

Trinidad & Tobago

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SPILL NOTIFICATION POINT

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RESPONSE AGENCY

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Organization of the response

Bilateral or multilateral agreements	Trinidad and Tobago is a party to the MOU on Oil Pollution co-operation with Venezuela. This MOU is adopted and was developed in 1989, but is not exercised and needs to be updated.
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The Lead Agency is the Ministry of Energy and Energy Affairs (MEEA).

The Incident Command System would be used during a response, the organisation charts are detailed in the National Oil Spill Contingency Plan.

National Contingency Plan

Status (<i>draft, approved, date of approval...</i>)	Draft
Name	The national Oil Spill Contingency Plan of Trinidad and Tobago
Last Update	2012
Copy at the REMPEITC?	Yes (last version, draft May 2012)
Is the NCP confidential?	
Authority in charge	MEEA
Are HNS (Hazardous Noxious Substances) spills included in the NCP?	No
Future development	The NCP is being updated for final approval
Additional comments	

Response Policy

Monitoring and evaluation	Included in the plan
Dispersant	Included in the plan
Containment and Recovery	Included in the plan
Shoreline Protection and Cleanup	Included in the plan
In situ burning	Included in the plan
NEBA	Not included in the plan
Waste management	Mentionned in the plan
Claims	Included in the plan
Wildlife recovery and care	
Volunteers management	Not included in the plan
Additional comments	

Risk assessment

Risk assessment strategy	Included in appendix of the plan
Last oil spill assessment	
Previous Spills <i>Date, location, type of oil, quantity</i> <i>Is a list of spills maintained (who, where...)?</i>	<p>In July 1979, a collision between the MV Atlantic Empress and the MV Aegean Captain, 10 miles off Tobago, resulted in one of the world largest ship-based spill (287,000 metric tons of Crude Oil).</p> <p>A number of operational/small quantities oil spills have been responded and reported.</p>
ESI (Environmental Sensitivity Index) Maps: <i>Do they exist? Areas covered?</i> <i>Date and last update?</i> <i>Version (paper/informatic/GIS)?</i> <i>Who built them? Who maintain them?</i>	ESI maps exist
ESI Maps availability <i>Where to find them?</i> <i>Are they in Annex of the NCP?</i>	They are mentioned as external appendix of the NCP.
Additional comments	

Equipment

Equipment List <i>Is a list maintained?</i> <i>Which format? Where to find it?</i> <i>Does the REMPEITC has a copy of it?</i>	There is a list of equipment in annex of the NCP (copy at MEEA as well as REMPEITC)
Equipment agreements for support?	
Mechanism for the entrance of equipment through Customs	The smooth entrance of equipment and personnel in T&T is under the responsibility of NOSCP Controller and the Committee (mentioned in the plan)
Additional comments	<p>The Trinidad and Tobago Coast Guard have vessels and a small stock of equipment comprising booms and dispersant spraying equipment. The Air Division of the Ministry of National Security provides helicopters and fixed wing aircraft for reconnaissance. All oil companies based in Trinidad and Tobago including those operating on a temporary basis are required to hold stocks of dispersant and mechanical recovery equipment. Trinair, a private aviation company holds two helicopter spray buckets. Amoco Trinidad, Texaco Trinidad and Trintoc are members of the Clean Caribbean and Americas (CCA) and can mobilise their resources in the event of a major spill.</p>

Exercises and Training

Agency in charge of personnel training	MEEA and the Coast Guard.
National training capabilities: <i>Does a national training center exist?</i> <i>Is a list of trained personnel maintained?</i> <i>Etc.</i>	The frequency of exercises and the requirements for the training of personnel is detailed in the plan.
Last national exercises <i>Dates</i> <i>Extent of the exercise (national, regional, local...)</i> <i>Lead organizer, participants, etc.</i>	
Additional comments	

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