

Spill response on a statewide scale

Alaska Chadux's huge service area, experience with spill logistics makes it a leader

The Alaska Chadux Corporation is a non-profit oil spill response organization specializing in response to members' spills throughout Alaska. With Headquarters in Anchorage and equipment stored at 10 sites throughout the state, Chadux provides spill response services over a larger area than any other spill responder in Alaska. Chadux is classified as an Oil Spill Removal Organization (OSRO) by the US Coast Guard and registered as a Primary Response Action Contractor (PRAC) and Non-tank Vessel Cleanup Contractor (NTVCC) with the State of Alaska.

In the aftermath of the Exxon Valdez oil spill, new state and federal regulations dramatically changed the requirements for oil spill prevention and response. The Alaska Chadux Corporation was formed as part of the effort of the noncrude oil transportation and distribution industry to conform to the new laws. Chadux was designed from its inception to be capable of responding to oil spills throughout the State of Alaska. Lighter airmobile equipment was stored in various hubs. This equipment could be quickly moved by aircraft to the site of a spill. This was in contrast to other oil spill organizations whose services are limited to specific geographic areas.

Chadux's huge service area and experience with spill response in Alaska has taught us that logistics is vital to the success of any oil spill. A complete compliment of

equipment with trained personnel must be delivered and supported at the spill site, if the response is to succeed. To meet this vital need, Chadux has hired people with many years of experience in Alaska logistics. We have designed packages of response equipment for air mobilization to remote sites and developed the support systems required to maintain the response. We know that if you cannot provide the logistics to support the response, the operation cannot be sustained.

Over the last 10 years, Chadux's membership and services have grown. In the beginning Chadux served only the non-crude oil transportation and marketing industry. The Corporation lived and operat-



ed by its core values of Competence, Teamwork, Integrity, and Stability. Its reputation grew and the US Coast Guard called on Chadux to respond to the largest oil spill since the Exxon Valdez - the M/V Kuroshima which went aground in Summers Bay on Unalaska Island in November 1997, spilling 48,000 gallons of bunker fuel. Similar spills from non-regulated vessels motivated the State of Alaska to regulate non-tank vessels. Chadux gained this new class of members and further increased its response capability throughout Alaska.

As exploration for oil moved further from the core operations on the North Slope, new independent exploration companies looked for more cost effective and more innovative

ways to prepare for oil spill response. Chadux was able to provide the lower cost oil spill response compliance they wanted. Today Chadux continues to provide oil spill response services for several exploration operations on the North Slope and elsewhere.

Starting as a small company with four members attempting to meet state and federal compliance for non-crude oil transportation and distribution in Alaska, Chadux

has grown to a company with over 40 members including transporters, terminals, tank vessels, non-tank vessels, exploration companies, the Alaska Railroad, and other non-oil companies who have oil spill response compliance issues.

Visit the company online

www.chadux.com



Created in 1993, Chadux has over 10 years experience in oil spill response throughout Alaska. Its expertise is respected and called upon by state and federal agencies to respond to any kind of oil spill in Alaska. Most recently the US Coast Guard called upon Chadux to respond to the M/V Selendang Ayu, a non-regulated foreign freighter making innocent passage through the Aleutian Islands which went aground

on the north shore of Unalaska Island in December 2004. The vessel spilled over 300,000 gallons of mid-grade bunker fuel on the shores of Unalaska Island.

Chadux lives by its core values and recruits and retains superior people. Teamwork is held in high regard, and all

employees work well together among themselves and with external groups. They are proud of their success and the reputation it has earned them. ■

CONTACT:

Robert E. Heavilin, General Mgr.
Alaska Chadux Corporation
2347 Azurite Court
Anchorage, Alaska 99507
24 Hour: (907) 348-2365
Direct: (907) 348-2348
Email: bheavilin@chadux.com