

Incident Notification

Incident Date: June 26, 2017

Title: 1m³ of pond sludge Discharge

Description: During a pond cleaning operation at the SABRE research and development project, while suctioning the pond sludge with a hydrovac truck, the truck's rear gate was inadvertently opened which caused the discharge of about 1m³ of the load to the ground next to the pond. Most of the sludge flowed back into the pond. The rear gate was closed as soon as the issue became apparent. The soil was shoveled into the berms to prevent further spread of the material. The liquid was sucked up with the hydrovac truck and returned to the pond and the area was scrapped up.

Resolution: The gate locking mechanism which failed - as it should not open while the hydraulic line's valve is closed - will be examined by a mechanic and will be repaired or replaced.

Effect: Potential effects on the environment will be negligible. There are no effects to worker/public health or safety.

