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Safety and Environmental Best Practices Exchange
for Transportation of Hazardous Substances in the Industry

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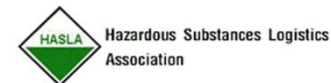
23,824 ton vessel with total passenger capacity of 1,992 people; capsized off the coast of Romblon , Central Philippines on June 21, 2008 —a tragedy that killed more than 700 passengers and crew

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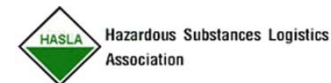
left Manila despite typhoon signals two and three over other parts of the country; owners maintain they were not aware of new coast guard guideline preventing ships to sail in inclement weather

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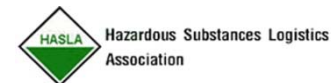
when it sunk at the height of Typhoon Frank, it was carrying 10 metric tons of Endosulfan, bound for southern Philippines, for plantations owned by Del Monte and Dole Philippines Inc

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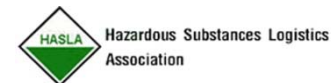
Salvors first retrieved the victims' bodies then finally extracted 400 boxes of the toxic chemical cargo. The chemical has been “kept secured” in a warehouse in Laguna.

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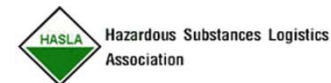
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100 percent of the wreck remains at the bottom of Romblon's coast a year later; the bow remained above the water line. The fishing town is said to have recovered but fishing was still prohibited one kilometer from the wreck



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