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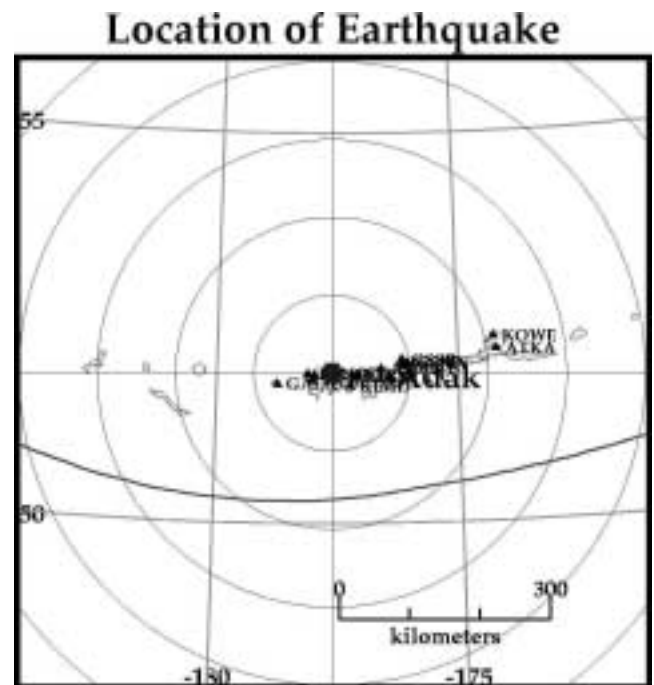
The Alaska Earthquake Information Center located a light earthquake that occurred on Thursday, May 8th at 6:12 AM AKDT in the Andreanof Islands region of Alaska. This earthquake had a preliminary magnitude of 4.6 and was located at a depth of about 6 miles (9 km). The magnitude and location may change 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:

66 km (41 miles) W of Adak
235 km (147 miles) W of Atka
237 km (148 miles) ENE of Amchitka
386 km (241 miles) W of Amukta Pass
443 km (277 miles) E of Buldir Is
568 km (355 miles) E of Shemya
603 km (377 miles) W of Nikolski
630 km (394 miles) E of Attu

Preliminary earthquake parameters:

Origin Time (UT): 05/08/2008 14:12:50
Latitude: 51 N 55'
Longitude: 177 W 37'
Depth: 9 km
Magnitude: ML 4.6



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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