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**NATIONAL DISASTER RISK REDUCTION AND MANAGEMENT COUNCIL**

National Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Center, Camp Aguinaldo, Quezon City, Philippines

## **NDRRMC UPDATE**

### **Progress Report on Diesel Spill in Polilio Island, Quezon**

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#### **I. Situation Overview**

- Late in the evening of April 3, 2012, Mayor George Verzosa of Polilio Island was informed by a NAPOCOR employee that the diesel from the generator of their power source has leaked.
- The estimated gas leak is about 10,000 liters covering the body of water nearby the plant, extending to the shore and sea with greenish tinge of water and strong diesel smell. There is no fish kill or marine damages yet.
- **Residents nearby and those who help cleaning were experiencing nausea due to the smell of the diesel.**
- The cause of the leak is still under investigation.

#### **Actions Taken**

- Mayor Verzosa, MDRRMO Almonte together with the Philippine Coast Guard-Southern Tagalog, DENR Officials, Philippine National Police and barangay officials of Brgy Tumulaya went to the site to check the cause and extent of the diesel spill.
- Municipal PCG and DENR joined the investigation and express full support in rehabilitating the affected area
- **Municipal Health Office (MHO) advised residents to refrain from fishing within the area. Pregnant women, children and those experiencing nausea and dizziness were advised to temporarily move to farther areas.**
- NAPOCOR officials went to Brgy Tumulaya to convene the concerned officials of the community
- The constituents from the barangay and other concerned agencies volunteered to manually remove the spill from the water.