

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 #: 77

SPILL NUMBER: 04259934301

LEDGER CODE: 14142160

TIME/DATE OF INCIDENT: The M/V Selendang Ayu grounded around 6:00 PM on December 8, 2004 near Unalaska Island between Skan Bay and Spray Cape. The U.S. Coast Guard reported at 7:14 PM on December 8, 2004 that the vessel had broken in half.

TIME/DATE OF SITUATION REPORT: 12:30 PM April 28, 2005.

TIME/DATE OF THE NEXT REPORT: 1:00 PM May 2, 2005

TYPE/AMOUNT OF PRODUCT SPILLED: The actual amount of fuel spilled is unknown. Total volume of fuel initially on board the vessel was approximately 446,280 gallons of intermediate fuel oil (IFO 380) and 31,573 gallons of marine diesel oil. An estimated 321,052 gallons of IFO 380 from the three centerline tanks and 14,680 gallons of marine diesel/miscellaneous oils have been released to the environment. The total estimated amount of all oils released to the environment is 335,732 gallons. These figures are estimates based on the most recent data available and are subject to change if new information is obtained.

LOCATION: The vessel wreck'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 air miles southwest or 50 nautical miles from Dutch Harbor.

CAUSE OF SPILL: The vessel grounded and broke in half on the evening of December 8, 2004.

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

RESPONSE ACTIONS: The Unified Command provided information on the Selendang Ayu oil spill response operations at the Unalaska Town Hall Meeting on April 27, 2005. The meeting was well attended and provided presentations on the completed winter operations activities, the spring/summer cleanup operations that are currently under way, and the current SCAT (Shoreline Cleanup Assessment Technique) operation that includes both helicopter and vessel-based teams assessing oiled shorelines.

The vessel-based SCAT teams have a two (2) member cleanup crew assigned to recover tarballs as the area is assessed. If the cleanup is complete, the segment is then recommended for no further treatment (NFT). The teams will continue shoreline assessments in Alimuda Bay segments.

The weather is good today for flying and the helicopter SCAT team will continue shoreline assessments in Anderson Bay.

To date, the SCAT teams have surveyed a total of 260 of the 798 beach segments. Of that, 181 segments have been recommended for no further treatment, and 78 segments, totaling 39 miles of beach, have treatment recommended. Treatment recommendations have been approved by the Unified Command for 26 of those segments.

There will be a total of twenty two (22) vessels involved in the shoreline cleanup operation. Of that, there are twenty (20) vessels to be used for berthing and support, and two (2) waste storage barges. Currently, there are five (5) response vessels in Makushin Bay with 66 cleanup workers, and five (5) response vessels in Skan Bay with 72 cleanup workers. The additional vessels are in Dutch Harbor loading supplies and are scheduled to depart to the site over the next week.

The spring/summer shoreline cleanup operations began on April 25. Priority beach segments have been targeted for manual-only cleanup techniques. So far, approximately 1400 bags of oily waste have been collected.

Salvage/Removal Status: On April 15-16, 2005 state agencies received a brief proposed action plan from representatives of the Swedish Club. The action submitted included a partial removal of the wreck and to make strategic cuts in the aft section of the ship to speed up the deterioration and collapse, with materials remaining in place. State agencies have discussed the proposal. A letter was sent on Monday, April 25, 2005 to the owner/operators representative re-enforcing the states position for complete removal. The state is asking for a detailed plan to complete eight removal related tasks during this field season recognizing that a complete removal operation may be difficult to implement this year.

Fisheries/Subsistence: An ADEC Environmental Health representative will coordinate with Dutch Harbor seafood processors to monitor seafood products as they are received.

Staffing: Nine (9) ADEC Prevention and Emergency Response (PERP) staff are currently in Dutch Harbor. This includes four (4) staff in the Emergency Operations Center, one (1) helicopter SCAT team member, one (1) vessel-based SCAT team member, and three (3) vessel-based cleanup monitors. There is also one (1) ADNR staff on the helicopter SCAT team.

SOURCE CONTROL: As of February 15, 2005, all accessible oil had been recovered from the stern section tanks. Lightering operations were completed before the Winter Operations concluded.

RESOURCES AFFECTED: Resources at risk in the area include marine mammals, marine birds, shellfish and anadromous streams. On February 10, 2005 the USFWS reported that a total of 1,606 dead birds had been recovered. Wildlife search and recovery teams may be activated for spring and summer if needed. The protection of cultural and subsistence resources continues to be a high priority for the Unified Command.

FUTURE PLANS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: Shoreline assessment and cleanup operations will continue as weather allows.

WEATHER: Today: SE winds at 15 knots, seas at 2 feet, no precipitation with high temperatures in the mid 40s. Tonight: NE winds at 15 knots, seas at 3 feet, no precipitation with low temperatures in the upper 30s. Friday: NE winds at 20 knots, seas at 4 feet, no precipitation with high temperatures in the mid 40s. Friday night: N winds at 20 knots, seas at 3 feet. Extended Forecast: Saturday...N wind at 15 knots, seas at 2 feet. Sunday...E winds at 20 knots, seas at 2 feet. Monday...SE winds at 15 knots, seas at 3 feet.

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