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Cycling Diesel Fuel Drums on Nauru

I. Purpose:

The purpose of this procedure provides instructions for cycling diesel fuel drums on Nauru.

II. Cautions and Hazards:

General Safety

- Do not run the fuel pump dry.
- Do not smoke or turn on naked (uncontained) light bulbs within 6 meters (approx. 20 feet) of the fuel tanks.
- Clean up any diesel fuel spills by washing the affected area with detergent.

Battery-related Safety

- When charging the battery, remove it from the pump trolley.
- If the battery does not use sealed acid, check the electrolyte levels before and after charging.
- When removing the battery from the pump trolley, move the trolley near a wall, and then set it with its handles facing the wall.
- Pay close attention to battery connection:
 - Red clip positive
 - Black clip negative
- Store unused batteries with clips down, excess cables inside the battery box.

III. Requirements:

- Safety glasses
- Leather or rubber gloves

IV. Procedure:

A. Refilling the primary storage 1000 gallon tank from drum lot 05Mar03.

- 1. Reduce level of primary storage tank to ³/₄ empty.
- 2. Refill the primary storage tank when the level of fuel is ³/₄ empty with fuel from fuel drums.

- 3. Locate the existing 60 (205 liters each) fuel drums under the yellow tarp placed on spill pallets and labeled "Fill date 5Mar03" (this date will change when fuel is rotated).
 - a) The 60 drums represent a total of 3,240 gallons (12,265 liters).
 - b) There are 4 drums per spill containment pallet.
- 4. Remove 12 drums (3 pallets) and pump the fuel into the primary storage tank.
- 5. Reseal the empty drums immediately to prevent moisture from entering the drums.
- 6. Palletize and cover the empty drums with the yellow tarp.
- 7. Remove the label "05Mar03" and add a new label "Drums Empty."
- 8. Continue this process 4 more times until all 60 drums labeled "05Mar03" are empty and labeled "Drums Empty."
- 9. Contact the Nauru Phosphate Company for refilling the 60 empty drums.
- 10. Label the 60 drums with the new fill date.
- 11. Continue to use the NPC fuel truck to fill the 1000 gallon tank until 29Nov04.

B. Refilling the primary storage 1000 gallon tank from drum lot 29Nov04.

- 1. Reduce level of primary storage tank to ³/₄ empty.
- 2. Refill the primary storage tank when the level of fuel is ³/₄ empty with fuel from fuel drums.
- 3. Locate the existing 20 (205 liters each) fuel drums under the yellow tarp placed on spill pallets and labeled "Fill date 29Nov04" (this date will change when fuel is rotated).
 - a) The 20 drums represent a total of 1,083 gallons (4,100 liters).
 - b) There are 4 drums per spill containment pallet.
- 4. Remove 12 drums (3 pallets) and pump the fuel into the primary storage tank.
- 5. Reseal the empty drums immediately to prevent moisture from entering the drums.
- 6. Palletize and cover the empty drums with the yellow tarp.
- 7. Remove the label "29Nov04" and add a new label "Drums Empty."
- 8. Continue this process 1 more time until all 20 drums labeled "29Nov04" are empty and labeled "Drums Empty."

- 9. Contact the Nauru Phosphate Company for refilling the 20 empty drums.
- 10. Label the 20 drums with the new fill date.
- 11. Continue to use the NPC fuel truck to fill the 1000 gallon tank.

V. References:

None.

VI. Attachments:

None.