

Marine Safety Flash

A15-14 (15th July)



Failed Wire Grommet

Incident Overview

The wire grommet, connecting the Shore Tensioning Unit (STU) sheave block to the bollard, parted causing the block to move towards the vessel.

The block was arrested by the safety sling in place and came to rest on a designated access way. No personnel were in the vicinity of the mooring dolphin/access way at the time of grommet failure.

Key Findings

- Works ceased, area made safe
- Company and Stake holders notified
- STU hold back pressure released
- Wire Grommet replaced

Recommendations

- Design
- Access/ egress to restricted area
- Suitability of hardware
- SIMOPS



Safety Sling and Wire Grommet arrangement



Sheave block came to rest on Walkway



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