University of Delaware Environmental Health and Safety Protocol

Section: General Health and Safety

Protocol Name: Spill Prevention, Control, and Countermeasures

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I. SCOPE OF PROTOCOL

This protocol addresses oil spill prevention, control, and countermeasures and applies to all University departments and operating units.

II. **DEFINITIONS**

- A. Spill Prevention, Control, and Countermeasure Plan
 - 1. Written procedures developed specifically for each campus to prevent unplanned release of oil to navigate waters and to control and remediate any discharges.
- B. Oil
 - 1. Oil of any kind or in any form including, but not limited to: animal fats, oils and greases; vegetable oils; petroleum; fuel oil; lubricating oil; mineral oil; used oil; and oil combined with other substances.
- C. Navigable waters
 - 1. All waters, tributaries to such waters, and wetlands adjacent to such waters that maybe or have previously been used in interstate and foreign commerce.
 - a. Any steam, wetland, or storm sewer on campus property that eventually discharges to the following waters shall be considered navigable waters for the purpose of this protocol:
 - 1) White Clay Creek
 - 2) Christiana River
 - 3) Nanticoke River
 - 4) Lewes and Rehoboth Canal

III. PROTOCOL STATEMENT

- A. The University of Delaware will conform to the best practices for the prevention of discharges of oil to navigable waters from its campuses located in Newark, Georgetown, and Lewes, Delaware.
- B. The University of Delaware shall fully comply with the regulations, rules, and requirements of Federal regulation 40 CFR 112- Oil Pollution Prevention.
- C. The University of Delaware will provide the necessary resources to fully implement its Spill Prevention, Control, and Countermeasure plans.

IV. PROTOCOL STANDARDS AND PROCEDURES

- A. The Department of Environmental Health and Safety shall develop and maintain a Spill Prevention, Control, and Countermeasure plan for each campus.
 - 1. Spill Prevention, Control, and Countermeasure plans will be developed for all

- vessels that contain at least 55 gallons of oil.
- 2. The Spill Prevention, Control, and Countermeasure plan for each campus shall be published and maintained at each campus and in the Department of Environmental Health and Safety office.
- 3. The Department of Environmental Health and Safety shall periodically review and update each Spill Prevention, Control, and Countermeasure plan as necessary.

For more information regarding this policy, contact the Department of Environmental Health and Safety at 302-831-8475.