

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

SITUATION REPORT

INCIDENT NAME: F/V Blue North

SITREP #: 1

SPILL NUMBER: 06259909001

LEDGER CODE: Not requested.

TIME/DATE OF SPILL: ADEC received notification from the U.S. Coast Guard (USGC) at 8:45 AM on March 31, 2006 that the F/V Blue North, a 167ft steel hull catcher processor, had lost power and was adrift. The vessel is adrift with only one functioning drive shaft. The current rate of drift is estimated at approximately 2.5 knots. The projected landfall is between 4:00 PM and 6:00 PM. This report is being issued to provide general notification and status of the stricken vessel.

TIME/DATE OF SITUATION REPORT: 11:30 AM, March 31, 2006

TIME/DATE OF THE NEXT REPORT: 4:00 PM, March 31, 2006

TYPE/AMOUNT OF PRODUCT SPILLED: USCG was informed by the vessel operator that there is approximately 33,000 gallons of diesel, 500 gallons of lube oil and 11 crew members on board.

LOCATION: 23 nautical miles (nm) west of Spray Cape, Unalaska Island and 6.5 nm northeast of Umnak Island. As of 10:15 AM the vessel was at latitude 53-33.85N, longitude 167-37.0W.

CAUSE OF SPILL: Currently, there has been no release.

POTENTIAL RESPONSIBLE PARTY (PRP): Yakutat, Inc. C/O Blue North Fisheries

RESPONSE ACTION: The tugboat James Dunlap is en-route expected to arrive 1600. One USCG C-130 is over head the vessel. Two US Coast Guard helicopters from St. Paul and Kodiak are being pre-staged in Dutch Harbor. The master of the vessel is intending to drop 2000LBS of chain off the stern to slow down the drift rate. Yakutat, Inc has O'Brien's Group on standby as the Incident Management Team. Chadux is on ready status as the cleanup contractors. ADEC and USCG have responders on standby and one responder at the Marine Safety Office (MSO). ADEC has notified the Alaska Department's of Fish and Game and Natural Resources.

SOURCE CONTROL: None at the this time

RESOURCES AFFECTED: None as of yet.

FUTURE PLANS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: ADEC will continue to work with the USCG Marine Safety Office in Anchorage to monitor the situation and assist in a response as needed.

WEATHER: Winds from West at 15mph, mostly cloudy, 36 degrees Visibility 10.0 miles

UNIFIED COMMAND AND PERSONNEL:

Incident Commander: To be determined.
F.O.S.C. : Captain Mark DeVries
S.O.S.C. : Gary Folley

FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION CONTACT: Jennifer Henderson, ADEC 269-7532

AGENCY/STAKEHOLDER NOTIFICATION LIST

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

AGENCY	NAME	Sent Via		Telephone	Facsimile
USCG-MSO/ANC	Capt. Mark DeVries	Fax		271-6700	271-6751
USEPA	Matt Carr/Carl Lautenberger	Fax		271-3616	271-3424
OTHER	NAME	Sent Via	Session/Interim	Telephone	Facsimile
DH Port Director	Port Director	Fax		581-1254	581-2519
Unalaska Mayor	City Mayor	Fax		581-1211	581-1695
House 38/Unalaska	Carl Moses	Fax	Anchorage 5/16 - 1/09	269-0275	269-0274
			Juneau 1/10 - 5/15	465-4451	465-3445
Senate S/Bethel	Lyman Hoffman	Fax	Bethel/Juneau	465-4453	465-4523

