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

SITUATION REPORT

INCIDENT NAME: M/V Selendang Ayu

SPILL NUMBER: 04259934301

TIME/DATE OF INCIDENT: The M/V Selendang-Ayu grounded around 6:00 PM, December 8, on Unalaska Island between Skan Bay and Spray Cape.

TIME/DATE OF SITUATION REPORT: 12:00 PM December 18, 2004.


TYPE/AMOUNT OF PRODUCT SPILLED: IFO 380 and/or diesel fuel. As of 12/13, the revised estimates of original amounts of fuel on board the vessel are 424,000 gallons of IFO 380 (Intermediate Fuel Oil) and 18,000 gallons of diesel. A fuel tank holding an estimated 40,131 gallons of fuel ruptured when the vessel broke apart. Other tanks are believed to be leaking. Actual amount of spilled fuel is unknown.

LOCATION: The vessel’s position is at 53° 38’ 04” N, 167° 07’ 30” W on Unalaska Island between Skan Bay and Spray Cape. This site is approximately 25 miles in a direct line or 50 sea miles from Dutch Harbor.

CAUSE OF SPILL: The Coast Guard reported at 7:14 PM, December 8, 2004 that the vessel had broken in half.

POTENTIAL RESPONSIBLE PARTY (PRP): Ayu Navigation Snd, Bhd, Port Klang, Malaysia. The operator is IMC Shipping.

RESPONSE ACTION: As of 10:00 AM December 18, 2004:

Ship Status: The overflight yesterday observed the bow section appeared more submerged. Stern section is grounded pointing seaward.

Spill Response: As of yesterday in anticipation of bad weather, all vessels were relocated to Anderson Bay from Scan Bay for overnight anchorage. The vessel Cape Flattery is anchored in Anderson Bay and will attempt onshore cleanup in Portage Bay depending on weather. The vessel Redeemer will attempt to boom sensitive areas in McIver Bight and Kashega Bay weather permitting, otherwise go to Humpback Bay for sensitive area booming. The vessel Labrador is standing by for free oil recovery depending on oil evaluation and recommendations from today’s overflight. The vessel Exito is in Makushin Bay and will attempt to go to Scan Bay if weather permits for support of wildlife recovery. The vessel Sirene continues to provide re-supply for vessels on location. The landing craft Polar Bear is still enroute with additional response materials and is expected in late tonight or tomorrow morning.

2000 feet boom were deployed in three small streams in Pumicestone Bay.

Shoreline cleanup was conducted on 12/17 in a stream on the north end of Skan Bay. Six additional bags of oily waste were generated yesterday from Scan Bay segment SKN-14 for a total of forty-one bags of oily waste generated on this cleanup so far. Cleanup efforts were hampered due to weather.

Weather is forecast for 35 to 50 knot winds and seas to 28’ over the next several days. Operations is considering anchoring vessels in Anderson Bay or returning to Dutch Harbor for safety reasons.

Spill Trajectory: No change from last report. A morning flyover is scheduled to observe status of free oil and communicate locations to vessel Labrador for oil recovery.
Wildlife: Salmon hatchery in Dutch Harbor has been activated as a rehab center for oiled birds. Bird capture and recovery will continue to be an objective. A total of thirteen oiled birds have been captured as of today, two dead oiled birds have been collected along with the one dead sea otter at this time. USFWS environmental unit leader reported field biologists observed 100’s of impacted birds in Scan Bay that could be captured if weather conditions allow.

Staffing: Six ADEC staff and one contractor are currently in Dutch Harbor, and an additional twenty-five State spill prevention and response members in Anchorage, Fairbanks and Juneau are actively engaged in supporting the response. Numerous members of other state agencies are also involved with this effort including ADNR, ADFG, and the State Attorney General’s Office.

SOURCE CONTROL: None at this time. Lightering of fuel from stern section is scheduled to begin approximately December 29th.

RESOURCES AFFECTED: Resources at risk in the area include marine mammals, sea birds, shellfish and anadromous streams. ADF&G and USF&WS are mobilizing for assessment of the area. The protection of cultural resources is a high priority for the Unified Command.

FUTURE PLANS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: Develop lightering plan. Waste handling, shoreline cleanup and sampling plans are completed. Protection booming of sensitive areas as weather permits. Conduct overflights to track trajectory as weather permits. Conduct wildlife surveys, capture, collection and rehab.

WEATHER: Winds NW 25 knots with snow showers, West winds decreasing to 15 knots in the evening and becoming North winds by midnight. Seas are at 10 feet, decreasing to 7 feet by tonight. Sunrise 10:21 AM, Sunset 5:48 PM. Weather is forecast to deteriorate over the next several days.

UNIFIED COMMAND AND PERSONNEL

F.O.S.C. : Ronald Morris, Captain USCG
S.O.S.C. : Gary Folley, ADEC
R.P.I.C. : Howard Hile

FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION CONTACT: ADEC – Vivien Kinnaird, Public Information Office (PIO), cell 632-7381, United States Coast Guard (USCG)- Darrell Wilson 321-4510, Responsible Party(RP) - Mike Hanson 301-4451, or contact Joint Information Center (JIC) at 907-279-2866, 279-2867 or 279-2829.

There will be a daily press teleconference at 2:00 PM.

Photographs and other spill information are available for viewing at: http://www.state.ak.us/dec/selendang

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