



M/V Cougar Ace In Better Days



M/V Cougar Ace Laying Down On The Job



The Cargo Letter For July 24 2006 -

ALERT>> 22 Crew & US\$72M of Cars In Jeopardy>> 654ft. Singapore-flagged **Mitsui O.S.K Lines** car carrier **M/V Cougar Ace**, Japan for Vancouver B.C., Canada with 4,813 automobiles & 22 crew -- **sent SOS** late July 23 -- **suffered 80 degree list (press says 90 degrees, but that is hard to do)** in N. Pacific, 230 miles S. of the **Aleutian Islands. One crew has broken leg**, but no other reported injuries at this time -- **crew wearing survival suits. Vessel taking water.** 378ft. U.S. Coast Guard cutter **USCGC Rush** (WHEC-723)<< **Webfeature**, from Hawaii is in Alaska waters & beating to scene. U.S. Coast Guard helicopter, two **U.S. Army** Pave Hawk helicopters, two refueling planes and a **U.S. Air Force** C-130 plane arrived from a **U.S. Air National Guard** base in Anchorage -- helicopters hoisted stranded all 23 crew members to safety. **Bravo Zulu!** Heavy seas. Things do not look good. (Mon. July 24 2006)

FLAG: Singapore

Line: Misui O.S.K.

Built: 1993.

Call Sign: 9VKE. BRT-55328.

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Current situation of **M/V Cougar Ace** still lying on her portside about 85-90 deg. for the last 4 hrs. Cannot contact w/ the Capt. probably due to battery failure.

Weather Condition - Wind - WSW / 5 Overcast / with fog in patches Swell SW 3-4 Mtrs.

Barometer 1004

Temp. (air) 11 deg. C (dry) / 10 deg. C

Sea water temp. 10 deg. C.

Visibility - 3 NM and deteriorating

Position: (M/V Cougar Ace) Lat. 48-11.6N, Long. 173-56.0W