

Vessel - Bitu Atlantic (IMO: 9382085)

Inspection Type	023 - Cargo Operations Audit
Inspection Date	08 Aug 2023
Inspector	Fiacre Fonseca
From Port	Lome
To Port	Lome
Hours Onboard	110 H
Avg Audit Findings	54 %
No of NCRs	0
No of observation	6

Crew Interview & Attendance Record



Staff Name	Rank	Remarks
10502 - Cosmin Otelea	C/OFF	
10472 - Ullas Alooparambil Surendran	2/OFF	
10263 - CRISTIAN PITIC	C/E	
10448 - Moosa Donkafogothi	BSN	
10083 - Rama Krishna Kola	PPM	
10430 - Asif Ali .	AB	
10653 - Nitesh Anil Kumar Singh	AB	
10597 - Ijas Puthiyapurayil	OS	
10642 - Mohammed Arshek Kolikkad	OS	
10465 - Mame Diarra Dia	J/OFF	

Auditor Signature

Fiacre Fonseca



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Defect ID	Chapter	Category	Question	Answer Details	Is Critical	Status	Link	
Additional NCRs								
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299		nit was not available at tir pumproom inoperational	ne of entry. Pumproom permit	vas made without checking gases,		Pe	nding	
300	Crew members		peing detected by personnel ga	as meters, Alarm setings, TWA, TLV.	21 Aug 2023	Con	npleted	
301	COT 1P, 3W &	5W at 95%, but 2W & 5V	/ showing 95% alarms		22 Aug 2023	Con	npleted	
302	Many WBT guag	ges inaccurate			22 Aug 2023	Con	npleted	
303		oump used for pressure t Cargo operation usage.	esting of cargo hoses with wate	er, not flushed out and refilled with	22 Aug 2023	Con	npleted	
304			ser full open, PV breaker readir	ng 660 mmWG	20 Aug 2023	Con	npleted	

Positive / Neutral Findings



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Chapter: 01.00 - 023 - Cargo Operations Audit

Category: 01.01 - Cargo And Associated Operations Audit

Question	Answer Details	Is Critical	Link
01.01.01 - Have stability and, where applicable, stress calculations, been performed for the current cargo operation? Are any limitations understood by the cargo watch Officers? (For the start, interim and completion of transfer. Regular monitoring of stress & stability should be taking place throughout cargo transfer)	Grade - Yes		
01.01.02a - Are written procedures for Cargo/Ballast and transfer practiced/known?	Grade - Yes		
01.01.02b - Is Master & responsible crew well Familiar and keep proficiency understanding with voyage instructions and latest available Time Charterers standing instructions and requirements?	Grade - Yes		
01.01.02c - Loading/Dis orders plans-Tank cleaning /cow schedule to be available to all OOW(S) & any person related with the above activities directly	Grade - Yes		
01.01.03 - Is the vessel free of inherent intact stability problems? (T&S manuals deal only with arrival and departure and crewmembers to be aware that stability problems may exist at intermediate stages during cargo transfers. Ascertain that vessel meets IMO intact stability criteria by requesting the C/O to demonstrate, using the class approved loading instrument, the intact stability at the worst case condition, i.e. all tanks slack and max. free surface)	Grade - Yes		
01.01.04 - Has a Cargo/Ballast plan been prepared (with detailed sequence of cargo and ballast transfer) and followed? (It covers all stages of transfer operations and contains: quantity & grade of each parcel, density, temperature and other properties, a plan of distribution, lines & pumps to be used, transfer rates and max. allowable pressures, critical stages of the operation, notice of rate change, venting requirements, stability & stress info, drafts and trims, ballast operations, Em. stop procedures, Em. spill procedures & spill containment & hazards of cargoes, and also, as required: Precautions against static generation, initial start-up rates, control of cargo heating systems, line clearing, COW procedures, UKC limits, bunkering & special precautions required for the particular operation)	Grade - Yes		
01.01.05a - Has the Cargo plan been signed by the Master, Chief Officer & Junior Officers?	Grade - Yes		
01.01.05b - Has the cargo plan/Tank cleaning plan/cow plan explained and pre- calculated with all OOW(S)?	Grade - Yes		
01.01.06 - Is the Master aware of the worst loading condition?	Grade - Yes		
01.01.07 - Are damage stability guidelines available? Is the Master aware of the worst damage stability condition? (Damage stability is assessed under the IBC Code)	Grade - Yes		
01.01.08 - Check implementation/awareness of procedures for restoring stability in case of unstable conditions developing during cargo operations (where applicable)	Grade - Yes		



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	1.01.114 - Are high level alarms and over fill alarms tested prior to cargo operations?	Grade - Yes	13 Official	
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C	1.01.115 - Is the SSSCL followed at port and OOW performs as per instructions?	Grade - Yes		
C	1.01.116 - Other Comments			
	1.01.12 - Are the Officers familiar with the cargo system? Has relevant training been arried out?	Grade - Yes		
(a	1.01.13 - If a loading computer or program is in use, is it Class approved? It should calculate SF & BM in any load or ballast condition at specified readout points and should indicate the permissible values)	Grade - Yes		
c (1.01.14 - Do records indicate that the loading computer is tested regularly for perational accuracy? Class approved data should be used and the tests should be carried out at least uarterly) - Date of last test	Grade - Yes		
	1.01.15 - Is information on cargo loading limitations available?	Grade - Yes		
	1.01.16 - Is information on maximum cargo loading rates and venting capacities posted n the CCR?	Grade - Yes		
() 	 11.01.17 - Are all Officers familiar with carriage requirements for cargoes on board ? i.e. shipboard operations and cargo handling, closed loading, discharging and sampling, equirements for medical treatment following exposure to hazardous cargoes, effects of igh density cargoes, hazards due to toxic or corrosive cargoes, hazards of electrostatic generation, etc. For Chemical Tankers additionally: meaning of Category X, Y, Z cargoes BC and/or BCH Codes, and as required: Drying, padding and inerting, precautions for eactive & self-reactive cargoes, hazards associated with handling nitrogen, handling olidifying & high viscosity cargoes, pre-wash requirements) 11.01.18 - Is the Cargo Record Book correctly completed and up to date? (Chemicals Dnly) When carrying chemicals under either a CoF or a NLS Cert.) 11.01.19 - When an unfamiliar cargo is to be carried, is there a procedure (e.g. risk issessment) to review the cargo safety aspects and handling procedures? For each chemical carried a review of the carriage requirements should have been nade in order to ensure that the cargo plan contains all necessary information for the afe carriage of the product. The review should reference: IBC Code Ch. 17, CoF, P&A <i>M</i>anual and MSDS). 	Grade - Yes		
_	1.01.20a - Is a cargo compatibility chart available?			
f. F	11.01.20b - Is Master –Chief officer and responsible crew for cargo transfer aware/well amiliar and implement in full latest company's Alerts for HANDLING NON COMPATIBLE PRODUCTS WITH DOUBLE VALVE SEGREGATION & INTERNAL TRANSFER? 11.01.20c - Confirm that Non-compatible cargo on board is ALWAYS handled under	Grade - Yes		
c	louble valve segregation			



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01.01.20d - Confirm that in case that vessel is going to load or discharge more than one parcel, a loading/discharging plan showing the vessel's lines and manifolds to be sent to	Grade - Yes		
Office for review			
01.01.21 - If the cargo is required to be inhibited, is the required information available?			
01.01.22 - Check records of calibration of key cargo instrumentation and temperature	Grade - No		
and pressure			
gauges 01.01.23 - Are vapour locks, where fitted, calibrated and certified by a recognised cargo	Grade - Yes		
inspection organisation?	Glade - Tes		
(Corrections for datum levels and for list and trim should be approved if ullages from			
retrofitted vapour locks are used)			
01.01.24 - Is the vessel free of unauthorised inter-connections between cargo, bunker & ballast systems?	Grade - Yes		
01.01.25 - Are legible and up to date pipeline and/or mimic diagrams of the cargo, IG	Grade - Yes		
and venting systems available in the CCR?			
01.01.26 - Is a tank cleaning plan established prior to cleaning operations?			
01.01.27 - Are there procedures for tank cleaning after flammable and toxic products,			
using chemicals and solvents, gas freeing and for steaming cargo tanks?			
01.01.28 - Is a completed ISGOTT Ship/Shore Safety checklist available and followed?	Grade - Yes		
Are Items marked to be rechecked being properly addressed?			
Do Items requiring comment properly completed?	Orada Maa		
01.01.29 - Is the verbal communication between the ship and the shore adequate? Are records of regular communications checks with the shore maintained?	Grade - Yes		
01.01.30 - Are Material Safety Data Sheets (MSDS) posted/available for all the products	Grade - Yes		
(including Crude Oil) being handled and are all Officers familiar with their use?			
01.01.31 - If the vessel is COW, has a checklist been completed and a COW plan prepared and followed?			
01.01.32 - Are records maintained of previous COW operations?			
01.01.33 - Do records indicate that the COW system has been pressure tested prior to			
use?			
01.01.34 - Is the person in charge of COW operations suitably qualified?			
(i.e.: (a) Have at least 1 year's experience with duties on discharge of cargo and COW.			
Where his duties have not included COW, he shall have completed training in COW as			
per Res. A.446 (XI); (b) Have participated at least twice in COW one of which on the			
particular or in a similar ship; and (c) Be knowledgeable of contents of the Operations &			
Equipment Manual)			
01.01.35 - Do records indicate that oxygen readings of the tanks to be crude oil washed			
have been checked by portable meter and found to be within maximum permissible			
limits?			



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01.01.36 - Are the trim, the drafts and the mooring arrangement been checked during	Grade - Yes		
cargo operations?			
01.01.37 - Is the calculation of the cargo volume in each tank possible?	Grade - Yes		
01.01.38 - If applicable, please produce ODME print out. Is there evidence of recent testing?			
Date of last test			
01.01.39 - If the ODME has not been operational, was the fact recorded in the ORB?			
(The time of, and reason for, the failure and the time when the system was made operational again should be recorded in the ORB			
01.01.40 - Do Officers understand the principles involved when cargo and booster pumps and cargo heaters, where fitted, are lined up in series?			
01.01.41 - Are decontamination showers and an eye-wash, where required, provided in marked locations?	Grade - Yes		
01.01.42 - Are weather forecasts received and assessed before commencing any operations?	Grade - Yes		
01.01.43 - Are the appropriate loading terminal procedures manuals on board for each offshore terminal to which the vessel trades (when applicable)?	Grade - Yes		
01.01.44 - Is the type of foam compound suitable for the cargoes which the vessel is certified to carry? (Ship should be provided with a fixed deck foam system. Only one type of foam should be supplied. For cargoes for which foam is not effective or incompatible, additional arrangements to the satisfaction of the administration should be provided. Regular protein foam should not be used)	Grade - No		
01.01.45 - Are spaces adjacent to cargo tanks, pipe ducts, etc. regularly monitored for gas?	Grade - Yes		
01.01.46 - Where a fixed system to monitor flammable atmosphere in non-cargo spaces is fitted, are recorders and alarms in order?	Grade - Yes		
01.01.47 - Are emergency escape sets provided for every person on board, where required? (Ships intended for carriage of some Chemical cargoes shall be provided with suitable respiratory and eye protection for all on board: Filter type respiratory protection is unacceptable. SCBA duration of service>15 minutes. Emergency escape respiratory protection should not be used for fire-fighting or cargo handling purposes and marked to	Grade - No		
that effect) 01.01.48 - Is the accommodation air conditioning system maintained on partial re- circulation during cargo operations?	Grade - Yes		
(Accommodation should be kept under positive pressure to prevent entry of vapours. The operation of sanitary & galley extraction fans will cause vacuum, so the air conditioning intakes must not be kept fully closed)			



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01.01.49 - Are all required external doors, po (If doors have to be opened for access, they Where practical, a single door to be used in marked. Doors and openings can be open if possibility of gas entering the accommodation than necessary)	should be closed immediately after use. port. Doors that must be kept closed to be vessel is storing provided there is no	Grade - No		
01.01.50 - Are all cargo hoses and lines in o pressure and marked accordingly? Check re Every 2.5 years, pipelines to be tested to 1.5 (Each hose to be stencilled or marked with o pressure and, if used in services other than and min. service temperature, as applicable should be>10 bar gauge. This applies to car to be individually numbered)	cords of all hose tests and inspections. 5 times of their designed working pressure. late of test, its specified max. working the ambient temperature services, its max. The specified max. working pressure go hoses delivered after 1/7/02. Each hose	Grade - Yes		
01.01.51 - Has the Company regularly dispa cargo operations? Do you have any report n	nade by him?	Grade - No		
01.01.52 - Is the oxygen and hydrocarbon comonitored and the results recorded?	ontent of the interbarrier spaces regularly			
	ements for the emergency shutdown system			
01.01.54 - Is the ESD system tested prior to	cargo transfer and are records maintained?			
01.01.55 - Are all manifold valves and tank f system, tested and timed to close within 30	seconds?			
01.01.56 - Is a log kept of I.G. operations, te				
01.01.57 - Check policy to comply with IMO the Master, C/O and Officers standing cargo (If IGS is unable to meet requirements then cleaning only resumed when emergency cor complied with. Guidelines state that: 1) In ca maintained in inerted condition to avoid the o it is impossible before the IGS repaired, an e system to avoid air being drawn into cargo ta discharge may only be resumed if an extern precautions are taken: Approved devices or into cargo tanks fitted and checked to ensure risers are opened; No free fall of water or slo sampling or other equipment to be introduce ceased. This should be done only after 30 m components should be securely earthed)	watches understand this? cargo discharge, deballasting & tank nditions as per 'IMO Guidelines on IGS' are se of carriage of crude oil, tanks to be danger of pyrophoric iron sulphide ignition. If external supply of IG to be connected to anks. 2) In case of carriage of products, al supply of IG is connected, or following flame screens to prevent passage of flame e they are in order; The valves on mast ops is permitted; and No dipping, ullaging, d into tank until 5 hours since injection of IG			



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(High j valves fitted v the con exit ve free m overha	58 - Are the P/V valves in order, tight, inspected and cleaned as part of the PMS? jet cones & flaps not be jacked open, particularly when loading. Verify that P/V is are tight and venting system operated as per SOLAS. High velocity vents are not with flame screens and their correct operation relies on a pressure buildup within mpartment, which opens the valve at a predetermined level and then results in gas elocity> 30 m/sec. Request the manual lifting of P/V valves. P/V valves checked for novement prior operation as per Ship to Shore Safety Check List. Date of last aul:??)			
overha positiv (As an forwar	59 - Check records of cargo system and equipment maintenance, including the aul of the non-return valve or equivalent fitted forward of the deck water seal, with we means of closure. In alternative, an additional valve having such means of closure may be provided and of the non-return valve to isolate the deck water seal from the IG main)	Grade - Yes		
01.01.	60 - Are cargo pumps and associated equipment fully operational?	Grade - Yes		
01.01.	61 - Are scuppers properly plugged and is the deck area free of oil?	Grade - Yes		
01.01.	62 - Are safety procedures related to cargo operations strictly adhered?	Grade - Yes		
01.01.	63 - Is the C/O familiar with charter party clauses related to cargo operations?			
	64 - If ballast lines pass through cargo tanks are they tested regularly and the s recorded?			
	65 - Is a written procedure provided for the safe handling of heavy weather ballast go tanks?	Grade - Yes		
01.01. implen (Five c inform cargo	66 - Are Ship-to-Ship transfer checklists completed and SMS procedures nented (if applicable)? checklists are used at time of transfer and when operation is planned: 1. Pre-fixture ation; 2. Before operations commence; 3. Before run-in and mooring; 4. Before transfer; and 5. Before unmooring			
01.01.	67 - Have senior deck Officers had open-water STS transfer experience within the 2 months?	Grade - Yes		
	68 - Are procedures provided for STS operations as per OCIMF/ICS STS Transfer	Grade - Yes		
01.01. determ	69 - Is C/O familiar with the term 'reference temperature' and has it been nined for this cargo?			
01.01.	70 - If the cargoes carried are not listed on the CoF, on whose authority were the es loaded?			
	71 - Are adequate procedures in place for carrying out wall wash tests?			
non vo	e are many types including chloride, colour, chemical oxygen demand, methanol, platile matter, permanganate time and water miscibility tests. Procedures include e of PPE where required).			



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(01.01.76 - Are metal tapes, UTI tapes, and other gauging or sampling devices bonded	Grade - Yes		
	before being introduced into tanks?			
	UTI tapes which have quick couplings to connect the unit to the vapour lock may not			
	equire bonding wires. However, the internal bonding of such units should be checked			
	every 6 months or as per manufacturer's requirements			
	01.01.77 - Are natural fibre ropes, as opposed to synthetic, used for dipping etc.?			
	Dipping, ullaging or sampling with non-metallic equipment lowered on clean natural fibre			
	ine is permissible at any time).			
	1.01.78 - If portable tank cleaning hoses are used, are continuity tests carried out and			
	he results recorded?			
	Portable tank washing hoses should have a bonding wire within them for electrical			
	continuity. Hoses marked to allow identification. A record to be kept showing the date			
	and result of electrical continuity testing. Hoses tested for electrical continuity in a dry			
	condition prior to use for tank cleaning. Resistance<6 ohms per metre length)			
	1.01.79 - Are personnel aware of the hazards associated with tank cleaning/steaming			
	argo tanks after the carriage of volatile or toxic products?			
	The recommendations contained in ISGOTT must be observed)			
	1.01.80 - Are personnel aware of the need to avoid the free fall of liquid into tanks			
	vhich are not inerted?			
	01.01.81 - Are cargo pipe joints bonded?	Grade - Yes		
	All gasketed cargo pipe joints and hose connections should be electrically bonded.			
	Some gaskets are electrically conductive and bonding is not required) 01.01.82 - Check awareness of personnel about relevant SMS procedures	Creade Vee		
C	1.01.82 - Check awareness of personnel about relevant SMS procedures	Grade - Yes		
(01.01.83 - Check approved and up to date SOPEP/VRP	Grade - Yes		
(these can be in a single combined plan. The name of OPA-90 qualified individual must			
k	be recorded in VRP. IMO Coastal Contact List up to date (published on 31/12, 31/3, 30/6			
	and 30/9), Master aware of port contact procedures. A contact list for this port is			
	available to Master and displayed in CCR/posted on bridge. The list should include			
	contact numbers for the DPA or the ERT, port authorities, P&I Club, the agent and the			
	national pollution reporting centre from the Coastal Contact List).			
	1.01.84 - Is the oil pollution prevention equipment available to the SOPEP/SMPEP	Grade - Yes		
	prescribed positions?			
	1.01.85 - Does the plan include a description of equipment, its location, a plan for	Grade - Yes		
	leployment and specific crewmember duties for handling small spills?			
	01.01.86 - Is the crew familiar with the use of the equipment and their duties according to	Grade - Yes		
	he SOPEP/ SMPEP/VRP and emergency response plan?			
	1.01.87 - Are portable gas and oxygen analyzers appropriate to the cargoes being	Grade - Yes		
	carried and are they in order? Check spares and suitable means for calibration.			
	At least 2 oxygen, % volume hydrocarbon, LEL and toxic gas analysers for enclosed			
	space or P/R entry. Vessels equipped with IG also carry 2 analysers for measuring			
ľ	nydrocarbon content in an inert atmosphere.).			



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01.01.88 - Are the portable gas and oxygen analyzers instruction manuals available?	Grade - Yes		
01.01.89 - Are Officers familiar with their use and calibration? (Analysers checked for correct operation before each use. Nitrogen must be used when calibrating oxygen analysers, but some multiple function analysers use a test gas which serves all functions of analyser with one sample gas and which has oxygen 20.9%. In case of hydrocarbon gas analysers, the correct test gas specified by the manufacturer must be used and Officers must know what the result of using that test gas should be).	Grade - Yes		
 01.01.90 - Check records of regular testing and calibration of portable analysers, as per manufacturers' recommendations. (There must be a routine for the replacement of parts i.e. filters at recommended intervals. The use of a self test facility does not necessarily mean that an analyser is operating correctly. It is possible for a machine to satisfactorily self-test, but then fail to register a lack of oxygen or the presence of gas. The only way to be sure that a machine is operating satisfactorily is to use a sample check gas. Crew to be aware whether or not these analyzers are in fact capable of doing so accurately. An analyzer designed to do so is the MSA Tankscope) 			
01.01.91 - Where toxic gases may be encountered, are appropriate toxic gas detection analysers available and in order? (Check personal H2S gas monitoring instruments for personnel engaged in cargo operations. Two toxic gas detectors are required on vessels carrying noxious liquids. There should be an adequate supply of valid tubes (e.g. Draeger tubes), specific to cargoes carried. An up to date inventory of tubes to be maintained. Personnel to be aware that some instrument sensors could be poisoned if exposed to high concentrations of CO2)	Grade - Yes		
01.01.92 - Is sufficient span calibration gas available for the fixed and portable analysers onboard?	Grade - Yes		
01.01.93 - Are pump room entry procedures including the checking of the atmosphere being complied with? A notice should be displayed at the P/R entrance with entry requirements.	Grade - No		
01.01.94 - Is a stretcher available and is lifting equipment permanently rigged for the pumproom?	Grade - Yes		
01.01.95 - Is communication with the pumproom to CCR and ECR in good working order and is there a back up means of communication?			
01.01.96 - Is a log maintained of personnel entering pumproom during cargo operations and are deck log entries made when at sea?	Grade - Yes		
01.01.97 - Are pump turbine, glands and seals temperature gauge readouts and alarms in good working order?	Grade - Yes		
01.01.98 - Is the vessel equipped with sufficient number of intrinsically safe portable radios? (to allow communications between CCR, the deck officer, the deck watch, Master and the pumpman)	Grade - Yes		



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01.01.99 - Are the portable pumps on deck ready for use?	Grade - Yes		