



U.S. Department of Transportation
Research and Special Programs Administration

Hazardous Materials Incident Report

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INSTRUCTIONS

Submit this report to the Information Systems Manager, U.S. Department of Transportation, Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration, Office of Hazardous Materials Safety, DHM-63, Washington, D.C. 20590-0001. If space provided for any item is inadequate, use a separate sheet of paper, identifying the entry number being completed. Copies of this form and instructions can be obtained from the Office of Hazardous Materials Website at <http://hazmat.dot.gov>. If you have any questions, you can contact the Hazardous Materials Information Center at 1-800-HMR-4922 (1-800-467-4922) or online at <http://hazmat.dot.gov>.

PART I - REPORT TYPE

1. Incident Id: X-2024081948

2. This is to report: A

PART II - GENERAL INCIDENT INFORMATION

3. Date of Incident:
08/27/2024

4. Time of Incident (use 24-hour time):
14:53

5. Enter National Response Center Report Number
(if applicable):

6. If you submitted a report to another Federal DOT agency, enter
the agency and report number:

7. Location of Incident:

City: Vernon
County: Los Angeles
State: CA

Zip Code: (if known): 90058

Street Address/Mile Marker/Yard Name/Airport/Body of Water/River Mile:
na

8. Mode of Transportation: Rail

9. Transportation Phase: In Transit

10. Carrier/Reporter:

Name: BNSF RAILWAY COMPANY
Street: 2500 Lou Menk Drive
City: FORT WORTH
State: TX
Zip Code: 76131

Federal DOT Id Number: 281683

Hazmat Registration Number: 062615552003XZ

11. Shipper/Offeror:

Name: Estes Express Lines
Street: 4017 S. Kedzie Avenue
City: CHICAGO
State: IL
Zip Code: 60601

Waybill/Shipping Paper: Unavailable

Hazmat Registration Number: Unavailable

12. Origin (if different from shipper address)

Street: 4017 S. Kedzie Avenue
City: CHICAGO
State: IL
Zip Code: 60601

13. Destination:

Street: 3770 E. Washington Blvd
City: LOS ANGELES
State: CA
Zip Code: 90022

14. Proper Shipping Name of Hazardous Material: BATTERY FLUID, ACID

15. Technical/Trade Name:

16. Hazardous Class/Division: Corrosive Material

17. Identification Number: (E.g. UN2764, NA 2020) UN2796

18. **Packing Group:** (if applicable) II

19. **Quantity Released:** (Include Measurement Units) 150 Liquid - Pound

20. **Was the material shipped as a hazardous waste?** False
If yes, provide the EPA Manifest Number:

21. **Is this a Toxic by Inhalation (TIH) material?** False
If yes, provide the Hazard Zone:

22. **Was the material shipped under an Exemption, Approval, or Competent Authority Certificate?** False
If yes, provide the Exemption, Approval, or CA number:

23. **Was this an undeclared hazardous materials shipment?** False

PART III - PACKAGING INFORMATION

24. **Check Packaging Type (check only one - if more than one, list type of packaging, copy Part III, and complete for each type:**
IBC

25. **See instructions and enter the appropriate failure codes found at the end of the instructions. Be sure to enter the codes from the list that corresponds to the particular packaging type checked above. Enter the number of codes as appropriate to describe the incident.**
Enter the most important failure point in line 1. If there are more than two failure points, provide in this format in part VI.

What Failed: - 104-Body
How Failed: - 308-Leaked
Causes of Failure: - Deterioration or Aging

26a. **Provide the packaging identification markings, if available.**

Identification Markings: 11HB1

(Examples: 1A1/Y1.4/150/92/USA/RB/93/RL, UN31H1/Y0493/USA/M9339/10800/1200, DOT - 105A - 100W (RAIL), DOT 406 (HIGHWAY), DOT 51, DOT 3-A)

26b. **For Non-bulk, IBC, or non-specification packaging, if identification markings are incomplete or unavailable, see instructions and complete the following:**

Single Package or Outer Packaging:	Single Package or Inner Packaging (if any):
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Packaging Type: Material of Construction: Head Type (Drums only):	Packaging Type: Material of Construction:
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27. **Describe the package capacity and the quantity:**

Single Package or Outer Packaging:	Single Package or Inner Packaging (if any):
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Package Capacity: Amount in Package: Number in Shipment: Number Failed:	Package Capacity: Amount in Package: Number in Shipment: Number Failed:
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28. **Provide packaging construction and test information, as appropriate:**

Manufacturer: N/A	Manufacture Date:	Last Test Date:
Serial Number: ESTU 500350		
Material of Construction: (if Tank Car, CTMV, Portable Tank, or Cylinder)		
Design Pressure: (if Tank Car, CTMV, Portable Tank)		
Shell Thickness: (if Tank Car, CTMV, Portable Tank)		
Head Thickness: (if Tank Car, CTMV)		
Service Pressure: (if Cylinder)		
If valve or device failed:		
Type:		
Model:		
Manufacturer:		

29. **If the packaging is for Radioactive Materials, complete the following:**

Packaging Category:	
Packaging Certification:	
Certification Number:	
Nuclide(s) Present:	Transport Index:
Activity:	
Critical Safety Index:	

PART IV – CONSEQUENCES

30. Result of Incident (check all that apply):

- Spillage: True
- Explosion:
- Vapor (Gas) Dispersion:
- No Release: False
- Fire:
- Material Entered Waterway/Storm Sewer:
- Environmental Damage:

31. Emergency Response: The following entities responded to the incident: (Check all that apply)

- Fire/EMS Report #:
- Police Report #:
- In-house cleanup:
- Other Cleanup: True

32. Damages Was the total damage cost more than \$500? True

- If yes, enter the following information: (If no, go to question 33.)
- Material Loss: \$ 300.00
 - Carrier Damage: \$ 0.00
 - Property Damage: \$ 0.00
 - Response Cost: \$ 3,000.00
 - Remediation/Cleanup Cost: \$ 500.00
- (See damage definitions in the instructions)*

33a. Did the hazardous material cause or contribute to a human fatality? False

- If yes, enter the number of fatalities resulting from the hazardous material:
- Employees:
 - Responders:
 - General Public:

33b. Were there human fatalities that did not result from the hazardous material? False

If yes, how many?

34. Did the hazardous material cause or contribute to personal injury? False

If yes, enter the number of injuries resulting from the hazardous material:

Hospitalized (Admitted Only):

- Employees:
- Responders:
- General Public:

Non-Hospitalized:

(e.g.: On site first aid or Emergency Room observation and release)

- Employees:
- Responders:
- General Public:

35. Did the hazardous material cause or contribute to an evacuation? False

If yes, provide the following information:

- Total number of general public evacuated:
- Total number of employees evacuated:
- Total evacuated: 0
- Duration of the evacuation:

36. Was a major transportation artery or facility closed? False

If yes, how many?

37. Was the material involved in a crash or derailment? False

If yes, provide the following information:

- Estimated speed (mph):
- Weather conditions:
- Vehicle overturned?
- Vehicle left roadway/track?

PART V - AIR INCIDENT INFORMATION (please refer to S 175.31 to report a discrepancy for air shipments)

38. Was the shipment on a passenger aircraft?

If yes, was it tendered as cargo, or as passenger baggage?

39. Where did the incident occur (if unknown, check the appropriate box for the location where the incident was discovered)?

40. What phase(s) had the shipment already undergone prior to the incident? (Check all that apply)

- Shipment had not been transported
- Transported by air (first flight)
- Transport by air (subsequent flights)
- Initial transport by highway to cargo facility
- Transfer at sort center/cargo facility

PART VI - DESCRIPTION OF EVENTS & PACKAGE FAILURE

- Describe the sequence of events that led to the incident and the actions taken at the time it was discovered. Describe the package failure, including the size and location of holes, cracks, etc. Photographs and diagrams should be submitted if needed for clarification. Estimate the duration of the release, if possible. Describe what was done to mitigate the effects of the release. Continue on additional sheets if necessary.

Describe:

On 8/27/2024, the BNSF Los Angeles hub personnel reported Unit ESTU 500350 (Waybill Hazardous) as leaking a substance from the middle of the container that did reach the ground after unit de ramped from a train. Unit was taken to the Hazmat Pit for safety. On the behalf of the shipper, approved

contractor United Pumping was contacted and dispatched to complete inspection.

Interior inspection revealed palatized cases, palletized gallon drums and 2 IBC Totes of Sulfuric Acid in 2 rows, stacked 2 high in the nose throughout

the container. Source of the leak was determined to be 2 IBC Totes in the middle of the unit. The cause for the Leak was determined to be 2 IBC Totes

appeared to have a pre existing creases near the top that caused the totes plastic to break, creating package failure contributing to the material leak.

Total quantity of leaked liquid was approximately 10 gallons of product, 5 gallons from each IBC Tote.

PART VII - RECOMMENDATIONS/ACTIONS TAKEN TO PREVENT RECURRENCE

- Where you are able to do so, suggest or describe changes (such as additional training, use of better packaging, or improved operating procedures) to help prevent recurrence. Provide recommendations for improvement to hazardous materials transportation beyond the control of your individual company. Continue on additional sheets if necessary.

Describe:

Ensure packages are free of any prior defects prior to offering for shipment.

PART VIII – CONTACT INFORMATION

Contact's Name:	0314799 - James Farner
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Hazmat Registration Number:	062615552003XZ
Date:	08/28/2024
Preparer is:	Carrier