



ALASKA DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION
Division of Spill Prevention and Response
Prevention Preparedness and Response Program
SITUATION REPORT (SITREP)

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2018 VMT Berth 5 incident

SITREP #: 2 and Final

SPILL #: 18229903401

TIME/DATE OF DISTRIBUTION: 4:30 PM February 8, 2018

POTENTIAL RESPONSIBLE PARTY (PRP): Alyeska Pipeline Service Co.

INCIDENT LOCATION: Berth 5, Valdez Marine Terminal

TIME/DATE OF SPILL: 7:30 a.m. on February 3, 2018

HOW/WHEN SPILL WAS DISCOVERED AND REPORTED: Spill was discovered by operations personnel during rounds.

TYPE/AMOUNT OF PRODUCT SPILLED: The type of product spilled is Alaska North Slope Crude. Spill amount unknown at this time but is estimated to be under 200 gallons to containment. There was some spray to **berth structures, equipment, and pilings**. **Alyeska continues to monitor the area around the clock**. No sheen on water has been observed, **however a small unknown quantity of spray entered the water**.

CAUSE OF SPILL: The cause is under investigation, but early indicators show that crude was leaking from the end caps of two (of four) loading arms into containment **and strong winds caused spray of oil onto berth structures and machinery outside of containment**. No tankers were loading at the time. **Alyeska Pipeline Service Co. has initiated an investigation to determine how and why the spill occurred**.

SOURCE CONTROL: Source is secured.

RESPONSE ACTION: Berth 5 is boomed. **Additional boom was deployed as a safeguard to further contain a potential spill from sprayed oil remaining on the berth**. Cleanup of oiled structure continues. Scaffolding construction will continue to make it easy to get to the remaining splatter. A plan is in place to clean these structures using hot water to provide better oil removal. Runoff of hot water used for cleaning will be collected and routed to the terminal ballast water treatment system. ADEC will continue monitoring the project phase of this clean up.

RESOURCES AT RISK OR AFFECTED: There is no sheen on water reported at the time.

FUTURE PLANS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: Future plans are to clean up the existing spill site and continue monitoring the situation to evaluate the need to deploy additional response equipment and personnel. The TAPS system remains operational, and there have been no impacts to the operation of the TAPS pipeline itself.



All tanker loading operations will be done at Berth 4 until cleanup of Berth 5 is complete and resumption of normal activity is approved by US Coast Guard and ADEC.

WEATHER: Today: clear skies, winds ENE 5 to 10 mph, temperature 26 °F

UNIFIED COMMAND AND PERSONNEL:

Incident Commander: Scott Hicks, Alyeska Pipeline Service Co.

SOSC: Geoff Merrell, ADEC

FOSC: CMDR Franklin, USCG

Field SOSC: Ron Doyel, ADEC

TIME/DATE OF THE NEXT REPORT DISTRIBUTION: This is the final report for this incident.

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