

MC DOWELL
(Ocean Tanker)

12-16-43

1. Position-Sea-Weather	13° 08' N, 70° 02' W; cloudy and choppy.
2. Convoy or Independent	Independent
3. Time & Kind of 1st Hit	0528; 1 torpedo
4. Location of 1st Hit	Stern, port side.
5. Effect of 1st Hit	Extensive structural damage; steering gear disabled; flooding aft; ship settled aft.
6. Time & Reason for Abandonment or Why Not	0640 (1 hr. 12 min); ship beyond control; one shot fired in sub's direction--then gun was unusable.
7. Persons Aboard - 75	Lost by drowning - 2.
8. Time & Kind of 2nd Hit	0650 (1 hr. 2 min.); 1 torpedo
9. Location of 2nd Hit	#7 tank, port side.
10. Effect of 2nd Hit	Extensive damage
11. Disposition of Vessel	Sunk 0645 (1 hr. 17 min.)
12. Time & Kind of 3rd Hit	0632 (1 hr. 4 min); 1 torpedo
13. Location of 3rd Hit	#4 wing tank, port side.
14. Effect of 3rd Hit	Extensive damage.