

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

SITUATION REPORT

INCIDENT NAME: Drift River Terminal Flooding

SITREP #: 3

SPILL NUMBER: 09239908201

LEDGER CODE: Requested

TIME/DATE OF SPILL: Potential release

TIME/DATE OF SITUATION REPORT: 4:00 PM, March 26, 2009

TIME/DATE OF THE NEXT REPORT: 4:00 PM, March 27, 2009

TYPE/AMOUNT OF PRODUCT SPILLED: Potential (6,090,000 gallons or 145,000 barrels) Cook Inlet Crude, plus diesel fuels and lube oils.

LOCATION: Drift River Oil Terminal, West side Cook Inlet, 60° 36.00 N - 152° 11.00 W

CAUSE OF SPILL: Volcanic eruption/flooding. Mount Redoubt initially erupted on March 22 at 10:38 PM, followed by several other eruptions. The resultant lahars (or volcanic mudflows) caused extensive flooding at the Drift River Terminal. However, no oil or hazardous substance releases have been reported at this time.

POTENTIAL RESPONSIBLE PARTY (PRP): Cook Inlet Pipe Line Company (CIPL)

RESPONSE ACTION: On March 26, the Alaska Volcano Observatory (AVO) reported two separate explosions; one at 8:34 AM with an ash plume extending to 30,000 feet in altitude, and the other at 9:24 AM with the ash plume rising 60,000 to 65,000 feet. They also confirmed flooding on the Drift River from mudflows from the second eruption.

At 10:30 AM on March 26, 2009, a newly formed State of Alaska Incident Management Team (IMT) and Crisis Management Team (CMT) conducted a meeting to discuss recent flooding conditions and the potential impacts to the Drift River Oil Terminal (DROT) facility. IMT representatives from the State agencies met with ADEC and discussed the current flooding events and reviewed preliminary State of Alaska IMT response objectives for the DROT flooding. ADEC is preparing a State Incident Action Plan (IAP) to meet the preliminary response objectives discussed at this morning's meeting.

ADEC has compiled a list of contacts for all State and Federal agencies, and stakeholders having an interest in this event..

Cook Inlet Spill Response Inc. (CISPRI) is conducting soundings of the tanker berthing (fuel loading/unload area), exit and entrance routes at the Christy Lee platform.

SOURCE CONTROL: The facility and pipeline were shut in on the morning of March 23, 2009 and all personnel from the facility were evacuated to the Trading Bay facility. The terminal and pipeline remain secured at this time.

RESOURCES AFFECTED: Drift River, Rust Slough and Redoubt Bay, Cook Inlet

FUTURE PLANS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: An overflight of the facility is being organized by the State Emergency Coordination Center (SECC) for March 27, 2009. Additional on-site monitoring equipment was recommended for the lahars (volcanic mudflows) by AVO who will also coordinate with the IMT on flood warnings and predictions. Daily IMT meetings have been scheduled in addition to the ADEC SOSOC and U.S. Coast Guard FOSC daily briefings with CIPL.

WEATHER: Ashfall accumulation, predicted at a trace to one eighth inch from Ninilchik was forecasted to begin at noon. Mostly cloudy with scattered rain and snow showers, highs in the upper 30s to mid 40s, north wind 10 to 20 mph with gusts to 35 mph along the Cook Inlet in the morning.

AGENCY AND COMPANY REPRESENTATIVES:

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Situation Updates: http://www.dec.state.ak.us/spar/perp/response/sum_fy09/090324201/090324201_index.htm

Alaska Volcano Observatory (AVO): <http://www.avo.alaska.edu/>
AVO website current photos of Drift River Terminal:
<http://www.avo.alaska.edu/volcanoes/volcact.php?volcane=Redoubt&page=images&eruptionid=610&limit=1>
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AGENCY/STAKEHOLDER NOTIFICATION LIST

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