

SECTION 14 INCIDENT REPORT (*Waste Management and Pollution Control Act*)

Date and Time of Notification:	Notification made 14/04/2023 at 03:30pm.
Person / Company:	Dale Thomas – Downer
Incident:	Bitumen spill along the Stuart Hwy

<p>(a) the incident causing or threatening to cause pollution</p>	<p>During routine maintenance being undertaken on a sprayer, approximately 50L of bitumen was spilt immediately adjacent to the Stuart Hwy. The bitumen travelled approximately 5m before being contained.</p>  <p><i>Figure 1 Extent of Bitumen Spill</i></p>  <p><i>Figure 2 Spill Location after removal of bitumen</i></p>
<p>(b) the place where the incident occurred</p>	<p>Stuart Hwy near the Desert Oakes Rest Area, north of Ghan</p>
<p>(c) the date and time of the incident</p>	<p>Approximately 03:30pm on the 13/04/2023</p>

<p>(d) how the pollution has occurred, is occurring or may occur</p>	<p>Sprayer Operator was performing maintenance on the manifold strainer. To access the manifold strainer requires the removal of the external delivery cap. This was inadvertently completed by the operator under pressure causing bitumen to flow out.</p>
<p>(e) the attempts made to prevent, reduce, control, rectify or clean up the pollution or resultant environmental harm caused or threatening to be caused by the incident</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Spill kit immediately deployed to contain the spill and dust placed over bitumen to absorb/contain. 2) Once bitumen had cooled and hardened, it was picked up and taken back to depot and stockpiled on plastic awaiting appropriate disposal <div data-bbox="837 801 1391 1473" data-label="Image"> </div> <p><i>Figure 3 Contaminated material wrapped in plastic at depot.</i></p>
<p>(f) the identity of the person notifying the NT EPA</p>	<p>Dale Thomas – Environment and Sustainability Manager</p>