

## **Minutes of Multi-Stakeholder Meeting in Tokyo**

Date/Time: October 12, 2004 18:30 – 21:00

Venue: Conference Room G408, Tokyo International Forum

Attendees: See attached list

### **Objectives:**

- 1) Explanation on current status of Sakhalin II project
- 2) Explanation and discussion on Cristoforo Colombo Incident
- 3) Explanation and discussion on Fishery Resources and Monitoring in Aniva Bay

### **Summary of Discussion**

#### **1) Explanation of current status of Sakhalin-II**

SEIC made brief explanation of project update

No specific question or comment from the audience.

#### **2) Explanation and discussion on Cristoforo Colombo Incident**

SEIC made presentation on Cristoforo Colombo Incident.

*Questions and comments from the audience:*

- a) Has Unified Command System involved any private organization, such as NGO?
- b) How could you judge that you have successfully completed the clean-up operation, despite you have not finished final investigation?
- c) What did you do with oil between the boom and the vessel? I did not see any skimmer in your slide.
- d) What is the full title of Colonel Smirnov?  
Were the vessels of Russian government used?
- e) Have you done monitoring of subsurface oil and sandy oil on the sea bottom?
- f) In Japan 7 vessels went aground during this Typhoon. Is there any concern whether P&I insurance will be paid or not?
- g) Was dispersant used? Is there any rule of the Russian Federation and/or SEIC? Do you intend to use dispersant in some cases?
- h) In the depth of 4-10m what kind of biota on the shore reef? Where did you find sea grass?

*SEIC answers and response:*

- a) No. If there had been any wildlife rescue related work, NGO could have participated. There were several volunteers, but they came through municipality.
- b) Although the deal has been signed off, I would like to carry out final investigation in order to keep a document that certifies that the polluted area has been surely cleaned up, as OSR manager.  
There was a place where some tar was found. It was not from Cristoforo Colombo and the authority also told that no clean-up operation is necessary, but I would like to clean it up, because in the future someone may make claim on such spots.
- c) We used a skimmer to remove oil with water and removed by screw pumps. Vacuum skimming system was applied.
- d) Colonel Smirnov is the head of Emercom in Sakhalin.  
Vessels used were on on contract from Smit with SE and SakhBASU's.
- e) We tried to take samples from more than 100 points on the sea bottom by divers, but we could take only 4 or 5 samples, because seafloor was a solid rock. In this case it is good that oil is not piled up, but bad for salvaging work.
- f) The vessel was insured. So in theory money should be paid. People always worry whether money to be paid or not in any cases except tanker accidents. Insurance companies pay money for required and necessary clean-up, but I suspect they will not pay for waste clean-up and monument repair.
- g) In this specific case dispersants were not used. Oil has already physically dispersed. In this specific case high pressure water was appropriate. In case of crude oil it is appropriate, but in this depth of sea we may not use dispersant.
- h) We had no report on benthic biology. When divers went into the sea, the visibility was very low. It may be possible to find some benthos some time later, but so soon after typhoon it was difficult. But anyway there is kelp. We found sea grass in mostly northern area.

### **3) Explanation and discussion on Fishery Resources and Monitoring**

Due to the shortage of time SEIC made very very brief presentation on Fishery Resources and Monitoring.

No specific question from the audience.

**At the end of the session one comment on way of having such meeting was raised.**

**Comment**

I expected to have discussion with SEIC on whales, but there was no such opportunity today. SEIC shall organize such meeting in a way that participants can have opportunity to freely discuss issues, not like just explanation session.

**SEIC's response**

To our regret "Whale" was not included in today's agenda. We do not say our current way of holding meetings is the 100% best. We want to discuss such issue further to make our meeting more successful.

## List of Attendees

Organization	Name	Title
Dolphin & Whale Action Network	KURASAWA Nanami	
Marine Ecology Research Institute	OHTA Masataka	Manager, Marine Environment group
Marine Disaster Prevention Center	KIMOTO Hiroyuki	Deputy Manager, Survey and Research Div.
Japan Coast Guard National Strike Team	SHIMASE Yuji	Senior Response Officer, National Strike Team
	SHIRAIISHI Koichi	Response Officer
Petroleum Association of Japan	NISHIGAKI Kenji	GM, Oil Spill Response & Industry Support Div.
	KOSHIKAWA Atsushi	Manager, Oil Spill Response Office, - " -
The Institute of Energy Economics, Japan	YOKOCHI Akihiro	Senior Coordinator, Project Research group 3, Project Research Unit
	NAKANISHI Satoshi	Group Manager, Project Research group 3, Project Research Unit
MHI Marine Engineering	SHIMADA Toshio	GM, Marine Development Div.
Agency of Natural Resources and Energy	KIMURA Yoshio	Specialist for oil and gas exploration, Petroleum and Natural Gas Div.
Cabinet Secretariat	INADA Kenji	Deputy Counsellor, National Security and Crisis Management
Japan Coast Guard Tokyo Head Quarter	HARUTA Koichi	Director, Marine Environment Protection and Disaster Preventions Div.
	SUZUKI Nagayuki	Assistant Director, - " -
	UENO Shun'ichiro	Chief, Planning Section, - " -
	KUDO Kentaro	Deputy Director, - " -
Ministry of Environment	TANAKA Norihiko	Global Environment Issues Div., Global Environment Bureau
	NAKATA Yuko	Global Environment Issues Div., Global Environment Bureau
	YATSUMOTO Aya	Environment Dept., Global Environment Bureau
Ministry of Foreign Affairs	ARIMORI Yuichi	Russian Div.
Fisheries Agency	YOSHIDA Hiroyuki	Fishery Resources Div., Reproduction Promotion Dept.
Nihon Kaiji Kyokai	SAKAMOTO Yasuzo	Consultant, Marine and Industrial Service Dept.
JBIC	TAKAOKA Hirobumi	Director, Division 1, Environment Analysis Dept
	HAYAKAWA Yukihisa	Deputy Director, Div. 2, Energy and Natural Resources Finance Dept.
Summit AEA Corporation	FURUSAWA Nagako	Manager, Engineering & Business Dept.
SEIC	WARDROP John	Oil Spil Response Project Manager
	ANDREEVA Valentina	Senior Environment Specialist
	SHEARD Rachele	Head of Issues and Crisis Management
	NARUSE Masami	Head of Japan Strategy
Mitsui	MATSUMOTO Hideo	Manager, Project Promotion Dept., Sakhalin Development Div.