



**ALASKA DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION**  
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***SITUATION REPORT***



## **T/V *Renda* Nome Fuel Delivery**

**SITREP # 4**

**TIME/DATE OF SITUATION REPORT:** 5:00 PM on January 14, 2012

**BACKGROUND:** The T/V *Renda* will deliver gasoline and diesel fuel to Nome, Alaska. Due to ice conditions, this will be done under heightened alert conditions.

A scheduled fall delivery of fuel by Delta Western, Inc. to Bonanza Fuel, Inc. in the community of Nome was missed. The delivery was planned to be by a fuel barge operating in open water. Conditions made delivery more difficult going into late fall. A severe storm on November 8-11, 2011 followed soon by sea and shore ice conditions prevented further use of fuel barges in the area until next open water season. Rather than waiting until the next season, Bonanza Fuel initiated efforts for a winter delivery of fuel by contracting with Vitus Marine LLC ("Vitus Marine") to secure a spot charter for delivery of diesel and gasoline in the late December or early January timeframe. Vitus Marine contracted for the tank vessel (T/V) *Renda*, a Russian ice-strengthened tanker, to make a delivery through ice of approximately one million gallons of diesel fuel and 400,000 gallons of gasoline. The U.S. Coast Guard (USCG) was asked to make the cutter *Healy* available to break ice for the T/V *Renda*.

### **VESSEL INFORMATION:**

- T/V *Renda* is a 370-foot, Russian-registered vessel with an ice classification of UL 1 (equivalent to the Baltic Ice Class 1A).
- U.S. Coast Guard Cutter (CGC) *Healy* is a 420-foot ice breaker class boat with the capability of passing through 4.5 feet of ice at 4 knots and the ability to break through 8 feet of ice by backing and ramming.

**SITUATION UPDATE:** The CGC *Healy* is currently assisting the T/V *Renda* in its approach to Nome. The crew on board the *Renda* will start mooring the tanker today. Once the *Renda* is moored, the tanker will remain in place for period of 6 to 12 hours to allow ice to be formed around it for personnel access.

When safely moored and iced in, a 4-inch transfer hose will be dispatched to the onshore marine header for fuel transfer.

Once the hose is attached and verified to be ready, the fuel will be off-loaded from the *Renda* to the Bonanza Fuel tank farm. It will take approximately 36 to several days to unload the fuel from the tanker. After all the fuel has been offloaded, the *Renda* will depart Nome with the help of the *Healy*.

ADEC and USCG representatives are in Nome to oversee the fuel transfer.

**WEATHER:** Current conditions in Nome are -15 °F with 15 to 20 knot winds.

**TIME/DATE OF THE NEXT REPORT:** 5:00 PM on January 15, 2012

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Photographs and other spill information are available for viewing at: <http://dec.alaska.gov/spar/rendera/>

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