

# Environmental & Remedial Services



## Client – Port of London, Tilbury Docks Project – Emergency Chemical Spill Response

KpH were called out in emergency by the Port of London authorities, to clean up a chemical spill at Tilbury docks. One of the dock cranes had toppled over into a forty foot cargo storage unit, the contents being steel drums containing sulphuric acid with a 50% concentration.

Numerous drums were damaged resulting in a considerable spill giving off dangerous toxic fumes. KpH deployed a confined spaces team with full breathing apparatus to open up the storage unit and deal with the spill under controlled conditions.

Operatives wearing full chemical suits pressure washed the contaminated area, disposing of the sulphuric acid and washings via a specialist stainless steel vacuum tanker. Once the area had been made safe and completely cleaned, the storage unit and perished containers were hot cut in to manageable size sections and removed from site.

The client commended KpH on a professional, efficient clean up operation and in dealing with this potentially life threatening situation.