



U.S. Department of Transportation

SITUATION REPORT, ESF #1 - TRANSPORTATION

OPERATIONAL STATUS

Agency: DOT ***Op Status** Green - Operational
***Report #:** DOT#18 ***Related Event:** Y2K Activation
Status as of: 01/04/2000 at 13:10
Region/Office: Headquarters
Distribution Level: Open - For Public Release

Situation Summary: DOT#18 1/4/2000 @ 1200

No SIGNIFICANT incidents or failures have been reported for the Department's mission-critical systems, on-line systems, or facilities and infrastructure (neither Headquarters nor field). No information systems security breaches have been reported.

All fifty (50) States and the Territory of Puerto Rico report that their State EMS Office systems are functioning without problem on the first business day. Several of these offices were closed on 1/3 and have reported successful operations the morning of 1/4. All State and local EMS operations in the field are functioning smoothly without interruption.

MV reports indicate no significant Y2K related motor vehicle incidents or crashes as of 01/04/2000 at 0600hrs EST

NHTSA NDR reports they are operating in a green status.

TRANSPORTATION IMPACT

Air: Status Update for 11am: Green - ALL SYSTEMS OPERATIONAL.

Status of incidents since last report:

Status: Green - Resolved.

2:55pm CST Chicago TRACON experienced an interruption of radar data and radio communications for approximately 2 minutes due to a Talco T-1 circuit problem. During the transition back to normal operations, the radar and communications failed again for 2 minutes because the MCIW UPS was bypassed.

Impact: At 3:48PM CST, Air Traffic implemented a local ground stop to transition all systems to E/G power due to bad weather conditions. Air Traffic implemented 10 Miles in Trail (MIT) restrictions. Staggered approaches were conducted until normal operations resumed at 4:35PM CST.

Actions: Technicians replaced the UPS device and the system was returned to normal operations at 3:12AM CST.

Status: GREEN - RESOLVED

7:00PM EST HOST at Boston Air Route Traffic Control Center (ARTCC) experienced a DASD failure. The disk drive had experienced a head crash earlier in the day and had been reconfigured "unavailable". The HOST was IPL'd after disabling the 3380 device with the problem.

Impact: Operations were transitioned to DARC, international traffic was re-routed around ZBW airspace.

Actions: Technicians disabled the device with the problem and IPL'd the machine. Service was restored at 9:40PM.

Rail: No domestic passenger or freight rail incidents reported. FRA is investigating media report of train crash this a.m. in Norway -- SEE INTERNATIONAL INCIDENT REPORT BELOW

Highways: No incidents reported. Normal operations.

Marine: No incidents reported. Normal operations

Transit: No incidents reported. Normal operations

Pipelines: No incidents reported. Normal operations

**Motor Carrier
Safety:
Highway Traffic
Safety:**

ACTIONS TAKEN

**What actions have been
taken?**

INTERNATIONAL TRANSPORTATION INCIDENTS

**International
transportation** Norwegian Passenger Train Accident

incidents: Two Norwegian Railways (NSB) passenger trains collided head-on at the town of Åsta (about 40 miles southeast of Lillehammer and 110 miles north of Oslo) at 1PM (Norwegian time) on Tuesday, January 4. The southbound train from Trondheim to Hamar was to have met the northbound train at a siding at Rustad, 5 miles south of Åsta. However, the northbound train did not stop at Rustad and continued on up the single-track line, colliding head-on with the southbound train at Åsta.

Current press reports say 96 persons were on board the two trains, which from photographs appear to be diesel multiple-unit trainsets. Seven are known dead, 22 (mostly children) are hospitalized and 25 to 30 are still missing. Diesel fuel tanks ruptured and fire engulfed several coach cars.

Press reports did not indicate if the line had wayside signals or if it was dispatched by radio.

An English language report with photos is at:

<http://www.cnn.com/2000/WORLD/europe/01/04/norway.train.03/index.html>

and a Norwegian language report with photo and map is at:

<http://www.nettavisen.no/innenriks/86858.html>

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