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VESSEL DATA:

---Involved Parties---

Vessel Name: MARGARA
Primary VIN: 9164213
Flag State: CAYMAN ISLANDS
Classification Society: American Bureau of Shipping
Owner: MARGARA SHIPPING LTD
Operator: ERNST JACOB
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---Vessel Specifics---

Service/ Tank Ship
Gross Tons(GT ITC)/ 40705
Hailing Port/ GEORGE TOWN, CAYMAN ISLAND
Propulsion/ Diesel Direct
Gross Tons(GRT)/
Date Keel Laid/ 28Nov1997
Route/ OO: Oceans
Deadweight Ton/ 60913
Date Delivered/ 24Aug1999
Ahead HorsePower/ 1124
Length/ 748.7 FT (ITC)/ 748.5 FT
Hull Material/ Steel
Astern HorsePower/ 1065
Super Structure Color/
Hull Color/
Class/ Tank Ship
Type/ Petroleum Oil Tank Ship
SubType/ Oil Products Tank Ship

COAST GUARD POLLUTION REPORTS:

R 271244Z APR 06 ZUI ASN-A11117000004
FM COMCOGARD SECTOR SAN JUAN PR
TO CCGDSEVEN MIAMI FL//M/CC//
INFO COMCOGARD NPFC WASHINGTON DC
COMDT COGARD WASHINGTON DC//G-MOR//
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COMCOGARD MLC LANT NORFOLK VA//FCP2//
COMCOGARD SECTOR SAN JUAN PR
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COGARD NSFCC ELIZABETH CITY NC

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OPER/SAN JUAN, SAN JUAN, PR//

MSGID/SITREP/COGARD SECTOR SAN JUAN PR//

SUBJ/ SITREP-POL ONE/VESSEL CASUALTY/POTENTIAL MAJOR/LOW

PROBABILITY/GUAYANILLA, PR/MISLE# 285946

RMKS/1. SITUATION.

A. OVERVIEW: 27APR06 SECTOR SAN JUAN RCVD REPORT FROM GUAYANILLA PILOT THAT T/V MARGARA WAS AGROUND AT POSN. 17° 57'N BY 066° 43.6'W (APPROX. 3NM SE GUAYANILLA, PR). VSL WAS AWAITING PILOT TO TRANSIT TO CORCO OIL FACILITY AT TIME OF GROUNDING. THE PILOT WAS NOT O/B WHEN THE GROUNDING OCCURRED. VESSEL IS CARRYING 308,809 BBLs OF #6 OIL WITH DOUBLE BOTTOM/SIDE CONSTRUCTION. SECTOR SJ INSTRUCTED VESSEL TO ACTIVATE THEIR VESSEL RESPONSE PLAN. AT THIS TIME THERE ARE NO SIGNS OF ANY RELEASE OF PRODUCT INTO THE WATER. VESSEL CREW CONDUCTED SOUNDINGS IN ALL TANKS AND REPORTED NO LOSS OF PRODUCT. BALLAST TANKS APPEAR TO BE DRY. CREW IS CONDUCTING PERIODIC SOUNDINGS OF ALL BALLAST AND CARGO TANKS. SECTOR DEPUTY CMDR, VSL INSPECTION, POLLUTION RESPONSE, AND INITIAL INCIDENT MGT TEAM HAVE DEPLOYED TO STAND UP A UNIFIED COMMAND AT CORCO FACILITY, GUAYANILLA PR. VESSEL COMPLETED ALCOHOL TESTS TO 06 CREW MEMBERS THAT WERE ON DUTY AT THE TIME OF INCIDENT WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS. INSPECTOR O/S REPORTED THAT THE VESSEL IS SLIGHTLY MOVING FROM PORT TO STARBOARD. ATON CHECK TO BE COMPLETED. INVESTIGATION INTO CAUSE OF GROUNDING ONGOING.

B. O/S WX: CLOUDY SKIES, 75 DEGREES, WINDS LIGHT AND VARIABLE, VISIBILITY 10 MILES.

C. CG RESOURCES SUMMARY: 10 SECTOR SAN JUAN PERSONNEL AND 02 GV'S.

D. ECONOMIC IMPACT: NONE.

E. MEDIA INTEREST: MEDIUM.

F. CASUALTY INFORMATION: VESSEL IS AGROUND AT APPROXIMATELY 17° 57'N BY 066° 43.6'W. INVESTIGATION IS IN PROCESS.

G. INCIDENT/UNIFIED COMMAND STATUS: UNIFIED COMMAND WILL BE STOOD UP AT CORCO FACILITY, GUAYANILLA PR.

2. ACTION TAKEN:

A. 27 0515Z APR 06:RCVD A CALL FM ALEX CRUZ FROM PRACTICO COMPANY, 787 642-4307 TO NOTIFY THAT MOTOR TANKER MARGARA IS AGROUND SOUTH OF TALLABOIA, PR. M/V HAS #6 FUEL/OIL.

B. 0529Z: PILOT REPORTED THAT VSL WAS TRYING TO COME OFF THE REEF.

C. 0530Z: SECTOR SJ INSTRUCTED VSL TO NOT CONDUCT ANY INTENTS TO COME OFF THE REEF.

D. 0534Z: BRIEF D7.

E. 0620Z: VESSEL MASTER REPORTS THE DRAFT PRIOR TO THE GROUNDING WAS 11.28 METERS, CURRENT DRAFT IS 11.2 METERS.

F. 1015Z: VSL QUALIFY INDIVIDUAL IS MAKING ARRANGEMENTS TO GET CONTRACTORS AND SALVAGE COMPANY O/S.

G. 1115Z: ORDERED TUGS TO STAY O/S TO REDUCE VSL SWING.

3. ADDITIONAL INFO.

A. FPN/CPN INFORMATION: N/A.

B. FPN CEILING/CONTRACTOR COSTS/COAST GUARD COSTS: N/A

4. FUTURE PLANS AND RECOMMENDATIONS:

A. AWAITING TO FINISH PRELIMINARY INVESTIGATION.

B. STAND UP UNIFIED COMMAND AT CORCO FACILITY, GUAYANILLA PR.

C. INVESTIGATION FOR CAUSE CONTINUES.

D. AWAITING TO COMPLETE ATON CHECK.

E. CONTRACTOR AND SALVAGE O/S.
5. CASE STATUS: PENDING.
6. POC: SECTOR MARINE SAFETY AND SECURITY DUTY OFFICER (MSSDO):
(787) 501-7678; COMMAND CENTER (787)289-2041
7. INTERNET USE AUTHORIZED.
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SUBJ/ SITREP-POL TWO/TV MARGARA, AGROUND GUAYANILLA PR
CASUALTY/POTENTIAL
MAJOR/LOW
PROBABILITY/GUAYANILLA, PR/MISLE# 285946
RMKS/1. SITUATION.

A. 271900Q APR 06 T/V MARGARA REMAINS AGROUND AND IN STABLE
CONDITION WITH NO LOSS OF OIL CARGO. VSL IS LOCATED IN EXTREMELY
ENVIRONMENTALLY SENSITIVE SOUTH COAST OF PR AT POSN. 17° 57 032'N
BY 066° 43 723'W (APPROX. 1NM SE GUAYANILLA, PR). UNIFIED COMMAND
HAS BEEN ESTABLISHED NEAR GROUNDING AT CORCO REFINARY. RP HAS HIRED
NATIONAL RESPONSE CORP. (NRC) AS OSRO, TITAN MARINE AS SALVAGE
CONTRACTOR, AND HAS QI AND MANAGEMENT TEAM ON SCENE. SAFETY ZONE
ESTABLISHED 600 YDS AROUND VSL. PORT OF GUYANILLA REMAINS OPEN TO
COMMERCIAL TRAFFIC UNDER CLOSE MONITORING/CONTROL OF CG. THREE TUGS
DEPLOYED TO STABILIZE VSL AND TO MAINTAIN CONTROL SHOULD VESSEL
REFLOAT DURING FIRST HIGH TIDE. VSL REMAINED AGROUND THROUGH TIDAL
CYCLE. LIMITED SURVEY OF HULL COMPLETED WITH NO INDICATION OF
DAMAGE DUE TO GROUNDING. VSL CARRYING APPROX 315,693 BBLs OF #6
OIL. VSL CREW CONDUCTING SOUNDINGS IN ALL TANKS EVERY TWO HOURS AND
HAS REPORTED NO LOSS OF PRODUCT OR TAKING ON OF WATER. BALLAST
TANKS APPEAR TO BE DRY. INSPECTOR O/S REPORTED THAT THE VESSEL IS
SLIGHTLY MOVING FROM PORT TO STARBOARD. ATON CHECK COMPLETED AND
RPTD ALL NAV-AIDS IN AREA WATCHING PROPERLY. INVESTIGATION INTO
CAUSE OF GROUNDING CONTINUES.

B. O/S WX: CLOUDY SKIES, 75 DEGREES, WINDS LIGHT AND
VARIABLE, VISIBILITY 10 MILES.

C. CG RESOURCES SUMMARY: 13 SECTOR SAN JUAN
PERSONNEL AND 05 GV'S AND 1 55' BUOY TENDER.

D. ECONOMIC IMPACT: NONE.
E. MEDIA INTEREST: MEDIUM.
F. CASUALTY INFORMATION: VESSEL IS AGROUND AT APPROXIMATELY
17° 57 032'N BY 066° 43 723'W.
G. INCIDENT/UNIFIED COMMAND STATUS: UNIFIED COMMAND HAS BEEN
STOOD UP AT CORCO FACILITY, GUAYANILLA PR.

2. ACTION TAKEN:

A. 271045QAPR06: SECOND ATTEMPT TO PULL VESSEL FROM REEF WITH
TUGS FAILS.
B. 1115Q: CG 55' BUOY TENDER CONDUCTS DEPTH SOUNDINGS AROUND
VESSEL.
C. 1200Q: CG CONDUCTS PRELIMINARY INVESTIGATION ON BOARD
VESSEL. INVESTIGATION IS ONGOING.
D. 1430Q: PRESS CONFERENCE HELD IN GUAYANILLA MUNICIPAL
POLICE STATION.
E. 1650Q: OWNER/OPERATOR REPRESENTATIVE DEVELOP STRATEGY AND
BEGIN READYING 21" BOOM AT STAGING AREA FOR DEPLOYMENT AROUND
VESSEL AND NEARBY ENVIRONMENTALLY SENSITIVE CAYS AT FIRST LIGHT.
F. 1700Q: ANALYSIS OF VESSEL'S GROUNDED STATE IS COMPLETED TO
SUPPORT DEVELOPMENT OF A SALVAGE PLAN.
G. 1730Q: INITIAL UNIFIED COMMAND INCIDENT BRIEF HELD WITH
OWNER OPERATOR REPS AND AREA RESOURCE TRUSTEES AT CORCO REFINERY
FACILITY, GUAYANILLA, PUERTO RICO. SALVAGE OPTIONS DISCUSSED, WITH
INTENT TO HAVE TITAN SALVAGE COMPANY DEVELOP FULL SALVAGE PLAN FOR
REVIEW BY CG MSC AND FOSC FOR APPROVAL. TITAN SALVAGE CO. HAS BEEN
HIRED BY VSL TO PERFORM SALVAGE OPERATIONS.

3. ADDITIONAL INFO.

A. FPN/CPN INFORMATION: N/A.
B. FPN CEILING/CONTRACTOR COSTS/COAST GUARD COSTS: \$20,000.00
C. BURNING RATE/FUND EXPENDITURES: \$2,500.00

4. FUTURE PLANS AND RECOMMENDATIONS:

A. DEPLOY BOOM AROUND VESSEL AND NEARBY CAYS IDENTIFIED AS
SENSITIVE SITES THE MORNING OF 28APR06.
C. COMPLETE SALVAGE PLAN.
D. BARGE BB110 TO ARRIVE EVENING OF 28APR06 FOR LIGHTERING
OPERATIONS OF 4000MT OF NO. 6 FUEL OIL. LIGHTERING EXPECTED TO LAST
12 HRS.
E. VESSEL TO CONTINUE SOUNDINGS EVERY TWO HOURS.
F. CG 55' BUOY TENDER TO CONTINUE DEPTH SOUNDING AROUND
VESSEL DURING LIGHTERING OPERATIONS OR AS NEEDED.

5. POC: SECTOR MARINE SAFETY AND SECURITY DUTY OFFICER
(MSSDO): 787) 501-7678; COMMAND CENTER (787)289-2041

6. CASE STATUS: PENDING.

7. INTERNET USE AUTHORIZED.

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SUBJ/ SITREP-POL THREE AND FINAL/TV MARGARA, AGROUND GUAYANILLA PR,
PR/MISLE# 285946

CASUALTY/POTENTIAL: MAJOR/PROBABILITY: LOW

RMKS/1. SITUATION.

A. 281200APR06 DURING INCOMING TIDE, T/V MARGARA REFLOATED AND
MOVED APPROXIMATELY A SINGLE SHIP'S DISTANCE TOWARDS SHORE BUT
REMAINED AGROUND PRIOR TO THE COMMENCEMENT OF PLANNED LIGHTERING
OPERATIONS. DECISION WAS MADE BY UNIFIED COMMAND TO ATTEMPT TO FREE
VESSEL UTILIZING THE ASSISTANCE OF THREE TUG BOATS. LOCAL PILOT, CG
AND OWNER REPRESENTATIVES WERE ON BOARD AND THE VESSEL WORKED
HERSELF FREE AT 1226Q. INCIDENT COMMANDER THEN DIRECTED VESSEL TO
SEA UNTIL AGREEMENT COULD BE REACHED WITHIN UNIFIED COMMAND TO
BRING VESSEL INTO WELL PROTECTED GUAYANILLA BAY TO CONDUCT INITIAL
DIVE SURVEY OF HULL. AGREEMENT WAS REACHED AND INITIAL HULL SURVEY
COMPLETED W/NO SIGNIFICANT DAMAGE NOTED BY DIVERS. VESSEL IS
CURRENTLY AT ANCHORAGE IN GUAYANILLA, PR AWAITING FINAL CLASS (ABS)
HULL SURVEY AND DETERMINATION OF FINAL DISPOSITION OF VSL BY OCM1.
SOUNDINGS OF CARGO/OIL TANKS CONTINUES EVERY TWO HOURS. NO
DISCHARGE OF OIL OR TAKING ON OF WATER HAS BEEN OBSERVED.

B. O/S WX: CLOUDY SKIES, 75 DEGREES, WINDS LIGHT AND
VARIABLE, VISIBILITY 10 MILES.

C. CG RESOURCES SUMMARY: 13 SECTOR SAN JUAN
PERSONNEL AND 05 GV'S AND 1 55' BUOY TENDER.

D. ECONOMIC IMPACT: NONE.

E. MEDIA INTEREST: MEDIUM.

F. CASUALTY INFORMATION: VESSEL IS STABLE AND CURRENTLY AT
ANCHORAGE IN GUAYANILLA BAY, PR.

G. INCIDENT/UNIFIED COMMAND STATUS: UNIFIED COMMAND IS IN THE
PROCESS OF STANDING DOWN AS FINAL INCIDENT BRIEF WAS HELD AT 0830
ON 28APR06.

2. ACTION TAKEN:

A. 272150QAPR06: CG AND OWNER REP ON BOARD REPORTED MOVEMENT OF
VESSEL APPROXIMATELY 700 FEET TOWARDS SHORE.

B. 2205Q: SOUTH PUERTO RICO TOWING CONTACTED BY UNIFIED COMMAND AND
DISPATCHED TWO ADDITIONAL TUGS TO SCENE OF GROUNDING (THREE TOTAL)
TO ASSIST VESSEL TO FREE ITSELF FROM SEA BOTTOM.

C. 2250Q: LOCAL PILOT UNDERWAY TO ASSIST VESSEL MOVEMENT.

D. 280830QAPR06: INCIDENT BRIEF CONDUCTED WITH UNIFIED
COMMAND/TRUSTEES. AGREEMENT REACHED WITH STATE, OWNER REPS AND
TRUSTEES TO BRING VESSEL IN TO ANCHORAGE AT GUAYANILLA BAY TO
CONDUCT PRELIMINARY UNDERWATER HULL SURVEY VIA DIVE TEAM. OWNER REP
TO MAINTAIN ADEQUATE SUPPLY OF 21" BOOM AT STAGING AREA.

E. 0930Q: CG NAVIGATION SAFETY CHECK CONDUCTED ON BOARD VESSEL WITH
NO DISCREPANCIES OBSERVED.

F. 1010Q: LOCAL PILOT ON BOARD TO GUIDE VESSEL TO ANCHORAGE.

G 1048Q: VESSEL ANCHORED AT GUAYANILLA BAY AND AWAITING ARRIVAL OF
DIVE SURVEY.

H. 1305Q: INITIAL UNDERWATER HULL SURVEY COMMENCES.

I. 1345Q: INCIDENT CMD POST STOOD DOWN, INCIDENT CONTROL
TRANSFERRED TO SSJ CC.

J. 1545Q: UNDERWATER HULL SURVEY COMPLETED UNDER SUPERVISION OF USCG PERSONNEL AND OWNER'S REPRESENTATIVE. PORT AND STARBOARD BOTTOM SHELL PLATING EXAMINED AND VIDEOTAPED W/NO DAMAGE REPORTED, ONLY COSMETIC DAMAGE NOTED (PAINT SCRAPINGS). RUDDER AND PROPELLER REMAIN INTACT. FURTHER EXAMINATION BY CLASS SOCIETY (ABS) PENDING.

3. ADDITIONAL INFO.

A. FPN/CPN INFORMATION: N/A.

B. FPN CEILING/CONTRACTOR COSTS/COAST GUARD COSTS: \$20,000.00.

C. BURNING RATE/FUND EXPENDITURES: \$3,500.00.

4. FUTURE PLANS AND RECOMMENDATIONS:

A. COMPLETE DIVE SURVEY OF VESSEL HULL. ONCE HULL IS DETERMINED TO BE IN SATISFACTORY CONDITION, MOVE VESSEL TO CORCO PIER FOR OFFLOAD OF NO. 6 FUEL OIL.

B. VESSEL TO RETURN TO ANCHORAGE FOR FINAL CLASS (ABS) HULL SURVEY. THIS MAY INVOLVE A SECOND UNDERWATER HULL SURVEY. THIS SECOND TEAM OF DIVERS, UNLIKE THE FIRST, ARE CERTIFIED BY CLASS SOCIETY TO PERFORM UNDERWATER WORK ON BEHALF OF ABS, AND REQUIRED FOR OFFICIAL ABS ASSESSMENT. UPON REVIEW OF SURVEY AND CLASS REPORT OCMI WILL DETERMINE FINAL DISPOSITION OF VSL.

5. POC: SECTOR MARINE SAFETY AND SECURITY DUTY OFFICER

(MSSDO): (787) 501-7678; COMMAND CENTER (787)289-2041

6. CASE STATUS: CLOSED.

7. INTERNET USE AUTHORIZED.

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