

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

**SITUATION REPORT**

**INCIDENT NAME:** Ketchikan Aircraft Crash

**SITREP #:** 1 and Final

**SPILL NUMBER:** 06119902501

**LEDGER CODE:** Not requested.

**TIME/DATE OF SPILL:** 1:00 PM, January 25, 2006

**TIME/DATE OF SITUATION REPORT:** 5:00 PM, January 25, 2006

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

**TYPE/AMOUNT OF PRODUCT SPILLED:** An unknown amount of jet fuel from the aircraft was released and reportedly incinerated. A 350 gallon home heating oil tank was also reportedly destroyed, releasing diesel into nearby Carlanna Creek.

**LOCATION:** Martin Street, Ketchikan, Alaska

**CAUSE OF SPILL:** At approximately 1 PM, a military-style L39 Albatross jet crashed into a trailer park. The cause of the crash is unknown at this time.

**POTENTIAL RESPONSIBLE PARTY (PRP):** Unknown

**RESPONSE ACTION:** The site of the crash has been secured by the FBI for further investigation. There is currently no access to the aircraft crash site.

An ADEC spill responder, US Coast Guard Marine Safety Detachment personnel, and the Ketchikan Fire Department responded to the incident. By the time State and Federal spill responders arrived on scene, the oil from the heating oil tank had flowed down Carlanna Creek and was dispersed by winds and tide within Tongass Narrows. Containment and cleanup of the spilled fuel was not feasible due to rapid dispersion of the spilled product.

Fuel from the aircraft was apparently incinerated by the fire following the crash.

**SOURCE CONTROL:** None.

**RESOURCES AFFECTED:** Two (2) homes in the trailer court near the crash site were reportedly destroyed and others were damaged in the incident. Carlanna Creek and Tongass Narrows were impacted by the fuel spill.

**FUTURE PLANS AND RECOMMENDATIONS:** ADEC staff will assess the site and determine if any cleanup is required after law enforcement investigations are completed and site access is available.

**WEATHER:** Temp 35° F with snow. Winds NW at 5 to 10 mph.

**UNIFIED COMMAND AND PERSONNEL:**

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|---------------------|-------------------------------------|
| Incident Commander: | Jim Hill, Ketchikan Fire Department |
| F.O.S.C.:           | Cdr. John Sifling, USCG             |
| S.O.S.C.:           | Scot Tiernan, ADEC                  |
| Field S.O.S.C.:     | Bob Fultz, ADEC                     |

**FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION CONTACT:** Scot Tiernan, ADEC. (907) 465-5378

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| Ketchikan Indian Corporation                | General Manager Georgianna Zimmerle | Fax      |                                     | 225-5158  | 247-0429 |
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