INCIDENT NAME: DeHarts Marina/Fuel Dock, Juneau  
SPILL NUMBER: 04119926501  
LEDGER CODE: 14150660

TIME/DATE OF SPILL: September 21, 2004, Time: unknown. Juneau Police Department reported the spill to ADEC at 4:21 AM

TIME/DATE OF SITUATION REPORT: 2:00 PM on September 27, 2004

TIME/DATE OF THE NEXT REPORT: This is the final report.

TYPE/AMOUNT OF PRODUCT SPILLED: Diesel and gasoline. Estimated 35 gallons of gasoline and 1,600 gallons of diesel fuel were spilled according to Petro Marine Services.


CAUSE OF SPILL: Fire Department Investigators have determined that the cause of the fire was arson. Vandalism is suspected as the flexible joints on two fuel lines were severed. A closed shut-off valve at one of the two diesel tanks failed and allowed the contents into the severed fuel line. A suspect has been arrested by the Juneau Police Department and the Department’s Environmental Crimes Unit has been activated.

POTENTIAL RESPONSIBLE PARTY (PRP): Petro Marine Services, Juneau, Alaska and Rickey Gottardi

RESPONSE ACTION: SEAPRO and Petro Marine Services personnel completed washing of the riprap and retaining wall in front of the parking lot and harbormaster’s office. Sorbent boom was used to recover oil lifted from the rocks and retaining wall.

Organoleptic testing of mussels on the subsistence clamming beach at Indian Point was conducted the evening of September 24, 2004. The test results indicated no evidence of oiling of the mussels. No clams were located during the testing. All rocks and beach sediments on the clamming beach were reported clean with no oiling evident.

Petro Marine Services’ personnel were on scene Saturday September 25, 2004 washing boats moored to the floats.

An insurance adjuster for Petro Marine Services was available at the harbormaster’s office on September 25, 2004 for people who wished to file damage claims because of the oil spill. A total of 22 claims were filed.

SOURCE CONTROL: Fuel lines from the marina’s three (3) fuel tanks were checked and the shut-off valves remain closed and locked. One failed valve will be replaced. No further discharges have occurred.

RESOURCES AFFECTED: One unconfirmed report of an oiled seagull was received September 21, 2004. Numerous birds are presently congregated at the mouths of the salmon streams, but no impacts to birds have been confirmed. On September 22nd, an ADNR employee reported oil contact impacts to eelgrass in the area. Response teams were sent to collect any oil found in the vicinity of eel grass beds but found no further oiling of the eel grass after the ADNR report. DeHarts Marina’s fueling operation is shut down and will remain out of service for approximately a month. There is an alternative fuel source readily available. The dock facility does not appear to have suffered permanent damage. Boats moored at the floats were washed at the waterline during float washing operations. Additionally, a boat cleaning station was established and boat owners who desired more detailed cleaning are being accommodated.

FUTURE PLANS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: The ADEC boom remaining at Bay Creek will be removed the afternoon of September 27, 2004 and taken to Southeast Alaska Lighterage (SEAL) for cleaning. All ADEC
Scattered residual transparent sheens visible from the air. Saturday, September 24th.