

State of Oregon  
Department of Environmental Quality

Memorandum

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Subject: Justification for Administrative Closure

The Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) is administratively closing the leaking underground storage tank (LUST) project known as “Kelly Pneumbra Bldg.” (LUST No. 26-23-0613).

On September 12, 2023, an overfill of a vehicle from an underground storage tank occurred at the 47<sup>th</sup> Avenue Garage Fuel Island, Pump #2. Pump #2 reportedly dispensed 47.1 gallons during use. Witnesses on-site were unsure how much fuel was spilled but estimated about 6 gallons based on the initial level of fuel in the vehicle. The catch basins on either side of the fueling island contained fuel, which connect to an on-site oil-water separator.

EcoLube Recovery arrived on the same day to pump the fuel from the catch basins and oil-water separator. EcoLube recorded 45 gallons recovered but were unable to estimate how much of the recovered volume was water from before the spill. The outfall for the oil-water separator was inspected and no fuel reportedly exited the oil-water separator. DEQ’s review of the incident timeline indicates the fuel was in the catch basin and oil-water separator no longer than 16 hours.

Based on the total time from spill to recovery and the integrity of the catch basins and oil-water separator, DEQ concludes that the overfill incident does not constitute a “new” release and LUST No. 26-23-0613 should be administratively closed.