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The chief engineer of a ship has been fined **\$30,000** (\$23,400) and jailed for two weeks in a Singapore bunker fraud case, [Singapore](#) online newspaper the *Straits Times* reports.

**Antonov Sergey**, the chief engineer of the *MT Front Splendour*, accepted a bribe from a cargo officer and submitted false documents to his employers to cover a shortfall in marine fuel.

Sergey was also ordered to pay **\$8,640** (\$6,743) to cover the portion of the US **\$8,400** bribe that was not recovered.

Investigations by the **Corrupt Practices Investigation Bureau (CPIB)** found that the *MT Front Splendour* had ordered 2,700 metric tonnes of marine fuel, but Sergey made a deal with **Jason Choo Soo Beng**, a cargo officer with bunker supplier **Sea Hub Energy**, to take 120 metric tonnes less.

Sergey, Choo, **Victor Loh Tuck Seng**, an independent surveyor who allegedly provided false sounding reports in return for a bribe, and **Lam Tat Fei**, who allegedly helped Choo sell the 120 tonnes of fuel, were all [arrested in May](#) over the incident.

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Sergey was sentenced to two weeks in jail

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Fujairah	608.00	▲ 1.00	988.50	▼ 3.00
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