M/V Pacific Producer Grounding

SITREP #: 2 (final)

SPILL #: 13249907401

TIME/DATE OF DISTRIBUTION: March 27, 2013 12:00 p.m.

POTENTIAL RESPONSIBLE PARTY (PRP): East West Seafood’s LLC

INCIDENT LOCATION: The M/V Pacific Producer grounded at a location in Ouzinkie Narrows between Kodiak Island and Spruce Island. The location of the grounded vessel is Lat 57° 54.502N, Long 152° 30.627W.

TIME/DATE OF SPILL: The M/V Pacific Producer ran aground at approximately 5:00 a.m., March 15, 2013. No spill has occurred at this time. No injuries have been reported.

HOW/WHEN SPILL WAS DISCOVERED: At the time of the grounding, the M/V Pacific Producer was carrying an estimated 10,000 gallons of diesel, unknown amount of various lubes and oils, and 6,000 pounds of anhydrous ammonia. There is approximately 10,000 – 15,000 pounds of frozen bait in the vessels freezers. The generators are currently operational and maintaining the freezers temperatures.

TYPE/AMOUNT OF PRODUCT SPILLED: No signs of pollution have been observed at this time.

CAUSE OF SPILL: The cause of the grounding is under investigation by the USCG.

SOURCE CONTROL: Integrity of the tanks was maintained. No spills occurred.

RESPONSE ACTION: The vessel’s crew identified a 10” long crack in a forward freshwater tank, and repairs were made to the tank. The vessel was refloated March 24, 2013 without assistance from the salvage team. The vessel transited under its own power to the harbor in Ouzinkie where it remains while the vessel’s stability is evaluated by the USCG. The hull was inspected by a dive survey on March 26, 2013 and found to be intact.

RESOURCES AFFECTED: The Ouzinkie Narrows is within the southwest population of sea otter critical habitat and Steller sea lion critical habitat. Steller’s eider may be present in the area. There may also be other overwintering waterfowl present.

FUTURE PLANS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: The vessel no longer presents an imminent threat of pollution therefore the emergency response has ended, the Unified Command has been dismantled, and the case has been transferred to the USCG for further action. The vessel is under USCG Captain of the Port Order to not proceed without USCG approval.
WEATHER: Tonight and Thursday there is a small craft advisory. Today variable wind 10 knots or less becoming southeast 15 knots in the afternoon with seas to 3 feet. Tonight and Thursday southeast winds 25 knots with seas to 6 feet with rain and snow.

UNIFIED COMMAND AND PERSONNEL:

Incident Commander: East West Seafoods, LLC
SOSC: Steven Russell, ADEC
FOSC: Captain Paul Mehler, USCG

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

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