

Enbridge's Record

The following are only some of the oil spills from Enbridge in Canada and the United States.

- **January 2001:** Enbridge's Energy Transportation North Pipeline leaked 1,003,800 gallons of crude oil into a slough near Hardisty, Alberta.
- **July 2002:** A 34-inch diameter steel pipeline ruptured in a marsh west of Cohasset, Minnesota. To prevent 252,000 gallons of crude oil from reaching the Mississippi River, the company set the oil on fire. The plume of smoke extended one mile high. The U.S. National Transportation Safety Board blamed the rupture on "inadequate loading of the pipe for transportation."
- **January 2003:** A pipeline failure resulted in a spill of 189,000 gallons of oil at Enbridge's oil terminal near Superior, Wis. Approximately 2100 gallons flowed into the Nemadji River, a tributary of Lake Superior.
- **April/May 2004:** U.S. pipeline regulators fined Enbridge for failing to properly inspect oil and gas pipelines in Michigan, Indiana and Illinois, Minnesota and Wisconsin.
- **March 2006:** Enbridge announced its first tar sand oil shipment to Cushing OK.
- **January 2007:** A pipeline break near Stanley, ND, spilled 9,030 gallons of oil. Regulators fined Enbridge for exceeding pressure standards for the pipeline.
- **February 2007:** An estimated 176,000 gallons spilled in two separate incidents in Clark and Rusk County, Wisconsin. One pipeline cracked open and couldn't be shut off until an operator in Canada shut down the line. In the second incident work crews broke the same line, filling a hole 20 feet deep with oil and contaminating local groundwater. The company was fined \$100,000 for not following safety standards.
- **November 2007:** A 34-inch pipeline carrying bitumen to U.S. Midwest markets exploded, killing two workers near Clearbrook, Minn. The pipe had leaked two weeks prior to the explosion and was being repaired. The fireball, which leapt 100 feet into the air, temporarily jacked up the price of oil by four dollars and closed four other pipelines delivering 63 million gallons of crude a day.
- **May 2008:** Alberta's energy regulator delivered a "high risk enforcement action" against Enbridge for using "valves, flanges and fittings" on its Midstream pipeline that were not suitable for maximum operating pressure. No fines were levied.
- **January 2009:** A valve blew on a pipe at the Enbridge Cheecham Terminal tank farm, spilling 168,000 gallons of oil near Anzac, Alberta. The leak wasn't detected for three hours and Alberta regulators issued no statements, because no member of the public was affected.



Ruptured pipe in Marshall MI

- **January 2010:** A pipeline leaked 126,000 gallons near Neche, N.D. The feds had warned Enbridge twice that older pipelines were susceptible to failure. The line is part of the 1,900-mile-long Lakehead System that delivers crude from western Canada to Cushing, Oklahoma and Chicago.
- **July 2010:** Enbridge shut its 12 million gallons per day Line 6B, which runs from Griffiths, Indiana, to Sarnia, Ontario, on July 26 after a rupture near Marshall, Michigan, spilled about 840,000 gallons of Cold Lake Crude oil into the Kalamazoo River system.
- **September 2010:** Enbridge closed Line 6A for eight days after it leaked 256,200 gallons of crude near Romeoville, Illinois.
- **May 2011:** Enbridge estimates between 29,400 and 63,000 gallons of oil spilled from the 1.6 million gallons per day Norman Wells pipeline south of Wrigley, Northwest Territories.
- **June 2012:** Enbridge shut 14.5 million gallon per day Athabasca pipeline after 58,800 gallons of oil were spilled near Elk Point in northeast Alberta. The line was quickly restarted after the company was able to bypass the Elk Point pump station.
- **July 2012:** Pipeline segment 14 in the Lakehead system ruptures near Grand Marsh WI., spilling 50,400 gallons of crude oil.
- **August 2012:** PHMSA demands a detailed plan and timeline, and an independent expert to assess and correct hazardous conditions in the entire 1900-mile Lakehead system by Enbridge before line 14 can be reopened.
- **November 2012:** Enbridge shut down line 14 again after 37,800 gallons of crude oil leaked at the Mokena tank farm near Chicago.

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