

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

**SITUATION REPORT**

**INCIDENT NAME:** F/V Mar-Gun Grounding St. George Island

**SITREP #:** 11

**SPILL NUMBER:** 09259906401

**LEDGER CODE:** 14251760

**TIME/DATE OF SPILL:** The US Coast Guard (USCG) Sector Anchorage notified ADEC at 6:15 AM on March 5, 2009 that the F/V Mar-Gun had run aground with five (5) people on board and was taking on water. The F/V Mar-Gun is a 112-foot trawl vessel.

**TIME/DATE OF SITUATION REPORT:** 12:30 PM on Friday, March 20, 2009

**TIME/DATE OF THE NEXT REPORT:** 12:00 PM on Monday March 23, 2009

**TYPE/AMOUNT OF PRODUCT SPILLED:** An unknown amount of diesel fuel has been released. The vessel owner and crew informed the USCG that there were approximately 15,000 gallons of diesel fuel, and approximately 600 gallons of lube and hydraulic oils on board. The actual amounts on board will be determined by lightered volumes.

**LOCATION:** North shoreline of St. George Island, at approximately Latitude 56° 36' N, Longitude 169° 36' W. St. George Island is one of the Pribilof Islands located in the Bering Sea approximately 250 miles northwest of Unalaska.

**CAUSE OF SPILL:** The cause of the grounding is being investigated by the USCG.

**POTENTIAL RESPONSIBLE PARTY (PRP):** Margun Enterprises, LLC.

**RESPONSE ACTION:** The Egli Air Haul Bell 206 helicopter arrived on St. George Island at 3:45 PM yesterday from Dutch Harbor. Preparations were made for lightering operations to begin today. On board the vessel, personnel were able to use the waste oil pump to fill 8 drums with fluids from the #3 starboard tank. These drums were safely secured in the on board containment area and are ready for off loading when helicopter operations begin. The containment area for receiving drums was completed and empty drums readied for additional transfer. Additional safety plans have been implemented to account for helicopter operations. The hose from the vessel to the shore was collected and demobilized on the shore. An estimated 10 gallons of water/diesel mix was recovered from the hose sections, which were then capped and secured for removal.

**RESOURCES AFFECTED:** There have been no reports of impacted wildlife at this time. A light, unrecoverable sheen was sighted last night extending eastward from the vessel an estimated 500-1000 yards. A SCAT team will assess the area today.

**FUTURE PLANS AND RECOMMENDATIONS:** The draft vessel recovery plan has been submitted to the Unified Command for consideration.

**WEATHER:** Partly cloudy with isolated snow showers. High temperatures around 15° F. Northwest winds 5 to 10 MPH. Sea ice is forecast to arrive at St George Island today with thicker ice and greater coverage to continue throughout the weekend and into next week.

**UNIFIED COMMAND AND PERSONNEL:**

Incident Commander: Charles Ellwanger (PRP)  
F.O.S.C. : CDR Joseph LoSciuto (USCG)  
S.O.S.C. : Gary Folley (ADEC)  
L.O.S.C : Chris Merculief (St. George Traditional Council)

**FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Gary Folley, ADEC, 262-5210 ext 234  
Weld Royal, ADEC Public Information Officer, 465-5009/321-5491

A Unified Command Web site has been established at  
<http://www.dec.state.ak.us/spar/perp/mar-gun>

**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.

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| USCG Sector Anchorage                        | U.S. Coast Guard Sector Anchorage, Response Incident Management Division | Fax             |   | 271-6700             | 271-6751             |
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| Unalaska Mayor                               | Shirley Marquardt  | Fax             |   | 581-1211             | 581-1695             |
| Aleut Regional Native Corporation/ANC office |  | Fax             |   | 561-4300             | 563-4328             |
| St. George Traditional Council               | Maxim Malavansky Jr  | Fax             |   | 859-2447             | 859-2251             |
| City of St George                            |  | Fax             |   | 859-2205             | 859-2242             |
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