

## **Public Service Announcement**

## Reminder to check the drip leg on your heating oil tank

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There have been five large oil spills in Iqaluit over the past few weeks, and all were caused by cracks in the drip legs of home heating oil tanks. Homeowners and property managers may save tens of thousands of dollars in cleanup costs if they take the time to conduct regular inspections of their heating oil tanks.

The Department of Environment is encouraging all homeowners and property managers to take the time to conduct inspections of their heating oil tanks, valves and fittings, including the drip leg.

The *Illustrated Homeowner's Guide to Heating Oil Tanks* provides more information on drip legs, on how to properly inspect a heating oil tank and how to recognize potential spill risks.

The Guide is available on the Department of Environment website at:

<a href="http://env.gov.nu.ca/sites/default/files/illustrated\_homeowners\_guide\_to\_heating\_oil\_tan\_ks\_2011\_2.pdf">http://env.gov.nu.ca/sites/default/files/illustrated\_homeowners\_guide\_to\_heating\_oil\_tan\_ks\_2011\_2.pdf</a>. You may also contact the Department of Environment at 867-975-7700 to request an inspection or your local conservation office for more information.

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