

Roose + Partners

Casualty Newsletter ③

3rd April 2013

FEATURED CASUALTY

Atlantik Confidence

Bulk carrier, built 1996, 27,209 dwt

Date of Casualty 30 March 2013

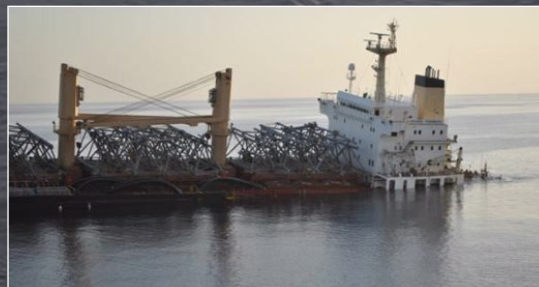
Voyage Gemlik, Turkey to Sohar Port, Oman

Cargo Steel

Type of Casualty Explosion and fire in engine room whilst 140 miles west of Wusta coast. The vessel is sinking and the crew have safely abandoned and been picked up by passing vessels

Type of Claim Salvage and possible GA declaration and cargo recovery

The *Atlantik Confidence* was proceeding to Oman carrying a steel cargo when she is reported to have suffered an explosion and fire in her engine room. The vessel was in the Gulf of Aden, close to the island of Masirah, Oman when the incident occurred. The Master issued a mayday and subsequently reported that the vessel was sinking and that he had ordered the crew to abandon ship. The *USS Nicholas*, a frigate under NATO control with the Anti-Piracy task force, was ordered to proceed to assist the vessel and she dispatched her helicopter to the vessel to assess the situation. A product tanker, *YM Pluto*, was also diverted to the *Atlantik*



Confidence's position and was able to pick up all 21 of the *Atlantik Confidence's* crew.

The vessel remains partially submerged and is drifting not under command. We understand the vessel's owners have retained Smit Salvage to provide salvage assistance under Lloyd's Open Form of Salvage with the SCOPIIC clause incorporated and invoked. The salvors have tugs in Oman and they are proceeding to the vessel's last known position.

Assuming the salvors are successful and bring the ship and cargo to a place of safety, the salvaged property will have a liability in respect of salvage. Given the condition of the vessel it is also likely that the cargo will have to go forward on an alternative vessel and a GA declaration is also anticipated.

CASUALTY FOLLOW UP

Danio – refloated on 28 March and was towed to Blyth, Scotland where she remains. The cargo will have to go forward on an alternative vessel

Jago – was successfully refloated on 26 March and, following an inspection at Svendborg, she was cleared to continue her voyage

CMA CGM Florida – the vessel's owners have declared General Average and have appointed Albatross Adjusters in Cyprus as GA Adjusters. Roose+Partners are instructed by part cargo interests to investigate the casualty, defend the GA claim and pursue the recovery of losses against both the carrying and colliding vessels.



Amsterdam Bridge – is expected to finally be allowed to berth in Shanghai on 8 April 2013 to commence discharge of her cargo

NEW CASUALTIES

Vega Taurus

Bulk carrier, built 2011, 57,000 dwt

Date of Casualty 27 March 2013

Voyage Caleta Coloso, Chile to Tuticorin, India

Cargo Copper Concentrate

Type of Casualty Grounding in Smyth Canal

Type of Claim GA declaration – Roose+Partners are instructed by cargo interests to investigate and defend the GA claim

Sirius

Bulk carrier, built 2001, 7,567 dwt

Date of Casualty 28 March 2013

Voyage Mariupol, Ukraine to Brest, France

Cargo Sunflower seeds

Type of Casualty Engine breakdown. Taken in tow to Vega by tug *Dona Inda* owned by Salvamento Marítimo

Type of Claim Possible salvage claim by Salvamento Marítimo and/or GA declaration

Aquafortune

Bulk carrier, built 2011, 174,000 dwt

Date of Casualty 28 March 2013

Voyage Richards Bay, South Africa to Zonguldak, Turkey

Cargo 170,000 tons of coal

Type of Casualty Grounding 1km off Eren Port, Zonguldak

Type of Claim Possible salvage claim by local salvors and/or GA declaration

S. Rafael

General cargo vessel, built 2000, 5,539 dwt

Date of Casualty 30 March 2013

Voyage Rotterdam, Netherlands to Reykjavik, Iceland

Cargo General cargo

Type of Casualty Engine breakdown, repairs being carried out at Rotterdam

Type of Claim Possible GA declaration



Varcan Marmara

Date of Casualty 30 March 2013

Voyage Huelva, Spain to Augusta, Italy

Cargo 3,450 m/t of biodiesel

Type of Casualty The vessel was immobilized due to engine failure North of Skikda, Algeria. Salvage services were provided under LOF by Tsaviliris Salvage

Type of Claim LOF salvage claim

CSK Glory

Bulk carrier, built 2002, 173,044 dwt

Date of Casualty 30 March 2013

Voyage Apendare to Kalundborg, Denmark

Cargo Coal

Type of Casualty Explosion in engine room. Towed to Frederica for repairs. Assistance was provided on commercial terms

Type of Claim Possible GA declaration

Sea Star 1

Date of Casualty 2 April 2013

Voyage Vanino, Russia to Taicang, China

Cargo Unknown

Type of Casualty Engine breakdown in Sea of Japan

Type of Claim Salvage and/or possible GA declaration

LOF NEWS

Over the first quarter of 2013 there have been 15 LOF Salvage Contracts reported to Lloyd's Salvage Arbitration Branch. This compares to the first quarter of last year when 14 LOF cases were listed.