



## SPILL NOTIFICATION POINT

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## RESPONSE ARRANGEMENTS

The Suriname oil spill contingency plan is currently under review and forms a part of the new Suriname National Disaster Plan. The National OPRC Plan was drafted at the end of 2004 with the support of REMPEITC-Carib and is being finalised by a committee of representatives from government and industry for adoption by Parliament. Each district within Suriname is governed separately, but for the purpose of oil spill response, the Ministry of Labour, Technological Development and Environment (ATM), through the Maritime Authority of Suriname (MAS), the Institute of Environmental Development & Cooperation (NIMOS) and the National Disaster Coordinator, performs a coordinating role and addresses contingency requirements. In the event of a spill, the National Contingency Coordination Center (NCCR) for Suriname would act as the spill notification point and host the National Response Center.

Each district has established a counter pollution organisation as part of the NCP and has a designated coordinator who is responsible for preparedness, response and cooperation with industry for counter-pollution measures, under the auspices of the National Coordinator.

Response to an incident is entrusted to a National Oil Pollution Team and a District Oil Pollution Response Team. Both teams have a fixed staff of designated government representatives and experts and could be expanded depending on the type of incident concerned.

## RESPONSE POLICY

Suriname favours the joint approach of containment/recovery, natural dispersion, restricted use of dispersant and shoreline cleanup.

## EQUIPMENT

### Government & Private

There is very little government-owned recovery equipment in Suriname. A limited number of government vessels are available. Aerial surveillance would be undertaken using aircraft from the Suriname Army. The state oil company, Staatsolie, has trained personnel and equipment to combat spills at their own facilities. It is also a member of Clean Caribbean & Americas (CCA). Other oil companies in the country have some limited resources. No specialist oil spill clean-up contractors are available locally.



# SURINAME

## PREVIOUS SPILL EXPERIENCE

Unknown.

## CONVENTIONS

Prevention & Safety					Spill Response		Compensation						
MARPOL Annexes					OPRC'	OPRC	CLC			Fund	Supp	HNS*	Bunker*
73/78	III	IV	V	VI	90	-HNS*	'69	'76	'92	'92	Fund		
✓	✓	✓	✓										

\* not yet in force

## REGIONAL AND BILATERAL AGREEMENTS

Suriname is not party to any regional or bilateral agreements.

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