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Subject: Initial report of potential reportable incident - NT Drilling EMP

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Afternoon,

As required under part 3, division 1, section 33 of the Petroleum (Environmental) Regulations 2016 (NT), Central Petroleum is notifying the Minister in writing of a potential reportable incident.

Available material facts

As communicated verbally this afternoon, there was incident at our Palm Valley 12 drilling operation yesterday, whilst conducting routine lease inspection, the OCR discovered a white residue on the ground behind the flare pit, off the well lease. This is likely overspray (from high pressure release from the blooie line combined with high winds). This release could have occurred during well flow testing operations, where the gas flow may have included a mist of formation water. The impacted area is still currently being identified and quantified, however the unverified indicative location is outlined in attachment 1.

Actions taken to mitigate impact

Flaring where practical has been limited. However from a well safety perspective the flare remains in operation.

Corrective actions

Wind conditions will continue to be monitored during any future flaring to minimise the likelihood of any potential overspray. Options for remediation are being reviewed. Immediate access to the area is limited due to current drilling operations.

Further details will be provided as they become available, and included in the report under section 34.



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