



ALASKA DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION
Division of Spill Prevention and Response
Prevention Preparedness and Response Program
SITUATION REPORT (SITREP)



CHANGES FROM LAST SITREP DENOTED IN RED

Container Ship Laura Maersk Adrift

SITREP #: 2 and Final

SPILL #: 17259919501

TIME/DATE OF DISTRIBUTION: 17:00 P.M. July 15, 2017

POTENTIAL RESPONSIBLE PARTY (PRP): MAERSK LINES A/S

INCIDENT LOCATION: North of Akutan Island on the Aleutian chain.

TIME/DATE OF SPILL: There has been no spill. The vessel lost power and was adrift around 17:00 on July 14, 2017.

HOW/WHEN SPILL WAS DISCOVERED AND REPORTED: The United States Coast Guard (USCG) reported the vessel adrift to ADEC on July 14, 2017 at approximately 8:00 p.m with an unconfirmed amount of diesel estimated at 51,500 gallons.

TYPE/AMOUNT OF PRODUCT SPILLED: There has been no release. The total volume and type of fuel onboard the vessel is estimated at approximately 51,000 gallons of fuel oil and other oil products. The ship is also carrying an unknown number of shipping containers with an unknown cargo.

CAUSE OF SPILL: Initial reports indicated that a fire in the engine room caused the ship to lose power. Reportedly there was no fire and the cause of the loss of power is not known. There are a reported 24 crew onboard with no injuries.

SOURCE CONTROL: There has been no spill.

RESPONSE ACTION: The vessel was adrift approximately 7 miles north of Akutan (near North Head). The Coast Guard federalized the response and deployed air asset H60 and their cutter Midgett to the distressed vessel. The Coast Guard contracted Resolve's M/V Makushin Bay and the tugs Millenium Falcon and Gretchen Dunlap (with the State's Emergency Towing System onboard). The Millenium Falcon was able to arrest the Laura Maersk's drift approximately 5.5 nautical miles from landfall in Akutan. The State's Emergency Towing System was successfully deployed and the Gretchen Dunlap towed the Laura Maersk to Unalaska arriving at the mooring buoy in Broad Bay at approximately 07:45 July 15.

RESOURCES AT RISK OR AFFECTED: Threatened areas include the shoreline of Akutan Island. Threatened species in the area include Steller's eiders and northern sea otters. Endangered Steller sea lions have rookeries and haul-out sites in the area. There have been no reports of impacted wildlife.

FUTURE PLANS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: The vessel is moored in Broad Bay awaiting repairs and an inspection from its classification society.

WEATHER: Current weather: Patchy fog with West winds 10kt and seas 4 ft. Saturday night: Areas of fog with South winds 15 kt with seas 2 ft.

UNIFIED COMMAND AND PERSONNEL:

SOSC: Geoff Merrell, ADEC

FOSC: Commander Binniker, USCG

TIME/DATE OF THE NEXT REPORT DISTRIBUTION: Final

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AGENCY/STAKEHOLDER NOTIFICATION LIST: Please refer to the first SITREP distributed on July 3rd for the agency/stakeholder notification list.