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Division of Spill Prevention and Response
Prevention and Emergency Response Program
SITUATION REPORT

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F/V *Mirage* Grounding

SITREP #: 4 and Final

SPILL #: 14119911101

TIME/DATE OF DISTRIBUTION: 2:00 p.m. April 29, 2014

POTENTIAL RESPONSIBLE PARTY (PRP): Joe Smatlan, owner of the F/V *Mirage*

INCIDENT LOCATION: Low Island, approximately 10 nautical miles west of Sitka (N57 00.60, W135 36.82)

TIME/DATE OF SPILL: No spill occurred. The F/V *Mirage* grounded on Low Island at approximately 7:00 p.m. on April 20, 2014.

HOW AND WHEN THE SPILL WAS DISCOVERED: The vessel grounding was reported to the Coast Guard at 3:46 a.m. on April 21, 2014, by the vessel crew. The two crew members onboard at the time of the grounding were able to disembark and walk to the Coast Guard helicopter. ADEC was notified of the grounding at 8:30 a.m. on April 22.

TYPE/AMOUNT OF PRODUCT SPILLED: No spill occurred. The vessel master estimates 1,000-1,500 gallons of diesel fuel, less than 25 gallons of hydraulic oil, and approximately 10 gallons of lube oil were onboard the vessel when it grounded. The F/V *Mirage* has five 600-gallon diesel tanks, for a total vessel capacity of 3,000 gallons.

CAUSE OF SPILL: No spill occurred.

SOURCE CONTROL: Defueling operations removed 1,600 gallons of diesel fuel and oil from the F/V *Mirage* prior to salvage operations.

RESPONSE ACTION: Global successfully refloated and towed the F/V *Mirage* to Halibut Point Marine Services in Sitka, where it was removed from the water on April 28.

RESOURCES AFFECTED: Harbor seals and sea otters are reported in the water around Low Island. Global designed operations to limit impact to marine mammals in the area. Saint Lazaria Island National Wildlife Refuge is about 4 nautical miles southwest of Low Island.

FUTURE PLANS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: Global is demobilizing their equipment. Response to the grounding of the F/V *Mirage* is complete.



WEATHER: Today: Southwest winds 25 knots diminishing in the morning, and then becoming north 10 knots in the afternoon, seas 17 feet subsiding to 11 feet. Tonight: North winds increasing to 25 knots late, seas 8 feet. Tomorrow: Northeast winds 15 knots, seas 6 feet.

UNIFIED COMMAND AND PERSONNEL:

Incident Commander: F/V *Mirage*
SOSC: Sarah Moore, ADEC
FOSC: Capt. Scott Bornemann, USCG

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

FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION CONTACT: Sarah Moore, State On-Scene Coordinator, ADEC (907)465-5239
http://dec.alaska.gov/spar/perp/response/sr_active.htm



F/V *Mirage* being towed by Tug *Wendy O* on a 2400 foot towline.
Photo: Kerry Walsh, Global Diving & Salvage

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