Splash



Feeder boxship brings down crane at Indonesian port

JULY 15TH, 2019 GRANT ROWLES ASIA, CONTAINERS, OPERATIONS, PORTS AND LOGISTICSO COMMENTS Feeder boxship Soul of Luck defied its name yesterday, slamming into a pier and bringing down a gantry crane at Indonesia's Semarang Port.

According to VesselsValue, the 1997-built 1,597 teu *Soul of Luck* is owned by Greece's Victoria Oceanway.

Soul of Luck was arriving at Semarang Port yesterday afternoon from Malaysia's Port Klang, when the incident occurred. The vessel allided into the pier and struck a gantry crane, bringing down the crane, and went on to hit another vessel at the terminal.

No fatalities were recorded, only minor injuries to a truck driver who was taken to hospital.

Investigations have started into the cause of the accident, with tug boat *KT Jayanedara 304* said to be the focus.

With quay cranes tumbling around the world in recent months insurer TT Club last November urged port operators to install laser sensor technology to avoid costly accidents.

TT Club claims analysis continue to flag quay crane issues as giving rise to the highest cost incidents for ports and terminal operators. Remarkably as of last November TT Club had handled 325 cases of crane collisions in the previous 10 years.