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T&T MARINE SALVAGE RESPONDS TO OIL SPILL

PORT ARTHUR, Texas (March 9, 2010) – T&T MARINE SALVAGE, a leading provider of maritime support services, helped clean up an oil spill after a collision between an oil tanker and a barge spilled 450,000 gallons of crude oil into the Sabine-Neches Waterway.

T&T MARINE SALVAGE responded to the oil spill by mobilizing 50 personnel. 20,000 feet of spill boom, a 1,500-bbl skimming vessel, response vessels, portable skimmers, eight portable fire pumps and other equipment.

“T&T MARINE cleanup operations were performed around the clock,” said Vice President Kevin Teichman. “We also supplied Incident Command System personnel and safety personnel to assist in monitoring the vast number of people working on the project.”

The Eagle Otome was carrying crude oil to a nearby refinery when the 807-foot oil tanker collided with one of two tank barges being pushed by a tugboat, creating a gash in a starboard compartment near the tanker’s bow and spilling 450,000 gallons into the water.

T&T MARINE used 3,300-gpm fire pumps to decontaminate the oil tanker and several other vessels. T&T MARINE also supplied personnel and five portable hydraulic lightering systems to discharge recovered oil from a tank barge.

T&T BISSO also responded to the collision under the U.S. Coast Guard’s Salvage and Marine Firefighting Requirements, Vessel Response Plans for Oil. T&T BISSO is an emergency response contractor that combines the resources of T&T MARINE and BISSO MARINE.

T&T BISSO mobilized a salvage master, other personnel and equipment, including response vessels, portable fire pumps, lightering gear, salvage equipment and dive gear. The company assisted in transferring the tank barge’s chemical cargo to another barge by providing lightering services and firefighting equipment as a precaution.

T&T MARINE SALVAGE has been providing maritime emergency response services since 1957. Based in Galveston, Texas, T&T MARINE consists of four companies: T&T Marine Salvage Inc., T&T International Fire & Salvage LLC., T&T Offshore Inc. and T&T Marine Ways Inc. Services include marine salvage, heavy lift, marine firefighting, spill response, subsea lightering, ship-to-ship transfers, diving services, wreck removal, marine towing, launch services, incident command, hydrographic survey, spill supply sales, liquid cargo services and general maritime services. With offices and strategic alliances located across the Gulf Coast, South America, Europe and Asia, the T&T MARINE fleet is uniquely positioned to provide a full range of maritime services and emergency response across the globe. For more information, please visit www.tandtmarine.com.



T&T MARINE uses 3,300-gpm fire pumps to decontaminate the oil tanker's hull following the collision.



T&T BISSO responds to the collision by mobilizing firefighting and lightering systems.