F/V WILLIAM LEE
Blistering Agent Response
Atlantic City, NJ

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<td>Exposed crewmember taken back to shore, sent to hospital. Vessel continues clamming, returns to port, offloads catch various times</td>
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<td>USCG Sector Delaware Bay receives notification via third party of incident and possible contamination of catch / vessel involved</td>
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F/V Movement on 01AUG
F/V Movement on 02AUG
Response Initiated 09AUG

• Sector Delaware Bay:
  – Opened CERCLA Fund for response
  – Dispatched Marine Environmental Response representatives
  – Issued Captain of the Port Order requiring vessel to stay moored and not conduct any operations

• Atlantic Strike Team
  – Dispatched advance team to site
  – Prepared to mobilize response team

• Other Agencies
  – FDA contacted regarding possible catch contamination
  – NJ DEP informed of developing situation
Mooring Configuration
Atlantic Strike Team
DECON Line Setup
Response Conclusion

- AST conducted two sweeps with no positive hits for any hazardous substances
- Conference call conducted with all stakeholders, stood down response operations
- COTP Order lifted, incident investigation and possible enforcement action pending
- Discussion on updating charts regarding location of ordnance
- Incident de-briefs, case wrap-up, lessons learned discussions
Lessons Learned

• Minimize time lapse between incident and notification
  – Outreach to boating public, DOD, and OGAs regarding procedures to follow

• Ensure specific procedures developed for response
  – Developing checklists with local/national POCs for unexploded ordnance disposal

• Need to confirm type of blistering agent
  – Spreading awareness of potential issues and necessary procedures at LEPC meetings and through hospital POCs
QUESTIONS?