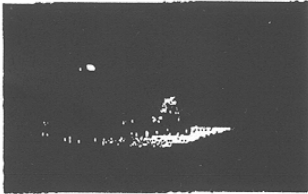


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To: Slickbar Products
Re: JBF Skimmer experience

To Whom It May Concern:

I would like to state to you the positive experiences my company has had with the JBF skimmer system.

First and foremost is the reliability and dependability of your product. We have owned our skimmer for 5 years and have encountered no unforeseen costs beyond routine maintenance service. The skimmer unit and barge have been used many times for drills and actual spill service with zero breakdowns. The ability of this equipment to be rapidly deployed has been a very valuable asset to our company and to our regional response team. During the fall of 1996 we deployed the 420 skimmer in Portland Maine in response to the spill caused by the collision of the tanker Julie N. with the Million Dollar Bridge in Portland Harbor. We were on scene and skimming within 2 hours of notification to deploy. Portland Maine is 50 miles from where we store our unit. During our response we were able to fill our barge with recovered product approximately every 2 to 3 hours. One of the remarkable advantages that we had over other skimmers that were at the scene was the JBF oil to water recovery rate of approximately 90% oil. Another unique advantage was our ability to advance and encounter oil as areas were identified for the recovery process.

In closing I would like to say that I would recommend the JBF skimming system to anyone who wants a piece of equipment that can truly do the job it was designed for.

Sincerely,

Stephen Root
Owner