



# INITIAL RESPONSE TO A RELEASE GUIDELINE SHEET

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40 CFR, SUBPART F, SECTION §280.61

Upon confirmation of a release from a Regulated Storage Tank, the Owner/Operator is required by Federal Regulation, 40 CFR §280.60, to take the following actions:

### Initial Response

1. Report the release to the Division of Environmental Quality (DEQ) within 24 hours.
2. Take immediate action to prevent further release of product to the environment.
3. Identify and mitigate fire, explosion, and public health hazards.
4. If free product is present, immediate recovery efforts should be initiated.

The initial response activities must begin as soon as possible.

### Review Period

Within 20 days after confirmation of the release, or such time as the DEQ shall set, a report of the activities outlined above must be submitted to the DEQ. The report will be reviewed by the staff, and further investigation and/or remediation may be required.

### Release

Due to the possible rapid spread of the release and the short time periods allowed for these activities, you are urged to proceed promptly. If you have questions about these requirements, please call the regulated storage tanks at 501-682-0744 as soon as possible.

The outlined activities are required by federal regulations. You should not wait to be told to take these actions.