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Exercise Concept and Preliminary Results
For
Agreement on Cooperation on Marine Oil Pollution Preparedness and Response in the
Arctic

**Host: CANADIAN COAST GUARD** 

## **Presentation Outline**



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Discussion

Clipper Adventurer, Grounding 2010



## Exercise Framework



## Purpose:

 Execute selected components of the Operational Guidelines in collaboration with Arctic States

## **Concept drivers:**

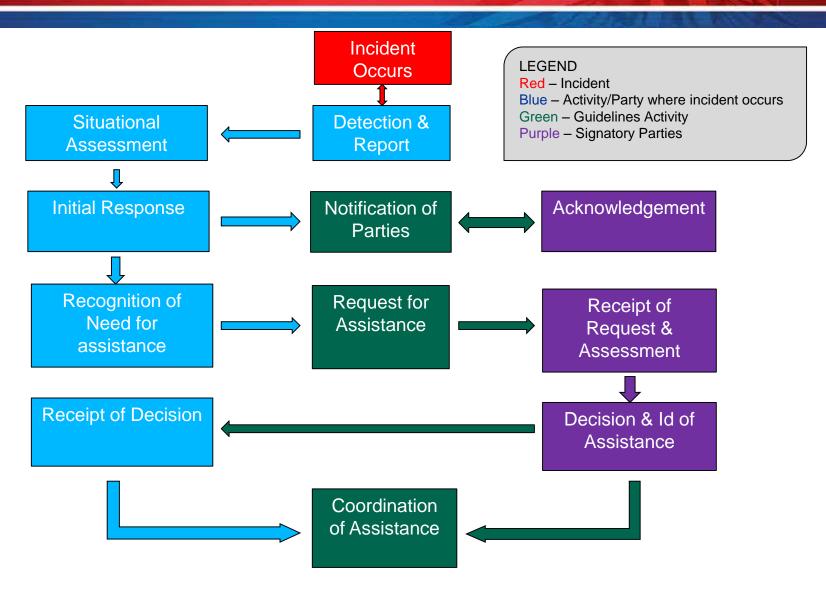
- Introduce a new response procedure; and,
- Develop familiarity between national competent authorities (in the execution of requests for assistance)

### **Administration:**

- Canada, as Host Nation, coordinates the overall exercise, evaluations and final report.
- The report will be tabled with the Arctic Council and lessons learned which may impact changes to the Guidelines will be submitted to EPPR.

# Typical Incident Scenario





# **Proposed Priorities**



#### Phase 1 – Notification of Parties

 Section 1 of the Guidelines requires the accumulation of information in a standard format and its conveyance to the other parties "National 24 hour Operational Contact Points".
 Acknowledgment of notification from the receiving Parties completes this activity.

## Phase 2 – Requests for Assistance

 Section 2 of the Guidelines outlines the manner in which requests for assistance are to be framed, acknowledged and replied to. Parties considering delivering the assistance are required to acknowledge and assess the request in accordance with section 2.3 of the Guidelines.

#### Phase 3 - Movement and Removal of Resources Across Borders

 Section 3 of the Guidelines outlines the processes which should facilitate the movement of personnel and equipment across borders.

# **Divided Event Concept**



- Breaks down the three activities into discrete steps conducted in phases (Including evaluations)
- 2. Allows for slower pace and more methodical approach
- Limits duration of activities to normal working hours
- 4. Allows for flexibility, due to time zone considerations



## Phases 1 & 2 – Communications Web



## Greenland: Joint Arctic Command

 Authority for Mutual Aid - Joint Arctic Command For simplicity, only Greenland contact is shown for Danish participation. 24/7 Contacts also include Faroe Islands.

#### United States: National Response Center

 Authority for Mutual Aid - Deptartment of State & NCC Finland: Rescue Coordination Center - Turku

 Authority for Mutual Aid - Finnish Environmental Institute

## Sweden: Swedish Coast Guard

 Authority for Mutual Aid - Swedish Coast Guard Canada:
Public Safety GOC
Authority for
Mutual Aid CCG

#### Iceland: Icelandic Coast Guard

 Authority for Mutual Aid - Environment Agency of Iceland

#### Russian Federation: SMRCC, MPCSA & EMERCOM

Authority for Mutual
 Aid - Ministry of
 Transport For Russian
 Federation & EMFRCON

# Norway: Kystverket - Norwegain Coastal Administration

 Authority for Mutual Aid - Kystverket Center of Emergency Response

# Phase 3 – Table top Discussion



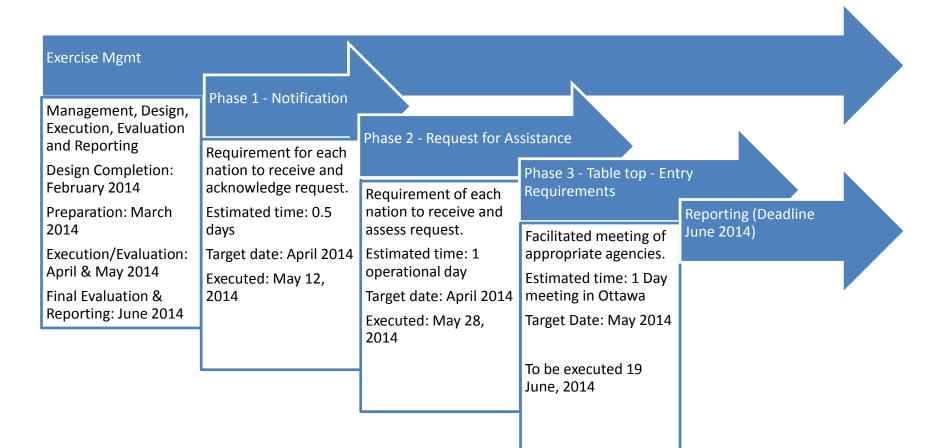
## **Objective:**

To discuss entry and removal requirements for Personnel and Equipment.



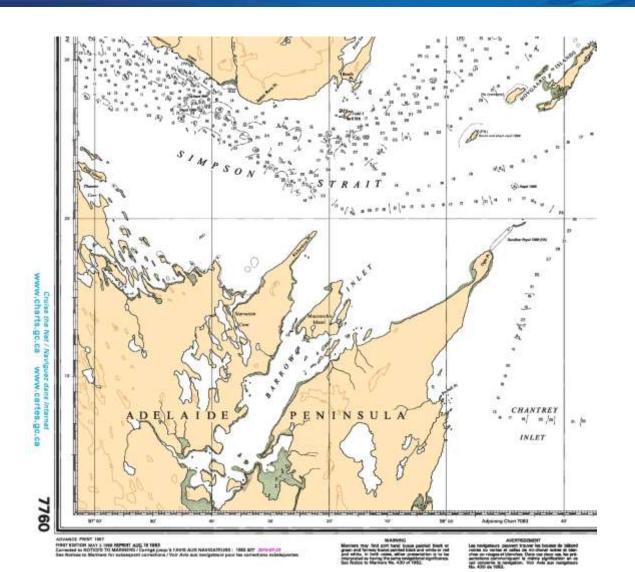
# Proposed Timetable





## Scenario - Teaser





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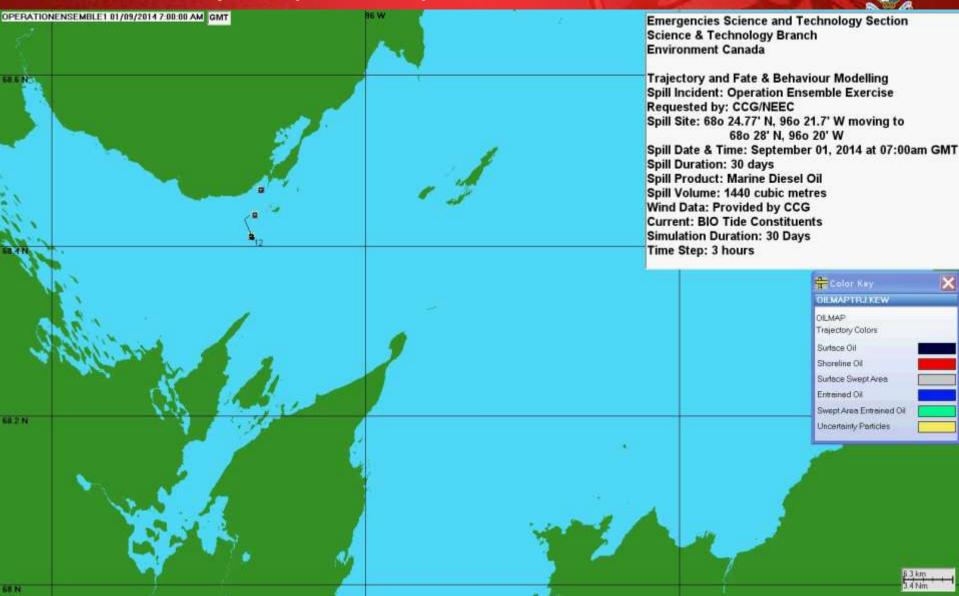
Tanker aground in Simpson Strait (68° 25" N 096° 22" W)

# Spilled product: Marine Diesel Oil

# Early September 0-4° C, Wind N and NNW 0-6m/s, 1.5 m wave height diminishing to 0.1 m, Ice conditions: TBD

## Incident Trajectory – 30 days





## Preliminary Results – Phase 1



## Main Objective

To evaluate the receiving countries integration of the notification procedures, acknowledgement and further notification of internal national competent authorities processes or procedures.

## Overall Findings

Some variation in preferred transmission method

 Facsimile followed by E-mail followed by Phone call

Sample forms to HIGHLIGHT purpose of transmission

Validation of contact points, all ops centres, internal distribution and acknowledgment of transmission. (9 changes will be proposed related to the over 40 individual pieces of data)

## Preliminary Results – Phase 2



## Main Objective

To evaluate the countries ability to receive and address a specific request for assistance.

# **Overall Findings**

Each nation was expected to acknowledge receipt of the transmission, and did so within a reasonable period of time.

Internal distribution to each countries NCP and Assisting authorities is under review.

Offers of assistance were received in accordance with the guidelines. Preliminary indicators point to a high level of detail sufficient to inform the next steps – movement of resources and Liaison officer identification.

## Phase 3 - Expectations



## Objective:

To evaluate the legal and procedural requirements to allow foreign resources to enter and operate in Canada as part of the provision of mutual aid.

### **Exercise Process:**

Tabletop discussion of the various submissions to identify any concerns, issues and areas for future activity.

## Caveat:

Because this process is focused on the Canadian requirements it is suggested that the results shall not be assumed to apply to other nations, recognising that each country has its own customs and entry requirements.

## Preliminary Results – Phase 3



## Main Objective

To evaluate the legal and procedural requirements to allow foreign resources to enter and operate in Canada as part of the provision of mutual aid.

## Overall findings

- Temporary importation of consumable goods, equipment or service personnel can be accomplished without significant delay provided coordination between the lead department and Canadian Border Services Agency is facilitated.
- Certain equipment or assets that may contain potential contaminants or are specifically regulated in Canada are also subject to further clearance although not strictly customs activities.

# **Next Steps**



- 1. Validation of results and finalisation of Exercise Report July/August 2014
- 2. Creation of list of detailed amendments and actions, for approval by EPPR Fall Meeting (next Meeting)
- 3. Execute changes to Guidelines and communication to holders of the Guidelines in each country.



# Thank You

