

L.O.H Fire District – Tanker 3661 4,000-gallon Tanker Ottawa, Kansas

## Facts and Figures...

- Tanker 3661 is a 4,000-gallon Osco Tank & Truck Sales tanker operated by the Lincoln-Ottawa-Harrison (L.O.H.) Fire District in Franklin County, Kansas.
- The rig is built on a 2001 Volvo chassis that had a "previous life" as a concrete mixer.
- Tanker 3661 has a Hale 750 gpm single-stage pump and carries a 3,500-gallon dump tank.
- The tanker is also equipped with a 10-inch rear dump outfitted with a Newton Swivel Chute.
- L.O.H Fire District protects three townships that surround the City of Ottawa; Tanker 3661 is one of a couple, large tankers operated by the fire district.



Tanker 3661 is the largest tanker operated by the L.O.H Fire District and makes a huge impact on fire ground operations when it arrives on the scene.



The tanker's 750 gpm pump is rather simple in design and layout. The pump allows the tanker to operate as a nurse tanker during the initial fire attack operation until such time that a dump site operation can be established.



All of Tanker 3661's dumping occurs from the rear of the vehicle. It is equipped with a Newton Swivel Chute (kind of like a concrete mixer – ironic) which allows some flexibility in dumping. We wish to note that the tanker should be lettered on the rear so that the Water Supply Officer knows this is Tanker 3661.



The Volvo chassis is heavy-duty and did previous service as the chassis on a concrete mixer.



Tanker 3661 is shown here offloading its 4,000 gallons of water at a recent drill in Ottawa Twp.



The swivel chute allows for side dumping with basically no loss in flow or offloading time. The Newton Swivel Chute can be retrofitted onto many older tankers.



Tanker 3661 was the first arriving tanker at this 2-hr ISO drill and went into operation as a "nurse tanker" until the dump site could be set-up. Its 750 gpm pump made "all the difference. The drill supplied 500 gpm uninterrupted for 2-hours!



Tanker 3661 doing what it does best – dumping water!



With only one direct fill line and only 3-inch hose available, the crew had to be creative in filling. The 3-inch lines were fed by a 5-inch line and they filled the tanker at 1,000-plus gpm.



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