

General Environmental Incident Summary

Incident: 3748 **Date/Time Notice:** 5/7/2015 1459 **DEM Incident No:**
Responsible Party: Northern states Power Company-MN d/b/a Xcel Energy
Date Incident: 5/5/2015 **Time Incident:** 0800 **Duration:** 1 minutes
County: Cass **Twp:** 139 **Rng:** 48 **Sec:** 7 **Qtr:**
Lat: 46.87594 **Long:** -96.79659 **Method:** Interpolation from map
Location Description: In the Northern Pacific (NP) avenue right of way NE of a commercial building at 1120 NP ave in Fargo , ND.

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Distance Nearest Occupied Building: **Release Contained:** Yes

Type of Incident: Manufactured gas pipeline contents potential release

Description of Released Contaminant: Possible release of tar or residuals from a former manufactured gas pipeline

Volume Spilled: 1.00 gallons **Ag Related:** No

EPA Extremely Hazardous Substance: Unknown **Reported to NRC:** Unknown

Cause of Incident:

former manufactured gas pipes (that are adjacent to each other) were being located with a vacuum excavator. Odors and suspected tar was observed in the excavation. The excavation was completed approximately 7 feet below grade.

Risk Evaluation:

No immediate risk. Excavation is secured during the ongoing assessment .

of Fatalities: 0 **# of Injuries:** 0 **Affected Medium:** 03 - soil

Potential Environmental Impacts:

Pipelines are intact and there is no ongoing release. The amount of potential tar material observed was < 1 gallon and is contained in the excavation. Further assessment will provide additional information on the potential environmental impacts

Action Taken or Planned:

Work was stopped and the excavation was secured. Further assessment is being undertaken to determine the nature of the material observed and to profile the soil and pipe material. Pipes are to be removed in June, 2015 to prepare the street for a City repaving project.

Wastes Disposal Location: Waste profiles are being prepared for soil and pipe disposal at the

VONCO II landfill in Becker, MN.

Agencies Involved:

Updates

Date: 5/7/2015 ***Status:*** Reviewed - No Action Required

Author: Stockdill, Scott

Updated Volume:

Notes:

According to the incident summary, this spill involved a small amount and was addressed properly when found. No followup is necessary.