



Appendix 4

Pertinent Information and Times (CST)

Exercise "Barossa" - Adelaide
11 June 1998

0257 hrs

Tanker Southern Mist reported aground.

0303 hrs

Chair of the South Australian State Committee for Combating Marine Oil Pollution advised of incident and other State Committee members activated.

0320 hrs

Port closed to all shipping.

0400 hrs

Captain Stuart Chair of the State Committee arrives at the Incident Control Centre.

0430 hrs

Ship reports that 300 tonnes of light crude oil has leaked out and is continuing to flow out at a rate of 50 tonnes per hour.

0430 hrs

Weather conditions, southwesterly wind at 10 knots, northerly current at 1 knot.

0440 hrs

Assembled people at passenger terminal briefed regarding the incident.

0455 hrs

State Emergency Operations Centre (SEOC) activated.

0506 hrs

AMOSOC equipment reported as available.

0511 hrs

National Response Team assistance requested through AMSA.

0519 hrs

Time of high water. Report received approximately 500 tonnes oil spilled.

0533 hrs

Aerial exclusion zone requested.

0536 hrs

AMSA request details of spill combat organisational structure.

0550 hrs

Situation Report promulgated by Lead Combat Agency – Ports Corp.

0550 hrs

Decision reached to use dispersant on spilled oil to seaward of the breakwater.

0652 hrs

On Scene Co-ordinator briefs State Oil Spill Commander of current situation.

0710 hrs

P & I Club representative attends for briefing on situation.

0800 hrs

Management meeting to prepare media briefing. First reports of wildlife casualties.

0820 hrs

Aerial observation report received.

0827 hrs

Aerial spraying commences in water deeper than 10 metres.

0830 hrs

First media briefing held.

0857 hrs

Master of ship advises leak has almost stopped.

0920 hrs

Master of ship advises that ship has stopped leaking oil; confirmation received that approximately 500 tonnes lost to sea.

0930 hrs

Chair and Vice Chair of Exercise "Barossa" steering committee called "time out" taken to review operations.

0940 hrs

OSC briefing of current situation. Management team met to reconfirm roles and responsibilities.

1000 hrs

Aerial spraying occurring outside of breakwater and oil skimming operations is being carried out inside the breakwater.

1000 hrs

State Oil Spill Commander briefs State Disaster Committee (SDC) at SEOC.

1045 hrs

Response teams deploying equipment.

1100 hrs

Oil spill now into the Outer Harbour and North Haven and expected to impact on the shore to the south of the ship.

1118 hrs

On Scene Co-ordinator reports:

- ship leak now stopped,
- permission requested to move ship to anchorage,
- problems remain with steering gear, otherwise ready to move,
- tide now flooding,
- spraying of dispersant continues,
- wildlife – 125 contaminated birds, mainly cormorants rescued for treatment, and
- oil now impacting on beaches.

1215 hrs

Local sea grass farmer threatens legal action regarding oiled sea grass.

1300 hrs

Equipment deployment progressing well.

1308 hrs

Report received of fresh oil spill (diesel) from fishing vessel at Boston Island near Port Lincoln. The diesel will be allowed to disperse naturally and no action required from Adelaide.

1310 hrs

Greg Beck relieves Captain Hammond as On Scene Co-ordinator at the request of the State.

1400 hrs

Offshore clean up continues. North Haven booms failed but skimmers working satisfactorily. Dispersant spraying ceased on threat of injunction served by SA Fisherman's association.

1400 hrs

OSC expresses concern at lack of communication. OH&S Co-ordinator reports no incidents or accidents at this time.

1400 hrs

Ship now afloat and moved to anchorage for inspection.

1400 hrs

Port re-opened.

1420 hrs

Media brief by State Oil Spill Commander.

1445 hrs

Foreshore clean up continues from Largs Jetty south to Semaphore Jetty.

1540 hrs

Umpire/Observers briefing.

1600 hrs

State Oil Spill Commander briefs SDC Chair at SEOC.

1725 hrs

Operational response terminated, planners completing response plans for following day.

1830 hrs

Exercise "Barossa" terminated.