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The Federal Bureau of Maritime Casualty Investigation (BSU) hereby gives notice that the interim investigation report No. 7/14 was published on 21 January 2015. The report deals with the investigation into the collision between the wind turbine installation vessel PACIFIC ORCA and the fishing vessel JURIE VAN DEN BERG on 17 January 2014 north of the Traffic Separation Scheme (TSS) – German Bight. The interim report provides information about the subject and the state of the investigation. The interim investigation report is available on the website <http://www.bsu-bund.de> .

Serious marine casualty – Collision involving the wind turbine installation vessel PACIFIC ORCA with the fishing vessel JURIE VAN DEN BERG on 17 January 2014 north of the TSS Terschelling – German Bight.

On 17 January 2014 the Cypriot wind turbine installation vessel PACIFIC ORCA collided with the German fishing vessel JURIE VAN DEN BERG north of the TSS Terschelling – German Bight. The PACIFIC ORCA was on her voyage from Eemhaven to the wind park Borkum Riffgrund 1.

After having crossed the TSS she altered her course towards the wind park and posed a collision risk for the JURIE VAN DEN BERG. The evasive manoeuvres initiated did not succeed. The collision resulted in material damages. No persons were harmed and no environmental pollution occurred. Both vessels were

able to return to Eemshaven under her own steam.

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