



The general cargo multipurpose ship m/v LITTLE STAR, IMO 8897813, sailing the Georgian Flag arrived at the Szczecin port in West Poland on 30 April 2006. The ship is 1697 gross tonnage and keel laid in 1985.

Because her Target Factor was over 50 the Little Star was inspected immediately on arrival. Two PSCOs found the class and statutory certificates issued by the Russian Maritime Register of Shipping valid.

During the inspection 18 deficiencies were found. The list of deficiencies included among others:

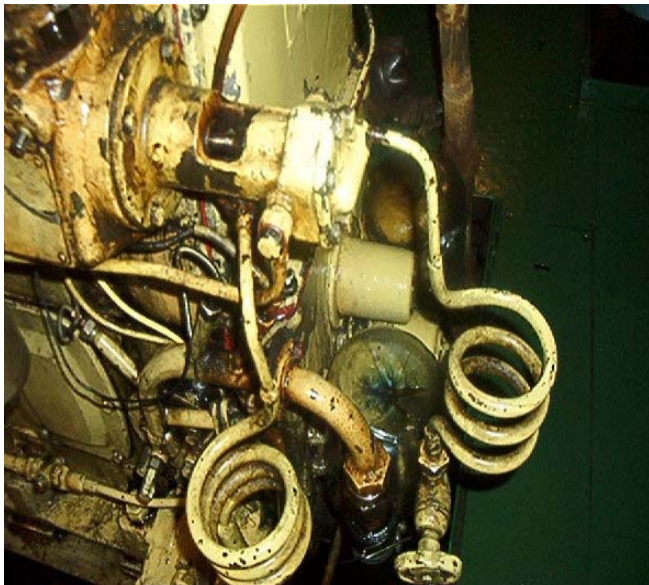
- protection against flooding (bilge high level alarm) was out of order;
- ISPS locks outside escape doors and covers were not provided;
- restricted areas were not fully marked
- permanently marking of IMO number was missing;
- ISM maintenance of ship and equipment was not accurate;
- main engine no. 1 corroded sea water cooling pipe was temporarily patched by rubber and wire;
- auxiliary engine no. 3 fuel oil leaked, any protection was missing;
- protection of the safety guards etc. was missing
- some of the manholes covers, aire and pipe was not watertight, gasket was broken and screw bolts were missing;
- safety boots for the crew were missing.



*Cooling water pipe corroded*



*Fuel oil leak – screen missing*



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*Insulation screen missing*



*Water hose and electric wires through fire flap*



*Fire valve handle missing*



*Pump safety guard missing*



*Screw bolts and safety boots missing*

The ship was surveyed by two inspectors of the Russian Maritime Register of Shipping until departure. Detention was conditionally raised for other corroded main engine sea water cooling pipes.

The Little Star left the port on 2 May 2006. At present here Target Factor is 115.