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**LESSONS LEARNED AND SAFETY ISSUES IDENTIFIED FROM THE ANALYSIS OF MARINE SAFETY INVESTIGATION REPORTS**

**Bulk Carrier Casualty Report 2015-2024**

**Submitted by INTERCARGO**

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| **SUMMARY** | |
| *Executive summary:* | This document provides information on bulk carrier casualty statistics and analysis between the years 2015 and 2024. |
| *Strategic direction:* | 7 |
| *Output:* | 7.4 |
| *Action to be taken:* | Paragraph 5 |
| *Related documents:* | None |

**Introduction**

1. The INTERCARGO Bulk Carrier Casualty Report provides an analysis of casualty statistics covering the past 10 years from 2015 to 2024, during which it was reported that twenty (20) bulk carriers over 10,000 dwt were lost with a loss of life of 89 seafarers\*. Cargo liquefaction remains the greatest contributor to loss of life and grounding remains the greatest cause of ship losses.
2. Significant loss of life has been attributed to cargo liquefaction, with three (3) casualties (15% of the total) resulting in the highest loss of lives: 55 or 61.8% of the total loss of life in the past ten years.
3. The most common reported cause of ship losses has been grounding, with nine (9) losses or 45 % of total losses.
4. Learning lessons from incidents and casualties and the sharing of experience have proven to be effective in raising safety awareness. The full Bulk Carrier Casualty Report can be downloaded from the webpage: <https://www.intercargo.org/imo-iii-paper-2025/>.

**Action requested of the Sub-Committee**

1. The Sub-Committee is invited to take note of the analysis, trends and availability of investigation reports, and to consider how this information might be taken into account in deliberations on bulk carrier safety and lessons learnt from past incidents.

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