ALASKA DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION

Division of Spill Prevention and Response Prevention and Emergency Response Program

SITUATION REPORT

INCIDENT NAME: F/V Johnny A Sinking **SITREP** #: 4

SPILL NUMBER: 05119920601 **LEDGER CODE:** 14151260

TIME/DATE OF SPILL: The vessel sank at approximately 5:00 AM on July 25, 2005.

TIME/DATE OF SITUATION REPORT: 2:00 p.m. August 1, 2005

TIME/DATE OF THE NEXT REPORT: As the situation warrants.

<u>TYPE/AMOUNT OF PRODUCT SPILLED</u>: The total amount of product spilled is unknown. Light sheen was reported to have been observed around the vessel immediately following the sinking and some additional sheen appeared after the vessel was moved to the place of refuge inside Whitestone Harbor. Approximately 5000 gallons of diesel was on board the vessel at the time that it sank.

LOCATION: Whitestone Harbor, located approximately 13 miles east of Hoonah on Chichagof Island; 30 miles southwest of Juneau.

<u>CAUSE OF SPILL</u>: The 58' fishing seiner hit a rock on the way into the harbor and sank. The bow section sustained a tear approximately 1.5 inches high and 2 feet long.

<u>POTENTIAL RESPONSIBLE PARTY (PRP)</u>: John Hinchman, vessel owner. Robert James Day, Jr., vessel operator.

RESPONSE ACTION: The vessel has been moved to an approved place of refuge inside Whitestone Harbor. As of July 31, the mast and wheel house were visible above water. The forward vents in the engine room have been secured. Approximately 1500 feet of net has been removed from the vessel, and the sein skiff has been moved to the beach. SEAL, the contractor responding to this incident, expects to have the vessel completely refloated today.

SOURCE CONTROL: All of the fuel vents have been sealed.

RESOURCES AFFECTED: There have been no reports of oiled wildlife. Resources in the area include three anadramous streams, commercial and sport fisheries in Whitestone Harbor and Chatham Strait, and several species of shorebirds inhabiting nearby tide flats and marshes.

<u>FUTURE PLANS AND RECOMMENDATIONS</u>: When the vessel is above water, a soft patch will be placed on the tear in the hull, and the vessel will be dewatered. The vessel will then be towed to Auke Bay, and prepared for movement to a dry dock, (location yet to be identified).

USCG and ADEC continue to monitor the situation.

<u>WEATHER</u>: (Hoonah) Currently 58° F, East winds 7 mph. Currently 58° F, East winds 8 mph. Forecast: Mostly cloudy with a 30 percent chance of showers, highs around 63°, West winds 10 To 15 mph.

UNIFIED COMMAND AND PERSONNEL:

Incident Commander: John Gitkov, SEAL
F.O.S.C.: Cdr. John Sifling, USCG
S.O.S.C.: Bob Mattson, ADEC
Field S.O.S.C.: Lester Leatherberry, ADEC

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Mast of F/V Johnny A shows above the water, July 30, 2005. USCG Photo