



ALASKA DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION
Division of Spill Prevention and Response
Prevention Preparedness and Response Program
SITUATION REPORT (SITREP)



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Valdez Marine Terminal Berth 5 Firewater System

SITREP #: 1

SPILL #: TBD

TIME/DATE OF DISTRIBUTION: 1700 21 September, 2017

POTENTIAL RESPONSIBLE PARTY (PRP): Alyeska Pipeline Service Co.

INCIDENT LOCATION: Berth 5, Valdez Marine Terminal

TIME/DATE OF SPILL: 1100 21 September 2017

HOW/WHEN SPILL WAS DISCOVERED AND REPORTED: Oily residue sheen was observed on the surface of Port Valdez in the vicinity of the Berth 5 fire water pump intake shortly after 11:00 AM.

TYPE/AMOUNT OF PRODUCT SPILLED: Unknown at this time. Alyeska Pipeline Co. estimates between 10 to 50 gallons of crude oil residue

CAUSE OF SPILL: The cause is under investigation, but early indicators show a check valve in the fire water system may have failed during a pressure test, allowing the contents of a berth loading arm to drain through the fire water system.

SOURCE CONTROL: Source is secured.

RESPONSE ACTION: SERVS is responding with a variety of oil spill clean-up boats and skimmers including the skimmer VALDEZ STAR.

RESOURCES AT RISK OR AFFECTED: No wildlife impacts have been reported. Resources at risk are being evaluated.

FUTURE PLANS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: Future plans are to clean up the existing spill, protect environmental resources and investigate the cause of the incident. The TAPS system remains operational, and there have been no impacts to the operation of the TAPS pipeline itself.

WEATHER: Overcast with rain, calm winds, calm seas, temperature 49 degrees F.

UNIFIED COMMAND AND PERSONNEL:

Incident Commander: Scott Hicks, Alyeska Pipeline Service Co.

SOSC: Geoff Merrell, ADEC

FOSC: LCDR Smiley, USCG
Field SOSC: Ron Doyel, ADEC

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

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[http://dec.alaska.gov/spar/ppr/response/sr_fy17.htm]



Photograph from Berth 5 facing west, taken by ADEC Responder

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