United States Environmental Protection Agency
Region VI
POLLUTION REPORT

Date: Wednesday, February 27, 2008
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Subject: Initiation of Action
UP Alpine, TX Derailment
SW of FM 1703 and Heil Lane, Alpine, TX
Latitude: 30.3560100
Longitude: -103.6994100

POLREP No.:	1	**Site #:**	863463
Reporting Period:		**D.O. #:**	
Start Date:	2/27/2008	**Response Authority:**	
Mob Date:	2/27/2008	**Response Type:**	
Demob Date:		**NPL Status:**	
Completion Date:		**Incident Category:**	
CERCLIS ID #:		**Contract #**	
RCRIS ID #:			

Site Description

At approximately 0130 hours, on 2/27/2008 a Union Pacific train derailed in Alpine, TX. Union Pacific reported the incident to the National Response Center (NRC). The NRC assigned the incident #863463. The derailment impacted two railcars carrying hazardous materials. An undetermined amount of Tetrahydrofuran was released onto the rail ballast. A rail car of Methylene Diphenyl Isocyanate was also involved in the derailment but no release is reported.

The Alpine Volunteer Fire Department responded to the derailment and reported that they believe the entire contents of the Tetrahyrofuran container(estimated 3500 gallons)were released. They also indicated that an evacuation of ½ miles is on-going and that they are awaiting Union Pacific representatives arrival on site, before any additional response actions are taken. OSC Mason and START3 have been deployed to the incident.

Current Activities

OSC Mason and (six) START-3 contractors have mobilized to Alpine, Texas with communications and air monitoring/sampling equipment.

Estimated Costs *

	Budgeted	Total To Date	Remaining	% Remaining
Extramural Costs				
Intramural Costs				
Total Site Costs	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	0.00%

* The above accounting of expenditures is an estimate based on figures known to the OSC at the time this report was written. The OSC does not necessarily receive specific figures on final payments made to any contractor(s). Other financial data which the OSC must rely upon may not be entirely up-to-date. The cost accounting provided in this report does not necessarily represent an exact monetary figure which the government may include in any claim for cost recovery.