

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

**SITUATION REPORT**

**INCIDENT NAME:** M/V Selendang Ayu

**SITREP #:** 20

**SPILL NUMBER:** 04259934301

**LEDGER CODE:** 14142160

**TIME/DATE OF INCIDENT:** The M/V Selendang-Ayu grounded around 6:00 PM, December 8, on Unalaska Island between Skan Bay and Spray Cape.

**TIME/DATE OF SITUATION REPORT:** 12:00 PM December 20, 2004.

**TIME/DATE OF THE NEXT REPORT:** 12:00 PM December 21, 2004.

**TYPE/AMOUNT OF PRODUCT SPILLED:** IFO 380 and/or diesel fuel. As of 12/13, the revised estimates of original amounts of fuel on board the vessel are 424,000 gallons of IFO 380 (Intermediate Fuel Oil) and 18,000 gallons of diesel. A fuel tank holding an estimated 40,131 gallons of fuel ruptured when the vessel broke apart. Other tanks are believed to be leaking. Actual amount of spilled fuel is unknown.

**LOCATION:** The vessel's position is at 53° 38' 04" N, 167° 07' 30" W on Unalaska Island between Skan Bay and Spray Cape. This site is approximately 25 miles in a direct line or 50 sea miles from Dutch Harbor.

**CAUSE OF SPILL:** The Coast Guard reported at 7:14 PM, December 8, 2004 that the vessel had broken in half.

**POTENTIAL RESPONSIBLE PARTY (PRP):** Ayu Navigation Snd, Bhd, Port Klang, Malaysia. The operator is IMC Shipping.

**RESPONSE ACTION:** As of 10:00 AM December 20, 2004:

**Ship Status:** A salvage team was lowered on board the stern portion of the vessel and they observed some structural damage.

**Spill Response:** On December 19, the Unified Command directed recall of all response vessels from their present positions due to impending storm anticipated in the early hours of December 20. Vessel Captains are expected to use the storm window for preparing crews and equipment for post storm operations. The next operational period is anticipated for Friday depending on weather conditions.

The ADEC State On Scene Coordinator conducted meetings with the vessel salvage contractors to assess whether other spill operational equipment and support could be utilized from both SERVS (Ship Escort Response Vessel System) and CISPRI (Cook Inlet Spill Prevention and Response Incorporated). Other SERVS open-water assets are being evaluated for the spill response.

The Federal On-Scene Coordinator and NOAA have requested natural resource agencies input into request to use dispersants as a response tool for this spill incident. Dispersants would be applied, weather permitting and with prior approval by the Unified Command.

Thirty-six additional bags of oily waste were generated yesterday, for a total of one-hundred and four bags of oily waste generated thus far for this cleanup operation. Communication enhancements are being researched for response vessels and cleanup crews by utilizing both satellite and low band repeater stations.

**Spill Trajectory:** No change from last report. A flyover scheduled yesterday in the Kashega Bay area observed small areas of oil sheen.

**Wildlife:** Bird capture and recovery will continue to be an objective. Five oiled birds were recovered yesterday. A total of twenty live oiled birds have been recovered, twenty dead oiled birds have been collected along with the one dead sea otter at this time. USFWS field biologists have observed approximately six hundred impacted birds in the field.

**Staffing:** Six ADEC staff and one contractor are currently in Dutch Harbor, and an additional twenty-five State spill prevention and response members in Anchorage, Fairbanks and Juneau are actively engaged in supporting the response. Numerous members of other state agencies are also involved with this effort including ADNR, ADFG, and the State Attorney General's Office. Several DEC term contractors have also been activated to support the response effort.

**SOURCE CONTROL:** None at this time. Lightering of fuel from the stern section is scheduled to begin approximately December 29<sup>th</sup>, 2004.

**RESOURCES AFFECTED:** Resources at risk in the area include marine mammals, sea birds, shellfish and anadromous streams. ADF&G and USF&WS are assessing the areas impacted. The protection of cultural resources is a high priority for the Unified Command.

**FUTURE PLANS AND RECOMMENDATIONS:** Safety of response personnel remains the highest priority for the Unified Command. Develop lightering plan. Finalize Disposal Plan for stored waste generated. Protection booming of sensitive areas as weather permits. Conduct overflights to track trajectory as weather permits. Conduct wildlife surveys, capture, collection and rehab. Dispersant Use is also being considered as an added spill response tool.

**WEATHER:** Storm warning Monday and Monday night, E-NE storm force winds 45 to 55 knots, with hurricane force wind gusts 60 to 75 knots. Seas building to 13 feet during the day to 16 feet by night.

**UNIFIED COMMAND AND PERSONNEL**

F.O.S.C. : Tom Harrison, Commander USCG  
S.O.S.C. : Gary Folley, ADEC  
R.P.I.C. : Howard Hile (PRP)

**FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION CONTACT:** ADEC – Bob Flint, Public Information Office (PIO), cell 240-3517, United States Coast Guard (USCG)- Darrell Wilson 321-4510, Responsible Party(RP) - Mike Hanson 301-4451, or contact Joint Information Center (JIC) at 907-279-2866, 279-2867 or 279-2829.

The daily press conference has been discontinued until further notice. A daily press release will be issued instead. The Joint Information Center has been de-activated effective today. Public Information Officers will be available at their phone numbers as indicated above.

Photographs, press releases and other spill information are available for viewing at:

<http://www.state.ak.us/dec/selendang>

**AGENCY/STAKEHOLDER NOTIFICATION LIST**

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DH Port Director	Alvin Osterback			581-1254	581-2519
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