



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

F/V Arctic Hunter Grounding

SITREP #: 1

SPILL #: 13259930501



TIME/DATE OF DISTRIBUTION: 3:30 p.m. November 6, 2013

POTENTIAL RESPONSIBLE PARTY (PRP): Arctic Hunter, LLC

INCIDENT LOCATION: The fishing vessel *Arctic Hunter* grounded on the east side of Unalaska Bay, approximately 5 miles northeast of Dutch Harbor, Alaska (Lat/Long: 53.9357, -166.4451).

TIME/DATE OF SPILL: The vessel grounded at approximately 3:30 a.m. on November 1, 2013. This is a potential spill incident; no significant release of fuel or lube products has been observed at this time.

HOW/WHEN SPILL WAS DISCOVERED: The grounding was reported to the Coast Guard at approximately 4:00 a.m. on November 1, 2013.

TYPE/AMOUNT OF PRODUCT SPILLED: No spill has occurred. The *Arctic Hunter* is a 102-foot long by 34-foot breadth fishing vessel. The vessel's maximum fuel capacity is 42,000 gallons. The crew estimates that approximately 12,000 gallons of diesel fuel and operational quantities of hydraulic and lubricating oil were on board the vessel when it grounded. A slight sheen was reported when the vessel grounded. There have been no additional reports of sheen since the initial grounding.

CAUSE OF SPILL: The vessel was leaving Dutch Harbor when it grounded. The cause of the grounding is being investigated by the Coast Guard.

SOURCE CONTROL: Resolve-Magone Marine Services (Resolve-Magone) have been securing pollution sources on the vessel including doors, hatches to engine and machinery spaces and fuel vents as conditions allow.

RESPONSE ACTION: The *Arctic Hunter's* six crew members were rescued by the fishing vessel *Saga* at approximately 5:15 a.m. on November 1. No injuries were reported. On the day of the incident, responsible party hired Resolve-Magone to respond to this incident, who immediately began mobilizing equipment. On November 2, Resolve-Magone crews were able to commence lightering the fuel on board. As of November 5, Resolve-Magone removed an estimated 4,959 gallons of diesel fuel from the vessel. Today, Resolve-Magone reported the vessel remains intact and stable. The Coast Guard conducted an overflight on November 5 and reported no obvious signs of a fuel release.

Resolve-Magone submitted a salvage plan for Coast Guard and ADEC approval.

RESOURCES AFFECTED: This is a potential spill. There are no reported impacts to wildlife. Steller's eiders may be present in the nearshore water. Steller's eiders are an Endangered Species Act-listed (ESA-listed) species. All

waters of Unalaska Bay are designated Steller sea lion critical habitat. Stellar sea lions may be present and are an ESA-listed species. Sea otters may also be present in the area. This population of sea otters is an ESA-listed species. There are several anadromous streams in the area.

FUTURE PLANS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: Resolve-Magone will continue lightering the fuel from the vessel as weather permits. The Coast Guard and ADEC will reviewed the submitted salvage plan and will continue to monitor the response.

WEATHER: Today: S wind 40 kt becoming southwest 30 kt in the afternoon; seas 6 feet. Tonight through tomorrow: West wind 35 kt and seas 5 ft.

UNIFIED COMMAND AND PERSONNEL:

Incident Commander: Jim Stone, Arctic Hunter, LLC
 SOSC: Steven Russell, ADEC
 FOSC: Senior Chief Anthony McDade, Coast Guard

TIME/DATE OF THE NEXT REPORT DISTRIBUTION: As the situation warrants.

FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION CONTACT: Steven Russell, State On-Scene Coordinator, ADEC (907) 262-3401



Fishing vessel Arctic Hunter grounded east side of Unalaska Bay, November 5, 2013. (Photos/Coast Guard)

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