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

SITUATION REPORT

INCIDENT NAME: F/B Ava Lynn & M/V Arch I Grounding   **SITREP #**: 1

SPILL NUMBER: 06249931401   **LEDGER CODE**: Not requested

TIME/DATE OF SPILL: This is a potential spill only. The U.S. Coast Guard (USCG) was notified of the grounding on November 11, 2006 at 9:00 A.M. USCG Marine Safety Detachment Kodiak (MSD) contacted ADEC on November 11, 2006 at 3:00 P.M. The grounding of the freight barge (F/B) *Ava Lynn* occurred during the night of November 10, 2006. While attempting to assess and refloat the barge on November 11, the *M/V Arch I* also was grounded next to the *F/B Ava Lynn*.

TIME/DATE OF SITUATION REPORT: November 13, 2006 at 1:00 p.m.

TIME/DATE OF THE NEXT REPORT: As situation warrants.

TYPE/AMOUNT OF PRODUCT SPILLED: This is a potential spill only. Based upon information from the USCG, no pollution event has occurred. The *F/B Ava Lynn* has several pieces of heavy equipment on board which contain small amounts of diesel fuel and motor oil. The *M/V Arch I* has approximately 6000 gallons of diesel fuel on board.

LOCATION: Both vessels were aground in Chiniak Bay, Kodiak approximately 1000 yards east of the Kodiak Airport. Coordinates: 57˚ 46.05N, 152˚ 28.1W

CAUSE OF SPILL: No spill has been reported to the Department at this time.

POTENTIAL RESPONSIBLE PARTY (PRP): *F/B Ava Lynn* owner, Eric Swenson

RESPONSE ACTION: The *M/V Arch I* has been floated and is now in the Port of Kodiak. This removes the 6000 gallon fuel spill potential. However, the *F/B Ava Lynn* remains stranded on the cobble beach until weather and tide conditions provide sufficient lift to tow the barge from the grounding site. A substantial high tide is needed to perform the removal operation. This is expected to occur later this week. The barge owner/operator made arrangements to have the *M/V Kodiak King* and the *M/V Lazy Bay* assess, plan and perform the salvage operation.

SOURCE CONTROL: No oil or hazardous material release has occurred.

RESOURCES AFFECTED: If the freight barge loses its heavy equipment cargo, the oil could potentially affect Chiniak Bay, which contains marine life, bald eagles, sea birds and shore birds.

FUTURE PLANS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: The USCG MSD Kodiak and ADEC will continue monitoring the situation until the freight barge is safely refloated and damage assessments are completed. The USCG MSD Kodiak is conducting a casualty investigation.

WEATHER: Partly sunny. Isolated snow showers. Highs in the upper 20s to mid 30s. North wind 15 to 30 mph with gusts to 45 mph through channeled terrain. (National Weather Service)

UNIFIED COMMAND AND PERSONNEL:
        Incident Commander: Eric Swenson (Owner, *F/B Ava Lynn*)
        F.O.S.C.   : Lt. Lee (USCG)
        S.O.S.C.   : Gary Folley (ADEC)

FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION CONTACT: Randall Dowd at (907)262-5210 Ext. 222.

AGENCY/STAKEHOLDER NOTIFICATION LIST

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Photograph of the *M/V Arch I* (Left) attempting to tow the *F/B Ava Lynn* (Right) off the beach in Chiniak Bay, Kodiak. (Photo courtesy of the U.S. Coast Guard Kodiak MSD Office)