



INFORMATION BULLETIN

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SUBJECT: **OES Spill Reporting Guidelines**

Guidelines for providing telephonic notification to the California Office of Emergency Services (OES) for the purposes of the State Fire Marshal pipeline rupture notification requirement as specified in Section 51018 of the California Government Code.

1. Spills less than 5 barrels need not be reported if it occurs on:
 - A. In-plant piping systems as defined by Title 49 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) §195.2 Definitions
 - B. In-plant piping located within a refined products bulk loading facility as defined in Section 51010.5(a) of the California Government Code.
 - C. Crude oil leaks from a pipeline or flow line located in a rural area.
2. Spills of any hazardous liquid of less than 5 gallons on any pipeline right-of-way or on company property need not be reported to OES.

These guidelines pertain only to State Fire Marshal reporting requirements as found in Chapter 5.5 of the California Government Code. Notification is required on all spills of any size if a fire or explosion occurs or if a waterway is contaminated.