

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

SITUATION REPORT

INCIDENT NAME: M/V Selendang Ayu

SITREP #: 9

SPILL NUMBER: 04259934301

LEDGER CODE: 14142160

TIME/DATE OF INCIDENT: Coast Guard Marine Safety Detachment, Dutch Harbor received a report from the Dutch Harbor Harbor Master, at 4:00 AM December 7, 2004 that the M/V Selendang Ayu had lost engine power and was adrift. The Coast Guard notified ADEC at 9:50 AM on December 7, 2004. The vessel grounded around 6:00 PM, December 8, on Unalaska Island between Skan Bay and Spray Cape.

TIME/DATE OF SITUATION REPORT: 4:00 PM December 11, 2004.

TIME/DATE OF THE NEXT REPORT: 10:30 AM December 12, 2004.

TYPE/AMOUNT OF PRODUCT SPILLED: Bunker oil and/or diesel fuel, amount unknown. The vessel had 483,000 gallons of bunker C (heavy fuel oil) and 21,000 gallon of diesel fuel on board.

LOCATION: The vessel's position at 53° 38' 04" N, 167° 07' 30" W on Unalaska Island between Skan Bay and Spray Cape. This site is approximately 25 miles in a direct line or 50 nautical miles from Dutch Harbor.

CAUSE OF SPILL: The Coast Guard reported at 7:14 PM, December 8, 2004 that the vessel had broken in half.

POTENTIAL RESPONSIBLE PARTY (PRP): Ayu Navigation Snd, Bhd, Port Klang, Malaysia. The operator is IMC Shipping.

RESPONSE ACTION: As of 3:00 PM December 12, 2004, extreme weather conditions continue to dictate the cancellation of planned activities. An overflight this afternoon reported oil leaking from both sections of the vessel and possible movement of the sections in the rough seas.

Ship Status: The ship has broken into two pieces in the area of the #4 port and starboard fuel tanks. Condition of the other fuel tanks is uncertain. The anchor is still attached to the bow section, which may still be afloat. The stern section is believed to be hard aground about 75 yards west of the bow section. Unified Command will be developing wreck removal and lightering plans.

Search and Rescue: Search and rescue operations were suspended as of the evening of 12/10/2004. No missing persons have been sighted or recovered.

Spill Response: Response continues to be limited due to severe weather conditions. Booming operations in Skan Bay have been cancelled due to weather. The vessels Redeemer and Joshua were unsuccessful in getting booming initiated in Portage Bay and have moved back to Anderson Bay due to weather conditions.

Spill Trajectory: There have been no known changes in trajectory since the last sitrep. Spilled oil has washed up on the beaches behind the wreck and into Skan Bay. Tar balls and sheening have been spotted in Makushin Bay, north of Skan Bay. Overflights to assess path of oil will be flown dependent on weather conditions.

Wildlife: There have been no reports of wildlife impacts since the last sitrep. Birds have been spotted swimming in the oily water. The vessel Cape Flattery, which has been designated for bird rescue and stabilization, is loading equipment and standing by in Dutch Harbor due to weather.

Staffing: Six ADEC staff are currently in Dutch Harbor.

SOURCE CONTROL: None at this time.

RESOURCES AFFECTED: Resources at risk on Unalaska Island include marine mammals, sea birds, shellfish and anadromous streams. ADF&G and USF&WS are mobilizing for assessment of the area.

FUTURE PLANS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: The Unified Command in Anchorage will be relocating to the Anchorage Legislative Affairs Office building, 716 W. 4th Avenue, Suite 100. The Unified Command in Dutch Harbor is located at the Grand Aleutian Hotel. The Unified Command will continue to focus on recovery of spilled oil and salvage of the ship and protection of sensitive areas. NOAA will attempt to set a remote weather station in Skan Bay.

WEATHER: temp 28-35° F, Gale warning through tonight. Winds SW increasing to 45 knots in the afternoon .Seas building to 24 feet this afternoon. Snow showers and freezing rain predicted.

UNIFIED COMMAND AND PERSONNEL

F.O.S.C. : Ronald Morris, Captain USCG
S.O.S.C. : Gary Folley, ADEC
Field S.O.S.C. : John Brown, ADEC

FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION CONTACT: ADEC - Lynda Giguere, PIO, cell 321-5491, Coast Guard- - Roger Weatherall 321-4510, Responsible Party - Jim Lawrence 301-4457, or contact Joint Information Center at 907-271-6956 or toll-free 877-271-2660

A press briefing was held at the Anchorage MSO at 2 PM today..

Photographs and other spill information are available for viewing at: <http://www.state.ak.us/dec/selendang>

AGENCY/STAKEHOLDER NOTIFICATION LIST

This sitrep has been distributed via email to the Governor's office, ADF&G, ADNRR, SECC, USEPA, USDOJ, NMFS, USFWS, and USFS in addition to the following.

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