## **Biography:**

## Heather A. Parker, Regional Response team Coordinator, United States Coast Guard

Heather Parker is a marine scientist with over 20 years of experience. She has an M.Sc. in Physical Oceanography, and a B.Sc. in Biology. She has responded to numerous oil spill incidents throughout the U.S and internationally, including *Cosco Busan*, *S.S. Jacob Luckenbach*, *Prestige*, and most recently the *Deepwater Horizon*, where she co-lead the U.S. Coast Guard management of the Critical Resources Unit at the Unified Area Command. Ms Parker also has extensive experience in developing numerous oil spill and incident contingency plans, as well as leading multi-agency and industry teams to design and implement targeted training programs as well as a comprehensive range of local, regional, national and international

