

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

**SITUATION REPORT**

**INCIDENT NAME:** *M/V Morning Cedar* Adrift Incident    **SITREP #:** 5 and Final

**SPILL NUMBER:** 11259930901

**LEDGER CODE:** 143202260

**TIME/DATE OF SPILL:** This is a potential spill. At 9:01 AM on December 5, 2011, the United States Coast Guard (USCG) reported to the Alaska Department of Environmental Conservation (ADEC) that the *M/V Morning Cedar* was adrift 10 miles north of Tanaga Island. The crew of the vessel reported the loss of steering to the USCG at 9:29 on December 5, 2011.

**TIME/DATE OF SITUATION REPORT:** 11:00 AM on December 12, 2011

**TIME/DATE OF THE NEXT REPORT:** This is the last situation report.

**TYPE/AMOUNT OF PRODUCT SPILLED:** No spill has occurred. The *M/V Morning Cedar* is a 656-ft, Singapore-registered vessel with 23 crew members aboard. The USCG reports that the vessel's cargo is packaged lumber and that there are 227,143 gallons of bunker C oil and 60,295 gallons of diesel on board.

**LOCATION:** The *M/V Morning Cedar* is currently moored at the Coast Guard dock in Dutch Harbor.

**CAUSE OF SPILL:** This is a potential spill. The crew of the *M/V Morning Cedar* reported to the USCG that there was some type of steering casualty and that the crew was not able to make repairs while they were underway.

**POTENTIAL RESPONSIBLE PARTY (PRP):** The ship is operated by Wallenius Marine Singapore and the owner of the vessel is Eukor Car Carriers Seoul, South Korea.

**RESPONSE ACTION:** The *M/V Morning Cedar* arrived at the Unalaska Marine Center Dock at 11:00 AM on December 11, 2011. Once the USCG Cutter *Sherman* departs Dutch Harbor the *M/V Morning Cedar* will be relocated to the Coast Guard dock.

The Crowley Tug *Guardsman* is proceeding to Dutch Harbor. Due to encountering 80 knot winds, the expected arrival date at Dutch Harbor is December 14, 2011. The Tug *Guardsman* will remain at Dutch Harbor until permanent repairs to the *M/V Morning Cedar* steering system are completed. The Tug *Guardsman* is a 127-ft Invader class tug, with a 7,200 horsepower engine. The tug's towing equipment consists of a Markey TDS DW 36C double drum towing machine outfitted with 3,000-ft of 2.75-in wire on each drum. Her emergency towing gear consists of 450-ft of 7-inch Spectra SK-75.

**SOURCE CONTROL:** There has been no release.

**RESOURCES AFFECTED:** There were no reported resources effected.

**FUTURE PLANS AND RECOMMENDATIONS:** A dive team is scheduled to do an external inspection of the rudder assembly to ensure there is no damage. Once the steering system repair is completed, the steering system will then be inspected and underway testing will be monitored and approved by a USCG Marine Inspector prior to release from Dutch Harbor.

The USCG HH 60 Jayhawk helicopter is currently in Cold Bay awaiting favorable weather to return to Kodiak.

**WEATHER:** Public Forecast: Eastern Aleutians, Unalaska; High wind watch in effect from this afternoon through this evening. Today: Mostly cloudy with scattered showers in the morning, rain in the afternoon. Temperature highs in the 40's, South wind 20 to 30 MPH becoming Southeast and increasing to 45 to 60 MPH with possible wind gust to 75MPH developing in the afternoon West of Unalaska. Tonight: Rain tapering off to rain showers by midnight with possible wind gust to 85 MPH in the evening. Tuesday: Rain showers, mixing with snow in the afternoon. Temperatures highs in the upper 30's, South wind 40 to 55 MPH.

**UNIFIED COMMAND AND PERSONNEL:**

Incident Commander: Gilbert Cabrea, Vessel Master  
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