

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

SITUATION REPORT

INCIDENT NAME: Drift River Terminal Coordination **SITREP #:** 14

SPILL NUMBER: 09239908201 **LEDGER CODE:** 14254760

TIME/DATE OF SPILL: Potential release

TIME/DATE OF SITUATION REPORT: 6:00 PM, April 06, 2009

TIME/DATE OF THE NEXT REPORT: 6:00 PM, April 07, 2009

TYPE/AMOUNT OF PRODUCT SPILLED: Potential (6,216,000 gallons or 148,000 barrels) Cook Inlet Crude, plus diesel fuels and lube oils.

LOCATION: Drift River Oil Terminal (DROT), West side Cook Inlet, 60° 36.00 N - 152° 11.00 W

CAUSE OF SPILL: Volcanic eruption/flooding. Mount Redoubt initially erupted on March 22, 2009 at 10:38 PM, followed by several other eruptions. The resultant lahars (or volcanic mudflows) caused extensive flooding at the Drift River Terminal. However, no oil or hazardous substance releases have been reported at this time.

POTENTIAL RESPONSIBLE PARTY (PRP): Cook Inlet Pipe Line Company (CIPL)

RESPONSE ACTION: The eruption of Redoubt continues with varying intensity of ash and steam production from the summit crater. Additional significant explosive events with accompanying ash clouds, ash fall, and mudflows are possible and can occur with little or no warning. Current data indicates that a lava dome is again forming in the summit crater.

The character of current seismicity suggests that a sudden explosive eruption is not imminent. Present levels of activity include a minor amount of ash that poses a hazard of limited aerial extent. Consequently, AVO has lowered the Aviation Color Code to ORANGE and the Alert Level to WATCH. AVO will maintain 24/7 operations in order to quickly detect renewed significant explosive activity and other hazardous phenomena.

A tanker for Tesoro, the Seabulk Arctic, arrived on schedule yesterday evening and completed the transfer of oil from the two tanks in service at the DROT facility. Both operational tanks were ballasted with seawater from Cook Inlet this morning.

Preliminary figures:

- originally – 148,000 bbls. (6.2 million gallons)
- removed – 87,603 bbls. (3.7 million gallons)
- remaining – 60,397 bbls. (2.5 million gallons)
- added ballast seawater – 20,000 bbls. (840,000 gallons)

The tanker departed today at 3:48 PM. The Christy Lee crew boarded the Cook Inlet Spill Prevention and Response Inc. (CISPRI) response vessel Vigilance and departed at 4:10 PM after securing the platform.

CIPL crew currently at the DROT will secure and protect critical equipment for the facility shut down and then relocate to the Trading Bay facility by evening.

The Incident Management Team (IMT) is developing the partial demobilization plan that includes continued monitoring and development of the long-term plan.

CISPRI oil spill response equipment continues to be positioned to respond to a spill from the DROT. Response equipment in the central and lower Cook Inlet can respond from either direction in a timely manner. Central Cook Inlet response equipment is still in position to assist the oil platforms or loading facilities in Nikiski or Anchorage.

The USCG issued a safety advisory for vessel traffic within Cook Inlet. The safety advisory covers all Cook Inlet waters between the area south of the East Foreland and north of Anchor Point. Temporary flight restrictions are also in effect for all aircraft within a 2 nautical mile radius of the DROT and facilities until further notice.

SOURCE CONTROL: The facility and pipeline were shut down on the morning of March 23, 2009. The terminal and pipeline remain secured at this time.

RESOURCES AFFECTED: Drift River, Rust Slough and Redoubt Bay, Cook Inlet

FUTURE PLANS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: The Unified Command will meet with Kenai Peninsula residents Tuesday, April 7, to provide an update on the Drift River Oil Terminal event. The meeting begins at 6 p.m. at the Challenger Learning Center and will be hosted by Cook Inlet Regional Citizens Advisory Council. Other participants include the Alaska Volcano Observatory.

WEATHER: Today: NE wind to 15 kt. seas in ice free waters 4 ft. Mostly cloudy. Highs in the mid 30s to lower 40s. Light winds. Tuesday: NE wind 15 kt in the morning becoming variable 10 kt. seas in ice free waters 3 ft. Mostly cloudy. Patchy morning fog. A chance of snow showers...mixed with rain south of Clam Gulch in the afternoon. Highs in the mid 30s to lower 40s. Light winds.

AGENCY AND COMPANY LEAD REPRESENTATIVES:

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AVO website current photos of Drift River Terminal:

<http://www.avo.alaska.edu/volcanoes/volcact.php?volcname=Redoubt&page=images&eruptionid=610&limit=1>

Unified Command/Situation Updates Website: <http://www.dec.state.ak.us/spar/perp/drot>

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