



## SPILL & EVENT NOTIFICATION

### Procedure #: UHS-19

(3/2020)

#### Narrative:

K.A.R. 28-45-12 (h), K.A.R. 28-45a-10 (g), and K.A.R. 28-45b-10 (h) require notification to the Underground Hydrocarbon Storage (UHS) Program within two hours of any significant event; however KDHE has decided that notification within **24 hours** of any event listed below is sufficient. UHS facilities are required to submit written notification of the event within one week to the UHS Program. Reportable events include:

- i. Brine releases;
- ii. release of product or any other chemical parameter;
- iii. overpressuring, overfilling, establishment of communication, or any other event that causes a loss of integrity to the storage well or cavern;
- iv. equipment malfunction that cannot be readily corrected; or
- v. any event that requires emergency notification of an agency as outlined in the facility emergency response plan.

Examples of reportable events that do not endanger public health, safety, or the environment include:

- i. Alarms that have been triggered by conditions such as lightning, ice, etc.;
- ii. pressure exceeded the MAOP but was corrected and did not pose a threat; and
- iii. spills that do not impact soil or water (e.g. dripping valves, salt crystals on brine valves, or spills within containment structures).

### **Spill Notification Procedure:**

Report spills within 24 hours of discovery, e.g. brine, product, or any chemical that impacts the soils or waters of the state. Examples of spills subject to reporting requirements are:

- a. Uncontrolled spills;
- b. spills that enter a waterway;
- c. spills that result in potential fish kills or threats to wildlife;
- d. spills of sufficient quantity to impact groundwater; or
- e. brine spills greater than 1 barrel that impact soil.

#### **1. Call the Bureau of Environmental Remediation (BER) 24/7 Spill Hotline: (785) 291-3333**

- Spill reports from BER will be routed to the UHS Program.

#### **2. Notify the Geology & Well Technology Unit Chief **OR** the UHS Program Manager:**

- Carrie Ridley | cell: (785) 207-4217 – text after normal hours, or voicemail is fine; **OR**
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