

March 20, 2020

The Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources Remediation and Redevelopment Program Attn: Maizie Reif 2984 Shawano Ave Green Bay, WI 54313-6727

### RE: No Further Action Report Oshkosh Corporation South Plant Diesel Spill 2850 Hughes Street City of Oshkosh, Winnebago County, Wisconsin WDNR Spill ID: 20200309NE71-1

Dear Ms. Reif:

Please find attached the No Further Action (NFA) Report for the Oshkosh Corporation South Plant diesel spill located at 2850 Hughes Street, in the City of Oshkosh, Winnebago County, Wisconsin.

Valley Environmental Response appreciates the opportunity to provide report this report to you. Please feel free to contact me with any questions.

Sincerely,

Chuck Anderson

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# **NO FURTHER ACTION REPORT**

## OSHKOSH CORPORTION SOUTH PLANT DIESEL SPILL

## 2850 Hughes Street City of Oshkosh Winnebago County, Wisconsin

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### 1.0 INTRODUCTION

On Monday, March 9, 2020, Valley Environmental Response (VER) responded to and cleaned up impacts resulting from a diesel spill on a gravel parking lot caused as the result of an Oshkosh Corporation truck being towed by Nolte's Towing catching and tearing open a saddle tank on another parked truck owned by Oshkosh Corporation during a rainstorm.

The spill was located on the southwest portion of the Oshkosh property located at 2850 Hughes Street, in the City of Oshkosh, in Winnebago County, Wisconsin. More specifically, the spill occurred in the southwest ¼ of the southeast ¼ of Section 35, Township 18 North, Range 16 East at Wisconsin Transverse Mercator (WTM) Coordinates: 636350, 391024. See the attached Figure 1 - Site Location Map and Figure 2 – Spill Location Map.

VER dispatched to the site Monday, March 9, 2020 to evaluate the spill, applied absorbent pad and oil dry to the spill area; surrounded the spill area with petroleum absorbent boom and oil dry to fully contain it; placed additional boom at downgradient storm drains as a precaution to prevent any runoff from entering the drains; and determined the resources that would be necessary to properly respond to the remaining release. Additionally, the spill area was coned and taped off from the time the spill occurred until the response actions were conducted.

On Friday, March 13<sup>th</sup>, 2020, VER mobilized support staff and equipment, to complete the spill response actions.

This report is written to summarize the response action and fulfill the reporting requirements as specified under the Wisconsin Administrative Code (WAC) NR 708.09.

#### 1.1 Nature and Duration of Discharge

The diesel spill was caused as the result of an Oshkosh Corporation truck being towed by Nolte's Towing catching and tearing open a saddle tank on another parked truck owned by Oshkosh Corporation during a rainstorm. It was estimated that approximately 25 gallons of diesel fuel spilled onto the gravel parking lot.

VER arrived on site on Monday, March 9, 2020. Initial assessment of the spill identified that the diesel fuel was soaking in and running over the gravel parking lot. VER applied oil dry, absorbent pad and boom around the spill area. The spill was contained at the time of the initial assessment.

Cleanup efforts are described in detail in Section 2.0.

#### 1.2 Prior Mitigation Efforts

Prior to VER's arrival, Oshkosh Corporation and Nolte's towing staff used what absorbents were available to contain the spill until VER arrived on site..

## 1.3 Weather Conditions

Weather conditions over the duration of the discharge and subsequent response action to excavate the diesel impacted soil varied from partly cloudy to rain, with temperatures between 25 and 50 degrees Fahrenheit. Wind was light and variable. Work was conducted during favorable weather with absorbents and boom confirmed to be in place and working effectively following significant rain events and prior to soil disposal.

## 1.4 Migration Potential of Release

The following general site conditions were noted relative to potential migration issues that needed to be considered:

- Surface Conditions The surface of the area within the vicinity of the spill consisted of a very large gravel parking lot.
- Subsurface Soil Conditions The gravel in the parking lot extended to approximately 6 inches below ground surface and was underlain by native red brown silty clay to the depth excavated.
- Surface Water Bodies No surface water was impacted as the result of this spill. The nearest surface water body is an unnamed intermittent stream located approximately 585 feet northwest of the spill area.
- Drains or Storm Sewers A down gradient storm sewer was identified north of the spill site. The storm sewer manway was protected with petroleum absorbent boom at the time of the initial spill response. At no time was diesel fuel observed to leave the boom and granular absorbent containment placed around the initial spill location, and therefore it does not appear sewers were impacted as the result of this spill.
- Depth to Groundwater Depth to groundwater beneath the site is not known, however, the spill was surficial, no groundwater was encountered during cleanup activities performed at the site, and therefore potential groundwater impacts are not believed to be a concern.
- Integrity of Containment Area Diesel fuel soaked into the gravel and migrated to the north across the gravel parking lot and into the gravel and silty clay soils beneath. Absorbent pad, boom and oil dry applied on and around the spill area at the time of the initial response appeared sufficient as no diesel fuel was observed to have migrated beyond the absorbents.

## 2.0 RESPONSE ACTION DOCUMENTATION

This section documents the response action performed by VER.

#### 2.1 Initial Site Conditions

As noted in Section 1.1, VER arrived on site March 9, 2020 to assess the existing site conditions. Upon arrival, additional absorbent pad, boom and oil dry was applied to the spill area and absorbent boom secured at a downgradient storm sewer manway to protect the sewer should diesel migrate outside the containment boom during future forecasted rain events.

The spill area was monitored with no indication of the fuel migrating beyond the initially secured spill containment.

Following initial assessment and discussions with the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources (WDNR), VER mobilized support staff and equipment to the site March 13, 2020 to complete the response actions.

#### 2.2 Response Action Summary

Under direction of the WDNR, VER mobilized the necessary equipment, materials and personnel to properly mitigate the release. The following response actions were taken:

- Spill Containment Efforts Oil dry, absorbent pad and boom was initially placed over and around the spill area to stabilize the spill until impacted soils could be excavated.
- Surface Cleaning Efforts Impacted gravel and soil was excavated in response to the spill. The area was then backfilled with clean gravel and therefore no additional surface cleaning was necessary.
- Impacted Soil Excavation On March 13, 2020, as directed by the acting WDNR Northeast Region Spills Coordinator, Maizie Reif, diesel impacted soil was excavated until there was no remaining evidence of the presence of diesel fuel, as determined by using visual and olfactory evidence, in addition to field screening soils utilizing a photoionization detector (PID).

Excavation limits extended approximately 30 feet by 70 feet with depths ranging from approximately 2 to 4 inches in the southern portion of the spill area to approximately 10 inches below ground surface in the north central portion of the spill area where the diesel fuel had pooled at the time of the spill.

In total, approximately 30 tons of diesel impacted granular absorbent, gravel and soil was excavated and disposed of at Waste Management's Valley Trail Landfill. Figure 3 – Excavation Limits identifies the excavation extent, location, depth and field screening results for the soil analyzed during the excavation. Further discussion of waste disposal is provided in Section 2.4 of this report.

- Water Management Not applicable. No water was encountered as part of the spill response action.
- Restoration On March 13, 2020, following impacted gravel and soil excavation, gravel as utilized to backfill the parking lot area of the excavation.

Photo documentation of the spill, response actions and restoration can be found in Appendix A.

#### 2.3 Verification Sampling Summary

Based upon the cleanup objectives utilized by VER on similar cleanups of this type, prompt response minimizes infiltration of contaminants into the subsurface. Therefore, prompt application of absorbents followed by excavation of impacted soil was completed.

Granular absorbent, absorbent pad and boom was placed on and around the area impacted by diesel fuel the day of the incident. No significant migration of fuel or sheen was observed during subsequent site visits. The remaining absorbents were removed from the site on Friday, March 13, 2020 at the time of the excavation.

Based on the above, field screen results (utilizing a PID) and the lack of all visual and olfactory evidence of migration of diesel fuel beyond the limits of the excavation, the area impacted by the spill has been cleaned up and meets the cleanup criteria required by WDNR under WAC NR 708.09.

#### 2.4 Waste Disposal

The following wastes were properly handled and disposed of as a result of this response effort:

- Diesel Impacted Gravel/Soil/Granular Absorbent A total of approximately 30 tons of diesel impacted gravel, soil and absorbent was disposed of at Waste Management's Valley Trail Landfill located in Berlin, Wisconsin. Copies of the disposal documentation are provided in Appendix B.
- Diesel Impacted Boom and Pad A total of one cubic yard box of diesel impacted boom and pad was disposed of at Covanta Environmental Services located in Winneconne, Wisconsin. Copies of the disposal documentation are provided in Appendix B.
- Diesel Fuel A partial drum of diesel fuel recovered from the damaged saddle tank that was leaking was disposed of at OSI Environmental located in Kaukauna, Wisconsin. Copies of the disposal documentation are provided in Appendix B.

## 3.0 ASSESSMENT OF RESPONSE ACTION EFFECTIVENESS

This section provides an assessment of the spill response action effectiveness relative to the items specified in NR 708.09 (i) through (m).

#### 3.1 Response Effectiveness Evaluation

The following effectiveness evaluation is provided:

- Visual and Olfactory Evidence There is no remaining visual or olfactory evidence of impacts associated with the release.
- Actual or Potential Environmental Impacts All cleanup criteria have been met as part of the response action required by WDNR. Therefore, there are no apparent remaining actual or potential environmental impacts associated with the spill that resulted from the torn fuel tank.
- Proximity of Contamination to Receptors
  - Human Direct Contact All cleanup criteria were met and it appears that no residual impacted gravel/soil remains in the location of the spill.
  - Surface Water As noted in Section 1.4, the nearest surface water body, an unnamed intermittent creek is located approximately 580 feet northwest of the spill site and therefore, there is no potential surface water to be a receptor.
  - Groundwater As noted in Section 1.4, no groundwater was encountered during the response action and the spill impacts were surficial in nature.
  - Soil Soil impacted as a result of the spill have been excavated and properly disposed at a licensed landfill.
- Exposure Route Assessment
  - Human Direct Contact All cleanup criteria were met. No residual diesel fuel is present.
  - Vapor Intrusion Not applicable. The spilled material was excavated and disposed of at a licensed landfill and therefore, cleanup criteria have been met.
  - Surface Water/Sediment Not applicable. See discussion in Section 1.4.
  - o Groundwater Not applicable. See discussion in Section 1.4.

## 3.2 Conclusion

Based on the data and evaluations presented above, the response action met all established cleanup criteria as required under WAC NR708.09. It appears that the environment has been restored to the extent practicable. Based on the above, no further action appears to be required associated with this spill at this time.

## **FIGURES**







## APPENDIX A Photo Documentation

Oshkosh Corporation South Plant Diesel Spill

### Photos of Initial Response

![](_page_14_Picture_3.jpeg)

View of leaking saddle tank.

![](_page_14_Picture_5.jpeg)

Absorbents being placed over spill.

#### Oshkosh Corporation South Plant Diesel Spill

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#### Photos of March 13, 2020 VER Response Action

View of spill location prior to excavation, looking south southwest

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View of spill area prior to excavation, looking west

#### Oshkosh Corporation South Plant Diesel Spill

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North end of excavation (water is the result of the weeks rain events), view looking east

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Scrape/excavation, view looking northwest

#### Oshkosh Corporation South Plant Diesel Spill

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South end of scrape/excavation, view looking east

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Spill area following backfill/compaction, view looking northeast

#### Oshkosh Corporation South Plant Diesel Spill

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Spill area following backfill/compaction, view looking southeast

APPENDIX B Waste Disposal Documentation

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