

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

SITUATION REPORT

INCIDENT NAME: Chignik, Trident Seafoods Plant Fire **SITREP #:** 2

SPILL NUMBER: 08269920301

LEDGER CODE: Not requested

TIME/DATE OF SPILL: 3:00 PM July 21, 2008, Trident Seafoods Corporation reported the fire to ADEC at 4:00 PM

TIME/DATE OF SITUATION REPORT: 11:30 PM on July 22, 2008

TIME/DATE OF THE NEXT REPORT: 12:00 PM on July 23, 2008

TYPE/AMOUNT OF PRODUCT SPILLED: There is no report of a petroleum spill at this time. The plant manager reported that the main processing plant had an estimated 9,500 pound of anhydrous ammonia and 4,000 gallons of diesel at the facility. There was a slight odor of ammonia reported by firefighters while fighting the fire, the status of the ammonia system is unknown.

LOCATION: Chignik, Alaska. The city of Chignik is located 450 miles Southwest of Anchorage, on the Peninsula.

CAUSE OF SPILL: The Plant Manager has reported that processing facility is on fire and the fire is out of control. The cause of the fire is under investigation.

POTENTIAL RESPONSIBLE PARTY (PRP): Trident Seafoods Corporation

RESPONSE ACTION: Facility operators secured valves to piping and tanks prior to departing scene. Day tank was discolored from fire but intact. Four personnel were taken to the hospital for smoke inhalation; all but one was released from the clinic and sent to Anchorage for treatment. The U.S. Coast Guard has established a half mile safety zone. The U.S. Coast Guard H60-6007 helicopter from Kodiak responded on scene with pollution investigator and observed no runoff or spillage. The U.S. Coast Guard H60 helicopter was standing by for any additional evacuation of personnel.

The Incident Commander also completed an inspection of the water side of the facility with the Village Public Safety Officer and confirmed that there did not appear to be any petroleum spills to the water. The status of the ammonia system is still unknown.

There is a slight odor of smoke in the community so ADEC has advised that anyone with any potential respiratory problems stay inside. Winds are expected to increase from the west later this morning which will carry the odor away from the community.

SOURCE CONTROL: Facility personnel boomed off the area with 1,000 ft of harbor boom in case of possible runoff

RESOURCES AFFECTED: Marine waters at the facility from surface runoff here has been no report of impacts to wildlife.

FUTURE PLANS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: ADEC and the U.S. Coast Guard will continue to monitor the situation. The State Fire Marshal is en route and is expected to arrive in Chignik at 12:00 PM today.

WEATHER: Overcast 1,600ft, visibility 5 miles, wind 4-6 mph from the South, temperature 46 degrees.

UNIFIED COMMAND AND PERSONNEL:

Incident Commander: Mike Duckworth, Plant Manager
F.O.S.C.: Captain Mark Hamilton, USCG Sector Anchorage
S.O.S.C.: Gary Folley, ADEC
Field S.O.S.C.: None

FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION CONTACT: John Brown, ADEC at 269-7688

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 Sector Anchorage	U.S. Coast Guard Sector Anchorage, Response Incident Management Division	Fax		271-6700	271-6751
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