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To: ["Direct to Mayor and Council - DL"](#)
Date: 1/21/2023 8:16:18 PM
Subject: Re: Container vessel fuel leak - English B

Good evening Mayor and Council,

In follow up to my previous note, WCMRC has a containment boom in place around the vessel and CCG is monitoring for any further leakage.

A Transport Canada aircraft has observed a fuel sheen toward Bowen Island. WCMRC will resume recovery efforts tomorrow morning and TC will conduct further aerial surveillance.

At this time, Environment Canada trajectory modelling does not indicate that the spill will impact Vancouver. However, Park Rangers will be monitoring beaches tomorrow for any sign of contamination. VEMA and Environmental Services staff will be present at CCG incident command again tomorrow.

CCG is handling public communication regarding the incident.

We will share any further developments.

Best,
Paul

> On Jan 21, 2023, at 4:51 PM, Mochrie, Paul <Paul.Mochrie@vancouver.ca> wrote:
> Good afternoon Mayor and Council,
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> I am writing to alert you to an incident involving an apparent release of fuel from a container ship anchored in English Bay. The spill was initially identified from the air earlier today. Efforts are in progress to contain the spill as well as determine the quantity of fuel released and the cause. West Coast Marine Response Coordination (the federally-mandated marine spill response organization) has resources on scene at the spill.
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> At this point, we do not have a clear picture regarding potential risk to the Vancouver shoreline.
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> Canadian Coast Guard is leading the response. VEMA and the City's Environmental Services team are briefed and VEMA staff are attending the CCG's incident command at the Kits Point base.
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> Please do not share this information publicly at this time. The City is deferring to CCG as the lead agency for public communications regarding the incident. In the event you are contacted by media or external parties, please refer them to CCG.
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> We will keep you apprised as we obtain additional information.
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> Best,
> Paul