

Incident INCI010352 for Causeway Licence (A0098-01)

Notification No: INCI010352

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Licensee Details

Organisation:

Uisce Éireann

Licence Name:

Causeway

Reg No:

A0098-01

Site Address:

Kerry

Notifier Details

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Details

Description of Incident:

Discharge of Burnt (used) oil to the Causeway WWTP. Contractors observed burnt oil on the surface of the imhoff tank on their arrival at the WWTP on the morning of 22nd June 2016. The source of burnt oil is unknown but it is thought it could be as a result of an once-off illegal discharge into the network from someone changing oil in a car. The volume of oil discharge is not known, but thought to be a small volume.

Incident Category:

Category 1

Approximate Start of Incident:

22/06/2016 00:00

First Noticed:

22/06/2016 00:00

Still Ongoing:

No

End Date:

22/06/2016 00:00

New or Recurring Incident:

New

Incident Nature:

Other

Impact of Incident on Environment:

No impact has been observed on the receiving water and it is believed that the oil has been contained within the treatment plant. Absorbent pads have been deployed to soak up the oil discharge and to prevent any oil discharge to the receiving water. Absorbent pads were placed at the outlet point and in the receiving water both upstream and downstream of the discharge point.

Uncontrolled Release to Receptors:

Water

Details of any Vulnerable Receptors:

Ballybunion Bathing water is approximately 9 kilometres downstream of the discharge however there is no evidence of an oil discharge to the receiving water. The Environment Section, Kerry County Council were advised of the incident on the morning of the incident.

Likely Cause:

Other (add details)

Illegal discharge to the network

Incident Location**Licensed Discharge Point:** No**Location Description:** Primary discharge point to small stream.**Emission Parameter Results****Communication****EPA Informed by Telephone:** No**EPA Informed Date:****EPA Informed Staff Member:****EPA Informed Contact Details:****Other Communications:**

Notified	Contact Details / Telephone	Date
Kerry County Council	Not available	22/06/2016 00:00
Inland Fisheries Ireland	087 2473708	22/06/2016 18:00

Additional Details**Activity in Process at time of incident:**

Normal activities. Contractor currently desludging in North Kerry area and mobile dewatering plant on site . Contractors observed burnt oil in imhoff tank when they came on site on morning of June 22nd.

Corrective Actions Taken:

Action	Name	Date
Absorbent pads deployed to prevent any oil discharge to the receiving waters. Enva have been engaged to empty the imhoff tank on 23/06/2016. Investigation carried out to try to identify the source.		23/06/2016 00:00

Preventive Actions to be Taken:

Action	Target Date
Investigate source of the illegal discharge and monitor the WWTP to ensure there is no reoccurrence of the illegal discharge.	30/06/2016 00:00

Likelihood of Recurrence: Low

Other Relevant Information

Further information on this incident will be submitted when the investigation is complete.

Regards

Claire Cremin

Operational Support Services

Irish Water