



# Cedre's Technological Letters Spill Follow-Up Department / Cedre

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Technological Letters (TLs) = outcome of "Technological watch" activity:

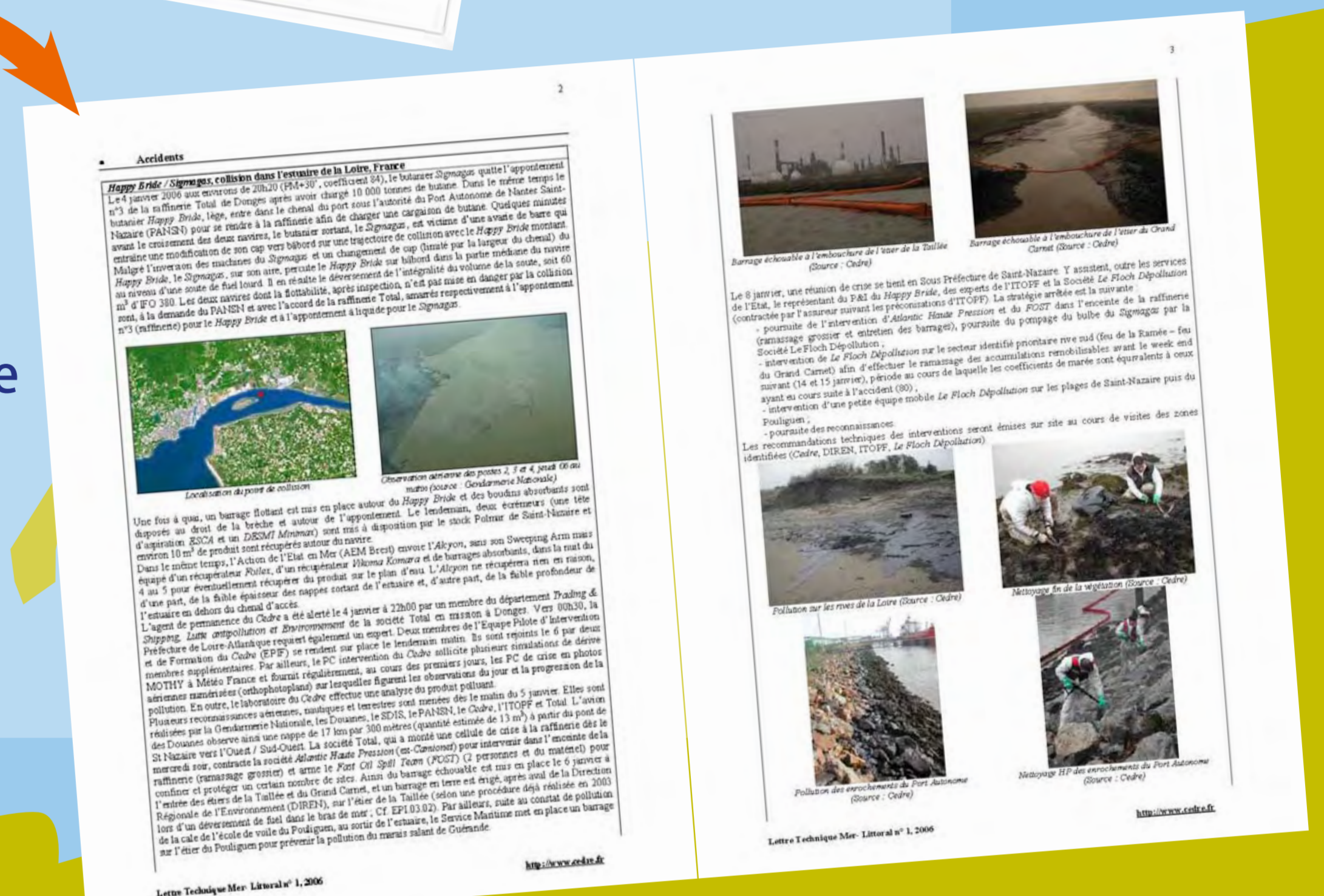
## Request from the French Ministry of Transportation (+ private partners since 2003)

Aim -> recent information on advances in:

- response techniques;
- national policies, preparedness, contingency planning;
- impacts...

Main topics:

- **Technical news**
  - Equipments, products, procedures
  - Tests, recommendations, guidelines
- **Oil spill incidents world-wide**
  - Response techniques, special features, lessons
- **National spill response policies**
  - Organization, responsibilities, command structure
  - Response strategies, exercises, stockpiles...



.. Experience feedback based on an analysis of significant spills

- world-wide
- oil and chemicals
- sea, shoreline & rivers/inland waters

Sources:

- literature analysis (papers, reports, online resources...)
- contacts, workshops, conferences
- Cedre's response and research activities, working groups...

Dissemination:

- Periodicity:
  - Quarterly («Sea & littoral TLs»)
  - Six-monthly («Inland waters TLs»)
- Media:
  - Downloadable from Cedre's website (in French only at the present day)
  - Selected articles (techniques, annual spill statistics, case studies) soon to be released in English

