

Public Service Announcement

QEC leak investigation in Rankin Inlet

Start Date: July 20, 2020 End Date: July 27, 2020

Rankin Inlet 45 sec

Qulliq Energy Corporation (QEC) would like to inform the residents of Rankin Inlet that a contractor will be in the community from July 23 to 27 to investigate a propylene glycol leak that occurred last fall. Approximately 30,000 to 40,000 litres of a 50/50 propylene glycol and water mixture leaked from the District Heating System as a result of equipment failure. Propylene glycol is a clear, odourless, tasteless liquid found in food, cosmetic and pharmaceutical products, and is relatively non-toxic to humans and wildlife.

This work will require collection of samples with heavy equipment within the area marked in red on the map below. Residents are asked to move all vehicles from these sites to ensure the work can be done safely.

The corporation's Health, Safety and Environment Department will examine the results of the investigation to determine the next steps required for environmental due diligence. QEC makes every effort to limit the corporation's environmental footprint.

QEC apologizes for any inconvenience this may cause.

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