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T&T BISSO SALVAGES BULK CARRIER

DOMINICAN REPUBLIC (Dec. 30, 2009) – T&T BISSO, an industry leader in vessel emergency response, salvage and marine firefighting services, successfully salvaged a bulk carrier that struck an underwater object off the northern coast of the Dominican Republic.

The bulk carrier, loaded with bleached wood pulp, struck the underwater object as it was traveling from South America to the United States. The impact tore away the vessel's shell plating, causing a 23-meter-long gash below its waterline.

T&T BISSO responded with a salvage team and emergency equipment and made temporary repairs to the bulk carrier near the Turks and Caicos Islands. T&T BISSO then escorted the damaged vessel to Freeport, Bahamas, where it was safely docked.

Formed in 2005, T&T BISSO is a stand-alone response contractor servicing the maritime, shipping and offshore energy industries. T&T BISSO combines the resources and experience of T&T Marine Salvage, which was founded in 1957, and Bisso Marine Company, founded in 1890. T&T BISSO's worldwide response network includes firefighting systems, inert gas generators, nitrogen generators, ship-to-ship pumping and lightering systems, pulling systems and diving systems. For more information, please visit www.ttbisso.com.

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