



Department of Environment and Natural Resources
Environmental Management Bureau
MIMAROPA Region

MEMORANDUM

FOR : THE REGIONAL DIRECTOR
EMB MIMAROPA Region

FROM : THE CHIEF
PEMU-Oriental Mindoro

**SUBJECT : UPDATE ON THE OIL SPILL RESPONSE RELATIVE TO THE
SINKING OF MT PRINCESS EMPRESS AT BALINGAWAN
POINT IN NAUJAN, ORIENTAL MINDORO**

DATE : 13 June 2023

This is with reference to the Naujan Oil Spill Response being conducted by the Incident Management Team (IMT) of Oriental Mindoro composed of DENR-EMB, Philippine Coast Guard, and the Provincial Government of Oriental Mindoro, among others.

Philippine Coast Guard (PCG) personnel CG ENS Sherra Eyne B Cadiz of the Marine Environmental Protection Command (MEPCOM) shared information that a dive support vessel (DSV) named "Fire Opal" arrived in Calapan City on 29 May 2023. Said vessel, according to CG ENS Cadiz, shall be used to pump the remaining oil from the sunken MT Princess Empress tanker off the coast of Oriental Mindoro.

Upon arrival, DSV Fire Opal underwent boarding formalities and inspections made by the government. Then, on 01 June 2023, the vessel began its siphoning operations for MT Princess Empress. As of June 13, no specific date was identified by the PCG as to when the siphoning operations will end. Nonetheless, this Office shall report other relevant information once available.

For information, record, and reference.


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