

# COUNTRY & TERRITORY PROFILES

A Summary of Oil Spill Response Arrangements & Resources Worldwide

### **GUINEA**

#### **SPILL NOTIFICATION POINT**

Marine Marchande

BP 6

Conakry Tel: +224-443540

Alternatively, spills can be reported to the National Centre for the Protection of the Marine Environment (CNPMM).

#### **COMPETENT NATIONAL AUTHORITY**

Centre National de Protection du Milieu Marin - (CNPMM)

Contact details unknown

#### **RESPONSE ARRANGEMENTS**

The competent body for maritime affairs in Guinea is the Direction Generale de la Marine Marchande (General Directorate of Merchant Marine). By a government decree in 1981, the Centre National de Protection du Milieu Marin - CNPMM (National Centre for the Protection of the Marine Environment), a body within this directorate, was created to deal specifically with marine pollution matters. The CNPMM has prepared an outline national oil spill contingency plan, but this is still at the draft stage.

In the event of a major spill the CNPMM would co-ordinate all clean-up activities.

#### **RESPONSE POLICY**

The coastline of Guinea is largely dominated by low-lying swamps and mangroves, both difficult shoreline types on which to mount a clean-up operation. Manual clean-up may be undertaken on the limited areas of sandy beach.

### **EQUIPMENT**

### Government

Guinea has limited, basic resources available for dealing with oil spills. These include general port equipment, agricultural equipment, and a large labour force.

#### **Private**

There do not appear to be any private resources in Guinea.

#### PREVIOUS SPILL EXPERIENCE

ITOPF has no knowledge of any major spills in Guinea waters.

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#### **CONVENTIONS**

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

<sup>\*</sup> not yet in force

#### **REGIONAL AND BILATERAL AGREEMENTS**

Abidjan Convention (with states of the West and Central African Region).

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