

Department of Homeland Security
United States Coast Guard
National Pollution Funds Center
Arlington VA 22203-1804



No. 823076 - 03

**VESSEL CERTIFICATE OF FINANCIAL RESPONSIBILITY
(WATER POLLUTION)**

Vessel Operator

ALASKA MARINE LINES INC

has established evidence of financial responsibility, in accordance with 33 CFR 138, to meet liability under section 1002 of the Oil Pollution Act of 1990, and under section 107 of the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act, which may result from the operation of the vessel named below:

Name of Vessel

SITKA PROVIDER

Effective Date: 12JUN2004

Expiration Date: 12JUN2007

The use of this certificate is subject to the provisions of Part 138 of Title 33 of the Code of Federal Regulations, as it is or may be amended, and the conditions on the reverse side of this certificate. This certificate is invalid if there are any erasures or alterations hereon (except permitted by 33 CFR 138), and is void if the operator named hereon is not the party responsible for operating the vessel.

Kevin D. Bilney

Chief, Vessel Certification
National Pollution Funds Center
By Direction

SITKA PROVIDER LLC
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June 8, 2004

United States Coast Guard
National Pollution Funds Center
4200 Wilson Blvd., Suite 1000
Arlington, VA 22203-1804

Re: *Sitka Provider COFR #823076-03 Ownership*

Gentleman:

The Sitka Provider has been chartered to Alaska Marine Lines.

Alaska Marine Lines is the legally responsible operator of the Sitka Provider and is responsible for the OPA and CERCLA-80 liability.

Please feel free to contact Bob Strong with any questions regarding this matter at (800)426-3201.

Sincerely,



Everett H. Billingslea
Secretary

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cc: Bob Strong