

Sarah Desgagnés (2015)

Location: Salluit, QC
Case number: 120-683-R

The Incident

On October 13, 2015, the Administrator received a report from the Transportation Safety Board of Canada to the effect that about 2,500 litres of diesel fuel were spilled into the waters off Salluit, QC by the tanker *Sarah Desgagnés*. The incident occurred during the annual fuel delivery to the community of Salluit on October 7, 2015. Strong winds and snow forced the crew to stop the fuel transfer. However, during the disconnect process, the fuel line was severed by the vessel's propeller. CCGS *Terry Fox* was on-site for the response operation.

The Claim

No claim has been received by the Administrator.

Status

The file was closed on October 17, 2017 on recommendation of counsel, given that the two-year time bar for filing a claim with the Administrator had passed. However, the file would be reopened if a claimant took action directly against the shipowner within the applicable three-year limitation period. On October 26, 2018, the Office of the Administrator searched the docket of the Federal Court and found no such proceedings. Furthermore, the shipowner indicated that no court action had been commenced. The file remains closed.