

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
DISTRICT OF NEW JERSEY

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA : Hon. Susan D. Wigenton
: :
v. : Case Nos. 13-205 and 13-193 (SDW)
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COLUMBIA SHIPMANAGEMENT :
(DEUTSCHLAND) GmbH and :
COLUMBIA SHIPMANAGEMENT LTD. : ORDER

This matter having been opened to the Court upon motion by Paul J. Fishman, United States Attorney for the District of New Jersey (Kathleen P. O’Leary, Assistant U.S. Attorney, appearing), and the U.S. Department of Justice, Environmental Crimes Section (Richard A. Udell, Senior Counsel, and Stephen Da Ponte, Trial Attorney, appearing), for an order, pursuant to the Act to Prevent Pollution from Ships, Title 33, United States Code, Section 1908(a) (“APPS”), directing that one-half of the criminal fine assessed the defendants in this matter, Columbia Shipmanagement (Deutschland) GmbH and Columbia Shipmanagement Ltd. (Tom Mills, Esq, appearing) (hereinafter, collectively, the “defendants”), be paid to the following nine crew members who served aboard the following vessels:

<i>M/T King Emerald</i>	<i>M/T Nordic Passat</i>	<i>M/V Cape Maas</i>
Edison Dimatulac (Oiler) Rafael Cempron (3 rd Engineer) Jerry Aromin (3 rd Officer)	Lester B. Ledesma (Oiler) Antonio S. Galuno (Oiler) Vicente N. Nebul (3rd Engineer) Kenneth Andrew Avenido (4th Engineer) Alipo J. Papasin (Fitter)	Jonathan G. Panti (Oiler)

(hereinafter, collectively, the “crew members”); and the Court having the authority and discretion to issue a monetary award of up to one half of any criminal fine to those

providing information leading to a conviction under APPS; and based on the entire record of this case, including the government's motion and the previously filed Joint Factual Statement; and the defendants having no objection to the government's motion; and for good and sufficient cause shown;

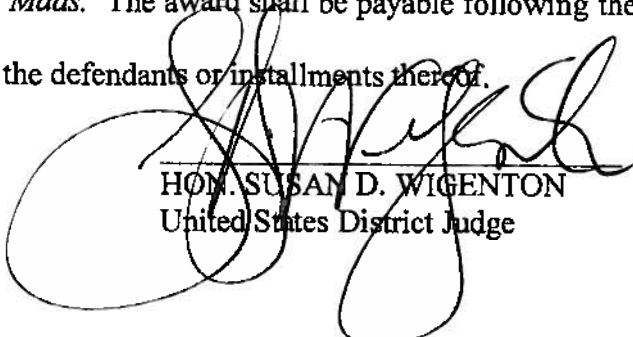
IT IS THE FINDING OF THIS COURT that the government's motion should be granted for the following reasons:

(1) Pursuant to APPS, the undisputed information and evidence the crew members provided was the impetus for the criminal investigations, led to the successful seizure of evidence, led other witnesses to cooperate, and resulted in the conviction of the defendants; and

(2) an award in this matter is consistent with the manifest purpose of APPS of encouraging those with information about unlawful conduct to come forward and disclose that information to authorities.

IT IS, therefore, on this 12th day of August, 2013

ORDERED that the government's motion be, and hereby is, granted and that a payment in the amount of \$111,111 be awarded to each of the following crew members: Rafael Cempron, Jerry Aromin, and Edison Dimatulac, formerly of the *M/T King Emerald*; Vicente N. Nebul, Kenneth Andrew Avenido, Alipo J. Papasin, Antonio S. Galuno, and Lester B. Ledesma, formerly of the *M/T Nordic Passat*; and Jonathan G. Panti, formerly of the *M/V Cape Maas*. The award shall be payable following the Clerk's receipt of the criminal fine from the defendants or installments thereof.


HON. SUSAN D. WIGENTON
United States District Judge