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# Welcome

The last issue launched the news that for UKSpill, as an organisation, it was time for new events, changes to governance and to recognise that time is unforgiving, and new blood is needed.

Since then we have held a Spill Science seminar at OSRL, we have had Awards, we have a new corporate organisation in place, and despite time being unforgiving, your editor is still here...

This issue reflects UKSpill as an organisation, its members, its partners, and the environment they work in. It is absolutely clear that world of Oil Spill has materially shifted, 7 years on from the Gulf of Mexico, 10 years since Buncefield, and 15 years since Prestige.

The new Board of UKSpill has for the first time, co chairs, Richard Proctor, of Darcy Spillcare, focussed on the Trade Association, and Mark Orr, of LCM Environmental, focussed on the technical side with the Accreditation Scheme. This is driven by the need to share the voluntary time they give to support the organisation, and to ensure these two aspects of the Association have the right people to develop the resources.

What is clear is that we have no problem

with getting the support from our members to ensure their trade association works for them, but as the world shifts so must we.

Over the last few years, with the fall in spills and oil price, so pressure has come on the spill industry to survive, which means adapting. It is this ability to adapt which is represented at Interspill, our Conference and Exhibition, the next edition is to be held in London, in March 2018. Whilst it is the newest of the 3 triennial international oil spill Conferences and Exhibitions, it has now risen to compete at the same level as IOSC in the USA. This reflects the partnership between the trade associations in Europe and the governmental and non governmental organisations that support the Conference aspect. In the USA, with IOSC, and Australia, with Spillcon, the events are led by government, without a partnership with the spill industry.

UKSpill has worked to build partnerships, with NOSCA and Sycopol in launching Interspill in 2000, to inviting IPIECA and EMSA to join in 2007, followed by SRGH, and of course OSRL as a supporter of UKSpill from the beginning.

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# The New World UKSpill Changes for the Next Decade

At the Annual meeting on 7 March 2017, co Chairs were confirmed by the members to lead UKSpill for the next 2 years. Richard Proctor, of Darcy Spillcare, and Mark Orr, of LCM Environmental, both having served on the Board previously.

Richard Proctor has long associations with the association, his father John, was also a Director of BOSCA in 2003-4.

Richard said "After many years of benefiting from networking and association events through membership of UKSpill, it is great to have the opportunity to be involved in leading the continued growth and development of the Association. I look forward to working with my Co Chairman Mark Orr and expect the new structure to enable both parts of the group to deliver more for its members. During the next two years, we want to create opportunity for members by developing European membership, hosting

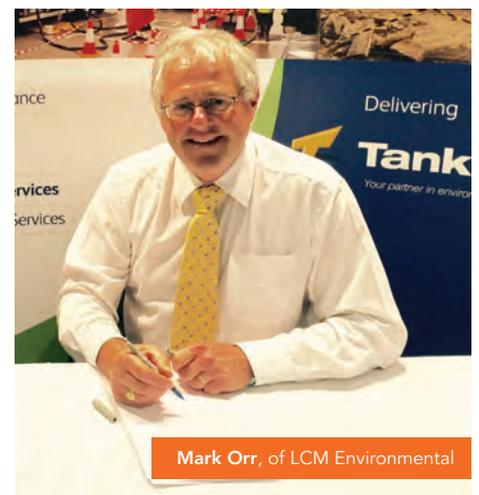
at least one annual event outside the UK and grow the UK membership of the group through increasing engagement with the regulator and industry."

Mark Orr was involved in the revamping of the UK Spill Contractors Accreditation Scheme in 2012, and returns to the Board to take the Scheme on with planned new management.

Mark said "I am pleased to return to the Board as Co-Chair with responsibility for the Accreditation Scheme and technical development of UK Spill. As MD of an inland spill responder I am aware of the issues that biofuels, AdBlue and other chemicals are posing to responders and the environment. I am keen to invest time in developing the Accreditation Scheme to ensure it is contemporary and expand its scope to those dealing with chemical spillages."



Richard Proctor of Darcy Spillcare



Mark Orr, of LCM Environmental



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# THE UKSPILL 2017 ANNUAL DINNER

The UK Spill Association Board decided that the Annual Dinner at Watermen's Hall in London worked so well as a networking opportunity, and although not new, should be repeated in 2017. It had members enthusing over the quality of senior management attending and enjoying the event. Yet again, OAMPS Hazardous Industries, a long standing member sponsored the venue. Words can tell a story but pictures from the Annual Dinner show networking is alive and well... and with prizes too.



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As in 2016, the Annual Dinner was accompanied by the Annual Awards, the Awards offering recognition that our Association membership represents some of the most talented and knowledgeable individuals and innovative companies in the oil spill industry globally and such talent should be recognised.

### What were the Award categories?

- 1. Individual Award** – to recognise new to spill industry individuals who have made outstanding progress and contribution.
- 2. Domestic Responder** – to recognise response actions by, and from within, a company to a spillage incident within the UK which results in a significant success for that company in the field of spill response.

### How were submissions judged?

The Board of UK Spill Association appointed an independent judging panel, and their decision was final.

The Awards were presented by outgoing Chairman, Stewart Ower, standing in for Richard Proctor.

## And the winners in 2017 were...

### The Individual Award



Steve Page of OHES Environmental Ltd., accepting the award from Stewart Ower

#### The Judges said...

Good submission, the award going to a new to spill industry candidate and showing good progression.

### The Responder award



**RAW** | ▾

Nick Ashworth, Director of RAW, accepting the award from Stewart Ower

#### The Judges said...

Good presentation, a difficult task, but just had the edge over the competition to win for the 2nd year in succession.

# The winner of this year's £500 Individual award Steve Page, OHES First Strike Team Leader

Steve started work at OHES in 2015. Based out of OHES' Tewkesbury office, he initially worked as a Yardsman and Spill Response Operative. He was also heavily involved in the installation and maintenance of OHES' EcoTRAC equipment, a telemetry based system that enables remote control and monitoring of water processing and treatment equipment.

Based out of the Tewkesbury office, he is currently employed as a First Strike Team Leader. Steve's prior experience and expertise, coupled with his personable and friendly manner made him a natural first choice for a role that can often involve stress and conflict for those experiencing a contamination incident.

A flagship initiative, OHES' First Strike Teams offer an unparalleled level of spill response readiness, ensuring OHES' ability to respond to all manner of emergency spill incidents is second to none.

Rapid response typically mitigates ongoing loss, reduces the extent of impact and can lead to reduction in costs associated with associated clean-up and remediation phases.

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An extract from Steves Award Submission

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# Winners of the 2017 Responder Award

RAW's team of Environmental Scientists and Pollution Response experts reacted immediately to protect Controlled Waters and Wildlife following a major slurry spill in Northern Ireland. RAW responded to an emergency call when 2.2 million litres of agricultural slurry were maliciously released from a high volume holding tank on a rural farm in Northern Ireland.

The outlet from a slurry holding tank was maliciously opened, allowing 2.2 million litres of agricultural effluent to flow into the farmyard, surrounding fields and into a nearby surface watercourse.

The slurry spill had rapidly impacted a local stream on the farm and was heading for the nearby river. The Northern Ireland Environment Agency (NIEA) were involved from the outset as the impacted stream fed into a nearby river of significant angling importance, which was stocked by a local angling club, so there was imminent danger of a major fish kill.

RAW attended site within 2 hours of receiving the first call and immediately set to work to mitigate the damage being caused by the rapidly migrating plume of slurry. RAW worked closely with the NIEA and advised on the best course of action to prevent any further damage.

It soon became apparent that due to the very high volume of slurry working its way across the fields that an innovative approach was going to be required to contain the spill. Two distinct mitigation strategies were proposed by RAW to the NIEA and an innovative and radical solution was soon agreed.



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# International News

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## Lamor Corporation and Rosneft Sign Cooperation Agreement



Lamor Corporation and the Russian oil giant Rosneft signed a Cooperation Agreement at the IV International Arctic Forum, in Arkhangelsk, Russia.

The partnership will evaluate prospects of localizing production of oil spill response (OSR) equipment and machinery in Russia

for the Arctic region. Localization of production is forecasted to be at least 70% by 2025, and the equipment will be manufactured at a Rosneft shipbuilding facility. The parties aim to establish joint production of specialized floating crafts, equipment for oil spill recovery at sea and on land, oil containment booms, as well as other equipment and components.

"We are very pleased to team up with Rosneft. As long-standing partners, we have been supplying OSR equipment for Rosneft's production assets for the past 20 years," stated Fred Larsen, President and CEO of Lamor Corporation.

"We have service centers in Russia to provide maintenance and support for OSR equipment, Ecosshelf in Sakhalin and Ecosshelf-Baltika in St. Petersburg, that have been in operation for 18 years. Joint production with Rosneft takes our presence in the Russian market to another level," said Larsen.

Rosneft is the largest license holder on the continental shelf of the Russian Federation. The company holds 55 licenses (28 of them at the Arctic shelf) that cover a total area of more than 1 million square kilometers. Preservation of a favorable environment and biological diversity of fragile marine ecosystems is a fundamental principle of the company's operations. Geological exploration is preceded by a series of detailed environmental studies on weather, ice conditions, ice flow, characteristics of the fauna, and related fields. Rosneft has a system approach to environmental safety aiming primarily at prevention of emergency situations.

In accordance with the agreement, Lamor and Rosneft will manufacture equipment for Rosneft projects as well as third-party customers.



## Lamor Corporation Demonstrates Innovative New Oil Recovery System for Canadian Response Organizations

In mid-February, Lamor Corporation demonstrated an innovative new way to recover oil by deploying the Lamor Marine Oil Spill Sweeper LMOS 15 Speed Skimming system in Halifax, Canada in cooperation with their local representative, Griffin Engineered Systems, for leading Canadian response organizations and companies, represented by Eastern Canada Response Corporation (ECRC), Canadian Coast Guard, Department of Defense (DND), ALERT and RMI Marine.

Despite the harsh weather conditions Halifax harbor that day, with winds up to 35 knots, including snow changing to freezing rain and ice pellets, while temperatures were ranging from minus 4°C to plus 6°C, the deployment of the LMOS 15 went well and proved the system's effectiveness and recovery capacity in various climatic scenarios.

Michael Hebb, VP Sales of Griffin Engineered Systems, commented: "Our clients have told us about the challenges they have faced using sweep systems, and I feel we are properly positioned to address those concerns with the LMOS Sweeper, which we are pleased to be able to offer our Canadian customers through our partnership with Lamor. The LMOS Sweeper has shown that it addresses many of the concerns that have been raised. Its solid floatation design ensures it is easier to deploy, is less susceptible to wind forces, and provides continuous pumping of oil to the tow vessel from the collection pool. The LMOS Sweeper's design allows for a single vessel operation that provides effective maneuverability and superior recovery at speeds of up to 4.5 knots."

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# INTERSPILL 2018 Preview

Interspill returns to London in 2018, after Amsterdam in 2015. This is the 8th edition of the event and the 3rd time the event has been co located with Oceanology at Excel in London's Docklands

## Topics and Themes for 2018

Industry, Government, Academia and other stakeholders continue to strive for excellence in spill preparedness and response, in the context of a prolonged downturn in oil prices which have precipitated close scrutiny of all costs, no matter how important the activities may be. Interspill 2018 will be the forum to showcase the wide range of leading-edge initiatives which are improving global readiness and demonstrate why oil spill preparedness and response remains relevant to its multiple stakeholders and adding true value to those investing in it.

## THE INTERSPILL COMMITTEE

In December 2016, a new Memorandum of Understanding was signed at EMSA offices in Lisbon, this resulted in long time supporters IMO, IOPC Funds, ITOPF and CEDRE formally joining NOSCA, Sycopol, UKSpill, IPIECA, EMSA and OSRL as the organising committee.



## Interspill 2018 Preliminary Programme and Call for Papers

The call for papers for Interspill 2018 launches in April and papers are invited for the following Conference streams:

### Government / Industry

**Collaboration:** Effective preparedness and response is best achieved where governments and industry work in partnership towards shared goals. This stream will include presentations on legislation, regulation and collaborative initiatives that further global readiness.

### Surveillance, Modelling and

**Visualisation (SMV):** For oil spill preparedness and response, SMV technologies are especially useful in informing decision-making at the strategic and tactical levels. Our exhibition partners at Oceanology International (OI) share an interest in SMV. This stream will feature some shared sessions with OI and also some dedicated to the practical application of SMV to improve operational maritime awareness and response in the field. The management of maritime data and how to optimise their visualisation and use by the various authorities and end-users will also be covered in this stream.

### Shipping and Salvage Risks:

The new generation of cargo vessels can carry 20,000 boxes and hold 50,000 te of fuel. Whilst the oil industry may be experiencing a downturn, shipping is buoyant and the risk of congested shipping channels and new routes such as the arctic passage offer new spill preparedness and response challenges. This stream, which will coincide with the ISU annual meeting in London, will cover oil and HNS risks in the context of casualty handling.

### Decommissioning and

**Monitoring:** With aging infrastructure, oil spill preparedness and response in the context of decommissioning is becoming ever more important. This stream will address the issues of the Offshore Safety Directive and OSPAR implementation as well as long term monitoring tools, techniques and protocols.

**Effective Preparedness:** Personnel training and response planning need to add value for all stakeholders rather than just "tick a box". With increasing pressure to demonstrate a full understanding of the environmental impacts of spills, relevant and credible scientific studies have never been more important. This stream will look at the latest research techniques being employed and examine the findings of case studies and will also consider good practice in learning, development, assessment and planning that provides added value to all concerned.

**Inland Risks:** Oil / HNS transport by inland waterways presents its own risks whilst inland pipeline and oilfields across both arid and temperate climates require different plans to those offshore. Flooding events seem to be ever more common and bring with them associated oil spill risks. Meanwhile major inland storage locations represent significant accumulations of liquids at risk. This stream will examine the unique challenges of preparedness and response in these environments.

### Offshore Exploration and

**Production Risks:** Well intervention, preparedness and response remain challenges whether shallow, nearshore, facilities or deepwater, far offshore, facilities. Although the memory of Montara and Macondo may be fading for some, the risks and the response challenges remain. This stream will review the most recent developments in this important sphere of activity.

### Workshops and Seminars

Interspill 2018 will again feature the popular Science Workshops and Industry Seminars which allow the scientific community to engage with end users and for manufacturers to showcase their latest developments. Contributions to these presentations are also welcome.

### Short Courses

Aimed especially at young professionals and those new to the spill preparedness and response community, these courses held on Mon 12th March will offer an excellent introduction to Spill Preparedness and Response and Claims and Compensation.

### Poster Exhibition Information

Interspill 2018 will be held at Excel, London, UK 12th – 15th March 2018 in a shared Exhibition space with Oceanology International. It will also coincide with the Annual Meeting of the International Salvage Union. These synergies will make Interspill 2018 a truly unique event in spill preparedness and response.

# The Interspill Committee Emphasises the Partnership That Underpins the Success of the Event

## The Trade Associations



**NOSCA** has achieved international respect as an active player in R&D, oil spill prevention and response.

NOSCA is one of the three founding organisations of INTERSPILL in Europe and we also support and contribute to the successes of IOSC in the US and SPILLCON in Australia.

Norway is one of the few countries that has the privilege to benefit from full scale,

offshore oil-on-water exercises organised annually by NOFO (Norwegian Clean Seas Association for Operating Companies).

This gives NOSCA's members a unique knowledge base for testing, understanding and improving their products and oil spill preparedness in general.

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### SYCOPOL FRANCE

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### UKSPILL ASSOCIATION

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UKSpill is the national body for the UK Oil Spill Industry. Its four key purposes are:

- Establishing service benchmarks and raising industry standards principally through managing the UK Spill Contractors Accreditation Scheme
- Sharing information amongst its members by providing networking opportunities through regular meetings, events and seminars, held across the UK, and also in Europe

- Building business for its members through a comprehensive online directory of members' products and services, and links to their websites
- Promoting the industry through organising national and international exhibitions and conferences to the industry, government, and the public through this website and through organising national and international exhibitions and conferences.

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# The Oil Industry Connections

## IPIECA

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## Governmental and Non Governmental (NGO) Connections



### IMO (INTERNATIONAL MARITIME ORGANISATION)

The International Maritime Organization (IMO) is a specialized agency of the United Nations and the global standard-setting authority for the safety, security and environmental performance of international shipping. Its main role is to create a regulatory framework for the shipping industry that is fair and effective, universally adopted and implemented.

IMO, together with its Member States, civil society and the shipping industry, work to ensure that this vital sector remains safe, environmentally sound, energy efficient and secure. IMO measures cover all aspects of international shipping - ranging from prevention of pollution from ships, preparedness for responding to pollution incidents, ship design,

construction and equipment to manning, operation and disposal.

Energy efficiency, new technology and innovation, maritime education and training, maritime security, maritime traffic management and the development of the maritime infrastructure: the development and implementation, through IMO, of global standards covering these and other issues underpin IMO's commitment to provide the institutional framework necessary for a green and sustainable global maritime transportation system.

First established by means of a convention adopted in Geneva in 1948, it is based in London, United Kingdom. The IMO currently has 171 Member States and three associate members.

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### ITOPF (THE INTERNATIONAL TANKER OWNERS POLLUTION FEDERATION LTD)

ITOPF is maintained as a not-for-profit organisation by the world's shipowners and their insurers to provide 24/7 technical advice in the event of spills of oil, chemicals and other substances in the marine environment. Since its establishment in 1968, it has attended over 750 incidents in 100 countries, giving it unparalleled first-hand experience of the realities of combating marine spills.

ITOPF shares its knowledge and experience at training assignments worldwide, advises on the preparation of contingency plans, and contributes to policy discussions and legal texts through its Observer status at the IMO and IOPC

Funds. ITOPF is also a source of comprehensive information on marine pollution and supports research and development activities through its annual R&D Award.

ITOPF values INTERSPILL as an excellent platform for government, industry and others within the spill community to meet, discuss and network. It's an opportunity to share experiences and exchange views on current and future issues, and a useful vehicle for raising awareness of on-going activities and showcasing new technologies. ITOPF is pleased to be part of the INTERSPILL steering committee and to help shape the programme for 2018.

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## INTERNATIONAL OIL POLLUTION COMPENSATION (IOPC) FUNDS

The International Oil Pollution Compensation (IOPC) Funds are delighted to continue to support Interspill as a member of the Committee organising the 2018 event and are very much looking forward to once again participating in Europe's leading oil spill conference.

The IOPC Funds are two intergovernmental organisations (the 1992 Fund and the Supplementary Fund) which provide compensation for oil pollution damage resulting from spills of persistent oil from tankers. Through the international liability and compensation regime, the cost of such incidents is shared between the shipowner and the oil receivers. Today, safer shipping means fewer incidents, however the risk of a major spill remains with some 1 800 million tonnes of

oil transported by sea every year. This risk has led to some 114 States opting to join the 1992 Fund and 31 of those opting to join the Supplementary Fund also.

It is vital for the IOPC Funds to increase awareness of the work of the organisation and the international liability and compensation regime in general. We are looking forward to welcoming visitors to the Funds' exhibition stand to offer information about the organisation and meet directly with potential future claimants and other stakeholders. In addition Interspill 2018 will provide an excellent opportunity to bring the various stakeholders and global expertise together through the conference and we look forward to learning from one another over the course of this three-day event.

[www.iopcfunds.org](http://www.iopcfunds.org)



## CEDRE

Cedre is a not-for-profit association created on 25th January 1979, as part of the measures taken in the aftermath of the Amoco Cadiz oil spill.

Cedre's vocation is to provide services and expertise to French or foreign authorities as well as to private organisations. Its mission covers both marine and inland waters, and involves several types of pollutants (oil, HNS, etc).

Cedre is constantly building on its knowledge and developing tools to fulfil its various duties. Cedre has an original capacity of experiment and advanced analytical equipment to study the behaviour of potential pollutants and to assess the efficiency of response techniques and products. Such activities enable Cedre's technical advisers and engineers to make operational recommendations within the drafting of contingency plans or training and exercises.

More than 1000 people are trained every year by Cedre worldwide. Its facilities, which offer man-made beach and deep water basins,

allow full scale simulation of real pollution.

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And also some words about being a member of Interspill Committee from Melusine Gaillard:

*"For Cedre, being a member of the Interspill Committee is the opportunity to be part of an international event based in Europe dedicated to accidental water pollution.*

*The organization of the scientific workshops, in collaboration with ITOPF allows us to enhance our network and to address themes on which we have a recognized expertise."*

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## EMSA (EUROPEAN MARITIME SAFETY AGENCY)

The European Maritime Safety Agency is one of the EU's decentralised agencies. Based in Lisbon, the Agency provides technical assistance and support to the European Commission and Member States in the development and implementation of EU legislation on maritime safety, maritime security, prevention of and response to pollution from ships, as well as

response to marine pollution from oil and gas installations. It has also been given operational tasks in the field of pollution response, vessel monitoring and in long range identification and tracking of vessels. A major political impetus to the setting up of EMSA in 2002 was the fallout from the Erika (1999) and the Prestige (2002) accidents and their resulting oil spills.

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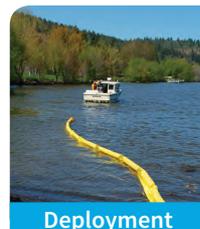
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- Land remediation and reinstatement
- Rivers and inland spill response
- Chemical and Hazardous materials
- Marine Salvage Support
- Logistics & Transport
- Equipment Supply & Services
- Highways clearance

### Training and Consultancy

- Hazmat / HNS
- Bespoke Training
- Contingency Planning
- Incident & Crisis Management
- IMO (International Maritime Organisation) Training
- MCA (Maritime Coastguard Agency)
- DECC (Department of Energy)

### Incident Response Services

- Disaster Response
- Flood Response
- Spill Response
- Marine Spill Response
- Hazmat / HNS
- Responsive Trackside Services
- Highways and Aviation incident response

### Environmental Services

- Trackside Services
- MARPOL
- Distressed Cargo
- Marine & Port Services
- Installation & Decommissioning Services
- Remediation

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# UKSPILL MEMBER FEATURE

# FASTANK



FASTANK was first introduced to the American market in 1984. This was at the IOSC show at the Western Bonaventure Hotel in sunny Los Angeles. It was a memorable event, we gained many orders and enlisted three great distributors who quickly became great personal friends. The Company has attended every show since then and is to exhibit again on 15-18th May 2017.

Some say our success was "The luck of the Irish". We prefer to refer to the revolutionary design which gained the FASTANK 2000 worldwide Patents. In fact, it was only by chance that we entered the Oil Spill Market. The portable tank was first designed for refugee camps in Africa for water storage and treatment during "The Decade of Water and Sanitation" sponsored by the United Nations. Having won three National Awards for the product in 1982, the London Financial Times carried a story and it was this that caught the attention of the then manager of the BP Oil Spill Base in Southampton. They ordered one FASTANK for evaluation in oil spill response, liked it and the rest is history. Significantly, at that first exhibition the exchange rate £/\$ was 1.04 the lowest in living memory. Today there is a similar price advantage with the exchange rate

again very low, or the \$ having stronger buying power against other currencies making the purchase of FASTANKs an attractive proposition which if history repeats will only last for a limited period. Since the original, Fast Engineering has continued to invest heavily in R&D leading to other patented designs to meet the changing needs of customers in OSR. Using sound science, practical innovation, global research and imagination has given us a family of FASTANKs to meet a wide range of customer needs. However, the design ethos of the original tank is still there – simplicity of use and ease of transport to emergency sites, this is where

our designs excel. In a refugee camp, there is no local hardware store where you can purchase replacement parts or tools for assembly, thus the superior built quality, no-tool assembly and robustness to withstand rude handling. We have learnt that any emergency in different sectors has very similar requirements. By "cross-pollinating" this learning we have been able to supply many different emergency services from firefighting to earthquake response.

Innovation brings vibrancy and excitement to a Company which stimulates all the employees. In Japan, Fast has been complimented by being referred to as the "inventing engineers" which brings more requests to help solve customer challenges. Innovation is not difficult and the more you do it the easier it becomes. To keep us on course we just repeat the Company mantra; Don't reinvent the wheel – just improve it; Keep applying the KISS principal (keep it simple stupid); Think globally not locally and focus on what Emergency Services customers require.

Kate and Adam will be attending IOSC this year. Please do come and visit our Booth 1125 where we can discuss what is new and perhaps help solve some of your challenges. We look forward to welcoming you and your colleagues.



# OIL DISPERSANT SPRAY SYSTEMS SPECIALIST



Ayles Fernie specialises in the design and manufacture of oil dispersant spray systems. The company has been established for over 25 years and are recognised as World Leaders in this field.

Ayles Fernie supply a full range of marine and aerial oil dispersant spray systems for use with approved low toxicity type 2/3 dispersants.

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## Our new high capacity multi-skimmer is launched 3 in 1: Disc, Brush & Weir

With a recovery rate of up to 150m<sup>3</sup>/hr, our new Komara Multi skimmer combines three skimmers in one high performance solution.

Developed by our in-house engineering team and manufactured at our UK facility, the skimmer combines three oil recovery methods; weir skimming; oleophilic disc banks and brush banks. With over 98% oil recovery efficiency our discs keep storage requirements and costs to a minimum.

With quick and easy interchanging between the three oil recovery methods, this versatile, high capacity skimmer handles a wide range of oil viscosities. Also available as stand alone weir skimmer with disc or brush options. The weir has excellent wave following characteristics and a low centre of gravity for high stability.

The system is powered by a diesel-hydraulic power pack and is fitted with a spark arrestor and over-speed shutdown devices specifically designed for use with this skimmer. It comes complete with a 20m hose set and reel for easy storage and deployment.

Engineering director Neil Plater said, " this is a strong addition to our skimmer range and we have delivered a high performance product with a compact design for easy storage, use and transport. The unique triangular design provides optimum oil recovery efficiency in brush and disc mode. This was a team effort resulting in a skimmer to be proud of... Thank you team."



## Removing oil from troubled waters

Working in construction means working with oils and fuels, there's no getting away from it, but what happens when it goes wrong?

What do you do?

How do you prevent it getting worse?

What happens if the regulators get involved?

What could you do to prevent it happening to begin with?

If you need help to answer these questions, look no further than Oracle Environmental Experts (OEE).

We can help you by;

- Preparing pre-site assessments that show the best areas to store fuel and oils
- Raising awareness through targeted training in oil spill response
- Providing an emergency response for major incidents.

Read how we have helped a construction firm save £1000's and avoid prosecution in the case study below.

**On the 24th August 2016, a loss of Diesel from a 30 kVA generator was reported by a major construction company.**

The company established that the loss of diesel had spilled onto a tarmac area around the generator. They took emergency action with the spill response materials they had, however the diesel still found its way in to the nearby brook which feeds into a major river. Booms were placed in the river and the decision made to call in specialist support from Oracle Environmental Experts (OEE). The incident was reported to the Environment Agency and OEE were contacted and attended site the same day.

OEE attended site and took over the management of the spill response. We put together a remediation strategy and agreed this with all stakeholders including the regulators. The action we took including the removal of contaminated soils and cleaning of the tarmac hardstanding along with clean-up of the brook prevented a more serious pollution incident which could have resulted in significant environmental damage leading to legal action from the EA as well as

damaging the company reputation and the relationship with local residents.

The developer and regulator were very grateful that the spill had been dealt with in such a professional way.

If you are concerned about the possibility of environmental incidents on your development sites then please get in touch and talk to us about the services we offer, including pre-site assessments, UK Spill accredited Spill Response training and post pollution incident response and clean-up.



# Ayles Fernie launch the ECOSPRAY at IOSC

Ayles Fernie International Ltd, the world leader in manufacture and design of marine and aircraft oil dispersant spray systems, are delighted to announce the launch of their latest innovation at The International Oil Spill Conference (IOSC) 2017, Long Beach California. The ECOSPRAY has been designed and manufactured drawing upon nearly 30 years of industry expertise and in line with the demands and feedback from our loyal customers.

The ECOSPRAY is a compact, easy to operate, portable diesel powered dispersant spray system designed to be deployed quickly with little setup required for rapid response to oil spills and is supplied with Ayles Fernies innovative AFEDO™ Even Drop Out Nozzles. Due to its simplified control, dispersant dilution can be varied between 0% and 100% with no interruption to spraying. The ECOSPRAY can be installed and operated by one person with minimal training requirements from almost any "vessel of opportunity" and additional operational guidance in the form of simple, pictorial instructions included on the systems control interface means that the ECOSPRAY can be operational in minutes.

The ECOSPRAY's corrosion resistant, marine grade aluminium enclosure ensures a robust build quality which is able to withstand potentially tough

operational conditions. The enclosure also houses all moving components, protecting the system from damage as well as providing additional safety measures for the user. With an optional wheel kit available, the ECOSPRAY is fully portable and can be stowed away easily when not in use.

For further details on ECOSPRAY or any other dispersant spray system within our range, please contact the Ayles Fernie sales department on +44 (0)1732 762962 or if you would prefer by email, [sales@aylesfernie.co.uk](mailto:sales@aylesfernie.co.uk).

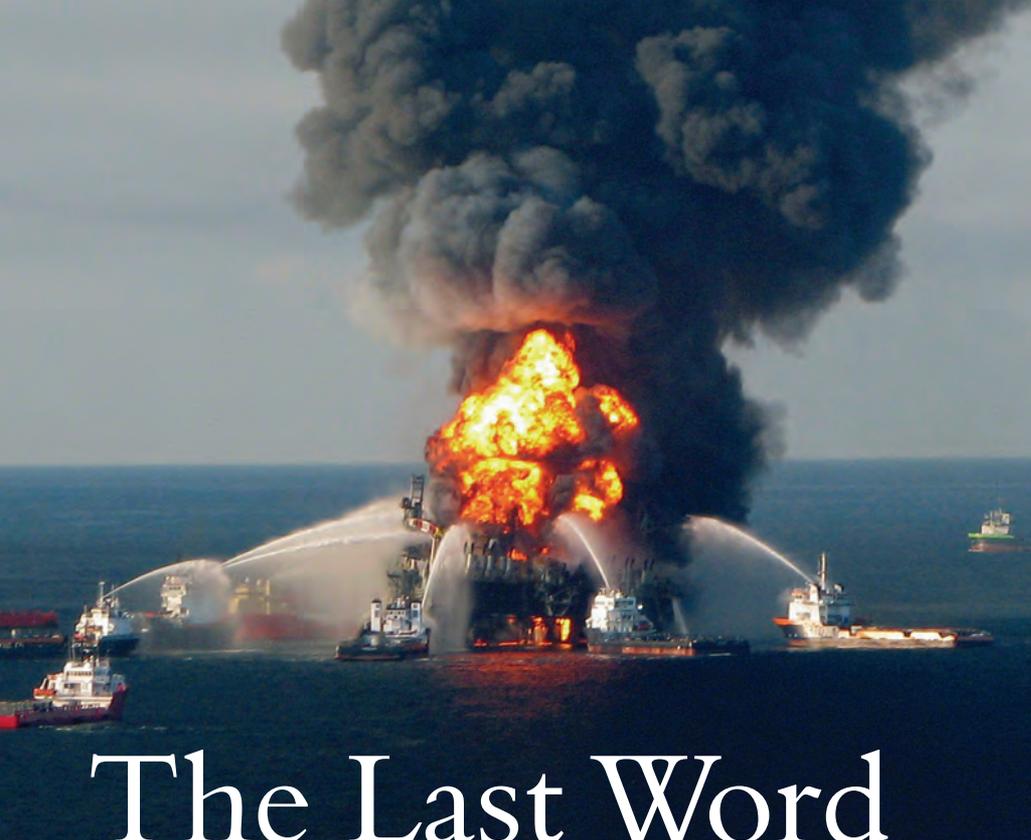


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# The Last Word

This issue opens with words about a New World for UKSpill, so naturally the last word should be about the Old World.

As the last decade has sped by, what was taken for granted was that another big spill would occur, which it did with the Macondo offshore spill. But... The last big oil spill from a tanker was in 2002 from the Prestige off the coast of Spain.

Since then, ITOPF (as they have kept very careful records and publish a very helpful annual report) are telling us how few large spills now occur.

With any industry, it is normal to look at what has happened as a guide to the future, with some guesses as to what might disrupt our carefully laid plans. It is in the nature of man to prefer more of the same, and avoid change, but the reality is that it is a constantly changing world and this applies just as much to the oil spill industry.

In 1998, the three trade associations for Norway, France and UK, NOSCA, Sycopol, and BOSCA, made plans for a new exhibition and conference, initially to be called Eurospill, and then named Interspill. This launched in 2000 at Brighton, and is now on its 8th edition with this issue focussing on Interspill in March 2018.

BUT the world is changing, so the reason that supported Interspill in 1998, and it will be 20 years ago next March, may not be valid in future. Therefore, whilst taking a view on the Old World, it is also absolutely necessary to think about the New World, and that means not 2018, but what do we want to see to reflect the needs of our industry in 2021...

## INDUSTRY EVENTS: PREVIEWS

### USA: IOSC 2017, CONFERENCE AND EXHIBITION

May 15-18, 2017 | Long Beach, CA  
Details at [www.iosc.org](http://www.iosc.org)

### FRANCE: CEDRE INFORMATION DAY

Sept 28th, 2017 | Paris, France  
Details at [www.cedre.fr/en/Cedre](http://www.cedre.fr/en/Cedre)

### UK: UKSPILL17 Oct 12th, 2017 | Southampton

Details at [www.ukspill.org](http://www.ukspill.org)

### INTERSPILL 2018, CONFERENCE AND EXHIBITION

March 13-15, 2018 | ExCel, London  
Details at [www.interspill.org](http://www.interspill.org)

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