

## **Directive 071, Emergency Preparedness and Response Requirements for the Petroleum Industry.**

The ERCB requires licensees that operate in Alberta to have an ERCB approved spill contingency plan or be members in good standing of an oil spill cooperative and meet the obligations of that cooperative as set out in their membership charter.

Western Canadian Spill Services (WCSS) is the only recognized oil spill cooperative in Alberta, WCSS is required to provide the ERCB with a list of members not in good standing with the cooperative. Those licensees that are not members in good standing of the oil spill cooperative or do not have an approved spill contingency response plan are subject to the ERCB enforcement process as per Directive 019.

This is a reminder to all Alberta licensees they have a responsibility to ensure they are fully prepared and capable of responding to any level of emergency. Spill preparedness requirements are outlined in Section 10 of Directive 017 and apply to:

- All wells(except those suspended in accordance with ERCB requirements and gas wells that produce less than 2 m3/month of hydrocarbon liquids)
- Facilities, and
- Pipelines transporting liquids and licensed by the ERCB.

Should your company have questions related to the spill preparedness requirements in Alberta please contact the undersigned.

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