

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

SITUATION REPORT

INCIDENT NAME: F/V Mar-Gun Grounding St. George Island

SITREP #: 9

SPILL NUMBER: 09259906401

LEDGER CODE: 14251760

TIME/DATE OF SPILL: The US Coast Guard (USCG) Sector Anchorage notified ADEC at 6:15 AM on March 5, 2009 that the F/V Mar-Gun had run aground with five (5) people on board and was taking on water. The F/V Mar-Gun is a 112-foot trawl vessel.

TIME/DATE OF SITUATION REPORT: 12:00 PM on Tuesday, March 17, 2009

TIME/DATE OF THE NEXT REPORT: 2:00 PM on Thursday, March 19, 2009

TYPE/AMOUNT OF PRODUCT SPILLED: An unknown amount of diesel fuel has been released. The vessel owner and crew informed the USCG that there were approximately 15,000 gallons of diesel fuel, and approximately 600 gallons of lube and hydraulic oils on board. The actual amounts on board will be determined by lightered volumes.

LOCATION: North shoreline of St. George Island, at approximately Latitude 56° 36' N, Longitude 169° 36' W. St. George Island is one of the Pribilof Islands located in the Bering Sea approximately 250 miles northwest of Unalaska.

CAUSE OF SPILL: The cause of the grounding is being investigated by the USCG.

POTENTIAL RESPONSIBLE PARTY (PRP): Margun Enterprises, LLC.

RESPONSE ACTION: On Monday afternoon, a team delivered 15 gallons of antifreeze to the vessel for the on-board generator. This generator will be used to power the pumps for the next transfer of fluids. The generator was then started and remains in good working condition. Additional work crews on shore were able to demobilize 610 feet of transfer hose sections. Approximately 70 gallons of diesel oil were drained from these sections. The ends of these sections were capped, wrapped in absorbents, secured with duct tape and covered with heavy plastic bags to assure no residual product is spilled. The remaining 360 feet of hose which runs from the vessel to the shore is still in place for use to transfer of the remaining fluids when weather permits. This hose continues to be inspected visually during low tides and by divers at higher tides. An estimated 2,600 gallons of mixed fluids remain on board in the #3 starboard wing tank for transfer.

The M/V Western Viking arrived in Dutch Harbor and is now loading additional salvage gear on board. They are scheduled to depart Dutch Harbor at 6:00 PM this evening to return to St. George.

RESOURCES AFFECTED: There have been no reports of impacted wildlife at this time. The Shoreline Cleanup Assessment Technique (SCAT) team will stand down for the present but will be re-activated if any new pollution event should occur.

FUTURE PLANS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: A subsistence sampling advisory group met Monday afternoon to address the plan for sampling which will determine sampling locations and species to sample. A timeline is being developed for mobilization and execution of vessel recovery. A potential places of refuge document will be included as part of the vessel recovery plan which is still being developed.

WEATHER: Numerous snow showers and blowing snow, temperatures in the mid teens. North winds 20 to 35 MPH.

UNIFIED COMMAND AND PERSONNEL:

Incident Commander: Charles Ellwanger (PRP)
 F.O.S.C. : CDR Joseph LoSciuto (USCG)
 S.O.S.C. : Gary Folley (ADEC)
 L.O.S.C. : Maxim Malavansky Jr. (St. George Traditional Council)

FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION CONTACT:

Gary Folley, ADEC, 262-5210 ext 234
 Weld Royal, ADEC Public Information Officer, 465-5009/321-5491

A Unified Command Web site has been established at
<http://www.dec.state.ak.us/spar/perp/mar-gun>

AGENCY/STAKEHOLDER NOTIFICATION LIST

This sitrep has been distributed via email to the Governor's office, ADF&G, ADNR, SECC, USEPA, USDOJ, NMFS, USFWS, and USFS in addition to the following.

AGENCY	NAME	Sent Via		Telephone	Facsimile
USCG Sector Anchorage	U.S. Coast Guard Sector Anchorage, Response Incident Management Division	Fax		271-6700	271-6751
USEPA	Matt Carr	Fax		271-3616	271-3424
OTHER	NAME	Sent Via	Session/Interim	Telephone	Facsimile
DH Port Director	Alvin Osterback	Fax		581-1254	581-2519
Unalaska Mayor	Shirley Marquardt	Fax		581-1211	581-1695
Aleut Regional Native Corporation/ANC office		Fax		561-4300	563-4328
St. George Traditional Council	Maxim Malavansky Jr	Fax		859-2447	859-2251
City of St George		Fax		859-2205	859-2242
Senate S/Bethel	Lyman Hoffman	Fax	Bethel/Juneau	465-4453	465-4523
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Transfer of antifreeze for generator to the vessel.



Draining hose sections on shore.