

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

**SITUATION REPORT**

**INCIDENT NAME:** F/V Orcrist

**SITREP #:** 2

**SPILL NUMBER:** 03229923801

**LEDGER CODE:** Not requested at this time

**TIME/DATE OF SPILL:** The sinking was reported to U.S. Coast Marine Safety Office Valdez at 1:48 p.m. August 26, 2003 by the Lake Bay Hatchery. ADEC was contacted by the Coast Guard at 2:30 p.m., August 26, 2003.

**TIME/DATE OF SITUATION REPORT:** 3:00 p.m., August 28, 2003

**TIME/DATE OF THE NEXT REPORT:** 12:00 p.m., September 2, 2003

**TYPE/AMOUNT OF PRODUCT SPILLED:** The vessel owner has reported to the Coast Guard that an estimated 250 to 300 gallons of diesel was on board the vessel at the time of the sinking. Reports from the hatchery this morning are that, no additional sheening has been observed.

**LOCATION:** Lake Bay, Ester Island, Prince William Sound, Latitude 60.47.714N, Longitude 148.04.976 W

**CAUSE OF SPILL:** The cause of the sinking is under investigation by U.S. Coast Guard Marine Safety Office Valdez. It has been reported that the vessel sank in approximately 30 feet of water.

The F/V Orcrist is a 42 foot, 42 gross ton steel fishing vessel.

**POTENTIAL RESPONSIBLE PARTY (PRP):** Zachary Williams

**RESPONSE ACTION:** The vessel operator has attached flotation bags to the vessel and is waiting for favorable weather to raise the vessel. After raising the vessel the owner of the vessel intends to keep the vessel in the cove to allow them to get the vessel pumped out. Any further sheening can be readily contained within the boomed small cove.

The vessel operator reported to the Coast Guard that he was able to dive on the vessel and plug the fuel vents. Hard boom and absorbent sausage boom has been deployed to help contain any fuel or engine oil coming from the vessel.

**SOURCE CONTROL:** The operator of the vessel advised the Coast Guard that he was able to plug the vessel fuel vents after the sinking. Five hundred foot of protective water boom has been deployed to keep any additional sheening contained to the immediate area where sorbent materials can be deployed

**RESOURCES AFFECTED:** Marine waters and the rock shores of Lake Bay. Wildlife has been reported to be within the vicinity of the spill. Salmon and sea gulls were observed. No reports of oiled wildlife.

**FUTURE PLANS AND RECOMMENDATIONS:** ADEC and the U.S. Coast Guard will continue to monitor the salvage of the vessel. The vessel owner plans to raise the vessel as soon as favorable weather allows. The vessel owner will also continue to maintain the boom and sorbents to control sheening. Sealing of the fuel vents was effective as very little additional sheen has been reported.

**WEATHER:** Light winds, overcast, rain, heavy at times, 49 degrees F.

**UNIFIED COMMAND AND PERSONNEL:**

Incident Commander: Commander Mark Swanson, US. Coast Guard  
 F.O.S.C.: Commander Mark Swanson, US. Coast Guard  
 S.O.S.C.: John Brown, ADEC  
 Field S.O.S.C.: John Engles, ADEC

**FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION CONTACT:** John Engles (907) 835-4698

**AGENCY/STAKEHOLDER NOTIFICATION LIST**

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F/V Orchrist stern visible inside loop of orange boom. Lake Bay Hatchery is in the upper left of the photo. ADEC photo