Shishmaref Chukchi Sea Sheen

SITREP # 1

SPILL #: 14389913501

TIME/DATE OF DISTRIBUTION: 4:30 p.m. on June 5, 2014

POTENTIAL RESPONSIBLE PARTY (PRP): The responsible party is unknown at this time.

INCIDENT LOCATION: Northern coast of Sarichef Island, near the community of Shishmaref.

TIME/DATE OF SPILL: Village Public Safety Officer (VPSO) reported a sheen on the nearshore icepack with a gasoline odor to ADEC at 12:20 p.m. on June 4, 2014.

TYPE/AMOUNT OF PRODUCT SPILLED: At this time, the product spilled is unknown.

CAUSE OF SPILL: The cause of the release is unknown.

SOURCE CONTROL: Source control has not been established. At this time, the source of the release is unknown.

RESPONSE ACTION: ADEC is mobilizing one responder in coordination with the United States Coast Guard (USCG) to Shishmaref on June 5, 2014 and expected to arrive on the island on June 6, 2014. The team will visit the release site and assess the situation. USCG has hired response contractor, Emerald Alaska to perform field characterization of the substance.

A Unified Command for this incident was established on June 5. The Unified Command is made up of federal, state and local agencies.

RESOURCES AFFECTED: The area of impact is estimated to be 30’ x 400’ of melting ice along the northern shore of the island. At the time of this report there have been no reports of impacted wildlife.

FUTURE PLANS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: ADEC will continue to monitor response actions and work as part of the Unified Command to determine the source of the pollution and work towards remediation.

WEATHER: Tonight: Clear skies with a chance of flurries tonight; lows 30°F; East winds to 4 mph.
Tomorrow: Overcast; highs 35°F; North northwest winds to 14 mph.

UNIFIED COMMAND AND PERSONNEL:
SOSC: Tom DeRuyter, ADEC
FOSC: Capt. Paul Mehler, USCG
LOSC: Barrnett Eningowuk, Alaska State Troopers VPSO
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Field SOSC: Paul Lhotka, ADEC

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

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