

Ship Name: **ANDINO ALPHA**

Ship Type: **Chemical Tankship**

Flag: **Cyprus**

IMO Number: **9254202**

Date of Action: **5/16/2025**

Action Taken: **Detention**

Port: **Houston, Texas**

Unit: **Sector Houston-Galveston**

Recognized Org: **Lloyd's Register**

Recognized Security
Organization (RSO):

Recognized Org
(RO) Related: **Not Class Related**

Relevant Certificates:

Organization Related
to Detention:

Ship Management: Owners, Operators, or Managers

Chemical Knack Inc.

Interorient Marine Services Limited

Deficiencies: Code - Category

07105 - Fire doors/openings in fire-resisting division

Description

The fire resistance of doors shall be equivalent to that of the division in which it is fitted.. doors required to be self closing shall not be fitted with hold back hooks.

PSCO observed inoperable self closing doors in ladder well down from CCR, ECR, and galley. Additionally class "b" fire door into CCR was unable to be closed. PSCO observed fresh water hose run through class "a" door leading to steering preventing closure.

15109 - Maintenance of the ship and equipment

The company and the ship shall comply with the requirement of the ISM code.

The company should establish procedures to ensure that the ship is maintained in conformity with the provisions of the relevant rules and regulations.

The technical and operational nature of the deficiencies 02-13 provide objective evidence of a serious failure, or lack of effectiveness, of the implementation of the ISM Code. A safety management audit carried out by the administration, or RO, with a corresponding report of findings satisfactory to the OCMI must be submitted prior to clearance of the deficiency and release from detention.

07108 - Ready availability of fire fighting equipment

The total suction head and net positive suction head of the pump shall be such that the requirements of paragraphs 3.3.2, 3.3.2.1, 3.3.2.2, and 4.2 of these regulations shall be obtained under all conditions of trim, list, roll, and pitch likely to be encountered in service.

PSCO observed emergency fire pump unable to obtain suction. Ships crew stated that that the pump does not work when in ballast condition.

11104 - Rescue boats

Rescue boats shall be stowed in a state of continuous readiness for launching in not more than 5 minutes.

PSCO observed rescue boat fail to start and run within 5 minutes.

04109 - Fire drills

Performance of crew members assigned fire-fighting duties shall be periodically evaluated by conducting on-board training and drills to identify area in need of improvement, to ensure competency in fire-fighting skills is maintained, and to ensure the operational readiness of fire-fighting organization.

PSCO observed 2 failed fire drills at midship stores. Observed crew unfamiliarity with fire-fighting equipment leading to unsafe conditions for fire team.

A satisfactory fire drill is required prior to clearing this deficiency in the presence of a Coast Guard PSCO.

06109 - Loading instrument

Alternatively, pressure sensors may be fitted on each deck with a monitoring system in the ships cargo control room.

PSCO observed audible and visual alarm systems turned off, due to constant alarms.

09209 - Electrical

Electrical installations shall be such as to minimize the risk of fire and explosion from flammable products.

PSCO observed tank radars on 7S, 9S, 11S, 13P, 14P, with exposed wiring. Additionally, PSCO observed H/L sensor on 11S with exposed wiring.