Prudhoe Supply Tugs Tugged Way to Barrow

The tugs Apollo and Jupiter towing the docking barges Arctic Fox, Lemming, Ptarmigan and Caribou reached Barrow yesterday. "Ice conditions were good yesterday between Barrow and Prudhoe but a northerly wind has blown in and pushed the ice back to shore," said D. W. Mc-Lean, project manager for Arctic Marine Freighters (AMF).

Casey Escher, Administrative Assistant to the General Manager of Puget Sound Tug & Barge (co-venturers in AMF with PAC & Alaska Barge & Transport) will arrive in Fairbanks tonight to round up the 130 experienced cargo handlers going to the Slope to offload the 38 barges at Prudhoe, Oliktok, and Beechey Pt.

The men will be coming from Kenai, Kotzebue, Barrow and all over Alaska.

A total of more than 70,000 tons of dry cargo and nearly 30,000 tons of bulk petroleum products is on its way to the North Slope oilfields via the Bering Sea. The first vessel departed Seattle on June 23rd and the last one will leave July 20th, according to D. W. Mc-Lean.

BP Oil corporation is shipping more than 32,000 tons of dry cargo and 75,000 barrels of petroleum products to the Arctic; next largest shipper is Atlantic-Richfield.

Other shippers are Dowell, Western Geophysical, Burgess Construction, PAC North Slope Construction, Union Oil, Standard Oil, and Mobil Oil.