section 4.2
§ 112.7(a) (3)(iii)	Discharge or Drainage Controls – Procedures to Control Discharges	Section 6.0
§ 112.7(a) (3)(iv)	Countermeasures for Discharge Discovery, Response and Cleanup for Facility Personnel and Cleanup Contractor	Section 6.0
§ 112.7(a) (3)(v)	Methods of Disposal of Recovered Materials	Section 6.2
§ 112.7(a) (3)(vi)	Emergency Contact and Notification Information	Section 1.1
§ 112.7(a)(4)	Procedures and Required Information Regarding a Discharge	Section 1.2
§ 112.7(b)	Fault Analysis	Section 4.1
§ 112.7(c)	Secondary Containment	Section 4.2
§ 112.7(d)	Contingency Planning	Not Used
§ 112.7(e) & 112.8(c)(6)	Inspections, Tests, and Records	Section 4.3, Appendix C

**Table 1. Plan Elements and Cross Reference to 40 CFR (Part 112) (Continued)**

Section in 40 CFR Part 112	Description of Rule	Section in SPCC Plan
§ 112.7(f)	Employee Training and Discharge Prevention Procedures	Section 5.1
§ 112.7(g)	Security (excluding oil production facilities)	Section 4.5
§ 112.7(h)	Loading/unloading (excluding offshore facilities)	Section 5.2
§ 112.7(i)	Brittle Fracture Evaluation Requirements	Section 4.4
§ 112.7(j)	Conformance with State Requirements	Section 7.0
§ 112.8(b)	Facility Drainage	Section 3.4
§ 112.8(c)	Bulk Storage Containers	Sections 3.3 and 4.2
§ 112.8(d)	Fuel Transfer Operations, Pumping & Facility Process	Section 5.2

### 3.0 GENERAL FACILITY DESCRIPTION (PART 112.7)

The Lower Baker Generation Plant (Facility) is located below the Lower Baker Dam at 47256 Baker Dam Road in Concrete, Washington. The Facility is located at latitude N 48° 32', longitude W 121° 44'. The location of the Facility is shown on Figure 1.

The Facility is a hydro-electrical power Generation plant. The Facility consists of a water intake area at the Lower Baker Dam, Powerhouse Unit Number 3 (Numbers 1 and 2 demolished 1965) and the Warehouse area. The Lower Baker office and visitor center are located at the Warehouse area. See Figures 2A, 2B and 3.

Water enters the intake at the Lower Baker Dam and flows approximately 1,400 feet through a 22-foot-diameter underground main pressure tunnel to the Powerhouse. The Powerhouse consists of the generator level, turbine level and sump level and contains a single generator turbine unit. A 70,000 kVA transformer is housed in the transformer room on the generator level of the Powerhouse.

The Lower Baker visitor center, office and shops are located at the Warehouse area approximately 2,000 feet south of the Powerhouse. Facilities at the Warehouse area where oil is stored, handled or used include the Warehouse Garage, Fueling Station, Diesel Generator and Oil Storage Trailers.

The locations of areas where oil is stored and/or handled are shown on Figures 2A, 2B and 3.

To ensure and maintain the Facility's reliability and performance, it is visually inspected weekly or more frequently by on-site Turbine Personnel from the Energy Production Department. The Energy Production Department log is kept in the office located at the Lower Baker office (Figure 3).

Information provided by PSE indicates that the Generation Plant was designed and constructed in accordance with the standard of care for engineering and construction practices at the time of their design and with the approval of the respective government agencies and the general public.

### 3.1 COMPLIANCE WITH APPLICABLE SPCC REQUIREMENTS (PARTS 112.7 (A) AND 112.8 (A))

Sections of 40 CFR Part 112.7 that are applicable to this SPCC Plan are Subparts "a" and "b" of the rule, and a summary of operations meeting these requirements is as follows. A listing of the criteria applicable to this Facility may be found in Table 1, and detailed information regarding each of these criteria may be found in the report sections described in Table 1.

The Facility is designed to prevent oil releases during operation or maintenance of the Facility. Oil is stored in steel containers that are appropriate for the type of oil being stored in them, and the containers are kept on sufficiently impervious floors with appropriate secondary containment consisting of berms or dikes that will control a release of any stored oil. Figures showing the location of oil-containing equipment (Figures 2A, 2B and 3) and a listing of potential releases (Table 4) are presented in the SPCC Plan.

Oil transfers, loading, unloading and other oil-handling activities are manned operations, and transfers are performed at dedicated oil-handling facilities, and/or are performed using drip pans and/or sorbent pads to control any potential spills. Spill kits are located at the Lower Baker Dam, Powerhouse and Warehouse



areas. As part of the oil-handling program, signs are posted to warn personnel to disconnect hoses and secure containers before transport. Potential spill events at the Facility have been summarized and a prediction of the volume, rate of flow and direction have been prepared.

Discovery of spills will occur quickly. Oil-containing equipment is routinely inspected, typically on a daily basis. Should a catastrophic failure of a piece of electrical equipment or rotating machinery occur at any time, the loss of Generation capacity would immediately affect the distribution system. The operators of the distribution system would be able to quickly direct emergency responders to the site in this event.

Cleanup of minor spills would be performed by Facility personnel, whereas major spills would be controlled and cleaned up by qualified contractors. Contact information is detailed at the beginning of this SPCC Plan, and includes appropriate emergency contacts, including Facility personnel, cleanup coordinators, and regulatory agencies, and a description of information required during a release is provided.

Inspections and tests are routinely performed on oil-filled equipment and records of these activities are maintained as part of this SPCC Plan. Visual inspection is performed on all oil-filled equipment, and oil-filled pressure vessels are pressure tested in addition to being visually inspected. Smaller non-pressurized oil containers are visually inspected. Nondestructive testing is not performed on these containers as part of normal industry procedures, and because of the low container stresses associated with the typically small volumes of oil used in these non-pressure applications, visual inspection is adequate to evaluate container condition. No field-fabricated oil containers subject to brittle fracture inspection requirements are used at this Facility. Oil-handling personnel receive training regarding the SPCC Plan on an annual basis.

All areas used for oil storage and handling at this Facility are located inside fenced areas.

### 3.2 LIST OF OIL STORAGE TANKS AND OIL-CONTAINING EQUIPMENT (PART 112.7 (A)(3)(I))

The following oil-containing equipment is present at the Facility:

**Table 2. Non-Electrical Oil-Containing Equipment (55 gallons and greater)**

Oil Storage/Oil-Containing Equipment	Quantity	Total Storage Capacity (gallons)	Contents
<b>Warehouse Area</b>			
55-gallon drums in Warehouse garage	2	110	Used oil
5-gallon buckets in Warehouse garage	10	50	Used oil
2,500-gallon USTs at fueling station	2	5,000	Gasoline and diesel
55-gallon drums in Oil Storage Trailers	20	1,100	Solvents
55-gallon drums in Oil Storage Trailers	7	385	Kerosene, waste flammable liquids
Diesel Generator	1	474	Diesel
<b>Powerhouse</b>			
AST (outside Powerhouse)	1	100	Diesel

**Table 2. Non-Electrical Oil-Containing Equipment (55 gallons and greater) (Continued)**

Oil Storage/Oil-Containing Equipment	Quantity	Total Storage Capacity (gallons)	Contents
Penstock butterfly valve	1	250	Hydraulic oil
Turbine hydraulic governor	1	465	Hydraulic oil
Turbine thrust and guide bearings	1	745	Turbine oil
<b>Lower Baker Dam</b>			
AST	1	1,200	Hydraulic ram oil
Diesel Generator	1	100	Diesel
Hydraulic Gate Car	1	65	Hydraulic Oil

Storage Subtotal:

Aboveground Non-Electrical Oil-Containing Equipment: 5,094 gallons

Belowground Non-Electrical Oil-Containing Equipment: 5,000 gallons

The location of this equipment is shown on Figures 2A, 2B and 3.

**Table 3. Oil-Containing Electrical Equipment (55 gallons and greater)**

Oil Storage/Oil Containing Equipment	Quantity	Total Storage Capacity (gallons)	Contents
<b>Powerhouse</b>			
Step-up transformer	1	7,890	Mineral oil

Storage Subtotal: Oil-Containing Electrical Equipment: 7,910 gallons

**Total Facility Oil Storage: 18,004 gallons**

### 3.3 DESCRIPTION OF OIL STORAGE AND OIL-CONTAINING EQUIPMENT (PART 112.7 (A)(3))

#### 3.3.1 Warehouse Area

##### 3.3.1.1 Warehouse Garage

An oil storage area is located in the west corner of the Warehouse garage. The area is secured behind a locked chain link fence and contains two 55-gallon drums and approximately ten 5-gallon drums, all containing used oil. The drums are contained on spill-containment pallets and the garage area has a 3-inch-high curb, creating a total containment capacity of 120 gallons.

##### 3.3.1.2 Fueling Station

The fueling station contains two USTs, each with a capacity of 2,500 gallons. One UST contains gasoline and the other contains diesel. The USTs are fiberglass double-walled USTs, with interstitial leak detection that sounds an alarm at a panel approximately 40 feet north of the USTs.

### **3.3.1.3 Oil storage Trailers**

Two oil storage trailers are located east of the Core Building. The trailers are steel trailers built by Mckinney Trailer in Seattle, Washington, and are designed to be used as secondary containment. The oil storage trailers contain approximately 20 55-gallon drums of solvents, various drums of solvents, and seven 55-gallon drums of miscellaneous petroleum products such as kerosene, waste flammable liquids, hydraulic oil, gear box lube and 10-weight oil.

### **3.3.1.4 Diesel Generator**

A 275 kilowatt emergency diesel generator is located outside the east side of the Warehouse Garage. The generator and fuel tank was built and delivered as a single unit, and is sited on a concrete pad surrounded by gravel. The double-walled 474-gallon diesel fuel tank is located beneath the generator.

## **3.3.2 Powerhouse**

### **3.3.2.1 AST Outside Powerhouse**

An emergency generator is located south of the Powerhouse. The emergency generator is connected via aboveground piping to a 100-gallon diesel AST.

### **3.3.2.2 Penstock Butterfly Valve**

The penstock butterfly valve at the Powerhouse contains approximately 250 gallons of hydraulic oil.

### **3.3.2.3 Turbine Hydraulic Governor**

One turbine hydraulic governor, circulating approximately 465 gallons of hydraulic oil, is located in the Powerhouse.

### **3.3.2.4 Turbine Thrust and Guide Bearings**

The turbine thrust and guide bearing system circulates 745 gallons of turbine oil.

### **3.3.2.5 Step-up Transformer**

The main step-up transformer is housed in the transformer room at the Powerhouse. The transformer contains approximately 7,890 gallons of mineral oil.

## **3.3.3 Lower Baker Dam**

### **3.3.3.1 Hydraulic Ram Oil AST**

One 1,200-gallon hydraulic ram oil AST is located near the ceiling of the gate house at the Lower Baker Dam. The AST is connected to two hydraulic oil cylinders used to control the spill gate.

### **3.3.3.2 Diesel Generator**

A diesel generator located in the emergency generator house includes a double-walled 100-gallon fuel tank.

### **3.3.3.3 Hydraulic Gate Car**

Wooden and metal gates at the top of Baker Dam are raised and lowered using a hydraulic gate car that moves on rails along the top of the dam. The capacity of the hydraulic system is approximately 65 gallons. The hydraulic reservoir is located inside the car, and a drip pan is located under the hydraulic reservoir. Car operation is always a manned operation.

## **3.4 DRAINAGE PATHWAYS AND DISTANCE TO NAVIGABLE WATERS (PART 112.8(B))**

### **3.4.1 On-Site Drainage**

#### **3.4.1.1 Warehouse Area**

The oil storage area in the Warehouse garage is a curbed containment area with a capacity of approximately 120 gallons. The storage area is covered and does not contain a drain. Drums are kept on spill-containment pallets.

Three catch basins are located in a paved area approximately 100 feet west of the oil storage room. The catch basins reportedly never flood; however, dye tests have been inconclusive as to the outfall for the catch basins.

Gravel surrounds the concrete pad for the diesel generator. An unlined culvert is located approximately 20 feet southeast of the concrete pad. The culvert drains approximately 300 feet east to the Baker River.

There is no on-site drainage system for the fueling station area or the oil storage trailers. The fueling station is paved and the oil storage trailers are parked on gravel. Off-site drainage is described in Section 3.4.2.

#### **3.4.1.2 Powerhouse**

The step-up transformer at the Powerhouse is located inside a curbed containment area with a capacity of 411 gallons. Two drains lead from the containment area to a vault of 9,896-gallon capacity (125 percent of the capacity of the transformer). The vault contains a drain, which has been permanently plugged. Water in the vault is checked for oil before being pumped out by a vacuum truck.

The generator and turbine floors of the Powerhouse drain to the sump at the Powerhouse. The sump has a capacity of approximately 4,750 gallons and is equipped with an oil skimmer and alarm system. The oil skimmer operates approximately 15 to 60 minutes every two hours to remove any floating oil in the sump. Sump pumps and float switches keep the water level in the sump at least 1.2 feet above the sump floor and at least 9 feet below the top of the sump. The skimmer collects oil in a 55-gallon drum located on a spill containment pallet. Discharge is from the bottom of the sump, outside the Powerhouse, to the river below.

A sensor continuously monitors the sump and sounds an alarm if the oil level is 1/4-inch thick or more. The sensor alarm also pages the operator in the event oil is detected in the sump.

The sump pumps stop pumping when the water elevation is approximately 1.2 feet above the floor of the sump, so any accumulation of oil in the sump from a spill would likely trigger an alarm before oil is drawn into the pump system. In the event of a spill, the oil detection system will page the operator, who will respond within a 30-minute timeframe. The operator may then manually control the pumps from the sump room with the pump starting controls on the pump start boxes.

#### **3.4.1.3 Lower Baker Dam**

The Lower Baker Dam does not have an on-site drainage system. Flows at the dam flow overland directly into Lake Shannon or the Baker River.

### **3.4.2 Off-Site Drainage Pathways**

#### **3.4.2.1 Warehouse Area**

The off-site drainage pathway for the three catch basins in the paved area west of the oil storage area is currently unknown. The oil storage area should not drain to the catch basins because of the berm at the storage area. Oil spills from the diesel generator would flow into an unlined culvert and to the Baker River, approximately 320 feet away.

The fuel station and oil storage trailer area would drain overland approximately 50 feet south against a 4-foot-high soil berm. The soil berm measures approximately 400 feet long.

#### **3.4.2.2 Powerhouse**

The off-site drainage pathway from the Powerhouse would be overland approximately 10 feet west into the Baker River.

#### **3.4.2.3 Lower Baker Dam**

The off-site drainage pathway from the oil-containing devices at the dam would be overland, north or south directly into Shannon Lake or the Baker River.

## 4.0 POTENTIAL SPILLS AND PREVENTION MEASURES

### 4.1 FAULT ANALYSIS – POTENTIAL SPILL EVENTS (PART 112.7(B))

The probability of a major uncontrolled oil spill at the Facility is low. Although oil storage tanks and several single pieces of electrical equipment contain large quantities of oil, the containment systems at the Facility and associated structures are designed to contain potential spills. Any significant oil spill probably would be caused by a major structural failure. More likely potential spill events would be:

- A slow leak from a piece of stored equipment due to a failed gasket or seal, cracked bushing, or a leaking oil-stop plug, fitting, valve or similar item. An event of this nature would be readily detectable during routine inspection or day-to-day activities, and allow ample response time for containment.
- A spill of oil during repair or maintenance of equipment on site. An event of this nature would be quickly detected by the personnel performing the repair or maintenance, and response would be rapid.

Potential spill events at the Facility are summarized in Table 4.

**Table 4. Potential Spill Events (Part 112.7(B))**

Source	Type of Failure	Volume (gallons)	Maximum Rate (gallon/hr)	Direction of Flow	Containment
<b>Warehouse Area</b>					
Containers in Warehouse garage	Rupture; leakage	55	55	None	Contained in curbed area
Containers in Oil storage trailers	Rupture; leakage	55	55	None	In oil-containment trailers
Diesel Generator	Rupture; leakage	474	474	West	Double-walled tank
<b>Powerhouse</b>					
AST (outside Powerhouse)	Rupture; leakage	100	100	West	Double-walled tank
Penstock butterfly valve	Rupture; leakage	250	250	To sump	Sump
Turbine hydraulic governor	Rupture; leakage	465	465	To sump	Sump
Generator thrust and guide bearings	Rupture; leakage	745	745	To sump	Sump
Step-up transformer	Rupture; leakage	7,890	7,890	To vault	Vault
<b>Lower Baker Dam</b>					
AST	Rupture; leakage	1,200	1,200	West	Metal drip pan and building
Diesel generator	Rupture; leakage	180	100	West	Double-walled tank
Hydraulic gate car	Rupture; leakage	65	65	Down to River or Lake	Drip pan; car floor

## **4.2 OIL SPILL CONTAINMENT SYSTEMS (PART 112.7(C))**

Containment systems for each building and oil storage structure are described in this section.

### **4.2.1 Warehouse Area**

The two 55-gallon drums in the oil storage area are kept on spill-containment pallets. The oil storage area is a bermed area with a capacity of approximately 120 gallons. The diesel generator fuel tank is a double-walled fuel tank.

The oil storage trailers are steel trailers built by Mckinney Trailer in Seattle, Washington, and the floor of the trailer is designed to function as secondary containment.

### **4.2.2 Powerhouse**

The step-up transformer at the Powerhouse is located inside a curbed containment area with a capacity of 411 gallons. Two drains lead from the containment area to a sealed vault of 9,896-gallon capacity, or 125 percent of the capacity of the transformer.

All other areas of the Powerhouse drain to the sump. The sump has a capacity of approximately 4,750 gallons and is equipped with an oil skimmer and alarm system as described in Section 3.4.1.2.

### **4.2.3 Lower Baker Dam**

The 1,200-gallon AST in the gatehouse at the dam uses the gatehouse building as secondary containment. A 6-foot x 2-foot welded steel plate was fabricated and installed over the double door and small hole in the wall to completely seal the building. The gatehouse building allows water from Shannon Lake to seep into the gatehouse, but this water does not escape the building. Any release from the 1,200 gallon AST would be contained in the gatehouse. Water in the gatehouse house is pumped out as needed. The gatehouse building is inspected daily by operators.

The diesel generator in the emergency generator house contains a 100-gallon double-walled fuel tank.

The hydraulic system in the hydraulic gate car has a 65-gallon capacity. The system utilizes steel supply and return lines. Operation of the gate car is always a manned operation, and the hydraulic system contains an audible low-oil alarm system, so that a spill would most likely be immediately noticeable by the operator. There is a drip pan located under the hydraulic reservoir.

## **4.3 INSPECTIONS AND RECORD KEEPING (PART 112.7 (E))**

Inspections of lubrication systems, electrical equipment, and oil storage systems are performed on a regular basis, typically daily. Inspection procedure, any required physical testing of oil-containing equipment and record keeping requirements for oil-containing equipment and stored oil are described in the following subsections.

#### **4.3.1 Oil-Filled Electrical Equipment**

Oil-filled electrical equipment at the Facility is visually inspected on a regular basis, typically daily, by Facility personnel for overall condition to include any leaks, damage or other conditions that could potentially contribute to a release. Inspected equipment includes the following:

- Step-up transformer at Powerhouse
- Turbine grounding transformer at Powerhouse

Areas to be inspected include the sides and bottoms of the equipment and any bushings or plugs on the equipment. These areas are evaluated to see if oil is present and oil levels are checked using the sight glass in the equipment. Mountings, supports, brackets and bases for oil-filled equipment will be inspected for any damage, deterioration, corrosion or other evidence of potential failure. Any damage or deterioration of the mounting system will be reported to the Maintenance Supervisor for the Facility, and repaired or replaced as necessary.

Any leakage from the system is noted and cleaned up with absorbent pads as necessary. These losses and any oil added to the system are recorded on a PSE Weekly Facility Inspection form (Form 1185) or an equivalent form developed by the Facility to evaluate if oil may be leaking from the turbine lubrication system at some unseen location.

Visual inspection of the oil-filled electrical equipment is the only means of inspection performed on this type of equipment. The equipment is non-pressurized, and other means of testing of the physical integrity of electrical equipment housings are not industry practice. It is our opinion that visual inspection of this equipment is adequate to evaluate its condition.

Any other maintenance and inspection activities will be documented using a PSE Weekly Facility Inspection form (Form 1185) or an equivalent form developed by the Facility. Copies of the completed inspection form are maintained for a period of 5 years in Appendix C of this SPCC Plan.

#### **4.3.2 Turbine Bearing System, Thrust and Guide at Powerhouse**

The turbine bearing system in the Generation plant is visually inspected on a regular basis, typically daily, by Facility personnel for leaks and oil levels. Areas to be inspected are piping, piping connections, bearing housings, shaft seals, gasketed joints in oil-filled equipment, lubrication oil pressure vessels and any other oil-filled equipment connected to the turbine lubrication system. Mountings, supports, brackets and bases for oil-filled equipment will be inspected for any damage, deterioration, corrosion or other evidence of potential failure. Any damage or deterioration of the mounting system will be reported to the Maintenance Supervisor for the Facility and repaired or replaced as necessary.

Any leakage from the system is noted and cleaned up with absorbent pads as necessary. These losses and any oil added to the system are recorded on a PSE Weekly Facility Inspection form (Form 1185) or an equivalent form developed by the Facility to evaluate if oil may be leaking from the turbine lubrication system at some unseen location. Oil is periodically changed from the system, and oil changes are also documented on an inspection form. Copies of these completed inspection forms are maintained in Appendix C of this SPCC Plan.



The sump at the lower level of the Generation plant includes an oil skimmer system, as well as a floating oil detection sensor. The oil skimmer system continuously removes any oily sheen that may be present in the sump and collects the oil in a 55-gallon drum adjacent to the sump.

A sensor continuously monitors the sump and sounds an alarm if the oil level is 1/4-inch thick or more. The sensor alarm also pages the operator in the event oil is detected in the sump.

The sump pumps stop pumping when the water elevation is approximately 1.2 feet above the floor of the sump, so any accumulation of oil in the sump from a spill would likely trigger an alarm before oil is drawn into the pump system. In the event of a spill, the oil detection system will page the operator, who will respond within a 30-minute timeframe. The operator may then manually control the pumps from the sump room with the pump starting controls on the pump start boxes.

Pressure vessels that hold reserve oil in the turbine system are pressure tested every 10 years in accordance with American Petroleum Institute (API) 572 to evaluate their suitability for use. Records of this testing provided by the subcontractor performing the testing will be maintained in Appendix C of this SPCC Plan. Pressure testing of the remainder of the lubrication system would likely damage seals and gaskets in the system, and other methods of non-destructive testing would reveal little more information that could be discovered using visual inspection procedures. It is our opinion that visual inspections of the balance of the lubrication system are adequate to evaluate its condition.

Any other maintenance and inspection activities will be documented using a PSE Weekly Facility Inspection form (Form 1185) or an equivalent form developed by the Facility. Copies of the completed inspection form are maintained for a period of 5 years in Appendix C of this SPCC Plan.

#### **4.3.3 Aboveground Storage Tanks**

Visual inspections of the gate house AST are conducted frequently, typically daily, to check for leaks, damage, corrosion or any other conditions that could result in an uncontrolled release of oil. This inspection is documented using a PSE Weekly Facility Inspection form (Form 1185) or an equivalent form developed by the Facility. Copies of the completed inspection records are kept at the Lower Baker office.

#### **4.3.4 Miscellaneous Oil Storage Areas**

Other stored oil and oil-filled equipment at the Generation Plant are inspected frequently by Facility personnel for overall condition to include any leaks, damage or other conditions that could potentially contribute to a release.

Visual inspections are performed on stored oil drums, containers and other oil-filled equipment. Areas inspected include the sides and bottoms of the containers, and any drains, fittings or seams in the containers or equipment. If leaks, corrosion dents, or other indications of potential leakage are observed, appropriate action will be taken. Leaking containers will be plugged and/or placed on secondary containment. Containers that have conditions indicative of potential leakage will be placed on secondary containment, and replaced as soon as possible. Any oil will be cleaned up using the procedures described in PSE Standard 0150.3100, "Cleanup of Oil Spills."

Visual inspection of these types of oil-filled containers (drums and similar non-pressure containers) is the only means of inspection performed on this type of equipment. The equipment is non-pressurized, and other means of testing of the physical integrity of these types of containers are not industry practice. It is our opinion that visual inspection of this equipment is adequate to evaluate its condition.

Inspections are documented using a PSE Weekly Facility Inspection form (Form 1185) or an equivalent form developed by the Facility. Copies of the completed inspection form are maintained for a period of 5 years in Appendix C of this SPCC Plan.

#### **4.4 BRITTLE FRACTURE EVALUATION REQUIREMENTS (PART 112.7 (I))**

The Facility does not use any field-constructed aboveground containers. All electrical devices and oil containers used at the Facility are commercially made in a factory environment and are not subject to evaluation for failure by brittle fracture. Should any electrical device or oil container appear to be developing fractures or cracking in its metal case, the device or container will be immediately removed from service.

#### **4.5 SECURITY (PART 112.7 (G))**

The Facility is manned 8 hours per day, Monday through Friday, and an operator is within 15 minutes of the Facility 7 days per week, 24 hours per day.

Measures taken to prevent trespassing, vandalism, and sabotage include, but are not limited to, the following:

- Security fences or water surrounding the Facility site.
- Building and yard lights.
- Warning devices: “Danger” and “No Trespassing” signs.
- Locks on gates and buildings after hours.
- Pump shutoff switches located near the fueling station to shut off pumps in the event of a spill.

## 5.0 TRAINING AND DISCHARGE PREVENTION PROCEDURES

### 5.1 TRAINING (PART 112.7 (F))

The Hydro Services Manager or an individual designated by the Hydro Services Manager are responsible for providing an annual training program for Facility personnel regarding SPCC measures.

Spill prevention training will be provided on an annual basis to all personnel that are involved in handling oil. The training program includes the information included in this Plan, methods and procedures used to prevent, control, and cleanup an oil spill, and a review of pollution control regulations. Training will also include describing any known releases or failures at the Facility, lessons learned from these events, updates on Facility equipment and new precautions to be observed. The following PSE Standards found in Appendix B shall be included as a part of the training:

- 0150.3100, "Cleanup of Oil Spills"
- 0150.3150, "Oil Sampling Procedures for Distribution Transformers and Oil-Filled Equipment"

Other PSE Standards and Specifications also may be included as part of the training. A record of additional standards that are used for training will be maintained in Appendix C.

The examples shown in the Standards are general ways of containing an oil spill. The exact methods employed will depend on local conditions and circumstances. All referenced standards or specifications are attached to this Plan.

Training programs and periodic briefings include review of this Plan and describe actual experiences, recent spill events or failures, and new preventive control and cleanup measures. The individual responsible for training shall maintain a copy of the training roster in Appendix C of this Plan. A sample training roster is included in Appendix B.

### 5.2 OIL LOADING AND HANDLING PROCEDURES (PART 112.7 (A)(3)(III), PART 112.7(H) AND PART 112.8(D))

It is stressed to all personnel that an essential part of oil spill prevention is being alert for signs of leaks and the prevention of spills during their daily activities. This is accomplished by being observant and by performing regular inspections at the Facility. These inspection procedures, as required by 40 CFR Part 112.8(d)(4) are described in detail in Section 4.3. Leaks or spills shall be immediately reported in accordance with Section 1.1 and the Section 6.1.2 of this document, and appropriate response activities shall be started immediately.

#### 5.2.1 Transferring Fuel or Oil

Tank truck offloading occurs adjacent to the USTs at the Fuel Island area and on the dam structure at the Generation Plant parking level using remote fill ports for the oil tanks. No containment has been provided for offloading. Tank truck offloading procedures meet the minimum requirements and regulations of the Washington State Department of Transportation (WSDOT). Truck drivers observe the tank throughout offloading procedures and drains and outlets on tank trucks are checked for leakage before offloading or departure.

### **5.2.2 Handling Oil-Filled Equipment**

Spill kits will be readily available when handling oil drums and oil-filled equipment. Drums or oil-filled equipment will be sealed, checked for leaks, and if necessary, re-sealed or tightened. Containers or equipment will be properly secured before they are loaded and moved.

## **5.3 SIGNS, PLANS AND OIL CONTAINMENT KITS**

### **5.3.1 Oil Spill Notification, Signs and Plan Location**

“In Case of Oil Spill” signs are be posted along the inside of perimeter fences and in any oil storage or distribution area, and emergency spill contact stickers have been placed on all vehicles at the Facility. Copies of relevant standards are attached to this Plan. The SPCC Plan shall be kept in the following locations:

- The Lower Baker office.
- The Generation Plant.
- The Plan originals are kept on file in the Environmental Services Department.

### **5.3.2 Oil Spill Containment Kits**

Oil spill equipment and materials are stored in “Small Oil Spill Kits,” which are stored at various locations throughout the Facility. Kits shall be readily accessible and shall not be hidden or covered with other materials or used for anything other than their intended purpose.

Additional kits and materials are available through General Stores.

## **6.0 SPILL EVENT: CONTAINMENT AND COUNTERMEASURE PROCEDURES (PART 112.7 (A)(3)(III)(IV))**

### **6.1 GENERAL PROCEDURES**

Containment and countermeasure actions must start immediately after a spill is discovered. The primary objective will be to contain spilled oil within the immediate area, and prevent its entry into the Facility drainage system, the public drainage system or the navigable waters of the United States. This objective shall be met while maintaining proper health and safety procedures. General procedures to be followed in any and all cases of an oil spill event are described below.

#### **6.1.1 Identification**

Upon discovery of a spill during normal operations or as a result of an alarm at the Facility, the discoverer shall immediately evaluate whether the spill can be approached safely. From a safe distance, the discoverer shall evaluate the nature and extent of the spill. If possible and safe, the discoverer shall identify the source and stop the leak. The discoverer then shall initiate immediate action to contain the spill, and shall make the notifications described in Section 1.1 or the following section.

#### **6.1.2 Notification and Emergency Contacts**

The following notifications shall be made upon discovery of a spill:

- Notify the 24-hour spill response coordinator number (206) 994-3186.
- Notify the Maintenance Supervisor, Lower Baker Operator or designee – Phone numbers for the maintenance supervisor are (360) 853-8341, (internal) PSE extension at 86-3042 or cell phone at (360) 853-8608. Phone numbers for the Lower Baker Operator are (36) 853-8608 or internal PSE extension at 86-2033.
- The local fire department shall be notified by the Power Generation Serviceman or designee if there is a potential fire hazard (Phone 911 [external] or 9-911 [internal]).
- The spill response coordinator will advise on procedures for handling the spill. Generally, a spill contractor will respond if a spill meets the following criteria:
  - The spill is greater than 5 gallons;
  - The spill enters the Facility drainage system;
  - The spill is from PCB-containing equipment and affects underlying earth, asphalt or concrete; or
  - The spill flows off PSE property.
- The spill response coordinator shall contact the appropriate State and Federal agencies as required. The spill response coordinator or Environmental Services shall be the only contact with State and Federal agencies.

### **6.1.3 Containment**

Personnel from the Facility and the cleanup contractor will use the following general actions and PSE guidelines for spill control and containment. Facility personnel will use available spill kits and equipment stored at the Facility. The spill response coordinator will bring material and equipment as required to control and/or contain the spill. This equipment may be limited to hand tools and sorbent media for any spill that may be reasonably anticipated to occur at this Facility. The spill response coordinator or contractors have other equipment available, up to and including heavy earthmoving equipment and watercraft capable of recovering spills from waterways in the event of a catastrophic failure at the Facility.

- Confine and prevent any further spread of the oil (see PSE Standard 0150.3100).
- Plug nearby storm drains. Block catch basins by putting plastic sheeting under the catch basin grates and/or by building diversion dikes of absorbent or other material around the catch basin.
- Reduce or eliminate the spread of oil by using drain system isolation valves, dikes, channels, dams and/or oil absorbent material (see PSE Standard 0150.3100).
- Stop the oil leak at its source, for example:
  - Plug the leak with available material;
  - If a transformer or other piece of equipment is leaking, it may be possible to turn it on its side or upside down to raise the point that is leaking; or
  - If rupture or leak cannot be plugged, use bins, pans, barrels or containers to catch the oil if possible.

After the spill has been contained, the spill response coordinator will coordinate cleanup of the material.

## **6.2 CLEANUP AND PCB SPECIAL HANDLING PROCEDURES (PART 112.7 (A)(3)(V))**

A representative of the spill response coordinator shall direct the collection of spilled oil and removal of contaminated soils and other materials. Spilled oil and contaminated media will be transported to PSE's South King County Waste Management Facility as generally described in Standard 0150.3100. Disposal of spilled oil and contaminated materials shall be arranged at the South King County Waste Management Facility, which is a licensed moderate-risk waste facility (King County Permit Number PR0064285, RCRA ID WAD000006569). Recovered oil, contaminated soil or contaminated water will be disposed of by recycling, thermal treatment and/or land filling at permitted facilities as appropriate.

Special handling is required for a spill event originating from containers or electrical items that are labeled as containing PCB or PCB-contaminated oil. The label used for identifying such containers and items is shown in Standard 0150.3125; cleanup is outlined in Standard 0150.3100 "Cleanup of Oil Spills." Any oil-filled device of unknown PCB content must be assumed to be PCB contaminated and handled as such. The spill response coordinator shall be notified when the earth, concrete or asphalt under a leaking PCB-containing device has been contaminated. The spill response coordinator will verify for adequacy of cleanup.

### **6.3 ASSESSING THE SPILL EVENT**

In accordance with Section 6.1.2, the spill response coordinator shall be notified of the spill event. A spill response coordinator shall perform any environmental sampling necessary to evaluate areas affected by the spilled oil, assess and quantify the potential environmental damage, and collect necessary information that may include soil and water samples to confirm that the extent of spilled material has been identified and spilled material has been cleaned up.

### **6.4 REPORT REQUIREMENTS**

#### **6.4.1 Form**

Report oil spills using the “Oil Spill Report” form (PSE Form 1184).

#### **6.4.2 Notification**

A copy of the Oil Spill Report, including the test results and a map identifying the spill location, if prepared, must be forwarded to the Environmental Services Department in a timely fashion. Environmental Services will manage the required State and Federal spill notification and follow-up requirements.

## 7.0 CONFORMANCE WITH STATE REQUIREMENTS (PART 112.7 (J))

Oil spills in the State of Washington are regulated under the Revised Code of Washington (RCW), Chapters 90.48 and 90.56, which are enforced by the Washington State Department of Ecology (Ecology). RCW 90.48.080 prohibits the discharge of polluting materials into the waters of the State, and RCW 90.56 describes the spill prevention and cleanup process. There is no *de minimus* release amount defined in these regulations. Rather, any amount of oil that degrades the waters the State constitutes a release. Ecology typically considers the creation of a visible sheen on the water as a spill.

The goal of this Plan is consistent with the objective of RCW 90.48.080, and the items presented in this Plan, including prevention planning, Facility design and operation, spill response and spill notification requirements are in general conformance with the requirements of RCW 90.56. The conformance of the Facility with the requirements of 40 CFR Part 112 as discussed in Section 3.1 of this document addresses the requirements of RCW 90.56.



## **8.0 PLAN AMENDMENT BY THE REGIONAL ADMINISTRATOR (PART 112.4)**

No spill events reportable under the Clean Water Act or Washington State law have occurred at the Facility in the past five years.

In the event of a spill resulting in discharges of more than 1,000 gallons of oil in a single discharge, or more than 42 gallons of oil in each of two discharges occurring in a single year, the following information must be submitted to the EPA Regional Administrator and Ecology for their review within 60 days from the time of such a release or releases(s):

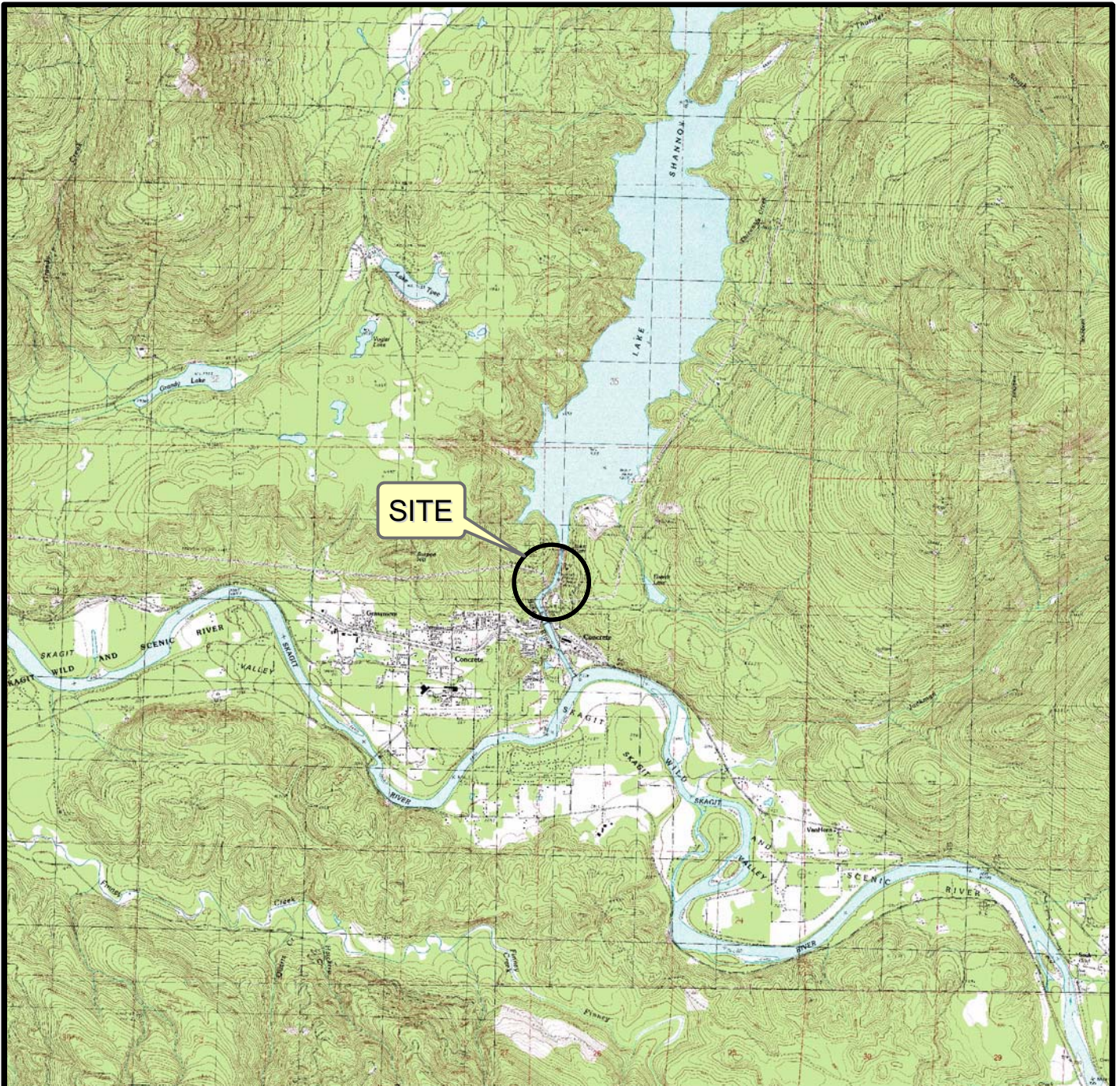
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2. Your name;
3. Location of the facility;
4. Maximum storage or handling capacity of the facility and normal daily throughput;
5. Corrective action and countermeasures you have taken, including a description of equipment repairs and replacements;
6. An adequate description of the facility, including maps, flow diagrams, and topographical maps, as necessary;
7. The cause of discharge, including a failure analysis of the system or subsystem in which the failure occurred;
8. Additional preventive measures you have taken or contemplated to minimize the possibility of recurrence; and
9. Such other information as the Regional Administrator and State Department of Ecology may reasonably require pertinent to the Plan or discharge.

The Plan will be amended, if required, after review of the information submitted above by the EPA Regional Administrator or Ecology. The Regional Administrator may require that the Plan be amended if he finds that it does not meet the requirements of this part or that amendment is necessary to prevent and contain discharges from the facility.

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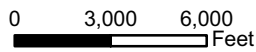
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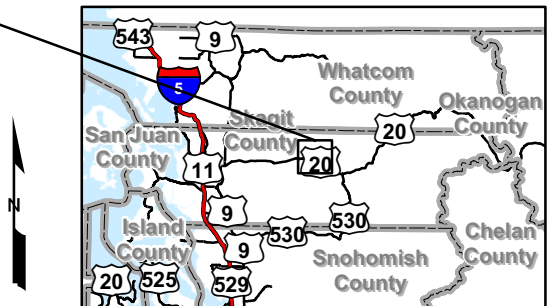
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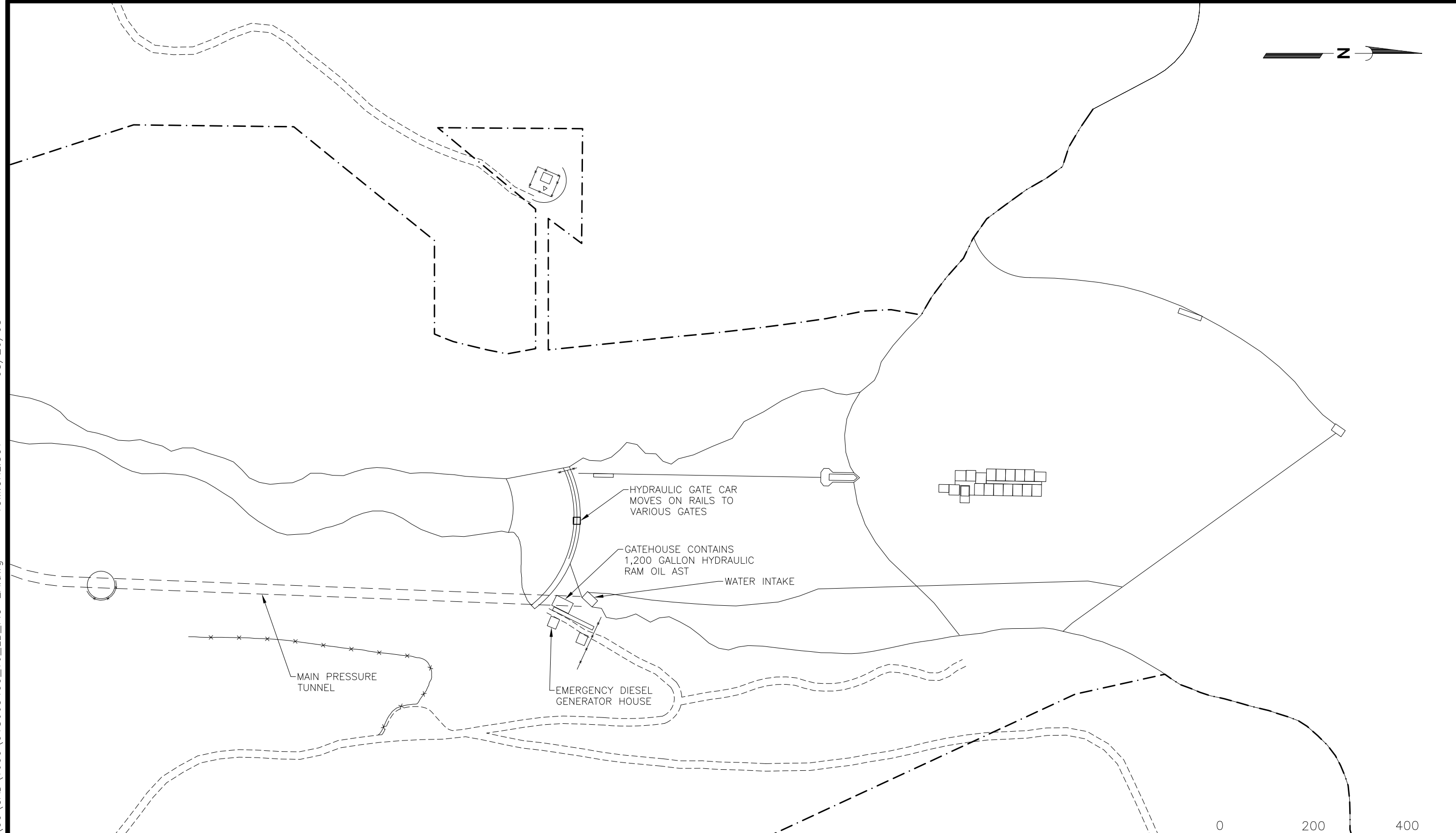
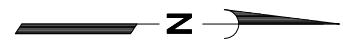
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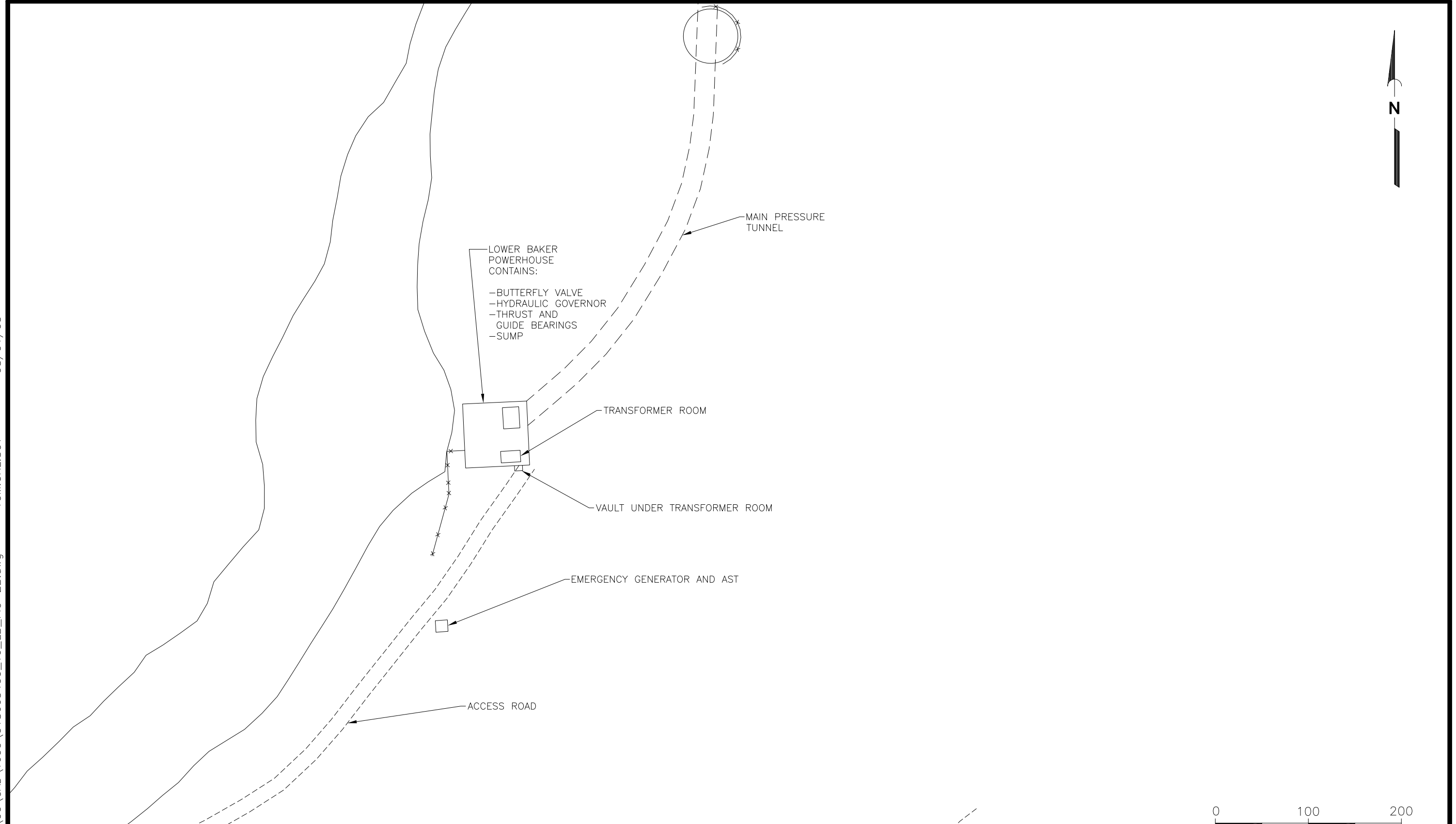
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**FIGURE 2A**

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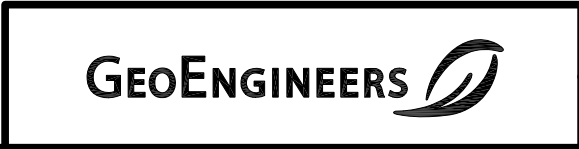
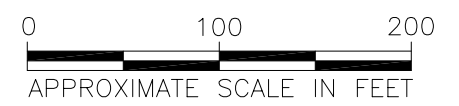
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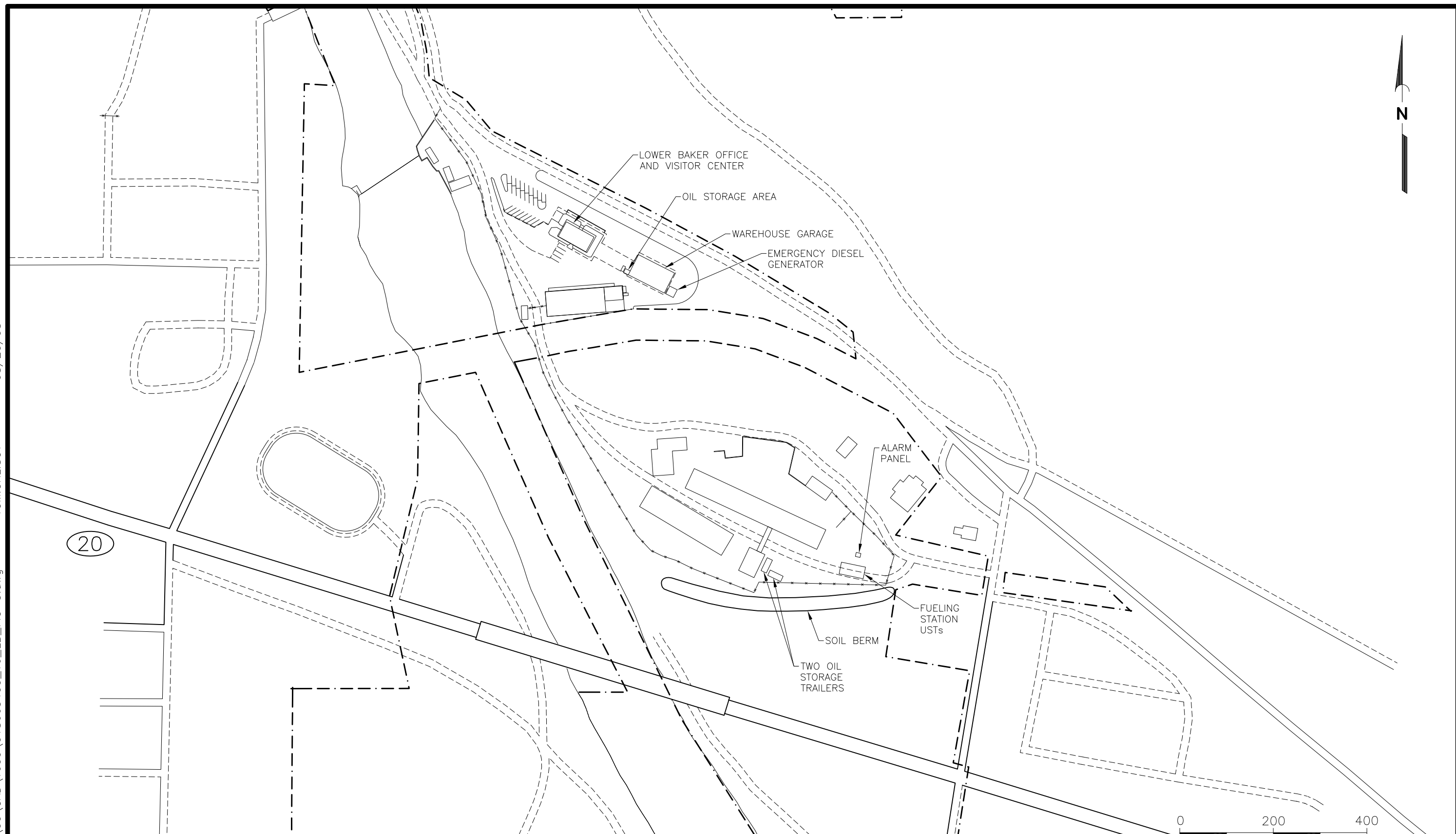
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**FIGURE 2B**

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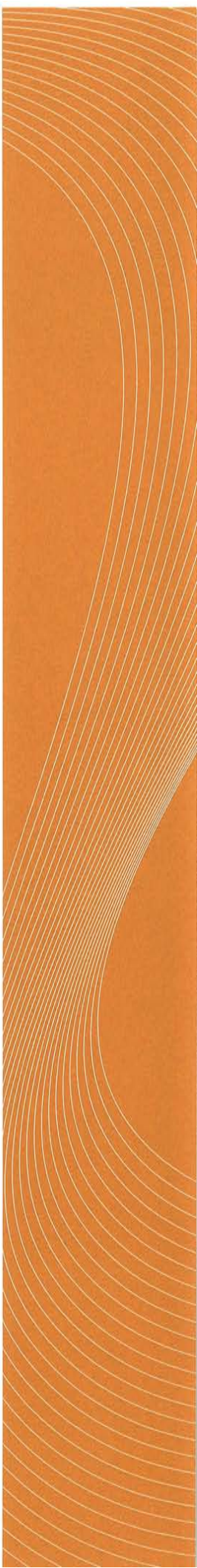
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**SITE PLAN-WAREHOUSE AREA**  
**FIGURE 3**

**APPENDIX A**  
**CERTIFICATION OF THE APPLICABILITY OF THE**  
**SUBSTANTIAL HARM CRITERIA**

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**APPENDIX A  
CERTIFICATION OF THE APPLICABILITY OF THE  
SUBSTANTIAL HARM CRITERIA  
(FROM 40 CFR, PART 112, APPENDIX C, ATTACHMENT C-II)**

Does the facility transfer oil over water to or from vessels and does the facility have a total oil storage capacity greater than or equal to 42,000 gallons?

Yes  No

Does the facility have a total oil storage capacity greater than or equal to 1 million gallons and does the facility lack secondary containment that is sufficiently large to contain the capacity of the largest aboveground oil storage tank plus sufficient freeboard to allow for precipitation within any aboveground oil storage tank area?

Yes  No

Does the facility have a total oil storage capacity greater than or equal to 1 million gallons and is the facility located at a distance such that a discharge from the facility could cause injury to fish and wildlife and sensitive environments?

Yes  No

Does the facility have a total oil storage capacity greater than or equal to 1 million gallons and is the facility located at a distance such that a discharge from the facility would shut down a public drinking water intake?

Yes  No

Does the facility have a total oil storage capacity greater than or equal to 1 million gallons and has the facility experienced a reportable oil spill in an amount greater than or equal to 10,000 gallons within the last 5 years.

Yes  No

**Certification**

I certify under penalty of law that I have personally examined and am familiar with the information submitted in this document, and based on my inquiry of those individuals responsible for obtaining this information, I believe that the submitted information is true, accurate and complete.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

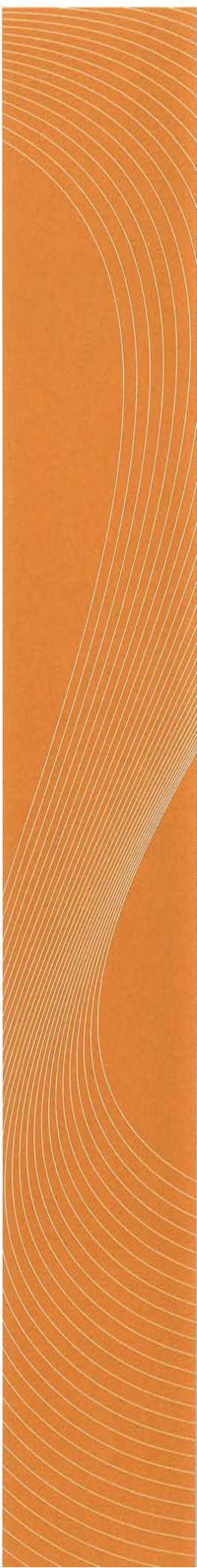
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Title: Manager, Hydro Services



***APPENDIX B***  
***PSE STANDARDS AND FORMS***

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# OIL SPILL/SPCC/HAZ Training Roster

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Location: \_\_\_\_\_

	NAME	SIGNATURE	EMP. #	JOB TITLE	MAIL STOP
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# SPILL REPORT FORM OR VACTOR WASTE DISPOSAL FORM

NO. 51007

*Use a separate form for each device.*

DEVICE TYPE	CO-ID NUMBER	NAMEPLATE OIL AMOUNT <span style="float: right;">GALS.</span>
SERIAL NUMBER	MFG	KVA
GRID NUMBER	INCIDENT / DAMAGE CLAIM NUMBER	

**PCB Content Information:** \_\_\_\_\_ ppm

- Verified by:  MFG Nameplate  PCB Field Test Kit (verify concentration)  
 PSE Database  Sample required for undocumented PCB information  
 Rush sample obtained by \_\_\_\_\_

### SPILL INFORMATION

DATE OF SPILL	TIME <span style="float: right;">am / pm</span>	DEVICE TAKEN TO
ADDRESS/LOCATION OF SPILL		
ESTIMATED QUANTITY <span style="float: right;">GALS.</span>	DATE SPILL CLEAN UP STARTED	DATE SPILL CLEAN UP COMPLETED

**Cause of Spill:**

- |  |  |  |                                      |   |
|--|--|--|--------------------------------------|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Equipment failure | <input type="checkbox"/> Car-pole accident | <input type="checkbox"/> Storm event   | <input type="checkbox"/> Bird/Animal | <input type="checkbox"/> Dug-up underground |
| ___ a. Corrosion                           | <input type="checkbox"/> Seepage from case | <input type="checkbox"/> Tree/Branches | <input type="checkbox"/> Vandalism   | <input type="checkbox"/> System Oil         |
| ___ b. Electrical Overload                 | <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____       |  |                                      |   |
| ___ c. Other                               |  |  |                                      |   |

### CLEAN-UP ACTIVITIES

- |   |  |  |
|---|--|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Contained oil on ground              | <input type="checkbox"/> Cleaned up spilled oil          | <input type="checkbox"/> Made final check of spill scene   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Obtained oil sample in sample bottle | <input type="checkbox"/> Removed contaminated soil       | <input type="checkbox"/> Picked up oil contaminated debris |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Removed faulty transformer/device    | <input type="checkbox"/> Removed contaminated vegetation | <input type="checkbox"/> Wiped down surfaces twice         |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Replaced with CO - ID _____          | <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____                     | Solvent _____  |

VACTOR TRUCK REQUIRED? <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO	CLEANUP CONTRACTOR
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**PCB content required before disposal at waste facility.**

NAME OF CLEAN-UP CREW	
UTILITY CONTRACTOR	
SITE FOREMAN	PHONE NO.

<b>Materials removed from site:</b> _____ # of 55-gal drums _____ gals of liquid _____ cubic yds of solids _____ # of trash bags	<b>Taken to:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> PSE SKC-WMF <input type="checkbox"/> TPS <input type="checkbox"/> CSR <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____
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FOREMAN NAME (PRINT NAME)	SIGNATURE	DATE
CLEAN-UP SUPERVISOR (PRINT NAME)	SIGNATURE	DATE

WHITE: ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES    CANARY: WITH SITE FOREMAN    PINK: VACTOR TRUCK DRIVER

**FACILITY INSPECTION FORM**

Facility Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Inspection: \_\_\_\_\_

**WEEKLY**

If facility doesn't have a PCB storage area, inspection can be performed monthly.

<b>A. All Items In The PCB Temporary Storage Area</b>	<b>YES</b>	<b>NO*</b>
1 Is the temporary storage area roped off and marked with PCB signs?		
2 Are items and containers properly labeled, dated and logged?		
3 Have all items or containers been inspected for leaks?		
4 Have all leaks and spills been responded to?		
5 Are all damaged items or containers protected from the weather?		
6 Are secondary containment structures provided where necessary and in good condition?		
7 Are all items in temporary storage known or assumed $\geq$ 50 ppm PCB?		
8 Are all items and containers under the 30 day storage limit?		

Comments or Corrective Actions:  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

<b>B. All Items In The Hazardous Waste Accumulation Area (Hazardous Waste Manual)</b>	<b>YES</b>	<b>NO*</b>
1 Is the area neat and uncluttered with the drums easily accessible?		
2 Is the area clearly identified for waste accumulation?		
3 Is secondary containment present and in good condition for liquid wastes?		
4 Are all drums appropriately labeled and are the labels legible?		
5 Are the lids secured on all the drums?		
6 Have the dates on the drums been checked for disposal deadlines? (e.g. UW <1 year)?		

Comments or Corrective Actions:  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

<b>C. SPCC Plan and All Oil Filled Devices In Storage</b>	<b>YES</b>	<b>NO*</b>
1 Are all oil filled devices and containers properly labeled?		
2 Have all oil filled devices and containers been inspected for leaks?		
3 Have all leaks and spills been responded to?		
4 Is secondary containment present and in good condition?		
5 Are spill kits or Absorbball available/complete at fueling islands?		

Comments or Corrective Actions:  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

<b>D. House Keeping</b>	<b>YES</b>	<b>NO*</b>
1 Is the perimeter fence clear of all trash and debris?		
2 Are ditches and catch basins onsite clear of trash and debris?		
3 Is the site in good condition and well kept?		
4 Are all containers labeled with contents?		
5 Is the dumpster free of any hazardous waste items or treated wood?		

Comments or Corrective Actions:  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

<b>E. Asbestos Storage (Georgetown, Tacoma, Olympia)</b>	<b>YES</b>	<b>NO*</b>
1 Has the asbestos storage container for conversion burners been checked? -- If asbestos is present contact Nadine Loken @ 253-437-6783		

Comments or Corrective Actions:  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_FACILITY NAME:  
ENVIRONMENTAL COORDINATORS NAME:  
ENVIRONMENTAL COORDINATORS SIGNATURE: \_\_\_\_\_ DATE: \_\_\_\_\_\*If any of the responses are "NO", please forward a copy of this inspection to Gordon Johnson. Fax: 360-475-7017.  
Due to the record retention requirements of various environmental laws, inspections must be kept on file and available at each facility for 5 years.



# FACILITY INSPECTION

Monthly
Quarterly

## MONTHLY

### A. Underground Storage Tanks (USTs) Without Automatic Leak Detection (SM-06)

YES	NO*

1. Daily variance < 100 gallons on each tank during the month?
2. Monthly fuel reconciliation sheet filled out, and sum of daily variances < 100 gallons for each tank?
3. Fuel Pumps calibrated within the last year?

Comments: \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_

### B. All Items In The Hazardous Waste Accumulation Area (Hazardous Waste Manual)

YES	NO**

1. Monthly Waste Accumulation Log report completed?

Comments: \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_

## QUARTERLY

### Oil Trap Vault (SPCC Plan)

YES	NO***

1. Oil Trap Vaults and Catch Basins clean with no oil film or scum on the water?
2. Are the Catch Basins & Ditches free of sand/silt accumulation & functioning properly?
3. Have the Vaults, Catch Basins & Ditches been cleared of sand/silt accumulations within the last year?
4. Has SPCC Plan training been completed within the last year?

Comments: \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_

FACILITY NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

INSPECTOR'S NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

INSPECTOR'S SIGNATURE: \_\_\_\_\_ DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

\* If you suspect a leak consult the Stores Manual SM-06

\*\* If any of the responses are NO please forward a copy to Environmental Compliance OBC-11N

\*\*\* For corrective action consult the SPCC Plan

NOTE: Completed copies of this form must be kept on file for 5 years

## Cleanup of Oil Spills

**0150.3100**

### Scope

This standard covers Puget Sound Energy's procedures for responding to oil spills.

### In This Standard

These topics are covered in this standard:

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### WARNING!

These procedures are required by law and shall be followed by both Puget Sound Energy employees and contract labor crews. Failure to do so could result in citations or fines for noncompliance.

## Definitions

Table 1

Definitions for this standard

Term	Definition
Oil	Oil of any kind or any form including petroleum, fuel oil, sludge, and oil refuse. Oil contained in transformers, capacitors, and other equipment sometimes contains PCBs.
PCBs	Polychlorinated biphenyls are a group of synthetic organic chemicals that can be toxic and are found in some dielectric fluids.
Spill Report Form (Form 1184)	A carbon-copy form that properly documents a spill. The form is used by the person who discovers the spill to document and report the spill event and what was done in response.
Spill Waste	Waste generated as a result of an oil spill including collected liquids, soil, rags, used Personal Protective Equipment, and other debris generated as a result of a spill cleanup.

## Responding to an Oil Spill

Oil spills can occur during transfer of oil, (e.g., when draining or filling equipment or containers), or from equipment that has failed or been damaged recently or in the past. Most spills are discovered when a crew is dispatched by System Operations to respond to a power outage. In the event of an oil spill, Puget Sound Energy’s policy is to respond promptly and thoroughly. Spill containment and/or cleanup must be initiated immediately.

### Basic Steps for Responding to All Spills

The following basic steps apply for responding to all spills. Refer to the Spill Response section of this standard for the complete procedure.

Step	Action
1	If a spill or release occurs, <i>think safety</i> . Take actions to protect yourself and others from exposure to the spill or release.
2	Keep the public and unprotected personnel away from the spill area.
3	Locate and stop the source and flow of the spill or leak, if you are qualified and it is safe to do so.
4	Secure the area.
5	Decide who should respond and notify appropriate parties.

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**Spills Could Contain PCBs**

Tests have shown that oil from some transformers, capacitors, and other electrical equipment may contain Polychlorinated Biphenyls (PCBs). The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has many requirements for the management of PCBs under the Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA), which addresses the manufacturing, processing, distribution in commerce, use, cleanup, storage, and disposal of PCBs.

**Table 2**

Who to call for help

Contact	Phone
Environmental Services 24-hr Spill Pager	(206) 994-3186
Environmental Services Waste Management Facility	(360) 340-3716 or (253) 437-6783
Safety Department	Contact Eastside System Operations

**Responsibilities**

**Employees**

Employees with vehicles that transport oil or oil-filled equipment must carry equipment for cleaning up minor spills.

The employee who discovers or is first notified of the spill is responsible for coordinating initial response.

**Supervisor, Crew Foreman, and System Operations**

Responsible for determining whether the cleanup is to be completed by the Line/Wire Crew or coordinated by Environmental Services, who will request assistance from one or more spill response consultants.

Internal spill reporting is to be handled in accordance with *Table 7*.

**If Cleanup is Handled by Line/Wire Crew**

The Crew Foreman is responsible for:

- Coordinating and monitoring the spill cleanup activities.
- Submitting a draft Spill Report Form (Form 1184) to their Supervisor and Environmental Services.

Either the Crew Foreman or spill response consultant, (under the direction of Environmental Services) is responsible for:

- Decontaminating equipment.
- Accumulating, labeling, and packaging spill waste and out-of-service equipment and transporting it to the nearest Service Center or other approved storage area in accordance with Standard 0150.3125.

The Supervisor is responsible for submitting the completed Spill Report Form (Form 1184) to Environmental Services.

Line/Wire Crew employees involved in spill sampling or cleanup are responsible for wearing the appropriate personal protective equipment (PPE).

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## Responsibilities, *Continued*

### Vector Trucks at Cleanup Site

If a vector truck is called to respond, the Vector Truck Operator must verify with the Crew Foreman the PCB content of the oil that was released prior to beginning work.

The Vector Truck Operator is also responsible for:

- Contacting the South King Waste Management Facility to coordinate disposal of vector truck wastes. The operator should ensure that the PCB concentration of the source oil is known prior to disposing any vector truck load.
- Completing the logbook and giving a copy of the Spill Report Form (Form 1184) to the Waste Management Facility (WMF) personnel. The WMF personnel are responsible for processing the discharged load.

### If Cleanup is Handled by Environmental Services

The Environmental Services spill response consultant is responsible for:

- Mobilizing spill response contractors (if necessary) to spill site.
- Coordinating and monitoring the spill cleanup activities.
- Documenting the spill and cleanup activities in Spill Report Form (Form 1184).

### Environmental Services and/or Consultant

Environmental Services, or when requested, their spill response consultant is responsible for:

- Any external reporting required, depending on the spill.
- Determining the probable PCB concentration of the oil spilled if it was from electrical equipment.
- Conducting and documenting any sampling of the equipment and/or site that may be necessary.

### Manager of Environmental Services

The Manager of Environmental Services is responsible for maintaining PSE's overall compliance with the applicable environmental regulations.

## Safety and Handling

Oil and oil-contaminated materials are potentially hazardous. Sometimes oil contains PCBs. This section describes the personal protective equipment that should be worn during oil spill response and first aid procedures that should be used to help anyone who has come into contact with PCB-containing oil.

Two very important safety tips to remember:

- If there is fire, keep away from the area and protect yourself from inhaling smoke or vapors. Vapors generated during the burning of PCBs can present a serious health risk.
- Avoid direct skin contact with electrical equipment fluids and soot.

### CAUTION!

Wear personal protective clothing and equipment during all phases of spill cleanup.



## Personal Protective Equipment

- Personal protective equipment (PPE) is to be worn during all phases of oil sampling and spill cleanup. This includes safety glasses, gloves, coveralls and shoe covers. See the Tools, Materials, and Equipment section of this standard for a list of appropriate PPE.
  - When liquids are handled in an enclosed area, use a respirator. Wear a face shield to protect from liquid splatter.
  - Consider sealing your coveralls to your boots with tape.
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## First Aid

If eyes, skin or clothing come in contact with PCBs or if PCBs are ingested or inhaled, follow these first aid treatments. If medical assistance is necessary, call 911 or take employee to the hospital and have the Supervisor contact the Safety Department immediately.

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## Clothing Contact

If clothing comes in contact with PCBs:

Step	Action
1	Remove contaminated clothing as soon as possible.
2	Place clothing in a plastic bag; seal and label it.
3	Place bags in a drum.
4	Notify the area Environmental Coordinator of the location of the drum for proper disposal.

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## Eye Contact

If eyes come in contact with PCBs:

- Flush eyes with water or eye irrigation solution for at least 15 minutes and take employee to emergency care.

**NOTE:** If flushing does not relieve symptoms, continue flushing on the way to emergency care.

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## Ingestion

If PCBs are ingested:

- The employee is to be taken to the hospital immediately.
  - Contact the Safety Department immediately.
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## Inhalation

If PCBs are inhaled:

- If nausea, breathing difficulty or dizziness occurs, the employee is to be taken to the hospital immediately.
  - Contact the Safety Department immediately.
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## First Aid, *Continued*

### Skin Contact

If skin comes in contact with PCBs:

Step	Action
1	Remove as much of the oil as possible with paper towels.
2	Clean skin immediately with soap and water. If soap and water are not available, use waterless hand cleaner.
3	Wipe with clean paper towels or rags.
4	Repeat washing and wiping three times.
5	Rinse skin thoroughly with water.
6	Dry skin.
7	If irritation continues after washing, get medical attention.
8	Discard used towels or rags in plastic bags; seal and place bags in a drum.
9	Notify the area Environmental Coordinator of the location of the drum for proper disposal.

## Industrial Injury and Illness

Every injury and illness is to be reported. The employee's Supervisor shall complete an Industrial Injury & Illness Report (Form 3892) and submit it to the Safety Department.

## Tools, Materials, and Equipment

**Table 3**

Personal Protective Equipment

Category	Item	MID	Examples of Appropriate Use
Air Quality	Half-mask respirator	6876000 small 6876100 medium 6876200 large	In an enclosed area or when concerned about splash from spray or general air quality because of smoky or dusty conditions.
	Organic vapor/acid gas respirator cartridge	6806000 yellow 6806300 yellow/purple, with HEPA	

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Category	Item	MID	Examples of Appropriate Use
Eye Protection	Face shield	6829000 nonhard hat 6830000 hat-mounted 6888000	When transferring liquids from containment into a drum or between drums any time splash could occur or when air is dusty.
	Goggles	6827300	
	Safety glasses with side shields	6827000 6827101	
First Aid	Portable eye wash kit	6826400	If liquids contact the eye or eyelid.
	Waterless hand cleaner	4461001	To clean skin areas other than eyes.
Hand Protection	Gloves Nitrile	6857900 Size 9 (15 mil) 6858000 Size 10 (15 mil)	When hand contact with liquids is possible, (e.g., handling leaking or contaminated equipment, soil, or surfaces).
Skin and Clothing Protection	Disposable coveralls, rated for hazardous materials	6811000 small 6811100 medium 6811200 large 6811300 extra large	Strenuous cleanup, such as for a large oil spill from ruptured equipment.
	Disposable coveralls, Tyvek	6810600 small 6810700 large 6810800 extra large	Nonstrenuous cleanup, short-term exposure, dusty environment.
Skin and Shoe Protection	Disposable shoe covers	6811500 medium 6811600 extra large 6811700 giant	All cleanup operations.

**Table 4**

Labels and forms

Category	Item	MID	Examples of Appropriate Use
Injuries and Illnesses	Employee Injury Packet	Available from PSE Supervisor	When there is an injury or illness because of the spill.
Spill Reporting	Spill Report Form (Form 1184)		All spills.

**NOTE:** Other tools and materials are required for waste packaging and labeling, in accordance with Standard 0150.3125.

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**Table 5**

Spill response equipment

Category	Item	MID	Examples of Appropriate Use
Cleaning	Absorbent granules	4460800	Capturing small amounts of free liquids.
	Brooms		Sweeping used absorbent into piles.
	Oil-absorbent sheets	7482500	Capturing small amounts of free liquids.
	Rags	7474500	Wiping down equipment.
	Shovels		Shoveling wastes into drums.
Sampling	Chain of Custody Report (Form 1257)		For all samples of the site or spill wastes.
	Oil sample collection kits	7408600	Sampling oil in damaged electric equipment.

**NOTE:** Other tools and materials are required for waste packaging and labeling, in accordance with Standard 0150.3125.

## Spill Response

This section covers the procedure for responding to and cleaning up oil spills.

## Discovery and First Steps

For spills, the sooner containment/cleanup is initiated, the more effective it will be.

Step	Action
1	<p>If a spill or release occurs, <b>THINK SAFETY</b>. Take actions to protect yourself and others from exposure to the spill or release.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Drive cautiously when approaching and leaving a spill site.</li> <li>▪ Avoid driving through the spill area. Oil spread by traffic expands the area of contamination.</li> <li>▪ If there is a fire, maintain a safe distance from it.</li> <li>▪ Ensure that all the equipment involved is de-energized.</li> <li>▪ Assume all oil contains PCBs until proven otherwise.</li> <li>▪ Use the proper PPE.                             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Protect yourself from skin contact.</li> <li>– Prevent contamination of clothing.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
2	Keep the public and unprotected personnel away from the spill area.

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## Spill Response, *Continued*

Step	Action
3	<p>Locate and stop the source and flow of the spill or leak, if you are qualified and it is safe to do so.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ If leaking cannot be stopped, place a container (bucket, plastic bag, absorbent pads, kitty litter, or whatever is available) beneath the leak to prevent continued migration of oil away from the spill area.</li> <li>▪ Divert the oil flow to prevent the spill from entering nearby water bodies or floor drains. Give first priority to spills that could or have endanger(ed) water sources.</li> <li>▪ If safe to do so, plug holes, reposition the equipment and/or shut valves.</li> <li>▪ Use whatever materials and equipment are available to confine the spill and prevent further contamination of the area. Do not wait for a spill containment kit to arrive.</li> </ul>
4	<p>Secure the area.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Use barricades or warning tape to form an adequate buffer around and beyond any visible traces of oil. A spill in a vault does not require barricading or tape.</li> <li>▪ If cleanup is delayed, the area shall remain barricaded. Cover the spill with plastic sheeting.</li> <li>▪ Limit the number of people entering the spill area.</li> </ul>
5	Decide who should respond and notify appropriate parties.

### Deciding Who Should Respond

Line/Wire Crews may either clean up the spill themselves according to this standard or may request assistance by calling the Environmental Services 24-Hour Spill Pager (see *Table 2*). This decision is made by the Crew Foreman, Supervisor, or System Manager in accordance with the guidelines in *Table 6*.

**Table 6**

Decision guidelines

Spill characteristics	Who should respond
Large spill that exceeds the available resources of the crew	Environmental Services
Spill from equipment known to contain PCBs	Environmental Services
Spill towards or near surface water or drains	Environmental Services
Spill in a sensitive area	Environmental Services
Spill that has a wide area of contamination	Environmental Services
Release that involves fire	Environmental Services
Spill around energized equipment	Line/Wire Crews and/or Environmental Services
Small spill that can be cleaned up using the available resources of the crew	Line/Wire Crews and/or Environmental Services

## Oil Spill Notification

A spill or other unintentional release into the environment may give rise to a variety of reporting, response, and record-keeping requirements, generally depending upon what was spilled, the amount spilled, and the time, location, and effects of the spill. Every spill should be reported to Environmental Services to facilitate compliance with the applicable requirements.

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### Information to Report

Be prepared to report the following information:

- Date and time of the spill.
- Spill location.
- Spill source.
- Cause and circumstances of the spill.
- Existing or potential hazards, if any.
- Information on equipment involved including serial number, manufacturer, Company ID number, and type of equipment.
- Identity of the material spilled and information on PCB content (if shown on the nameplate).
- Total volume of oil contained in the equipment (if shown on the nameplate).
- Approximate quantity (e.g., estimated volume) of spill.
- Contact name and phone or radio number.
- Personal injuries or casualties, if any.
- Names of people exposed to oil or smoke.
- Corrective actions being taken and an approximate timetable to control, contain, and clean up the spill.
- Is the Line/Wire Crew equipped and trained to contain the spill?
- Has the oil reached water?
- Other unique or unusual circumstances.

Record all discussions, including people involved, time of the call, phone numbers, and any other information that may be useful for completing the Spill Report Form (Form 1184).

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## Oil Spill Notification, *Continued*

### Internal Reporting of Oil Spills

Table 7 shows the plan for ensuring that all appropriate parties are promptly notified of spill events.

**Table 7** Notification of appropriate parties

Person Responsible	Whom to Notify	When
Crew Foreman who discovers the spill	Supervisor	Immediately
Crew Foreman who discovers the spill	Submit draft Spill Report Form (Form 1184) to Supervisor.	Within 48 hours
Crew Foreman who discovers the spill or fire	Environmental Services 24-Hour Spill Pager (see <i>Table 2</i> ) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Fax a copy of the draft Spill Report Form (Form 1184) as soon as it is available.</li> </ul>	Immediately if spill response assistance is needed.
Crew Foreman who discovers the spill or fire	Dispatcher/System Operations <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Fax a copy of the draft Spill Report Form (Form 1184) as soon as it is available.</li> </ul>	Immediately
Dispatcher/System Operations	Environmental Services 24-Hour Spill Pager (see <i>Table 2</i> )	Immediately for fires and for any release to water.  As soon as possible for other releases.
Dispatcher/System Operations	If there is a fire: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Local Fire Department</li> <li>▪ PSE Emergency Contacts</li> <li>▪ Risk Management</li> <li>▪ Corporate Relations</li> </ul>	Immediately
Environmental Services Department	Report spill event to external regulatory agencies if required or appropriate.	Immediately or within regulatory deadlines.
Supervisor	Submit completed Spill Report Form (Form 1184) to Environmental Services.	Within 48 hours

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## External Reporting of Oil Spills

Environmental Services will make all necessary notifications to appropriate regulatory agencies when appropriate. It is imperative that the Environmental Services 24-Hour Spill Pager (see *Table 2*) be called promptly to report every spill, so that Environmental Services can assess the situation, determine whether external spill reporting is required, and make the appropriate notifications within the time frames specified.

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## Spill Characterization

This section describes the procedure for characterizing the spilled material and the extent of contamination. A diagram should be drawn on the back of the white page of the Spill Report Form (Form 1184) to show the center and extent of contamination for each visible area of contamination.

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## Determining PCB Concentration

Environmental Services will coordinate the response and cleanup for spills containing PCBs. Each piece of electrical equipment can contain different amounts of PCBs. Spills of oil with 50 ppm or greater of PCBs are subject to specific cleanup requirements.

Often the manufacturer will state the concentration of PCBs contained in the dielectric fluid on the equipment nameplate. Additionally a search by serial number (from the manufacturer's nameplate) can be used to query PSE's SAP database to determine if sample data already exists for the equipment.

**NOTE:** Analyses for PCB concentrations that were conducted prior to 1986, yellow stickers (less than 50 ppm of PCBs), and blue stickers (non-PCB) are no longer honored. Analyses must be performed to properly document the concentrations of PCBs in the oil.

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## If Spill Occurs During or After Business Hours

If a spill occurs during business hours, contact Environmental Services to determine the probable PCB concentration. If the spill occurs after normal business hours, the Dispatcher or System Operations should contact the Environmental Services 24-Hour Spill Pager (see *Table 2*).

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## Sampling the Spill Area

The spilled oil and contaminated area may need to be sampled to characterize the extent of the contamination. Such sampling, as well as post-cleanup sampling, is specifically required for spills of oil with 50 ppm or greater of PCBs. Contact the Environmental Services 24-Hour Spill Pager (see *Table 2*) or Environmental Services to coordinate any sampling that may be necessary.

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## Spill Cleanup

A spill should be cleaned up either by the Line/Wire Crew that discovered it or by Environmental Services. When called to respond, Environmental Services uses one or more approved spill response contractors.

If there is a fire, the fire department will respond under the direction of an Incident Commander who will act as PSE's point of contact. Any fire involving PCBs will typically require the fire department's Hazardous Materials Unit.

### When Line/Wire Crews Clean Up the Spill

Crews should only respond themselves if the spill is small, it is not suspected to contain PCBs, and the crew has the necessary resources to respond properly.

- Facilities with hazardous materials have spill kits with absorbent pads, booms, and other materials for containing and cleaning up spills. Spill response materials are available through Stores. Follow instructions from your Supervisor or Environmental Coordinator.
- Small spills of liquids (less than about 5 gallons) should be collected with absorbent booms or pads to prevent discharge to drains, waterways, or other receptors.
- Prevent storm-water pollution by preventing petroleum-contaminated soils from coming into contact with rainwater. Covering the spill area with plastic sheeting will help reduce contamination migrating off-site.
- If petroleum contaminated soil is to be excavated, it should be collected preferably in closed, appropriately sized, leak-tight, labeled containers.
- All spilled material and contamination must be cleaned up in accordance with appropriate cleanup standards. Specific cleanup standards apply for spills of oil with 50 ppm or greater of PCBs, which should be handled by Environmental Services. Consult Environmental Services for any questions you may have.

## Cleanup Guidelines for Specific Circumstances

### Distribution Transformer Spill

Line/Wire Crews should request assistance from Environmental Services for spills from equipment that is known to contain PCBs. Contact the Environmental Services 24-Hour Spill Pager (see *Table 2*). If a PCB transformer develops a leak that runs off or is about to run off the surface of the transformer, the leak must be contained, cleanup must be initiated no later than 48 hours from finding the leak, and the transformer must be repaired or replaced.

For spills from equipment that is not known to contain PCBs:

Step	Action
1	Clean up all visible signs of oil.
2	Free liquid should be placed in closed drums.
3	Place solid material (soils, plant materials, et cetera) in drums.
4	Clean or remove all oil-contaminated vegetation. Wash and rinse all hard surfaces with a suitable solvent or cleaner.

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**Oil-Contaminated  
Asphalt and  
Concrete**

Step	Action
1	Make sure the area is well ventilated before you start to clean.
2	Recover liquid with a granular absorbent. Sweep it into piles with a broom, and then pick up with a shovel and dispose of material in a closed drum.
3	Wash and rinse hard surface twice, picking up the liquid with absorbent after each step.

**Spills Within a  
Vault**

If the equipment is known to contain PCBs, contact the Environmental Services 24-Hour Spill Pager (see *Table 2*).

- Vault spills are usually contained within the vault and may not pose an immediate environmental risk. Contact Environmental Services for assistance and guidance.
- Assess the quantity of oil present. Is it just a sheen on the water or is there a significant amount of oil?

**To Clean Up an Oil  
Sheen**

Step	Action
1	Place absorbent pads on the surface.
2	Move the pads around and allow time for the oil to be absorbed.
3	Remove the pads and place in a plastic bag.

**To Clean Up a  
Large Amount of  
Oil**

Step	Action
1	Environmental Services should be called to respond to large spills that exceed the available resources of the crew.  Contact the Environmental Services 24-Hour Spill Pager (see <i>Table 2</i> ).
2	Typically, a vactor truck is requested to pump out the vault. See the Vactor Truck Waste Accumulation, Transport, and Disposal section of this standard.  Contact the Environmental Services 24-Hour Spill Pager (see <i>Table 2</i> ) for assistance in scheduling a vactor truck.

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Cleanup Guidelines for Specific Circumstances, *Continued*

Spills from Capacitors

Spills from capacitors at substations may contain PCBs. If the capacitor is not labeled as Non-PCB, assume it contains PCBs. Therefore, Environmental Services should be contacted to respond. Contact the Environmental Services 24-Hour Spill Pager (see *Table 2*).

For small spills from capacitors not at substations:

Step	Action
1	Disconnect the capacitor.
2	Allow five minutes to lapse before short circuiting from terminal to terminal with either aluminum or copper tie wire, #14 or larger. <i>NOTE:</i> Each capacitor must be shorted individually. Capacitors cannot be strung together when applying shorts.
3	Inspect for any leakage of fluid or oil.
4	Place capacitors that are cracked, ruptured, or leaking in heavy-duty plastic bags.
5	Place the bagged capacitor in a drum with one pail of absorbent granules per capacitor in the bottom and clamp the lid securely.
6	Remove contaminated gravel, sand, and soil and place it in a drum.

Spills from System Oil

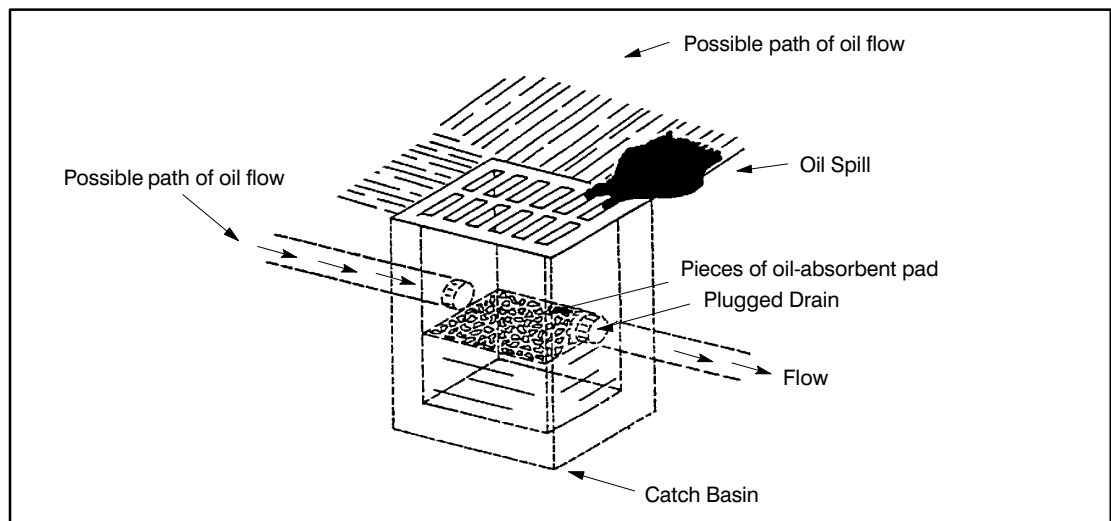
Spills from system oil from natural gas pipelines may contain PCBs. Contact Environmental Services immediately if there is a spill from system oil. See Standard 0150.3275 for more information on system oil.

Spills Affecting Water

Contact the Environmental Services 24-Hour Spill Pager (see *Table 2*) immediately.

Figure 2

Oil retrieval from a catch basin



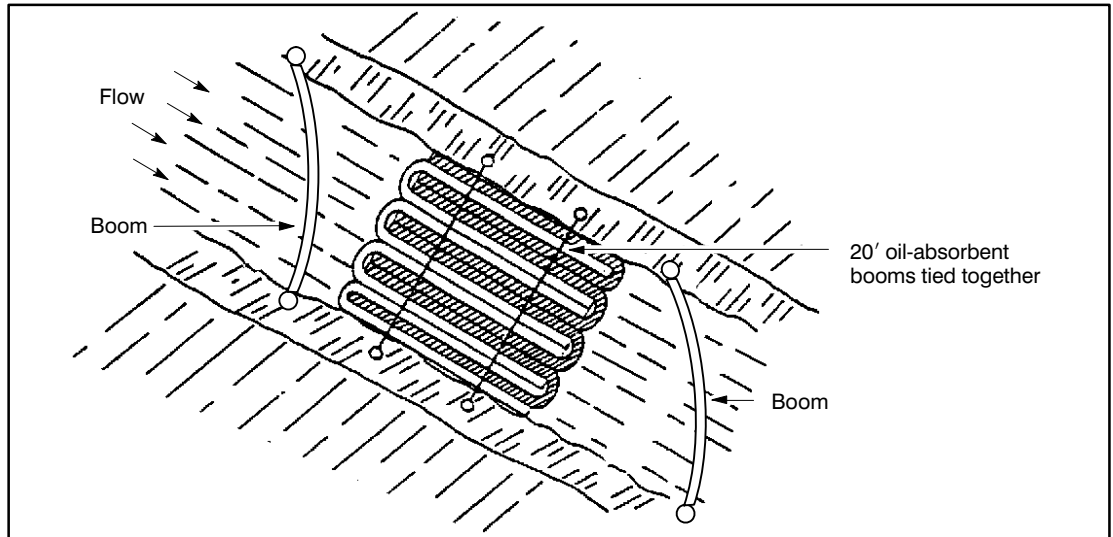
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## Large Spill

Figure 3 shows containment for a large spill into a stream. The boom is used to trap oil on the surface of the water and prevent it from flowing downstream. It is laid on the surface of the water and anchored at each end with a wood stake or rocks.

Figure 3

Large volume of oil in a stream

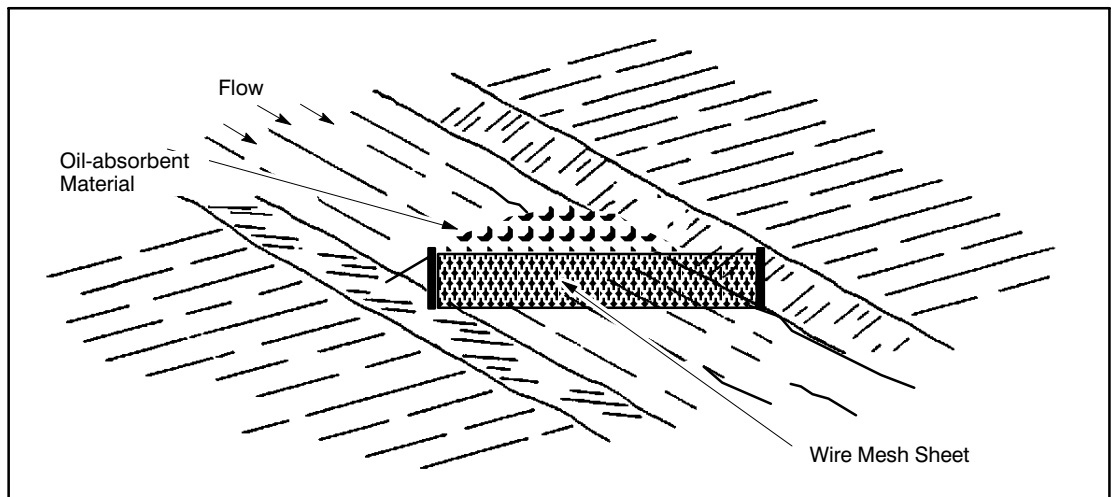


## Use Wire Mesh

If a boom is not available, wire mesh may be used to build a net across a drainage ditch. Wood stakes are used to anchor the mesh in place. The absorbent material is placed on the surface of the water on the upstream side of the mesh.

Figure 4

Using wire mesh as a boom



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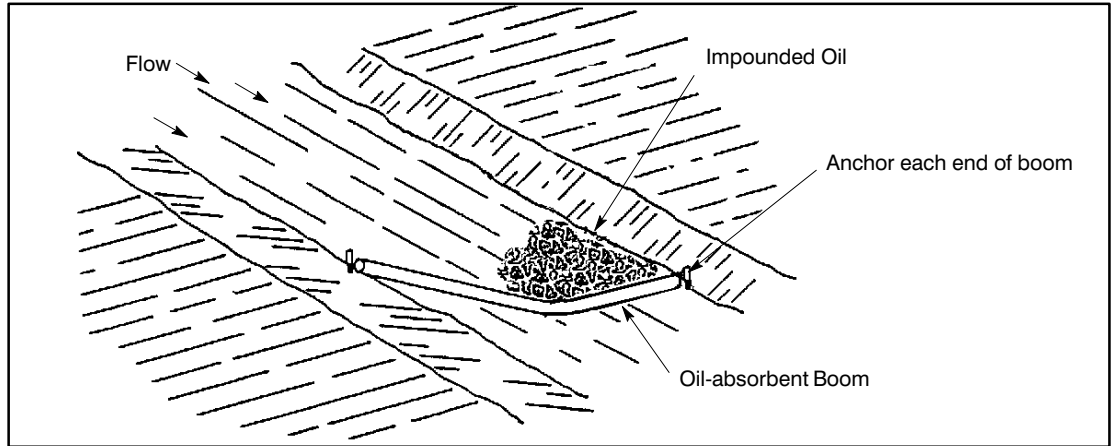
Cleanup Guidelines for Specific Circumstances, *Continued*

**Small Spill**

One end of the boom should be anchored farther downstream than the other, forming a “V” close to the downstream end. The oil-absorbent materials or the contents of a boom are then used to collect and remove the oil from the surface of the water. Using three or more booms or dams is recommended.

**Figure 5**

Small volume of oil spillage

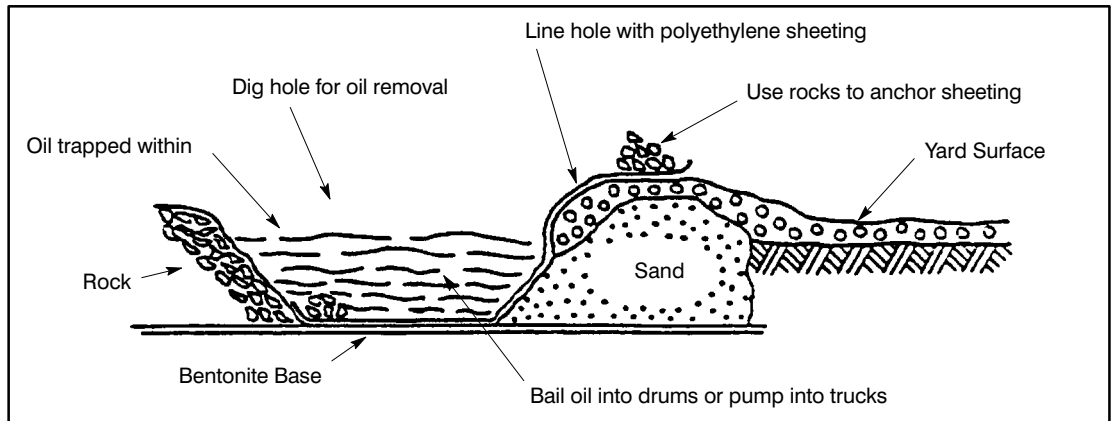


**Use Plastic Sheeting**

It is important to keep the oil from seeping into the ground. Polyethylene sheeting is used to line a trench or hole that has been dug for the purpose of collecting spilled oil.

**Figure 6**

Dam containment system



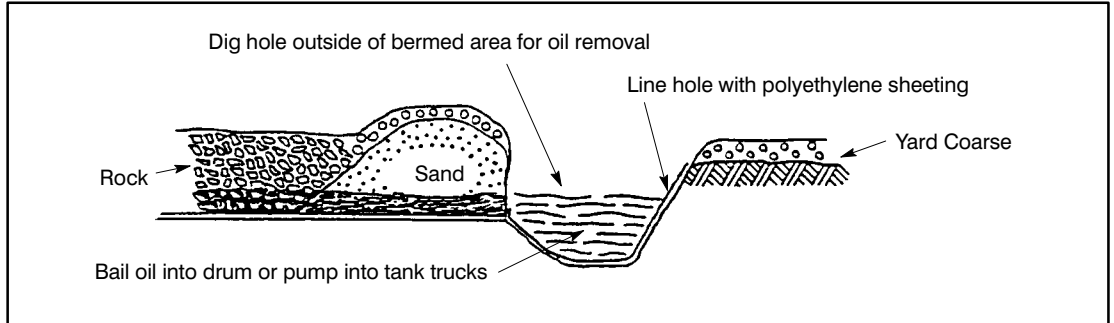
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## Dig a Hole

Figure 7 shows how a hole can be dug and lined to hold spilled oil until it can be removed.

Figure 7

Hole lined for oil containment

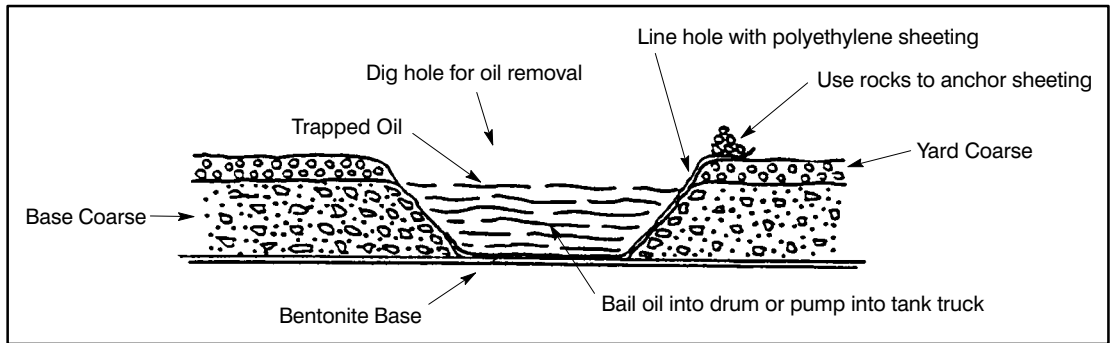


## Use a Rock

Figure 8 shows how rock is used to secure the lining.

Figure 8

Lining secured with rocks

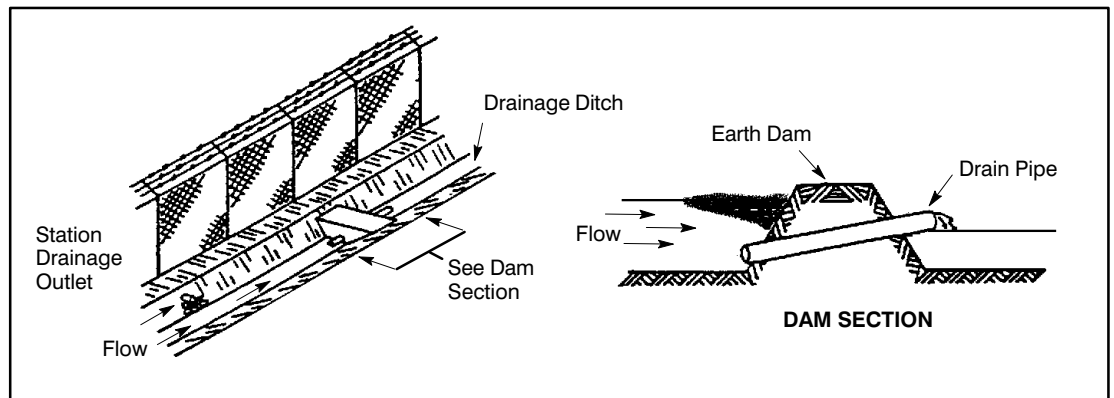


## Dam with Through-Pipe

If oil has spilled into a drainage ditch, a dam with a through-pipe connection may be used to contain the oil spill, but permit water to pass.

Figure 9

Dam with a through-pipe



## Decontamination of Equipment

All contaminated equipment, including hand tools, power tools, earthmoving equipment, vehicles, et cetera that become contaminated with oil containing PCBs in known or assumed concentrations of 1 ppm or greater must be decontaminated before leaving the spill site.

- Vehicles, electrical equipment, and tools can be cleaned by wiping the surface two times with clean rags and a detergent solution.
- Prevent or collect drips of used solvents and detergents.
- Do not dump used solvents and detergents on the ground. Collect the waste in drums.
- When finished, PPE should be removed before leaving the decontamination area and collected properly in containers. Remove boot covers first, then overalls, and then gloves last.
- Respirators should be cleaned using the manufacturer’s instructions.
- Hands and other exposed skin should be washed thoroughly before eating or drinking.
- For equipment that comes in contact with mineral oil with 50 ppm or more, PCBs must be decontaminated and then quarantined until chemical analysis can prove that same areas (on the equipment) are free of PCBs. Call Environmental Services for assistance.

## Vactor Truck Waste Accumulation, Transport, and Disposal

Vactor trucks are available for removing accumulated liquids at spill sites and for cleaning storm drains, vaults, and catch basins. Wastes picked up by vactor trucks are typically taken to PSE’s South King Waste Management Facility (WMF), where the mixture of oil, water, and solids is discharged at the wastewater treatment facility. If the recovered spill material contains a large volume of solids, it may be transported to a PSE-approved commercial disposal facility instead of to the WMF. Contact Environmental Services for guidance.

### Vactor Truck Guidelines

A vactor truck must not be used for any equipment that contains PCBs of 50 ppm or greater, unless under the direction of Environmental Services.

- For spills known to contain PCBs, contact the Environmental Services 24-Hour Spill Pager for assistance.
- For spills where the PCB content of the spill is initially unknown, the vactor truck operator must verify with the Foreman the PCB content of the oil that was released prior to beginning work. Contact the Environmental Services 24-Hour Spill Pager (see *Table 2*) for assistance.

### Vactor Truck Transport Procedure

Step	Action
1	The vactor truck operator must obtain a copy of the draft Spill Report Form (Form 1184) from the Crew Foreman to document the load.
2	The vactor truck operator contacts the WMF by phone and receives approval to discharge loads. The vactor truck operator must ensure that the PCB concentration of the source oil is known prior to disposing of any vactor truck load.

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Step	Action
3	The vactor truck operator transports the load to the WMF where it is discharged in compliance with discharge requirements set forth in the WMF Operations and Maintenance Manual.
4	The vactor truck operator logs the required information in the vactor truck logbook.
5	The vactor truck operator provides a copy of the Spill Report Form (Form 1184) to WMF personnel.
6	The WMF personnel process the discharged load in accordance with the WMF Operations and Maintenance Manual.

**Spill Waste and Equipment Accumulation and Transport**

If the spill volume is small, materials collected from the spill should be placed in drums and transported to the nearest Service Center. Refer to Standard 0150.3125 for guidance.

**Record Keeping**

This section sets forth the records required when a cleanup of an oil spill has been performed.

**Industrial Injury & Illness Report (Form 3892)**

If there is an injury or illness, the Supervisor shall complete an Industrial Injury & Illness Report (Form 3892) and submit it to the Safety Department.

**Spill Report Form (Form 1184)**

The Crew Foreman should prepare a draft Spill Report Form (Form 1184) and submit it to the Supervisor, who finalizes the report and submits it to Environmental Services. If Environmental Services responds to the spill, they will complete their own Spill Report Form (Form 1184).

- The white copy of the spill report is submitted to Environmental Services at the South King Waste Management Facility.
- The canary copy is included with any samples sent to a laboratory.
- The pink copy is maintained at the satellite Service Center in the on-site files.
- The goldenrod copy should stay with the spill waste (taken by the vactor truck driver or kept with the containers of spill waste).

Spill reports need to include the information on the status of corrective actions and any plans for follow-up should be described in detail.

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## Record Keeping, *Continued*

### Decontamination Records Maintenance for Spills with Concentrations of 50 ppm or Greater of PCBs

For cleanups of spills of oil with 50 ppm or greater of PCBs, records of decontamination must be maintained for five years, including:

- Identification of the source of the spill (e.g., type of equipment).
- Estimated or actual date and time of the spill occurrence.
- The date and time cleanup was completed or terminated. If cleanup was delayed by emergency or adverse weather, include the nature and duration of the delay.
- A brief description of the spill location and the nature of the materials contaminated.
- Precleanup sampling data used to establish the spill boundaries, if required, because of insufficient visible traces and a brief description of the sampling methodology used to establish the spill boundaries.
- A brief description of the solid surfaces cleaned.
- Approximate depth of soil excavation and the amount of soil removed.
- A signed certification statement stating that the cleanup requirements have been met and that the information contained in the record is true.
- For spills in nonrestricted access areas, post cleanup verification sampling data, and if not otherwise apparent from the documentation, a brief description of the sampling methodology and analytical techniques used.

### Analytical Results

- Analytical results of samples obtained from oil-filled equipment are entered into the SAP database. A hard copy is maintained in the Environmental Services files at the Waste Management Facility.
- Analytical results of samples obtained to characterize soil conditions in the spill area are filed with the Spill Report Form (Form 1184).
- Analytical results of samples obtained to characterize waste are filed with other waste records (profiles, manifests, et cetera).

### Shipping Records

Record keeping to track the equipment includes:

- **For equipment that is less than 50 ppm of PCBs** – the analytical report from SAP showing the equipment’s PCB concentration and a shipping record.
- **For PCB capacitors and equipment that is 50 ppm or greater of PCBs** – the analytical report from SAP showing the equipment’s PCB concentration and a WMF Shipping Document (Form 1754), which acts as an internal shipping manifest.
- Record keeping to track spill waste shipments including bills of lading.
- Hazardous/TSCA waste manifests
- Certificates of disposal for shipments of PCB wastes

## References

The following Puget Sound Energy documents apply to this standard.

0150.3125	Temporary Storage of PCB Items
0150.3275	Collecting, Managing, and Disposing of Liquids from Natural Gas Equipment

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## Forms

1184	Spill Report Form
1257	Chain of Custody Report
1754	WMF Shipping Document
3892	Industrial Injury & Illness Report

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Employee Safety & Health Program

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## Sources

### 40 CFR

112	Oil Pollution Prevention
761	Polychlorinated biphenyls (PCBs) Manufacturing, Processing, Distribution in Commerce, and Use Prohibitions

## Scope

This standard covers oil sampling procedures for distribution transformers and oil-filled equipment. For substation equipment, see Standard 8625.1070.

## Background

Sampling of equipment is sometimes required to determine the PCB concentration of oil to profile a waste or to satisfy a customer's request, for example, during an environmental site assessment or property transfer. All sampling should be done by Environmental Services personnel. When that is not possible, the Environmental Services Department should be called for guidance.

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### **WARNING!**

These procedures comply with the Environmental Protection Agency and the OSHA and NIOSH guidelines that protect the environment and health of Puget Sound Energy workers. Federal regulations require a yearly review of this practice.

## Do Not Test for PCBs

Each piece of electrical equipment can contain a different amount of PCBs. Testing for PCB concentration is not necessary if:

- The nameplate states that the equipment has less than 1 ppm PCBs. Often the manufacturer will specify on the equipment nameplate whether or not the concentration of PCBs contained in the dielectric fluid is less than 1.0 ppm non-PCB.
- The equipment has already been tested and the analysis has been recorded with a date later than 1986. A search by serial number (from the manufacturer's nameplate), Company ID number or Grid Number can be used to query PSE's SAP database to determine if sample data already exists for the equipment.
- The specified regulatory assumptions (40 CFR 761.2) can be used to determine the approximate concentration of PCBs found in the equipment.
- The device is a capacitor or ballast. Capacitors and ballasts are either labeled by the manufacturer as non-PCB or they are assumed to be greater than 500 ppm PCB and are not sampled.

**NOTE:** Analyses for PCB concentrations that were conducted prior to 1986 are no longer honored, including pre-1986 results that are shown on metal tags attached to equipment, paper or database records, yellow stickers (less than 50 ppm PCBs) and blue stickers (non-PCB). New analyses must be performed to properly document the concentrations of PCBs in the oil.

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### Contacting Environmental Services Before and After Business Hours

If the question occurs during business hours, contact the Environmental Services Department at (253) 437-6789 or 82-6789 (from the PSE phone system) to determine the probable PCB concentration. If the question occurs after normal business hours, the Dispatcher or System Operations should page individual Environmental Services personnel at (360) 340-3718 for assistance in looking up the PCB content in SAP.

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## Responsibilities

### Environmental Services

Sampling should typically be done by Environmental Services personnel.

### Line Work Crews

Line/work crews are responsible for sampling only when Environmental Services personnel are unavailable. For these special occasions, they should contact Environmental Services for guidance.

### South King Waste Management Facility

All samples shall be sent to South King Waste Management Facility for processing by Environmental Services.

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## Safety

Oil sampling performed on energized systems shall be done only with hotstick tools designed especially for the job.

Oil sampling procedure for energized systems shall *not* be performed on cast iron or fiberglass transformers.

### DANGER!

If you choose to take an oil sample while the transformer is energized, use insulated tools.

## WAC Rule

Employees and conducting objects shall not come within the minimum distances of energized lines or conductors according to Table 1 in WAC 296-45-325.

## PCB Holding Area

Waste material and oil must be placed in the Service Center's designated PCB holding area. Check with the Storekeeper to make sure you place the waste appropriately.

## Personal Protective Equipment

Personal protective equipment is to be worn during all phases of oil sampling.

Disposable plastic gloves and a face shield, and, when necessary, disposable coveralls and boots shall be worn whenever you take oil samples.

When solvents are used in a confined area, or when air quality is questionable, use a respirator.

## For Oil Sampling

This chart illustrates the kind of personal protective equipment you should wear during the oil sampling process.

Personal Protective Equipment	Type	MID	Examples of Appropriate Use
Eye Protection	Safety glasses with side shields	6827000 6827101	Collecting oil samples for gas chromatograph analyses.
	Goggles	6827300	
	Goggles	6827300	
Eye Protection	Face shield	6829000 non-hard hat	Any time splash could occur.
		6830000 hat-mounted	
		6888000	
Gloves	Nitrile – protect up to 1 hour	6858000	Gloves are required for hand contact with PCBs: Oils, leaking/contaminated equipment, soil, surfaces.

A complete list of personal protective clothing and equipment is in Standard 0150.3100.

**First Aid**

If eyes, skin, or clothing come in contact with PCBs, or if they are ingested or inhaled, follow these abbreviated first aid treatments. More complete treatments are in Standard 0150.3100.

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**Eye Contact**

Flush eyes with water or eye irrigation solution for at least 15 minutes.

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**Skin Contact**

Clean skin immediately with soap and water. If soap and water aren't available, use waterless hand cleaner.

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**Clothing Contact**

Remove contaminated clothing as soon as possible.

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**Ingesting**

Employee is to be taken to a hospital immediately.

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**Inhaling**

If nausea, breathing difficulty or dizziness occur, employee is to be taken to a hospital immediately.

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## Tools, Materials, and Equipment

These tools and materials are required for oil sampling operations.

Labels/Forms	MID	Used for
Transformer Inspection Form	None	All oil sampling methods
EPA yellow PCB Mark M <sub>L</sub> label	3849100	Containers greater than 50 ppm or transformers 500 or greater ppm
Chain of Custody Report Dissolved Gas Analysis	F483.65 (printing form)	Shipping the DGA sample
Chain of Custody Report PCB/TPH Analysis	F483.55 (printing form)	Shipping the sample
Chain of Custody Report Emergency Analysis	F483.50 (printing form)	Shipping the sample for a rush analysis
Tools	MID	Used for
Hammer	7355100	Impalement method
Battery Operated Drill Motor, 3/8" Drive, Slow Speed	None	Impalement method
Drill Bit, Split Fluted 9/32" w/ Magnetized Collet, 1/16" Depth, OH	7222002	Impalement method
5/16" Socket, 3/8" Drive	None – Available from JACO Construction Co.	Impalement method
Insulated Tools	MID	Used for
Hotstick equipped with disposable syringe and hose applicator	None – Available from JACO Construction Co.	Any energized oil sampling
Hotstick modified for drill and drill bit	None – Available from JACO Construction Co.	Any energized oil sampling
Shotgun	7351100	Any energized oil sampling

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## Tools, Materials, and Equipment, *Continued*

Miscellaneous	MID	Used for
Waterproof Marker, Printing and Stationery #383-1	None	All oil sampling methods
Plastic Bags	7220000	All oil sampling methods
Rags	7474500	All oil sampling methods
Galvanized Zinc Paint	4652700	All oil sampling methods
RTV Sealant	7808000	All oil sampling methods
Caulking Gun	7344700	All oil sampling methods
Oil Sampling Kit	7408600	All oil sampling methods

## Ways to Take an Oil Sample

There are three different ways to take an oil sample from a transformer. Which way you choose depends on the type of transformer.

Oil-filled switches and other equipment may be sampled using Bay-O-Net fuses, or pressure relief valves, or the valve method.

The valve method is used for dissolved gas analysis.

If the equipment is . . .	See section for . . .
Overhead transformer without pressure relief valve or filler plug	Impalement method
Overhead transformer with pressure relief valve or filler plug	Pressure Relief Valve method
Padmount and total underground transformer	Bay-O-Net method
Oil-filled switches and equipment	Bay-O-Net method, Pressure Relief Valve method, Valve method

## Before You Begin

These preparatory steps apply to all methods of taking oil samples.

- Visually inspect each work area and plan procedures for containing transformer oil if a spill occurs.
- Inspect the materials, equipment, and electrical connections on and around the transformer.
- Check the ground connections to the transformer case, pole ground, and neutral.
- If the oil level is low in a switch, do not test it.

Notify the proper supervisor of problems or potential problems which should be corrected before work begins.

## Sampling Methods

These are the procedures for the four methods to take oil samples from a distribution transformer:

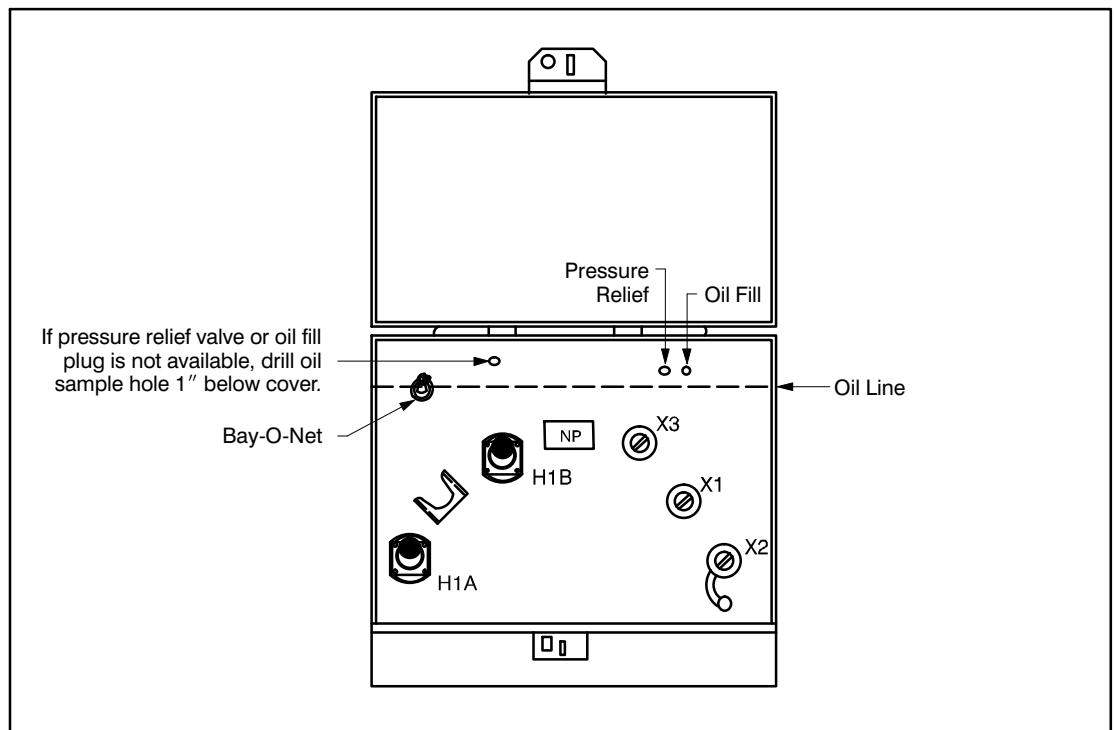
- Impalement
- Pressure relief valve
- Bay-O-Net
- Valve

**⚠ DANGER!**

If you choose to take an oil sample while the transformer is energized, use insulated tools.

**Figure 1**

Oil sampling areas

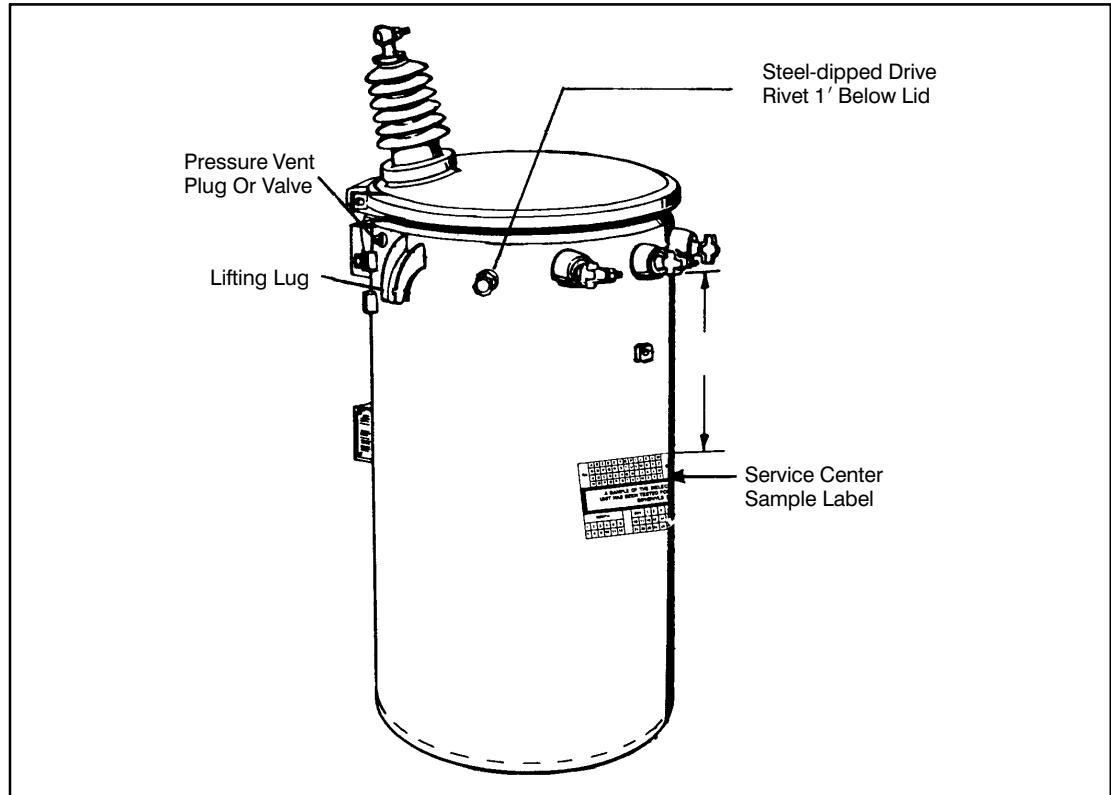


## Impalement Method

This section tells you how to use the impalement method to take oil samples from overhead transformers without pressure relief valves or filler plugs.

Figure 2

Impalement method



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## Select Oil Sampling Point

Select a location for the oil sample hole above the oil line.

Step	Action	Procedure
1	Select, mark, and clean oil sampling location.	Measure 1/2 inch to 1 inch below the cover or top, between the secondary neutral bushing and the lifting lug, and mark the location.  Use denatured alcohol to remove dirt and contamination from the location.
2	Drill the oil sampling hole.	Use a slow-speed drill with a split fluted bit to slowly drill the transformer case at the marked location until the collet touches the case.  The collet will act as a stop, keeping the drill from going all the way through.  <b>NOTE:</b> Drill shavings caught inside the magnetized collet should be cleaned out frequently with a small wire.
3	Drive the punch through the case.	Use an impalement tool and a hammer to drive the punch through the wall of the transformer case until the collar touches the case.

## Drawing the Oil Sample

These next steps tell you how to draw the sample, clear the tube, and clean the area. Select a location for the oil sample hole above the oil line.

Step	Action	Procedure
1	Draw oil sample.	Use a disposable syringe to insert the hose into the hole and draw out the oil sample.  <b>NOTE:</b> The syringe plunger should be completely in <i>before</i> drawing out the sample.
2	Clear tubing of air.	Tip the syringe plunger end down so the air is toward the tubing end of the syringe, then move the plunger forward until most of the air is out of the syringe.
3	Wipe the area.	Use denatured alcohol to wipe the drilling area clean of any oily residue.

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## Impalement Method, *Continued*

### Finishing the Operation

The next steps tell you how to plug and seal the hole.

Step	Action	Procedure
1	Plug the hole.	Place a dipped steel rivet into sampling hole and strike the drive pin with a hammer.
2	Seal the hole.	Apply RTV sealant around the drive rivet. Be careful to completely cover the rivet and any surrounding area where paint may have been chipped off.
3	Check for leaks.	Check for leaks around the newly installed rivet.

See the Cleanup and Applying Labels section in this standard to finish operation.

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## Pressure Relief Valve Method

This section tells you how to use the pressure relief valves or filler plugs to take an oil sample.

Use this method for overhead transformers with pressure relief valves or filler plugs.

Step	Action	Procedure
1	Clean the area.	Use denatured alcohol to remove dirt and contamination from the location.
2	Remove valve.	Remove the valve or plug from the transformer case
3	Draw oil sample.	Use a disposable syringe to insert the hose into the hole and draw out the oil sample.  <i>NOTE:</i> The syringe plunger should be completely in <i>before</i> drawing out the sample.
4	Clean the area.	Use denatured alcohol to wipe the drilling area clean of any oily residue.
5	Replace valve.	Replace the valve or plug and check for leaks.

See the Cleanup and Applying Labels section of this standard to finish operation.

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## Bay-O-Net Method

This method is to be used for taking oil samples from padmount and total underground transformers.

### If TUT is Energized

De-energize total underground transformer with an elbow before removing the Bay-O-Net fuse.

**⚠ WARNING!**

Do *not* use the drill method on these types of transformers, as screws installed in them tend to leak.

Step	Action	Procedure
1	Clean the area.	Use denatured alcohol to remove dirt and contamination around the Bay-O-Net fuse.
2	Lay plastic sheet.	Lay a piece of plastic sheeting at the bottom of the transformer below the Bay-O-Net fuse opening to catch oil drippings.
3	Take oil sample with Bay-O-Net fuse.  <i>OR see Step 4.</i>	Holding a sample bottle below the Bay-O-Net opening, pull the Bay-O-Net fuse out of the transformer and let the oil drip off the fuse into the sample bottle.  The Bay-O-Net may have to be reinstalled and pulled out several times to get an adequate sample.
4	Take oil sample with pipette and tube.	A disposable dropping pipette with an 18-inch propylene tube can also be used to draw an oil sample.  Remove the Bay-O-Net fuse and insert the tube into the Bay-O-Net tank opening.  Hold the tube with the bulb pointed downward and squeeze the bulb to draw oil into the pipette. Several draws may be required to get an adequate sample.
5	Fill bottle half full and clean drippings.	When the sample bottle is half full, wipe off all oil from the outside of the tank and any drippings caught on the plastic sheeting.  Use a rag dampened with denatured alcohol.

See the Cleanup and Applying Labels section of this standard to finish operation.

## Valve Method

This method is to be used for taking oil samples from padmount oil-filled switches and equipment.

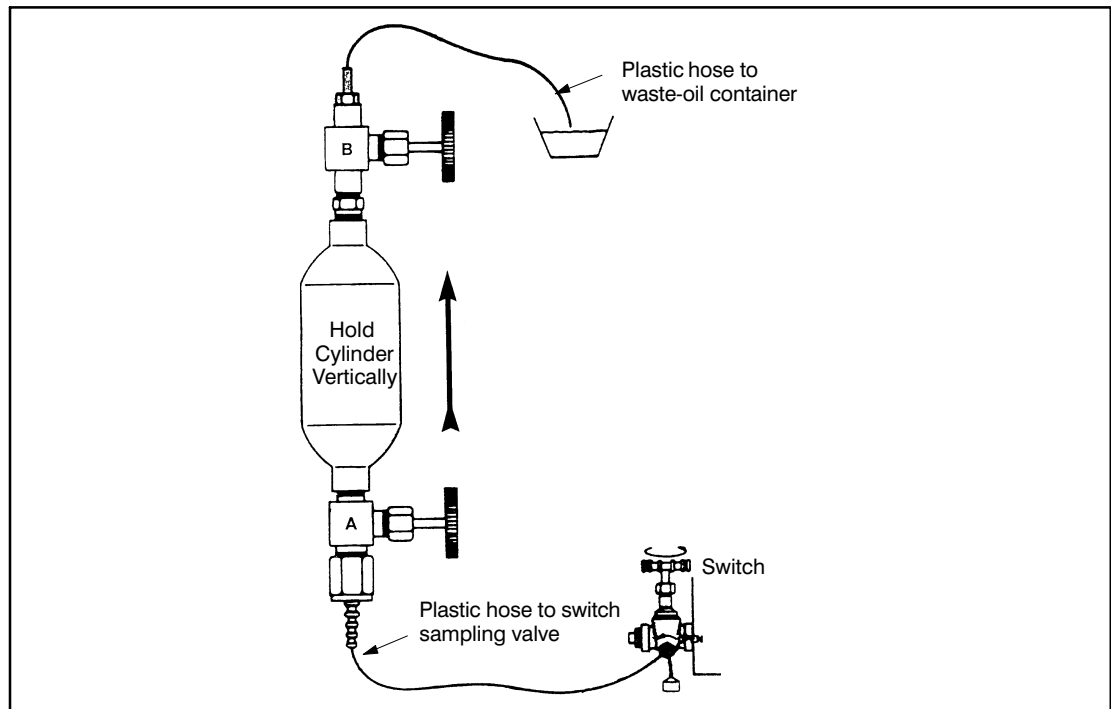
### Prepare the Area

These first steps tell you how to prepare the area.

Step	Action	Procedure
1	Clean the area.	Use denatured alcohol to remove dirt and contamination around the valve.
2	Remove the switch valve plug.	Slightly open the valve to flush out any stagnant oil.
3	Attach bushing adapter.	If a sampling cock is already installed, use that instead.
4	Attach brass connector to adapter.	Check for tightness.
5	Allow one gallon of oil to flow into waste oil container.	This ensures the sample will be obtained from the main section switch.  If air bubbles, sludge, or sediment are in this oil, continue flushing until you see a steady flow of clear oil.
6	Close the drain valve.	---

**Figure 3**

Valve method – dissolved gas analysis



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# Oil Sampling Procedures for Distribution Transformers and Oil-Filled Equipment

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## Attach Sample Fittings

These steps tell you how to attach the sample fittings.

Step	Action	Procedure
1	Connect sample cylinder to large plastic tube.	Use the serrated brass fitting.
2	Connect small plastic tube to the other end of the cylinder.	Use the Luer-Lok fitting.
3	Hold the cylinder vertically with the large plastic tube on the bottom.	A. Open the valve at the switch. B. Open the bottom cylinder valve. C. Open the upper cylinder valve.

## Take the Oil Sample

These steps tell you how to take the oil sample and replace the plug.

Step	Action	Procedure
1	Allow one quart to flow into the waste oil container.	If air bubbles are seen in the plastic tube, tap or shake the tube lightly. Flush with oil until the flow out of the cylinder is free of bubbles.
2	Close the cylinder.	A. Close the upper cylinder valve. B. Close the bottom cylinder valve. C. Close the switch valve.
3	Disconnect the plastic tubes.	Check the cylinder for air bubbles by shaking it and listening for oil movement. If there is there movement, reconnect the cylinder and flush more oil through until the cylinder is completely filled.
4	Remove bushing adapter and replace plug.	

See the Cleanup and Applying Labels section of this standard to finish operation.



## Cleanup

Cleanup after you take the oil sample is the same for all methods.

Step	Action
1	Clean up all visible signs of oil.
2	Place rags and other material used to clean up oil in a plastic bag. Dispose of it in the designated PCB holding area located at the Service Center.
3	Tools shall be cleaned with alcohol.

## Decontamination of Nondisposable Equipment

Nondisposable equipment means hand tools, power tools, earthmoving equipment, vehicles, et cetera that become contaminated with oil containing PCBs in known or assumed concentrations of 1 ppm or greater.

All contaminated equipment, including vehicles, should be decontaminated before leaving the spill site.

Equipment	Procedure
Vehicles	Wipe two times with clean rags and a detergent solution.
Electrical equipment and tools	Wipe two times with clean rags and a solvent.

## Solvents and Detergents

- Prevent or collect drips of used solvents and detergents.
- Do not dump used solvents and detergents on the ground.
- Place used solvents and detergents in properly labeled drums and send to General Stores for appropriate disposal.

## Personal Protective Equipment

Personal protective equipment should be removed before leaving the decontamination area and disposed of properly in containers.

- Respirators should be cleaned using the manufacturer's instructions.
- Hands and other exposed skin should be washed thoroughly before eating or drinking.

Remove personal protective equipment *in this order*:

- Boot covers
- Overalls
- Gloves

## Shipping the Sample

Ship samples for PCB analysis to the South King Waste Management Facility, SKC-WMF.

- Styrofoam mailers, each of which holds 20 samples, are available from Environmental Services for this purpose.
  - If a Styrofoam mailer is not available, wrap the sample vials in absorbent pads to cushion them and place them in a cardboard box.
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## Shipping DGA Analysis

All Dissolved Gas Analysis is sent directly to Doble in Massachusetts.

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## Record Keeping

Analytical results of samples obtained from oil-filled equipment are entered into the SAP database. A hard copy is maintained in the Environmental Services Department files at the Waste Management Facility.

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## References

The following Puget Sound Energy documents apply to this standard:

0150.3100	Cleanup of Oil Spills
8625.1070	Oil-Sampling Procedures for Oil-Filled Substation Equipment

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## Sources

<b>40 CFR</b>	Part 112	Oil Pollution Prevention
	Part 761	Polychlorinated Biphenyls (PCBs) Manufacturing, Processing, Distribution in Commerce, and Use Prohibitions

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A placard with the following wording shall be attached to locked drainage valves for containment areas.

**NOTE**

**THIS CONTAINMENT DRAIN VALVE NORMALLY LOCKED IN THE CLOSED POSITION**

**DRAINING PROCEDURE:**

1. Check Diked Containment Area for presence of oil.
2. If no oil is detected, unlock and open valve.
3. Close valve and lock when draining is completed.
4. If oil is detected in the Diked Containment Area, refer to the Spill Prevention, Control, and Countermeasure Plan (SPCC Plan) for response procedures and notifications. **DO NOT** open valve.



***APPENDIX C***  
***MAINTENANCE AND INSPECTION RECORDS***

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