

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

SITUATION REPORT

INCIDENT NAME: Port of Nome LCM *Kaktovik II* Diesel Release

SITREP #: 2 and Final

SPILL NUMBER: 11389925301

LEDGER CODE: 14316160

TIME/DATE OF SPILL: 6:00 AM on September 10, 2011

TIME/DATE OF SITUATION REPORT: 8:00 AM on September 20, 2011

TIME/DATE OF THE NEXT REPORT: This is the final report.

TYPE/AMOUNT OF PRODUCT SPILLED: Approximately 800 – 1,000 gallons of Arctic Diesel Fuel #2 fuel were released to the environment.

LOCATION: Port of Nome channel Nome, Alaska

CAUSE OF SPILL: The landing craft *Kaktovik II* was attempting to retrieve a beached barge when strong winds and waves turned the vessel broadside causing a line to go slack and into the propeller, rendering the vessel without propulsion. The LCM *Kaktovik II* drifted east along the beach toward the harbor entrance and wound up broadside on the armor rocks of the channel. The vessel grounded on rocks causing a tear on the port-side stern, which ruptured the port fuel tank and releasing approximately 800-1,000 gallons of diesel fuel into the ocean.

POTENTIAL RESPONSIBLE PARTY (PRP): Alaska Logistics, Seattle, Washington.

RESPONSE ACTION: The City of Nome, ADEC, USCG, and local fuel company responders deployed harbor and sorbent booms around the vessel before towing it to the east dock of the harbor. Minor amounts of sheen were observed in the boom surrounding the vessel upon arrival. Harbor boom was deployed from the east dock to the rock shoreline to contain any sheens and additional fuel that may escape during the hoisting operation. A salvage plan, which includes towing, salvage, and waste management, was developed, approved, and signed by the U.S. Coast Guard, ADEC, and the Nome Harbor Master prior to moving the vessel to the east dock.

Prior to the hoisting operation, the vessel fluids in the ruptured fuel and ballast tanks were pumped into a 6,400-gallon International Standards Organization (ISO) tank to reduce weight and potential spill.. The vessel was hoisted out of the harbor using a large on site construction crane and placed on a heavily reinforced liner. The vessel was thoroughly cleaned using sorbent pads and pumps. Fluids from the cleaning process within the liner were recovered using a small vacuum pump and sorbent pads. The sheens that accumulated in the booms were recovered using sorbent boom and pads.

An ADEC responder and the Nome Harbormaster conducted an overflight of the Nome coastline, Snake River, and the Nome Harbor on September 12, 2011 but did not observe any impacted beaches or sheen on water.

SOURCE CONTROL: The vessel was towed free of the rocks and into the small boat harbor where it was tied up to the barge ramp landing.

RESOURCES AFFECTED: Norton Sound and the Nome Harbor.

FUTURE PLANS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: The vessel left the Port of Nome on the evening of September 16, 2011 on the deck of the barge *Brittney Moe* bound for Seattle. The waste associated with the cleanup of this incident was shipped on the barge and will be disposed of at an approved hazardous waste facility.

WEATHER: Today; Mostly sunny, patches of fog, temperatures 50-55°F, North winds increasing to 20-35 mph.

UNIFIED COMMAND AND PERSONNEL:

Incident Commander: Steve Frago
 F.O.S.C. : Captain Jason Fosdick, USCG Sector Anchorage
 S.O.S.C.: Ashley Anderson, ADEC
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Photographs and other spill information will be available for viewing at:

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

AGENCY/STAKEHOLDER NOTIFICATION LIST

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LCM *Kaktovik II* being towed to the east dock of the Nome Harbor.



LCM *Kaktovik II* being hoisted out of the harbor for cleaning and barge shipment preparation.