Spill Management

Emergency Services
Like police and fire departments, Lobbe hazmat teams specialising in oil cleanup are ready for action around the clock. Lobbe has set up special phone numbers to guarantee direct access to the teams’ rapid response managers – day or night.

As soon as possible after the emergency call is received, an experienced multi-person rapid response team will be ready to roll out to the scene of the incident with any necessary equipment. In general, Lobbe’s on-scene commander will already be on location. Based on his situational analysis and close consultation with the civil authorities and other relief services, the hazmat team’s next steps will then be ordered.
Round-the-clock Rapid Response

Tight Organisation
Lobbe oil cleanup teams are formed with a clear hierarchical structure. Tight organisational structure, including a clear allocation of duties and responsibilities, facilitates successful and effective emergency and spill management for accidents on traffic routes of all kinds and on inland waters. That allows complete coordination on all questions related to cleanup measures. This includes for example chemical analyses, disposal of contaminated materials, the use of full respiratory protection gear and the recovery of leaking containers. The hazmat team also assumes responsibility for important secondary duties such as cleanup of the accident scene as well as the creation of a water and soil rehabilitation plan and/or repair of fire damage. Lobbe also incorporates extended catastrophe management obligations into their action plan, such as for existing contaminated sites representing acute or at least latent hazards.

Unique Cooperative Service
This opportunity to integrate the oil cleanup team into strategic alarm and spill planning by the civil authorities and police and fire departments represents a unique cooperative service. This kind of integration facilitates readiness for various emergency situations before they ever occur, which in turn allows even quicker reaction to “worst case” scenarios. Master agreements can also be used to integrate Lobbe hazmat teams into maintenance and facility management for the producing and refining industry. This procedure has proven itself very effective by allowing on-scene commanders to take advantage of increased familiarity with local issues and situations.
Lobbe oil cleanup teams are called to action between 250 and 350 times a year altogether. Environmental accidents can occur on roads, railways and waterways, as well as in buildings. It speaks for the experience and training, not to mention the meticulousness and reliability, of all the oil specialists working in those hazmat teams that there has not been a single workplace-related accident reported in this sector in the last ten years that was directly related to a spill. Oil specialists in Lobbe’s hazmat teams possess years of relevant career experience.
Serving Public Safety
Lobbe oil cleanup teams are on call day and night, ready to offer professional assistance and go to work wherever environmental catastrophes occur, all in the name of public good. Extensive equipment assures absolute flexibility, even for explosive environments: from respiratory devices and oil booms to emergency generators, it is all on hand and ready for service.

Extraordinary Spectrum
The extraordinary spectrum of services is based on an interdisciplinary cooperation between departments and locations that is frequently subjected to field-testing. One key role in this is played by the Lobbe laboratories, which help analyse substances of unknown origin or type and propose disposal possibilities.

Assumption of Hazardous Materials
Hazardous materials from environmental accidents, water used for fire fighting and chemicals and contaminated soil can also be taken over in compliance with civil strictures for interim storage or transport to the client’s own facilities. During most emergency situations, this assures speedy, complete and uninterrupted handling of the entire action plan.

Certified and Authorised
Lobbe submits its technology and staff to constant inspection by the pertinent civil authorities and other organisations responsible for the approval of companies that handle water pollutants. Lobbe is a licensed waste management enterprise, a TÜV-certified water management company, a member of the association for tank protection (RAL GF 977 certified), as well as a member of the German technical organization for contaminated site clean up, ITVA. Lobbe is also certified based on the SCC (Security Certificate for Contractors) for industrial services work.
Special Equipment

Access to Complete Logistical Solutions
The effectiveness of the motor vehicle fleet plays a significant role in the quick logistical handling of hazmat team actions. Our task forces have constant access to an entire palette of specialised vehicles and devices. This includes maximum-security acid transportation lorries, articulated tank lorries, high-pressure cleaning vehicles, container and hauling vehicles, mobile oil separators, excavators and wheel loaders.
Field-tested Technology

Additional Technology
Equipment is also available to fill specific situational needs: high-power pumps, heated high-pressure cleaners, skimmers, mobile generators, oil booms, cleaning concentrates, degassing agents, material recovery receptacles, conduit cleaners and industrial-scale fans as well as contaminant binding agents for subsoil and groundwater.

Personal Protection
Lobbe specialists have access to the most modern of protective equipment for any situation, including breathing apparatuses, chemical suits, gas detectors and rescue gear. Oil cleanup teams are also trained to work in explosive environments.

Field-tested Technology
A series of equipment materials used by the hazmat teams were developed in-house. Mature, powerful and field-tested products guarantee that active environmental damages are quickly remedied. This technology must always be perfectly suited for the challenges posed by emergency situations in particular. That includes reliability and ease of use, as well as high quality, a good price/performance ratio and easy maintenance. These help it fits the needs of rescue and relief organisations as well.