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Unified Command: *Pump Station 1 Booster Pump Piping Incident*

Incident Name: Pump Station 1 Booster Pump Piping Incident

Source: Alyeska Pipeline Service Company

Contact: Contact: Mark MacIntyre, JIC PIO, 206-369-7999

FACT SHEET NUMBER: 3

Jan. 10, 2011 at 4 p.m.

(New information underlined)

Fact Sheet 3:

Current status:

- No injuries have occurred.
- Roughly 200 people are currently responding to this incident. Additional resources are being flown to the site, as needed.
- Engineers are developing alternatives to restore throughput. One plan is to isolate the buried piping and install 157 feet of 24-inch bypass piping. This would restore the functionality of one of three booster pumps.
- Fabrication of the 24-inch bypass line has begun in Fairbanks. It is being fabricated in pieces; as each piece is completed, it will be flown to Pump Station 1.
- Alyeska is taking steps to mitigate any potential issues with restarting the pipeline due to cold temperatures and the shutdown duration.
- Specialized groups have been established to focus on three objectives: recovering oil, repairing and/or re-routing piping, and restarting the pipeline.
- Crews are continuing to recover oil from the 30- by 40-foot booster pump building basement.
- About 750 gallons (18 barrels) of oil has been recovered.
- North Slope producers are prorated to 5 percent production. That oil is currently being pumped to tanks at Pump Station 1.
- There is no apparent impact to the environment or wildlife.

Background:

- Crude oil spill discovered in the Booster Pump Room basement at Pump Station 1 at 8:16 a.m. Jan. 8, 2011.
- The leak source appears to be from a below-ground pipe that leads to the basement of the booster pump building. The pipe is encased in concrete. Oil flowed in the small space between the walls of the pipe and the concrete, through the wall of the building into the basement.
- The Operations Control Center shut down the pipeline at 8:50 a.m.
- Alyeska activated response teams in Fairbanks and Anchorage; Fairbanks Emergency Operations Center was manned at 9:30 a.m.

- Alyeska, State and Federal officers have combined to operate a Joint Information Center.
- Pump Station 1 booster pumps are isolated.

Incident response objectives:

- Ensure safety of personnel and facilities
- Complete initial cleanup
- Begin assessment of the surrounding area for environmental impacts
- Finalize the repair plan
- Continue effective stakeholder communications
- Continue to work toward restoring service
- Continue progressive implementation of the cold restart plan

Weather at Pump Station 1:

- Temp: 11 degrees
- Overcast
- Winds: 7 mph from northeast
- Visibility: 10 miles

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