



February 28, 2023

MEMORANDUM

FOR : The Regional Executive Director
MIMAROPA Region

FROM : The OIC-PENRO
Oriental Mindoro

SUBJECT : **INCIDENT REPORT ON THE MOTOR TANKER HALF-SUBMERGED IN BALIWANGAN POINT WITHIN THE JURISDICTION OF NAUJAN, ORIENTAL MINDORO**

Relative to the above subject, please be informed that the PENRO Monitoring and Enforcement personnel had coordinated with the Philippine Coast Guard stationed in Calapan Pier, Calapan City for initial report.

According to the Philippine Coast Guard, Calapan City, the Motor Tanker were half-submerged and not yet determine if there was an oil spill due to heavy wind (gale warning). Accordingly, the said Motor Tanker is within eight (8) nautical miles from the shoreline Naujan, Oriental Mindoro.

Further coordination with the Barangay Chairperson of San Antonio, Naujan through phone call revealed that there were two (2) ships that were run aground within the jurisdiction of Naujan, a Motor Tanker (MT Princess Empress) carrying an approximately 800,000 liters of industrial fuel oil, which run aground within the shoreline of Estrella, Naujan, Oriental Mindoro, and a Motor Vessel (Cargo) run aground within the shoreline of San, Antonio, Naujan. According also to the Barangay Chairperson of San Antonio, Naujan, what they know is that the said Motor Tanker were already submerged because it can longer be seen from the shoreline.

Final report or update of the incident will follow once the Philippine Coast Guard, Calapan City had provided their final investigation report and updates.

Attached also is the report of CENRO Socorro relative to the above matter.

For information and record.


ALAN L. VALLE



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MEMORANDUM

FOR : The Regional Executive Director

THRU : The OIC, PENR Officer

FROM : The CENR Officer

SUBJECT : **INCIDENT REPORT ON THE HALF-SUBMERGED MOTOR TANKER MT PRINCESS EMPRESS IN BALINGAWAN POINT, NAUJAN, ORIENTAL MINDORO AS OF 2:00 PM OF EVEN DATE**

Forwarded is the incident report on half-submerged motor tanker in Balingawan Point, Naujan Oriental Mindoro. The maritime accident happened today. The report was obtained in coordination with Coast Guard Senior Chief Petty Officer (CG SCPO) Rommel S. Villarba of Philippine Coast Guard (PCG).

Based on the report, the MT Princess Empress came from Bataan en route to Iloilo. It has 20 crew members and carrying approximately 800,000 liters of industrial fuel oil.

Accordingly, as per their initial investigation, the vessel encountered an engine trouble because of overheating. It drifted towards the vicinity waters off Balingawan Point, Naujan due to rough sea conditions until it became half-submerged.

The PCG deployed its personnel to provide necessary technical assistance and surveillance (on-board and aerial) for possible oil spill. Meanwhile, the 20 crew members were already rescued.

As of this moment, the PCG has informed that there is no report of oil spill per the Maritime Environmental Protection Unit. This office shall continuously coordinate with the PCG and Municipal Local Government Unit of Naujan to monitor and provide update on the maritime accident.

For information and record.


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