

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

**SITUATION REPORT**

**INCIDENT NAME:** Chignik Trident Seafoods Plant Fire      **SITREP #:** 4

**SPILL NUMBER:** 08269920301

**LEDGER CODE:** Requested

**TIME/DATE OF SPILL:** 3:00 PM on July 21, 2008, Trident Seafoods Corporation (Trident) reported the fire to ADEC at 4:00 PM.

**TIME/DATE OF SITUATION REPORT:** 10:00 AM on July 24, 2008

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

**TYPE/AMOUNT OF PRODUCT SPILLED:** At 12:30 PM on July 22, 2008, Trident personnel revised their initial report of no spill to a petroleum spill of less than 20 gallons from a storm drain system at the facility. Currently Trident personnel can only account for 2,000 pounds of anhydrous ammonia from the 9,500 pounds in the system prior to the fire. There is additional ammonia in the system inside the processing plant, but access is limited due to the large amount of debris created by the fire.

**LOCATION:** Chignik, Alaska. The city of Chignik is located 450 miles Southwest of Anchorage, on the Peninsula.

**CAUSE OF SPILL:** The processing facility caught fire and burned to the ground on July 21, 2008. The source of the fire has been isolated to the power generation room. The exact cause of the fire is still under investigation.

**POTENTIAL RESPONSIBLE PARTY (PRP):** Trident Seafoods Corporation

**RESPONSE ACTION:** Engineers are currently trying to gain access to the rest of the ammonia system. In addition, personnel are assisting in re-establishing support systems (power, phones, water) to other buildings at the facility that were not damaged by the fire. A floating fish processing plant has been brought in to Chignik to help with the fish processing.

**SOURCE CONTROL:** A thousand feet of spill containment boom was deployed at the water's edge of the facility. Absorbent materials have been placed at the intake and discharge points of the storm drain system. Trident brought in portable ammonia tanks to recover and transport the remaining ammonia to another facility.

**RESOURCES AFFECTED:** There has been no report of impact to wildlife and no sheen is observed on the water.

**FUTURE PLANS AND RECOMMENDATIONS:** ADEC and the U.S. Coast Guard will continue to monitor the situation. Trident staff will monitor and maintain the containment boom and absorbent materials placed at the storm drain system. The State Fire Marshals are expected to leave today. Trident personnel will continue to assess the ammonia system in preparation for recovering the remaining ammonia left in the system.

**WEATHER:** Rain, highs in the mid to upper 50s, northwest wind increasing 15 to 30 mph by midday, local gusts to 40 mph.

**UNIFIED COMMAND AND PERSONNEL:**

Incident Commander: Mike Duckworth, Plant Manager  
 F.O.S.C. : Captain Mark Hamilton, USCG Sector Anchorage  
 S.O.S.C. : Gary Folley, ADEC  
 Field S.O.S.C.: None

**FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION CONTACT:** John Brown, ADEC at 269-7688

Photographs and other spill information are available for viewing at:

<http://www.state.ak.us/dec/spar/perp/index.htm>

**AGENCY/STAKEHOLDER NOTIFICATION LIST**

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