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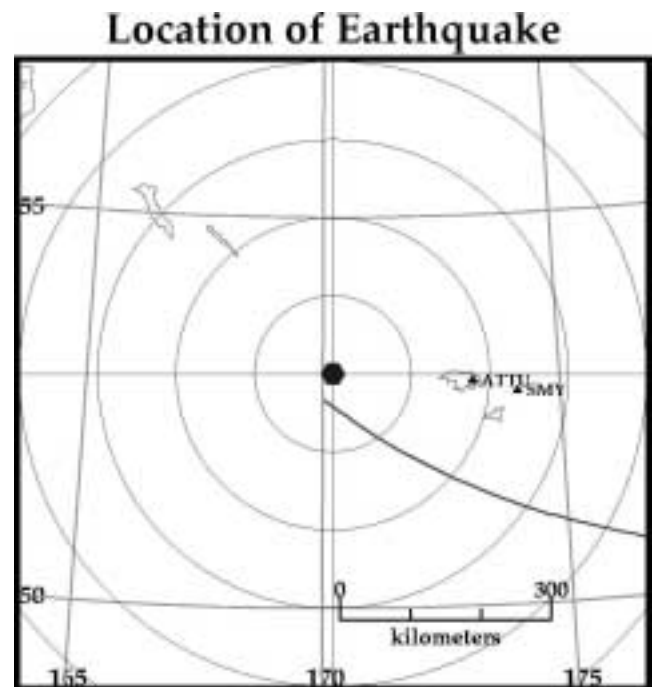
The Alaska Earthquake Information Center located a light earthquake that occurred on Wednesday, April 2nd at 3:34 PM AKDT in the Near Islands region of Alaska. This earthquake had a preliminary magnitude of 4.5 and was located at a depth of about 5 miles (8 km). The magnitude and location may change slightly as additional data are received and processed. No reports of this event being felt or causing damage have been received at this time.

Distance to nearby locations:

203 km (127 miles) W of Attu
264 km (165 miles) W of Shemya
342 km (214 miles) SE of Bering Is, Komandorsky
392 km (245 miles) WNW of Buldir Is
620 km (387 miles) WNW of Amchitka
778 km (486 miles) E of Petropavlovsk, Kamchatka
898 km (561 miles) WNW of Adak
1055 km (659 miles) W of Atka

Preliminary earthquake parameters:

Origin Time (UT): 04/02/2008 23:34:59
Latitude: 53 N 00'
Longitude: 170 E 13'
Depth: 8 km
Magnitude: ML 4.5



Circles are 111 km (70 miles) apart.

The location and magnitude for this earthquake may be updated as data from additional seismic stations are received. The Alaska Earthquake Information Center will continue to gather data and may issue additional releases as appropriate. With any moderate or large earthquake, aftershocks should be expected to occur.

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