

**ALASKA DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION**  
**Division of Spill Prevention and Response**  
**Prevention and Emergency Response Program**

**SITUATION REPORT**

**INCIDENT NAME:** SE Stevedoring Saxman

**SITREP #:** 1

**SPILL NUMBER:** 04119933301

**LEDGER CODE:** 14150960

**TIME/DATE OF INCIDENT:** An employee of S.E. Stevedoring noticed the spill at approximately 7:30 A.M. on November 28, 2004. The oil spill was reported to ADEC by the potential responsible party (PRP) at 8:45 A.M. on November 28, 2004.

**TIME/DATE OF SITUATION REPORT:** 3:30 PM on November 29, 2004.

**TIME/DATE OF THE NEXT REPORT:** 3:30 PM on November 30, 2004

**TYPE/AMOUNT OF PRODUCT SPILLED:** Used lube oil. The PRP has reported that approximately 1000 gallons of used oil was discharged onto the ground. Of that quantity, approximately 100 gallons reached South Tongass Narrows by way of a storm water drain/outfall pipe on the beach.

**LOCATION:** Saxman, Alaska, (55 degrees 18.9 minutes North Latitude/ 131 degrees 32.7 West Longitude).

**CAUSE OF INCIDENT:** A three thousand (3000) gallon used oil tank with a 4" gate valve was vandalized either late in the evening of November 27, 2004, or the early morning of November 28, 2004. The oil was discharged through a 4' long section of a 4" diameter hose attached to the valve on the tank.

**POTENTIAL RESPONSIBLE PARTY (PRP):** Southeast Stevedoring Corp., Ketchikan, Alaska.

**RESPONSE ACTION:** The PRP deployed oil containment boom, absorbent boom and pads, and a Vikoma skimmer to contain and collect oil that was discharged. Shop vacuums were used to remove pooled oil from the ground. Approximately 800 gallons of oil recovered from the ground is stored in 55 gallon drums. Heavily saturated gravel was excavated and is stored under cover in temporary storage. The PRP was asked to file a report with the Alaska State Troopers regarding this incident. Aerial over flights and facility surveys were successful in locating pools of oil, helping to identify where necessary adjustments were needed for a more effective containment and cleanup.

**SOURCE CONTROL:** The handle to the valve on the tank has been removed. Approximately 1,500 gallons of used oil remains in the 3000 gallon tank.

**RESOURCES AFFECTED:** There have been minimal resources impacted. Resources threatened included the shoreline and waters of Tongass Narrows, extending North to the Alaska Marine Highway Terminal in Ketchikan. A shoreline assessment was performed on November 28 & 29, 2004. No oiled wildlife has been reported. On November 28<sup>th</sup>, oil was observed along the East side of Pennock Island and scattered in Tongass Narrows between Ketchikan and Pennock Island. An over flight performed on November 29<sup>th</sup> showed that oil was visible in a few scattered areas along the shoreline from Saxman to Ketchikan, and the East side of Pennock Island.

**FUTURE PLANS AND RECOMMENDATIONS:** The PRP will continue efforts to cleanup oil both on land and in the water adjacent to their Saxman facility. ADEC will continue monitoring the situation.

A section of pipe will be fabricated to cover the valve and be secured with a lock to prevent any further vandalism.

**WEATHER:** Low to mid 40°, partly cloudy, winds are light and variable.

**UNIFIED COMMAND AND PERSONNEL:**

Incident Commander: Les Cronk (Southeast Stevedoring Corp)  
 F.O.S.C. : CDR John Sifling (USCG )  
 S.O.S.C. : Lester Leatherberry (ADEC)  
 Field S.O.S.C.: Bob Fultz (ADEC)

**FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION CONTACT:** Bob Fultz, ADEC, at 723-6037 or 225-6200. Additional photos will be available for viewing at <http://www.state.ak.us/dec/spar/perp/index.htm>

**AGENCY/STAKEHOLDER NOTIFICATION LIST**

This SITREP has been distributed via email to the Governor's office, ADF&G, ADNR, SECC, USEPA, USDOJ, NMFS, and USFS in addition to the following.

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Organized Village of Saxman	President	Fax			247-2504
Ketchikan Indian Assn.	General Manager	Fax			247-0429
Responsible Party	Southeast Stevedoring Corp.	Fax			225-6157

\* Photo's attached below.



**(ADEC Photos) 11/28/04: Oil spill recovery operations at facility.**

**(ADEC Photos) 11/29/04: Aerial over flight observation of S.E. Stevedoring**

