



## News

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NS UNITED KAIUN KAISHA, LTD.  
Keiichiro Shimakawa, President

### **Affect on our operating fleet by the 2011 off the Pacific coast of Tohoku Earthquake (No.2)**

NS United Kaiun Kaisha, Ltd., would like to express our deepest condolences to those who have suffered by the earthquakes and following Tsunami, and extend our profound sympathy and sincere wishes for their fast recovery and revival.

We also would like to thank for the concerns, encouragements, thoughtfulness, and wishes we have received from our friends all over the world.

Now we are pleased to announce the latest situation of the troubled vessel as below.

We have announced that M.V. "Pine Wave" got damaged on its hull due to the direct affect of earthquakes and following Tsunami on March 11, when she had been discharging coal at port of Soma (Fukushima). She then shifted to the off port for safety purpose. While anchoring, all the crew on board was lifted from the vessel thanks to the Japan Coast Guard, and Nippon Yusen Kaisha who kindly assisted the operation. Since the accident, no oil leakage from the vessel has been found. The owners of the vessel had arranged the salvage and commenced towing from Soma on March 24, and the vessel has safely arrived at the refugee port in Japan on March 28.