

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

Dutch Harbor

SITUATION REPORT

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F/V Arctic Hunter Grounding

SITREP #: 2

SPILL #: 13259930501

TIME/DATE OF DISTRIBUTION: 3:30 p.m. November 12, 2013

POTENTIAL RESPONSIBLE PARTY (PRP): Arctic Hunter, LLC

INCIDENT LOCATION: The fishing vessel Arctic Hunter grounded on the east side of Unalaska Bay, approximately 5 miles northeast of Dutch Harbor, Alaska (Lat/Long: 53.9357, -166.4451).

TIME/DATE OF SPILL: The vessel grounded at approximately 3:30 a.m. on November 1, 2013.

HOW/WHEN SPILL WAS DISCOVERED: The grounding was reported to the Coast Guard at approximately 4:00 a.m. on November 1, 2013.

TYPE/AMOUNT OF PRODUCT SPILLED: The Arctic Hunter is a 102-foot long by 34-foot breadth fishing vessel. The vessel's maximum fuel capacity is 42,000 gallons. The crew estimates that approximately 12,000 gallons of diesel fuel and operational quantities of hydraulic and lubricating oil were onboard the vessel when it grounded. The Resolve-Magone salvage team estimates approximately 6,000 gallons of diesel fuel and 400 gallons of hydraulic and lubricating oil have been released from the vessel. A slight sheen has been reported around the immediate vicinity of the vessel.

CAUSE OF SPILL: The vessel was leaving Dutch Harbor when it grounded. The cause of the grounding is being investigated by the Coast Guard.

SOURCE CONTROL: Resolve-Magone Marine Services (Resolve-Magone) have secured pollution sources on the vessel including doors, hatches to engine and machinery spaces and fuel vents as conditions allow.

RESPONSE ACTION: As of November 5, Resolve-Magone removed an estimated 6,000 gallons of diesel fuel from the vessel. The Resolve-Magone estimates that approximately 6,000 gallons of diesel fuel and all the hydraulic and lubricating oil has been lost from the vessel. Resolve-Magone estimated the spill volume based on what they recovered and amount of fuel and oil that was reported by the vessel crew. Resolve-Magone reported one tank that reportedly held fuel was not inspected due to inaccessibility of the tank. It is assumed at this point, given the tank location, that the tank was damaged and compromised when the vessel grounded. The contents of this tank has been included in the spill volume estimate.

RESOURCES AFFECTED: There are no reported impacts to wildlife. Steller's eiders may be present in the nearshore water. Steller's eiders are an Endangered Species Act-listed (ESA-listed) species. All waters of Unalaska Bay are designated Steller sea lion critical habitat. Stellar sea lions may be present and are an ESA-listed species. Sea otters may also be present in the area. This population of sea otters is an ESA-listed species. There are several anadromous streams in the area.

FUTURE PLANS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: Resolve-Magone will continue to monitor the vessel and execute the approved salvage plan as weather conditions allow.

WEATHER: Today and tonight: West wind 20 kt; seas 3 feet. Wednesday through Friday: West wind 15 kt becoming southwest and seas 2 ft.

UNIFIED COMMAND AND PERSONNEL:

Incident Commander: Jim Stone, Arctic Hunter, LLC

SOSC: Steven Russell, ADEC

FOSC: Senior Chief Anthony McDade, Coast Guard

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

FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION CONTACT: Jade Gamble, Project Manager, ADEC (907) 262-3421

http://dec.alaska.gov/spar/perp/response/sr_active.htm



Fishing vessel Arctic Hunter grounded east side of Unalaska Bay, November 8, 2013. (Photo/Resolve-Magone)

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