

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

SITUATION REPORT

INCIDENT NAME: F/V City of Seldovia Sinking

SITREP #: 1 & Final

SPILL NUMBER: 08229911501

LEDGER CODE: N/A

TIME/DATE OF SPILL: 7:30 PM on April 24, 2008. The spill was reported to ADEC at 8:00 pm.

TIME/DATE OF SITUATION REPORT: 1:00 PM, May 6, 2008

TIME/DATE OF THE NEXT REPORT: This is the final report

TYPE/AMOUNT OF PRODUCT SPILLED: 125 gallons of diesel fuel

LOCATION: Off of Perkins Point near Mineral Creek in the Port of Valdez in approximately 72 feet of water. 61° 07.605N, 146° 25.841W, NAD83

CAUSE OF SPILL: The vessel was backing during spill response training and the wind and waves overtopped the transom flooding the engine room and overpowering the bilge pumps. The vessel went down in less than 15 minutes.

POTENTIAL RESPONSIBLE PARTY (PRP): Owner, Robert Zastrow of Valdez, Alaska

RESPONSE ACTION: Incident occurred during a spill response training exercise with numerous vessels in attendance. The first response was the safety of the crew who were able to evacuate onto nearby vessels just prior to the vessel sinking. Fast action in this regard prevented injuries to the crew. No initial spill response effort was undertaken in spite of availability of boom and the Valdez Star being in the near vicinity, due to a fresh breeze and 3 foot waves. A Current Buster was deployed the next day but was unable to recover any product.

SOURCE CONTROL: No source control was possible due to the very rapid sinking of the vessel.

RESOURCES AFFECTED: Marine waters of the Port of Valdez. Very light sheens were monitored for several days after the sinking that dissipated naturally. No further sheens have been found after a week of daily monitoring by the PRP.

FUTURE PLANS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: No further sheening has been noted and at this time there are no plans to recover the vessel.

WEATHER: The weather at the time of the sinking was a fresh breeze (20-25 mph) out of Mineral Creek canyon to the northeast. There were moderate waves of 3 to 5 feet (Sea State 3-4).

UNIFIED COMMAND AND PERSONNEL: *(no actual Unified Command set up)*

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| Incident Commander: | Robert Zastrow (City of Seldovia)/Mike Meadors (SERVS) |
| F.O.S.C. : | CDR Vern Gifford, USCG, MSU Valdez |
| S.O.S.C. : | Gary Folley, ADEC |
| Field S.O.S.C.: | John W. Engles, ADEC |

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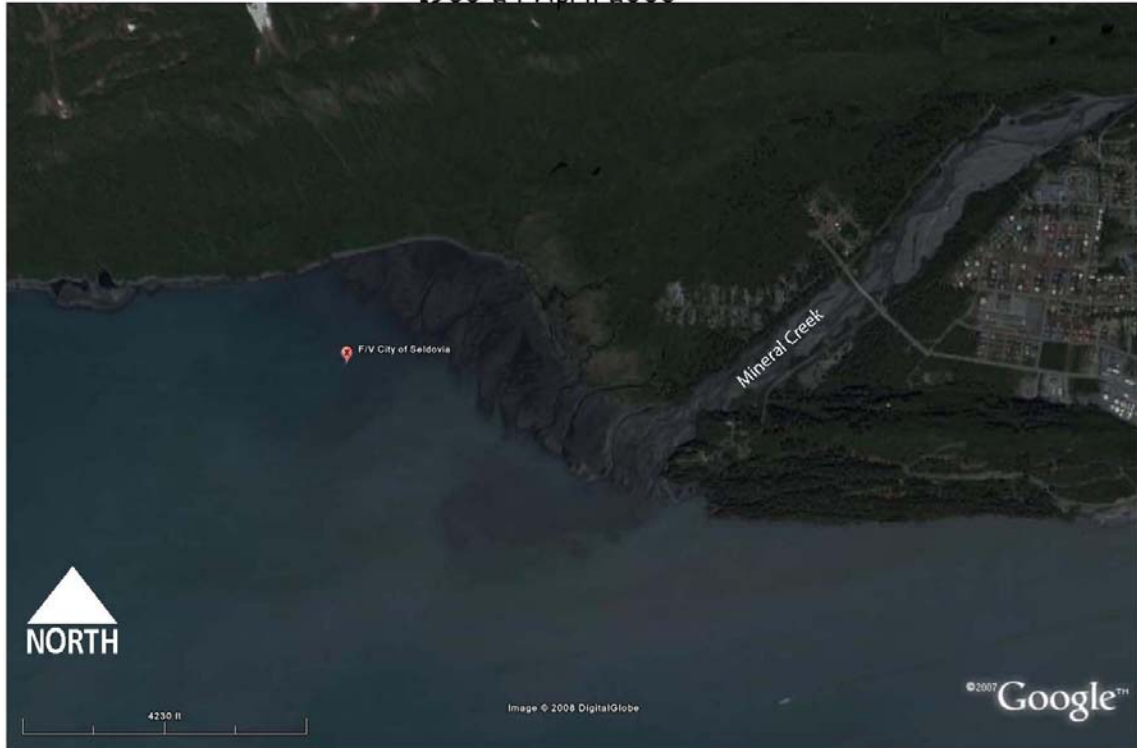


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