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, 2004 on Unalaska Island between Skan Bay and Spray Cape.

TIME/DATE OF SITUATION REPORT: 1:00 PM January 4, 2005.

TIME/DATE OF THE NEXT REPORT: 1:00 PM January 5, 2005.

TYPE/AMOUNT OF PRODUCT SPILLED: Fuel on board the vessel at the time of this incident was 424,000 gallons of intermediate fuel oil (IFO 380) and 18,000 gallons of marine diesel oil. The midsection fuel tank ruptured when the vessel broke apart and released an estimated 40,131 gallons of IFO 380. The status of the centerline IFO fuel tanks (original estimated to contain 176,473 gallons) remains unknown at this time. The actual amount of spilled fuel is also 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 ACTIONS: Due to improved weather conditions in Dutch Harbor, today’s activities will include over flights, shoreline assessment/cleanup, vessel-lightering and wildlife recovery operations. Multiple over flights and lightering from one of the diesel oil tanks in the stern of the vessel were completed yesterday and will continue today.

On-water Response: On 1/3/05 dispersants arrived in Dutch Harbor.

Shoreline Cleanup: On 1/3/05 Shoreline Cleanup Assessment Teams (SCAT) conducted over flights and pre-SCAT operations yesterday at Volcano Bay #5, #6, #7, #9 and Humpback #11, #12, #13. Cleanup crews collected 174 bags of oily waste in Portage Bay, segment PTN #3. Total of oily solid waste collected to date is 5,604 oily waste bags/93.4 cubic yards.

Salvage and Lightering Operations: On 1/3/05 the Salvage team began pumping from the starboard main diesel tank into portable tanks. Three nearly full portable tanks were flown to Dutch Harbor. (Quantity not available at this time)

Vessel Status: On 1/3/05 the USCG reported that the bow section appears to have suffered additional structural failure. The stern section remains hard aground and has a 3 degree port side list. The Unified Command is exploring all possible methods to ascertain the condition and contents of #1 and #3 center tanks.

Wildlife: On 1/3/05 no wildlife recovery operations were conducted due to change out of USFWS staff. Total numbers of dead birds recovered remains at 295. To date, 29 live oiled birds have been captured sent to be rehabilitated. Six of these have been released from Whittier by the International Bird Rescue and Research Center. To date 3 sea otter carcasses including one skeleton (cause of death unknown) have been recovered.

Commercial Fishery: On 1/3/05 the Unified Command approved the Unalaska Bay Water Quality Sampling Plan and the water sampling plan will begin 1/5/05. See the Unified Command website for fisheries fact sheets and
particulars on the closure of all state waters of the Makushin Bay and Skan Bay areas of the eastern Aleutian District and the Sampling Plan.

**Staffing:** Six ADEC staff, three ADEC term contractors, and several other State responders are currently in Dutch Harbor. Additional State spill response staff in Anchorage, Fairbanks and Juneau is 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. Several DEC term contractors have also been activated to support the response effort.

**SOURCE CONTROL:** None at this time. See Salvage and Lightering Operations paragraph.

**RESOURCES AFFECTED:** Resources at risk in the area include marine mammals, marine birds, shellfish and anadromous streams. ADF&G and USFWS are assessing the areas impacted. The protection of cultural resources continues to be a high priority for the Unified Command.

**FUTURE PLANS AND RECOMMENDATIONS:** Safety of response personnel remains the highest priority for the Unified Command. Protection of sensitive areas continues to be a major priority as well. Shoreline cleanup and on-water recovery operations are planned, weather permitting. Wildlife surveys, capture, collection and rehabilitation are also continuing as weather permits. Winter Operations Plan was finalized and signed by the Unified Command on 1/3/05. Public meetings are now being held in Unalaska on Monday, Wednesday and Friday. Wednesday’s public meeting will include a presentation on the Lightering Operations.

**WEATHER:** Today: Partly cloudy with isolated snow showers, highs in the mid 30s, northwest wind 15 to 25 mph, Seas 7 feet. Tonight: Partly cloudy, lows in the lower 30s, west wind 15 mph, Seas 5 feet. Wednesday: Partly cloudy, highs in the upper 30s to lower 40s, light wind becoming east 15 to 20 mph in the afternoon, Seas 4 feet. Wednesday night: Partly cloudy, lows in the lower 30s, east wind 25 to 35 mph, Seas 5 feet.

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**UNIFIED COMMAND WEBSITE:** Photographs, press releases and other spill information are available at: [http://www.state.ak.us/dec/selendang](http://www.state.ak.us/dec/selendang)

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