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Great Barrier Reef: Carnival Australia fined \$2.1m after dumping 28,000 litres of waste

Pacific Explorer cruise ship spilled liquid food waste into reef's protected waters.

Carnival Australia has been compelled to provide a "\$2.1m undertaking" after spilling 28,000 litres of liquid food waste into the Great Barrier Reef's protected waters.

- 5 The Australian Maritime Safety Authority detained the Pacific Explorer cruise ship on its way back to Sydney in early September until it paid the amount, which was equal to the maximum fine available.

The Great Barrier Reef Marine Park was notified of the accident one week after the cruise company self-reported it.

- 10 An investigation is currently underway.

An AMSA report supplied to the Greens senator Larissa Waters anonymously said the spill* occurred on 26 August after food waste was transferred to the Pacific Explorer's galley holding tank due to a shortage in capacity in its food waste tanks.

- 15 Waste from the galley tank was then discharged by engineers in the marine park. The report says the vessel became aware of the incident late on 27 August.

Larissa Waters questioned why the incident had not been made public "The public have a right to know about pollution breaches in our Great Barrier Reef and the government should be upfront about such incidents."

A spokeswoman for P&O said it was an isolated incident.

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