

November 8, 2024

NEW COOPERATIVE
ATTN JON WELLS
2626 1ST AVENUE SOUTH
FT DODGE IA 50501

SUBJECT: Red diesel fuel spill, HSI #110624-BM1-1250
Monona County, Staff Action # 179274

Dear Mr. Wells,

On November 6, 2024, the Iowa Department of Natural Resources (DNR) received a call regarding a red diesel fuel spill at the NEW Cooperative Inc. facility located at 203 W Oak Street, Red Oak, IA. According to the caller, while an employee was filling a truck, it overflowed. The red diesel flowed across the parking lot to an open valve which outlet to another area of the parking lot. On site personnel applied floor dri to the affected area. I responded to the call the same day. A copy of the report of investigation is attached.

Pursuant to 567 Iowa Administrative Code (IAC) 131.2(2), the responsible party is required to submit a written report to this office within 30 days specifying the details of the occurrence incident. An electronic version of the 30 Day Written Report Form is also available on the DNR website. According to Ms. Lynette Vandeneinde, who was on scene, she had a copy of the required report form. The 30-day written report must be submitted **no later than December 8, 2024.**

The cooperation of Ms. Vandeneinde during the investigation was appreciated. If you have any questions regarding this letter please contact me via cell phone at (712) 340-3076 or email at kristi.burg@dnr.iowa.gov.

Sincerely,



Kristi Burg
Environmental Specialist Senior
Field Services and Compliance Bureau

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xc: Emergency Response Section, Des Moines, IA (via email)
Lynette Vandeneinde, NEW Cooperative, Inc., 203 W Oak St., Red Oak, IA 51566

SUSPENSE: December 8, 2024 - Submit a 30 day spill report (IAC 131.2 (2))

IOWA DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES
Report of Investigation

INVESTIGATION DATE: **Current:** November 6, 2024

TO: NEW Cooperative Inc.
 203 W Oak Street
 Red Oak, IA 51566

RE: Red diesel Spill
 HSI# 110624-BM1-1250
 Montgomery County

PERSONS CONTACTED: Lynette Vandeneinde

On Wednesday, November 6, 2024, the Iowa Department of Natural Resources (DNR) received a call stating that 30 gallons of red diesel was spilled on the NEW Cooperative property in Red Oak. According to the caller, an employee had been filling their truck and it had overflowed. The diesel was contained on the property. Floor dri had been applied to the affected area. The following photos were provided.



The photo below documents the location.



Aerial Photo 1

I arrived onsite that afternoon. At that time, an excavator was onsite and beginning to remove the contaminated soil. The area sits in a bowl with a valve to control any releases. Due to the recent precipitation, the valve was in the open position. All water and now spilled red diesel outlet on the back side of the berm onto the gravel parking lot. The photos below document my observations.



Photos 1-2: Spilled area and flow towards open valve



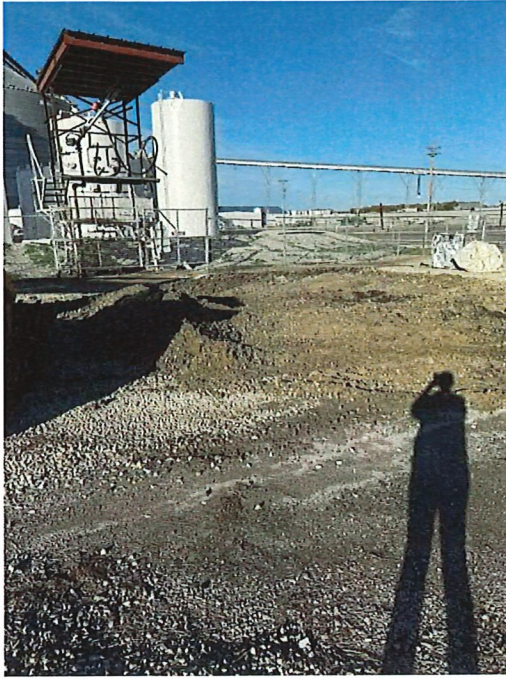
Photo 3: Spilled area looking north from valve area



Photos 4-5: Valve area and back side of berm where diesel and water outlet

After discussing the 30-day spill report requirement, New Cooperative was advised to excavate the impacted area to sight and smell. As discussed, contaminated soil should be hauled to the landfill for proper disposal. While onsite, Ms. Vandeneinde contacted Montgomery County Landfill who advised that the contaminated soil would need to be taken to Loess Hills Landfill for disposal. We discussed the process for taking waste outside of Montgomery County's comprehensive planning area.

I received text message photos from Ms. Vandeneinde the same evening showing excavation was complete and clean soil had been replaced in the excavated area. The photos are shown below.



Photos 6-9: Provided by Ms. Vandeneinde

NEW Cooperative plans to apply gravel to the cleaned area. No further action will be taken regarding this spill.

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Kristi Burg, Environmental Specialist Senior

Reviewer: Montana for WW
Wendy Wittrock, Environmental Specialist Senior

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