

**MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF THE ENVIRONMENT
LAND AND MATERIALS ADMINISTRATION – OIL CONTROL PROGRAM**

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Report of Observations

Date	3/26/26	Facility ID	7874
Type of Inspection / Observations	Spill Investigation	Case #	
Site / Facility Name	Andrews Air Force Base	Permit #	
Address	██████████ Andrews AFB	MDEnviroScreen¹	
Point of Contact (POC)	██████████	POC Phone	██████████
POC Email	██████████	POC Fax	

Remarks

Regional inspector Michael Jester reviewed Initial Report of Incident #23722. The report stated that on March 23, 2026 fuel odors and a slight rainbow sheen were observed near an outfall into Piscataway Creek at the ██████████ of the base. The facility is part of the public water system. Following discovery of the sheen, the facility deployed absorbent material onto Piscataway Creek at the referenced outfall. The facility also began investigating the source of the sheen.

On 3/24/26, the facility received additional complaints that petroleum odors were present in a storm drain near Hanger ██████. The facility shut down the ██████ fuel hydrant system at that time. The facility also observed petroleum odors and sheen on Piscataway Creek further upstream than the initial impacted section. The facility added additional absorbents to Piscataway Creek and investigated the storm drain on this date.

On 3/25/26, The facility inspected Piscataway Creek downstream of the initial impacted section and did not see any evidence of petroleum contamination. Inspector Jester telephoned ██████ who stated that the facility is still investigating the source of the petroleum impacts. ██████ stated that the ██████ fuel hydrant system is still closed and will remain closed until its precision tested. ██████ stated that the testing is tentatively scheduled for next week.

Based on the above observations the following requirements are to be completed:

- Immediately investigate the source of the sheen/release observed on Piscataway Creek and adjacent storm drain.
 - Submit daily updates of the investigation and activities findings.
- Perform daily inspections of the absorbent material on Piscataway Creek until further notice from MDE.
 - Remove and replace spent absorbent material as needed.
- Submit a copy of release detection records for the onsite fuel hydrant systems for the months of March 2025- March 2026.
- Submit a copy of the most recent precision tightness test of the ██████ fuel hydrant piping system.
- Immediately have a precision tightness test performed on the ██████ fuel hydrant piping system. Continue to keep the ██████ fuel hydrant system closed until approval from MDE.

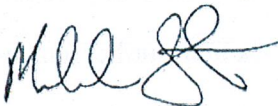
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- If a source to spill is identified, onsite conditions substantially worsen, or the fuel hydrant system fails testing notify inspector Jester immediately at 410-808-8993.

Photographs Taken: Yes No

NOTES

- Report the following conditions to the Department immediately, but not later than 2 hours after the detection, at **410-537-3442** during normal business hours, or to the Emergency Response Division hotline at **1-866-633-4686**:
 - Evidence of a spill, release, or discharge of oil;
 - A release detection method, monitoring results, or investigation of an alarm indicates that a spill, release, or discharge may have occurred;
 - Investigation of an inventory variation reveals a leak;
 - If a storage tank system fails a test for tightness,;
 - Two consecutive inconclusive precision tightness test results;
 - A storage system (aboveground or underground) is determined to be leaking;
 - Test failure of spill catchment basins, containment sumps, or test of a cathodic protection resulting determination the system is inadequate;
 - Presence of liquid phase hydrocarbons; absorbed or free product in soil; vapors in soil, basement, sewer or utility line; or waters of the State;
 - Unusual operating conditions exist, such as erratic behavior of product dispensing equipment, the sudden loss of a regulated substance from a storage tank system, unexplained presence of water in a storage tank, or liquid in the interstitial space of a secondary containment system.
- Reports should **not** be made via voice messages to OCP case managers.
- Operating without a permit or in violation of a permit, regulation, or law may result in the assessment of civil or administrative penalties and or other legal sanctions.

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