2015 has seen an increase in the number of LOF contracts agreed and this must come as welcome news to the salvage industry. We are pleased to provide this Supplement to the Casualty Newsletter which provides details of all the LOF matters reported to Lloyd's Salvage Arbitration Branch throughout this year.

During 2015 there have been 49 LOF contracts reported to Lloyd's Salvage Arbitration Branch, a figure which is significantly up on last year's (all-time low) of 31 contract although still lower than the 2013 figure. It is a requirement under the LOF (2011) contract that the salvors notify Lloyd's within 14 days of their engagement to render services under the LOF agreement so it is hoped these figures are accurate.

Of the 49 LOF contracts reported, some 13 of the casualties prompted the salvors to invoke the SCOPIC clause which provides for the salvage remuneration due under the contract to be assessed in two ways, by reference to the Article 13 criteria and on the basis of tariff rates. In addition some of the LOF contracts agreed, including the ongoing salvage operation to the , incorporated further provisions governing the salvage remuneration due and altering the way the salvage reward is calculated.

The list below provides details of the casualties. Almost all of these have at some point been reported on in our Casualty Newsletter and we include below the editions where any reference to the casualties has been made. Over the course of the year there have been 26 groundings, 11 casualties where the vessels had suffered technical difficulties including two where water or fire had resulted in the engine breakdowns. Three of the contracts involved fire-fighting services, two followed structural failure and one resulted from a collision with the affected vessel eventually sinking. Five of the LOFs reported relate to salvage services performed to yachts and the salvors were tug owners rather than professional salvors, with the exception of the Elizabeth which was assisted by Resolve.

### Lloyd’s Open Form Contracts reported in 2015

**Poe Giant 12**  
Pontoon, Built 2006, 2,309 gt  
**Date of Casualty**: 31 December 2014  
**Voyage**: Singapore to Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia  
**Cargo**: Bulk cargo  
**Type of Casualty**: Grounding off Singapore, Singapore  
**Type of Claim**: Hull and cargo damage, LOF salvage claim and SCOPIC invoked  
**LOF Salvors**: T&T Salvage  
**Resolve Marine Group Editions**: 92, 93, 105, 118 & 131  
**P&I Gard**: Gard

**Helene Rickmers**  
Fully cellular containership, IMO 9144158, Built 1998, 23,106 dwt  
**Date of Casualty**: 2 January 2015  
**Voyage**: Atoatou to Lea, Papua New Guinea  
**Cargo**: General cargo containers  
**Type of Casualty**: Grounding off Papua New Guinea  
**Type of Claim**: Hull damage, LOF salvage claim and General Average declaration  
**LOF Salvors**: T&T Salvage  
**Editions**: 94, 105, 118 & 131

**Hoega Osaka**  
Vehicle carrier, IMO 9185463, Built 2000, 16,286 dwt  
**Date of Casualty**: 3 January 2015  
**Voyage**: Southampton, UK to Bremerhaven, Germany  
**Cargo**: 1,400 cars, buses and heavy plant equipment  
**Type of Casualty**: Grounding off Southampton  
**Type of Claim**: Hull and cargo damage, LOF salvage claim with SCOPIC invoked  
**LOF Salvors**: Svitzer Salvage BV  
**Resolve Marine Group Editions**: 93, 94, 95, 96, 97, 98, 105, 118 & 131

**Magellan Spirit**  
Liquid natural gas carrier, IMO 9342487, Built 2009, 82,266 dwt  
**Date of Casualty**: 5 January 2015  
**Voyage**: Bonny, Nigeria to Guangyang, South Korea  
**Cargo**: LNG  
**Type of Casualty**: Grounded off Bonny  
**Type of Claim**: Hull damage, LOF salvage claim and General Average declaration  
**LOF Salvors**: T&T Salvage  
**Editions**: 93, 94, 95, 96, 97, 98, 105, 118 & 131

**Kiran**  
Bulk carrier, IMO 9000649, Built 1994, 165,288 dwt  
**Date of Casualty**: 16 January 2015  
**Voyage**: Ukraine to China  
**Cargo**: Iron ore fines  
**Type of Casualty**: Grounded in the Suez Canal  
**Type of Claim**: LOF salvage claim  
**LOF Salvors**: Titan Maritime LLC  
**Editions**: 101, 105, 107, 118 & 131

**Mare**  
General cargo vessel, IMO 8411671, Built 1985, 1,494 dwt  
**Date of Casualty**: 13 January 2015  
**Voyage**: Lamaca, Cyprus to Kalymnos, Greece  
**Cargo**: General cargo  
**Type of Casualty**: Grounding at the port of Limassol, Cyprus  
**Type of Claim**: LOF salvage claim  
**LOF Salvors**: Spanopoulos Tugs Maritime Co  
**Editions**: 101, 105, 118 & 131

**Piraeus V**  
Cassion barge, No other details  
**Date of Casualty**: 29 January 2015  
**Voyage**: No details  
**Cargo**: No details  
**Type of Casualty**: Grounded whilst off Kattipalai, Crete in heavy weather, The vessel was abandoned by her crew  
**Type of Claim**: LOF salvage claim  
**LOF Salvors**: Helikon Salvage Tugs Maritime Co  
**Editions**: 94, 95, 96, 97, 98, 105, 118 & 131

**Andromeda S**  
General cargo vessel, IMO 8205216, Built 1983, 3,170 dwt  
**Date of Casualty**: 26 January 2015  
**Voyage**: Istanbul, Turkey to Tarragona, Spain  
**Cargo**: 1,500 m³ of Eltitor-48  
**Type of Casualty**: Engine failure north of Malorca  
**Type of Claim**: Possible salvage type claim and/or General Average declaration  
**LOF Salvors**: Tsaviris Salvage  
**Editions**: 98, 105, 118 & 131

**Umm Salal**  
Fully cellular containership, IMO 9525857, Built 2011, 145,329 dwt  
**Date of Casualty**: 31 January 2015  
**Voyage**: Antwerp, Belgium to Le Havre, France  
**Cargo**: General containership  
**Type of Casualty**: Grounding on the River Scheldt following engine failure  
**Type of Claim**: LOF salvage claim  
**LOF Salvors**: URS  
**Editions**: 97, 98, 105, 118 & 131

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Eastern Amber 
General cargo vessel, IMO 9570084, Built 2011, 8,532 dwt
Date of Casualty 4 March 2015
Voyage Incheon to Busan, South Korea
Cargo Logs
Type of Casualty Collison off Gunsan, Korea with the sand barge Daeung No.7. An LOF contract was agreed but subsequently was amended to an alternative contract. The vessel ultimately sunk.
Type of Claim Collision damage and LOF salvage claim with SCOPIC invoked
LOF Salvors The Nippon Salvage Co Ltd Editions 102, 105, 118 & 131

Northern Light 
Bulk carrier, IMO 9412945, Built 2007, 28,415 dwt
Date of Casualty 13 March 2015
Voyage Guayaquil, Cuba to Klaipeda, Lithuania
Cargo 25,155 m/t of raw bulk sugar
Type of Casualty Grounding 22 miles from Guayaquil, Cuba
Type of Claim LOF salvage claim and possible General Average declaration
LOF Salvors Antilla de Salvamento Editions 104, 105, 118 & 131

United Stars 
Bulk carrier, IMO 9100097, Built 1995, 43,991 dwt
Date of Casualty 26 March 2015
Voyage Venice, Russia to Monk, Indonesia and Chittagong, Bangladesh
Cargo Steel billets
Type of Claim Fire damage, LOF salvage claim and passenger claims
LOF Salvors Smit Salvage BV Editions 109, 110, 111, 118, 124 & 131
P&I Gard

Sea-Land Meteor 
Fully cellular containership, IMO 9622227, Built 2015, 124,279 dwt
Date of Casualty 23 April 2015
Voyage Antwerp, Belgium to Le Havre, France and South America
Cargo General containerised cargo
Type of Casualty Grounding off the coast of Zeeland
Type of Claim LOF salvage claim
LOF Salvors URS Editions 109, 118 & 131
P&I UK Club

Cap San Lorenzo 
Fully cellular containership, IMO 9106209, Built 1996, 69,938 dwt
Date of Casualty 31 March 2015
Voyage Rotterdam, Netherlands to Antwerp, Belgium
Cargo General containerised cargo
Type of Casualty Grounding on the Watten Schiff in poor weather
Type of Claim LOF salvage claim and General Average declaration
LOF Salvors Multiship & URS Editions 105, 106, 118 & 131

Sorrento 
Passenger ro-ro, IMO 9264312, Built 2003, 3,000 dwt
Date of Casualty 28 April 2015
Voyage Palma de Majorca to Valencia, Spain
Cargo Car
Type of Casualty Fire whilst off Dragonera Island. The passengers were evacuated to the lifeboats
Type of Claim Fire damage, LOF salvage claim and passenger claims
LOF Salvors Smit Salvage BV Editions 109, 110, 111, 118, 124 & 131
P&I Gard

Vanguard 
General cargo vessel, IMO 9224116, Built 2000, 3,300 dwt
Date of Casualty 7 March 2015
Voyage St Nazaire, France to Waterford, UK
Cargo 3,000 m/t of citrus
Type of Casualty Engine problems and adrift off Guernsey, Tug Abeille Bourbon assisted having proceeded from Brest.
Type of Claim LOF salvage claim
LOF Salvors Les Abeilles Towage & Salvage Editions 102, 105, 118 & 131

Northern Light 
Bulk carrier, IMO 9412945, Built 2007, 28,415 dwt
Date of Casualty 13 March 2015
Voyage Guayaquil, Cuba to Klaipeda, Lithuania
Cargo 25,155 m/t of raw bulk sugar
Type of Casualty Grounding 22 miles from Guayaquil, Cuba
Type of Claim LOF salvage claim and possible General Average declaration
LOF Salvors Antilla de Salvamento Editions 104, 105, 118 & 131

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Type of Casualty Engine problems and adrift off Guernsey, Tug Abeille Bourbon assisted having proceeded from Brest.
Type of Claim LOF salvage claim
LOF Salvors Les Abeilles Towage & Salvage Editions 102, 105, 118 & 131

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Troll Solution
Drill platform, IMO 8770038, Built 2010, 2,372 dwt
Date of Casualty | 5 May 2015 |
Type of Casualty | Failure of one of the platform legs resulting in a partial collapse of the structure |
Type of Claim | LOF salvage claim with SCOPIC invoked |
LOF Salvors | Smit Salvage Americas LLC |
Editions | 111, 118 & 131 |

Skopelos
Product tanker, IMO 9254862, Built 2003, 70,146 dwt
Date of Casualty | 9 May 2015 |
Voyage | Las Palmas |
Cargo | 2,722 dwt |
Type of Casualty | Fire in the engine control room whilst 800nm west of Las Palmas |
Type of Claim | LOF salvage claim |
LOF Salvors | Smit Salvage Americas LLC |
Editions | 111, 118 & 131 |

Navios Kypros
Bulk carrier, IMO 9254721, Built 2003, 55,222 dwt
Date of Casualty | 9 June 2015 - Late Notification |
Voyage | Xingang, China to Acuarta, El Salvador |
Cargo | 110, 112, 118 & 131 |
Type of Casualty | Structural damage, loss of life and LOF salvage claim |
Type of Claim | LOF salvage claim |
LOF Salvors | Towiris Salvage |
Editions | 117, 118 & 131 |
P&I | North of England |

Alam Manis
Bulk carrier, IMO 9397634, Built 2007, 55,682 dwt
Date of Casualty | 17 July 2015 |
Voyage | Lome, Mexico to Lianyungang, China |
Cargo | 32,735 m³ of bulk nickel ore |
Type of Casualty | Type of Casualty: Grounding in Northern Luzon, Philippines |
Type of Claim | LOF salvage claim with SCOPIC invoked, possible General Average declaration, loss of life claim |
LOF Salvors | POSH Semco Pte Ltd and T&T Salvage Asia Pte Ltd |
Editions | 121, 122, 131 |
P&I | West of England |

Maersk Seoul
Fully cellular containership, IMO 9306550, Built 2006, 108,344 dwt
Date of Casualty | 21 July 2015 |
Voyage | From Mediterranean Ports |
Cargo | General containerised cargo |
Type of Casualty | Explosion and fire off the Oman |
Type of Claim | LOF salvage claim |
LOF Salvors | Al Mubarak Overseas LLC |
Editions | 121, 122, 123, 124 & 131 |

Wittenbergen
General cargo with container capacity, IMO 9014676, Built 1992, 2,750 dwt
Date of Casualty | 30 July 2015 |
Voyage | Egeus, Turkey to Belfast, Ireland |
Cargo | Steel coils |
Type of Casualty | LOF salvage claim with SCOPIC invoked, possible General Average declaration |
Type of Claim | LOF salvage claim |
LOF Salvors | Svitzer Salvage BV |
Editions | 123, 124 & 131 |
P&I | Nordic |

Starlet
Chemical tanker, IMO 9282687, Built 2003, 10,018 dwt
Date of Casualty | 31 July 2015 |
Voyage | na |
Cargo | na |
Type of Casualty | Type of Casualty: Water ingress into main engine whilst off Hodeidah, Yemen |
Type of Claim | LOF salvage claim with SCOPIC invoked |
LOF Salvors | Five Oceans Salvage Consultants |
Editions | 124 & 131 |

Pebble Beach
Bulk carrier, IMO 9969979, Built 2013, 127,003 dwt
Date of Casualty | 26 August 2015 |
Voyage | Rio Grande to Porto Alegre, Brazil |
Cargo | Barley |
Type of Casualty | LOF salvage claim with possible General Average declaration |
Type of Claim | LOF salvage claim with possible General Average declaration |
LOF Salvors | Five Oceans Salvage |
Editions | 127 & 131 |
P&I | India |

Fair Afroditi
Product tanker, IMO 8447419, Built 2008, 12,756 dwt
Date of Casualty | 15 August 2015 |
Voyage | Lagos, Nigeria to Lome, Togo |
Cargo | in ballast |
Type of Casualty | LOF salvage claim with possible General Average declaration |
Type of Claim | LOF salvage claim |
LOF Salvors | T & T Salvage |
Editions | 124, 125, 126, 131 & 132 |
P&I | Gard |

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Cape Elise
Bulk carrier, IMO 9330824, Built 2005, 17,914 dwt
Date of Casualty 4 September 2015
Voyage Yuzhny, Ukraine to Zhoushan and Jangyan, China
Cargo Wheat
Type of Casualty Machinery breakdown
LOF Salvors Tsavliris Salvage
Editions 128 & 137
P&I London Club

New Hunter
Bulk carrier, IMO 9296781, Built 2002, 46,412 dwt
Date of Casualty 8 October 2015
Voyage Paramaribo, Suriname to Baltimore, USA
Cargo 20,125 m/t of alumina
Type of Casualty Run aground on the Sunframe River
Type of Claim LOF salvage claim
LOF Salvors Tsavliris Salvage
Editions 132
P&I UK Club

Tokyo Spirit
Crude of tanker, IMO 9296377, Built 2003, 146,999 dwt
Date of Casualty 17 October 2015
Voyage Awaiting orders
Cargo In ballast although possible part laden
Type of Casualty Run aground in Cascais Bay near Lisbon, Portugal during stormy weather.
Type of Claim LOF salvage claim and possible hull damage
LOF Salvors Ardent Global
Editions 134 & 135
P&I Gard

Los Lianitos
Bulk carrier, IMO 9945912, Built 1993, 71,731 dwt
Date of Casualty 24 October 2015
Voyage Idumbi, Nigeria to Antwerp, Belgium
Cargo Steel bars
Type of Casualty LOF salvage claim
LOF Salvors Five Oceans Salvage BV and URS Salvage
Editions 132 & 137
P&I UK Club

Voyage Lazaro Cardenas to Manzanillo, Mexico
Cargo In ballast
Type of Casualty Grounded near Barra De Navidad, Mexico
Type of Claim LOF salvage claim
LOF Salvors Five Oceans Salvage
Editions 138
P&I Gard

Anemone
Bulk carrier, IMO 9920324, Built 2007, 30,587 dwt
Date of Casualty 12 November 2015
Voyage Tocopilla, Chile to Bayuquan, China
Cargo Copper concentrates and fertilisers
Type of Casualty Engine breakdown
Type of Claim LOF salvage claim and possible General Average declaration
LOF Salvors Mitsui Salvage BV
Editions 136 & 137
P&I Standard Club

Hanjin Aqua
Fully cellular containership, IMO 9632480, Built 2013, 62,448 dwt
Date of Casualty 4 December 2015
Voyage Brisbane, Sydney, Melbourne and Adelaide, Australia to Jakarta, Indonesia, Port Klang, Malaysia and Singapore
Cargo General containerised cargo (2,303 containers)
Type of Casualty Grounding off Sangang Island in the Sundra Strait. The vessel has a port side list and breached hull.
Type of Claim LOF salvage claim and General Average declaration
LOF Salvors Mitsui Salvage BV
Editions 138
P&I North of England

LOF assistance to Yachts

Mariposa
Semi-Sub Hi Vessel, IMO 8710182, Built 1989, 49,716 dwt
Date of Casualty 28 November 2015
Voyage n/a
Cargo Port gantry cranes
Type of Casualty No details
Type of Claim LOF salvage claim
LOF Salvors Mitsui Salvage BV
P&I North of England

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