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On the Cover: Voyager of the Seas, the world's largest cruise ship, made its debut last month. It is included as a GREAT SHIP of 1999. Technical Editor David Tinsley reports on the engineering wonders found aboard Voyager, starting on page 30.

0 GREAT SHIPS of 1999

Maritime Reporter & Engineering News' annual salute to the companies which design, build and outfit outstanding ships. This year's "class" includes the largest cruise ship ever built, a parcel tanker which can simultaneously carry fruit juice and propylene oxide, the world's largest drill-ship, and the largest LNG carrier of the GTT Mark-II membrane type.



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EDITOR'S NOTE

The changeover to 2000 means many things to many people, on both a personal and professional level, as the end of the millennium serves as a handy measuring stick against which achievements can be measured. But, potential Y2K problems aside, for the maritime industry the strike of midnight on December 31, 1999 will mean nothing more and nothing less than any other measure of time.



The manner in which boats and ships are designed, built, outfitted and operated has changed rather dramatically during the past decade. Everything from the advent of powerful computing hardware and software — both maritime specific and general business — to sweeping consolidation on the vessel building, vessel owning and marine equipment manufacture side has drastically altered the traditional maritime landscape. Advancing technology and consolidation have been recurring themes in the pages of *Maritime Reporter & Engineering News* for many years, but it was perhaps the recent Europort exhibition in Amsterdam that truly drove both points directly home. The proliferation of truly revolutionary marine products and systems — such as the industry's first type approved ECDIS systems from both Transas and Kelvin Hughes — is astounding. Similarly amazing is the sheer size of some of the industry's leading companies, as wellknown manufacturers as Litton and Wartsila NSD now incorporate products and systems acquired through often aggressive acquisitions.

Yet through the constant turmoil, the maritime industry remains hauntingly the same. This is not a swipe at the industry's traditionally held conservative nature, rather a tribute to an industry, which is virtually incapable of becoming obsolete. While the economics, logistics and technology of the maritime business will continue to change, sometimes dramatically, it is a safe bet that in this generation there will be no manner in which products will be moved more efficiently from point A to point B than via ships and boats. This is not to say that radical changes will not be incorporated. The rapid progression toward the building of the new gas turbine powered FastShips — as well as a surge of orders for fleets of newer, larger, faster passenger vessels — are signs that the "need for speed" will continue to grow, driving development in all industries, including maritime.

While the trend is toward consolidation in all sectors, and while deep corporate pockets and capabilities are particularly welcome when the time comes to set and spend the R&D budget, medium and small-sized players maintain an enviable position, in part because smaller companies are sometimes more flexible and adept at providing immediate, customer-mandated solutions for the business opportunities du jour. One of the keys to success for any maritime company of any size in 2000 and beyond is gaining more market sector knowledge and savvy, while carefully monitoring the effects of expansion as compared to a company's overall goals.

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Shipping outperforming offshore on OSE

Higher oil prices have helped the Oslo Stock Exchange's shipping index, which features maritime and offshore shares, to rise by 33.7 percent so far this year - outperforming the exchange's other indexes. Share prices of offshore shares have decreased for two months now, resisting the influence of continued buoyant oil prices. The value of shares on the Main List dropped 5.6 percent in September and 13.6 percent in October. The 19.6 percent price fall recorded by the seismic company Petroleum Geo-Services (PGS), the biggest offshore company on the Exchange, was the main contributor.

The SMB-listed offshore company Ocean Rig (OCR) tops the losers list for the second month running, having sliced almost 30 percent off its share price in October. Big players such as Fred. Olsen Energy (FOE), ProSafe (PRS), Stolt Comex Seaway (SCS), Det Søndenfjeldske (SFJ) and TGS Nopec (TGS) all fell between 10 percent and 20

percent during the month.

Only three offshore companies increased their value: Polar Holding (POL) rose almost 11 percent following merger talks with District Offshore (DOF), topping the winners list. Ugland Nordic Shipping (UNS) and Nortrans Offshore (NOL) also experienced gains in October. The cruise company Royal Caribbean Cruises (RCCL) rose 17.7 percent in October holding the fall in the shipping index to 2.2 percent. Actinor Shipping (ACS) rose 23.3 percent, while the Swedish shipping company Atlantic Container Line (ACL) moved up 9.5 percent. NCL Holding (NCL) moved the opposite direction to its competitor RCCL with a share price drop of 11.6 percent in October, continuing the negative trend from the previous month. Among the shipping companies Benor Tankers (BET) performed the worst with a fall of 16 percent, while Belships (BEL) dropped 10.9 percent.



Winners in October			Losers in October		
Shipping	List	Change	Shipping	List	Change
Actinor Shipping	Main	+ 23.3%	Benor Tankers	Main	- 16.0%
Royal Caribbean Cruises	Main	+ 17.7%	NCL Holding	Main	- 11.6%
First Olsen Tankers	Main	+ 10.0%	Belships Co.	Main	- 10.9%
Atlantic Container Line	Main	+ 9.5%	Nomadic Shipping	Main	- 9.4%
Wilh. Wilhelmsen B	Main	+ 8.1%	Odfjell A	Main	- 9.1%
Offshore	List	Change	Offshore	List	Change
Polar Holding	SMB	+ 10.8%	Ocean Rig	SMB	- 29.6%
Ugland Nordic Sh.	Main	+ 9.2%	Havila Supply	SMB	- 22.9%
Nortrans Offshore	SMB	+ 8.7%	Fred. Olsen Energy	Main	- 20.5%
Stolt Comex Seaway	Main	- 1.1%	Petroleum Geo-Serv.	Main	- 19.6%
Brøvig Offshore	SMB	- 2.0%	ProSafe	Main	- 12.7%



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Inland Report Bollinger's Barge Business Is Booming

Well-known in the vessel building industry as a quality builder of various vessels and as a specialist in ship and barge repair, conversions and barge flaring, Lockport, La.-based Bollinger Shipyards has made a name for itself as a major builder of barges used on inland waterways and ocean-going uses. Stemming from the shipyard's growth are five contracts for 17 specialized large barges ranging in sizes from 240 to 365 ft. (73.1 x 111.2 m) Some were recently delivered, while others will be sent off before year-end 2000.

According to Lynn Falgout, vice president and general manager of Bollinger Marine Fabricators, "Until April 1997, we had had a limited barge program in eight shipyards. We upgraded our capacity that year when we acquired the former McDermott shipyard in Amelia, La., which is a 67-acre dedicated barge building facility with large, covered construction buildings. It is now known as Bollinger Marine Fabricators, LLC. It, along with \$2 million capital improvement program, has given us the capacity to launch as many as three hopper barges per week as demonstrated with our recently completed MEMCO contract."

"At the time of purchase," Falgout added, "McDermott had a contract for, but had not yet begun construction of 250, 200 x 35 x 13 ft. ($60 \times 10.6 \times 3.9$ m) and 14 box and rake hopper barges for MEMCO located in St. Louis, Mo. We began building those barges in April 1996, and completed that contract ahead of schedule in March 1999."

The largest of the contracts amounts to six barges designed by Shearer & Associates, Metairie, La. Measuring $260 \times 60 \times 14$ ft. (79.2 x 18.2 x 42.6 m), the vessels were built for the PCS Phosphate Company located in Raleigh, N.C. Two of the barges will be covered hopper barges built to carry phosphate rock or fertilizer between PCS Phosphate's Aurora, N.C. mine and plant and the port at Morehead City, N.C. Each will be equipped to transport 3,000 metric tons of products and will house fiberglass, telescoping rolling covers.

Designed to carry sulfuric or phosphoric acid, two are 12,000 BBL double skin tank barges with two integral stainless steel cargo tanks equipped with two electric-driven deepwell turbine pumps. Cargo systems valves will be flanged gate valves specifically designed and manufactured for acid service, while all cargo tanks will have a remote read-out level sensor, and sight glass and fittings

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250 x 52 x 14 ft. (76.2 x 15.8 x 4.2 m) dou-

250 x 52 x 14 ft. (76.2 x 15.8 x 4.2 m) double hull jumbo hopper for Tide Leasing LLC, Birmingham, Ala. preparing for launching on Bollinger's submersible drydock.

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All six barges will be fitted with 40ton manual winches and will have identical semi-integrated hull configurations from the main deck down — all will have coatings specially designed for operation in salt water. External hull scantlings based on two PCS barges constructed in 1992 will be present on the six vessels as well. All external and internal welding will be double continuous to strengthen the structural integrity of the hull scantlings and to provide better coating surfaces.

Falgout reports that contracts completed this year at Bollinger Marine Fabricators include two 240 x 60 x 16 ft. (73.1 x 18.2 x 4.8 m) deck barges for Connolly-Pacific Company, Long Beach, Calif.; and four 250 x 52 x 14 ft. (76.2 x 15.8 x 4.2 m) double hull, jumbo hopper barges for Tide Leasing LLC, Birmingham, Ala. The barges built for Connolly-Pacific have 2,900 lbs. per sq. ft. deck loading and were delivered ahead of schedule on September 8. The Tide Leasing hoppers were constructed with .75-in. steel at the bottom and .625in. steel at the sides. In separate tandem tows, all arrived at their South American destination of Santa Maria, Colombia during September and October.

Bollinger's additional projects currently in the works include: two double skin $356 \times 54 \times 13$ ft. (108.5 x 16.4 x 3.9 m) asphalt tank barges for American General Transportation, Mobile, Ala.; one 295 x 52.5 x 14 ft. (89.9 x 16 x 42.6 m) cement barge for Indianapolis-based Lone Star Industries measuring 295 x 52.5 x 14 ft. (89.9 x 16 x 4.2 m); and two 240 x 54 x 22 ft. (73.1 x 16.4 x 6.7 m) 4,000 cubic yard split hull dump scows for DonJon Marine Company in Hillside, N.J.

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Integrated Workboat Management Systems Debuts

A system touted as the first fully integrated workboat management system — dubbed GlobeOffshore — was recently unveiled by Globe Wireless at the International Workboat Show in New Orleans. GlobeOffshore is designed to act as a decision support tool helping to improve vessel utilization, streamline operational and strategic decisions and maximize vessel efficiency. Onboard, the GlobeOffshore log captures all types

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The system is set-up to allow managers, both operational and strategic, to track fleet and produce timely reports on vessel activities, cargo transfers, engine maintenance, crew schedules and charge allocation. The new offering from Globe Wireless is meant to complement the organization's burgeoning number of communication solutions, and is one of the many offered with the Globe Communications Center. The company offers messaging and data file transfer services via satellite and via the digital Maritime

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The longliner's hull measures 13 ft. (3.9 m) molded depth and will include a four-man cabin aft of the engine room. An insulated and refrigerated 7,000 cu. foothold will stow approximately 250,000 lbs. of iced fish in front of the engine room.

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Bollinger Provides Speedy Rig Modification



Bollinger Shipyards in Fourchon, La. accommodated the Glomar Adriatic IX and Adriatic X for leg modifications and repair work following the two rigs' return to the U.S.

Bollinger Fourchon, LLC, a subsidiary of Bollinger Shipyards, recently completed a project for R&B Falcon Drilling, which included the replacement of jet piping and the fabrication and erection of an interior bulkhead on the Cliffs 150 rig in just eight days.

The Lockport, La.-based shipyard also performed work on two Marathon Le Tourneau 116-C jack-up drilling rigs -Glomar Adriatic IX and Glomar Adriatic X - owned by Global Marine International Drilling Corporation. On each rig, Bollinger, in conjunction with Marathon Le Tourneau, lengthened three legs from 410 to 477 ft. (124.9 to 145.3 m). The company also added a wind wall around the drill floor, installed BOP (blow out preventor) trolley beams and a shale shaker trough, and extended the jet piping lines.

Cory Upgrades Bristol Tug Fleet



Cory Towage's tractor tug, Stackgarth, has been transferred to the company's Bristol fleet.

Throughout the past few months, Cory Towage has invested more than \$800,000 in upgrading its Bristol tug fleet for the extension of operational

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flexibility.

The 43-ton bollard pull tug Stackgarth has been transferred from Swansea, replacing the 50-ton bollard pull tug Edengarth. Despite being less powerful than its predecessor, Stackgarth is a highly maneuverable tractor tug fitted with azimuthing propellers, while Edengarth is a conventional single screw vessel. Prior to being incorporated into the Bristol fleet, Stackgarth underwent refurbishment at the Dunston shiprepairyard in Hull, which included a major overhaul of all machinery onboard. New slipping clutches have been installed to improve the tug's performance at low engine revolutions and the skeg has been modified to reduce roll.

An additional Bristol vessel, "combi" tug Point Gilbert also underwent refurbishment - the rebuilding of the main engine and Caterpillar unit driving the front Aquamaster unit.



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Swedish Company Acquires High-Tech Vessel

Stromma Kanalbolaget Turism & Sjofart AB, a Swedish-based tourism organization, has purchased a new 48-passenger Explorathor high performance vessel from Recherches Et Travaux Maritimes Construction (RTMC) in Quebec, Canada.

Measuring 45 ft. (13.7 m) with a 12.6 ft. (3.8 m) beam, the vessel is powered with twin TAMD74C, 450-hp (331 kW) Volvo Penta diesel engines driving two Alpha Power jets, which incorporate elements of aircraft technology to pro-

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Cummins Powers Taiwanese Navy Tugs

The first of an eight-part tug series powered by 1,200-hp Cummins KTA38M2 engines for the Taiwanese Navy has been delivered to its owners. The second member of this tug series is currently undergoing sea trials in preparation for its upcoming delivery. Harbor trials for the third vessel are underway.

The sale of main and auxiliary engines for this series of Z-drive tugs was handled through Cummins' Singapore office. Measuring 94 ft. (28.8 m) with a beam of 26 ft. (8 m) and a molded depth of 12 ft. (3.8 m), the vessel was built by Ching Fu Shipbuilding Co. in Kaoshiung, Taiwan. The tugs' engines drive a pair of Ulstein 650H steerable propeller systems for a design speed of 10 knots. This model drive is rated for up to 800 kW with its 62-in. prop; input to the prop is 1,800 rpm. A PTO in the Z-drives' upper gear box powers the hydraulic steering pump and clutch. Bollard pull for the 2,400-hp tugs is approximately 23 tons.

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Global Industries To Open Offshore Construction HQ

Global Industries will significantly expand its capacity to meet operators' deepwater and reel pipelay needs in the Gulf of Mexico this December with the opening of its 625-acre offshore construction headquarters in Carlyss, La. Chosen because of its location along the 40 ft. (12.1 m) deep Calcasieu Ship Channel - the site is capable of supporting Global's deepwater fleet - and includes a pipe assembly rack that measure more than half a mile long.

As a result of this new facility, Global closed both its Houma and Lafayette, La. facilities in late October to consolidate its offshore operations in Carlyss.

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Royal Caribbean Injects \$800M Into Germany

Royal Caribbean Cruises Ltd. (RCCL) has signed a letter of intent with Papenburg-based Meyer Weft shipyard to construct the third and fourth Vantage-class vessels for RCCL at an approximate price of \$800 million for both ships.

The first two 88,000-ton vessels in this class are currently under construction at the yard — Radiance of the Seas and Brilliance of the Seas. These vessels are scheduled for delivery in June 2001 and April 2002, respectively. This new order, as well as options could set up RCCL for up to six 2,100-passenger ships in the class by 2006.

Featuring gas turbine engines for power generation and Azipod propulsion systems for steering, the Vantageclass vessels are powered by GE gas turbines – significantly lowering airborne emissions – and lowering noise and vibration levels.

Fincantieri Signs \$210M Contract

Fincantieri has signed contracts with Minoan Lines for two new high-speed ferries to be delivered in fall 2001 and spring 2002 for a price of about \$105 million each. With a gross tonnage of approximately 36,000 tons and overall length of 702 ft. (214 m), the vessels will travel in fully loaded conditions at a speed of 29.5 knots. Passenger capacity is 2,000 with garage space for 110 cars and 120 trailers.

These are the third and fourth vessels that Minoan will have on order at Fincantieri. The first two vessels, which will be named Knossos Palace and Festos Palace, will be delivered in 2000 and 2001.

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Aker Marine, Vryhof Sign Letter Of Intent

Aker Marine Contractors, (AMC) a subsidiary of Aker Maritime, and Vryhof Anchors have signed a Letter of Intent to extend their cooperation agreement through their U.S.-based joint venture company - TACP/Aker LLC.

Per this new agreement, AMC will sell to Vryhof the substantial assets and rights of Sea Talon Anchors, which was attained by AMC in 1988. Within their core business, Vryhof will continue to focus on the design and manufacturing of high holding power drag embedment anchors and the supply of mooring components through other alliances. AMC will concentrate on the marine contracting market, focusing on the design and installation of cost effective mooring

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systems for floating drilling, production and construction operations.

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FirstWave/Newpark Awarded Repair Contract

FirstWave/Newpark Shipbuilding was granted a contract by Pride Offshore of

Houma, La. for repair and maintenance of the jack-up drilling rig Pride Colorado. The rig, which arrived at the company's East Pelican Island facility in Galveston during mid-October, will be drydocked on a heavylift barge for inspection and repair, if required. Newpark has completed three successful dockings on lift barges in the past.

Bath Iron Works To Launch AEGIS Destroyer

Bath Iron Works launched its 10th Arleigh Burke Class AEGIS guided missile destroyer, Howard on November 20 at the West Gate.

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Vickers Ulstein Wins Design And Equipment Packages

Vickers Ulstein Marine Systems' specialist offshore design company, Ulstein Ship Technology, has signed three separate contracts to supply designs and equipment packages for offshore support vessels. Two UT755s are currently on order for different owners at Brevik Construction in Norway, and a UT722 on order at Orskov Christensen's Staalkibsvaerft in Denmark. Total value of the contract trio to Vickers amounts to \$18.5 million. Ulstein Ship Technology's most recent contract is a \$2.9 million deal with Brevik Construction for the provision of the design and equipment package for a standard UT755 platform supply vessel to be constructed for Nordenfjeldske Dampskibsselskap.

Utah DOT Grants Construction Contract

The Utah DOT has awarded a contract to Mark Steel Corp. of Salt Lake City for a new Lake Powell ferry-boat at Hall's Crossing. Known as the builder of John Atlantic Burr - the lake's exclusive ferry since 1985, Mark Steel is scheduled to launch the 150 ft. (45.7 m) vessel in September 2000. Designed by M.D.A. Marine Design Associates of Victoria, B.C., Canada, the ferry's namesake honors **Charles A. Hall**, the pioneer who operated the first ferry-boat across the Colorado River.

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Gunderson Signs Barge Contracts

Gunderson, Inc., a subsidiary of The Greenbrier Companies has received two new barge orders to be built at the company's Portland, Ore. facility for a 2000 delivery. The larger of the two hulls, a giant ocean-going barge is being constructed for Alaska Railbelt Marine, a subsidiary of Lynden Inc. The largest vessel to be built by Gunderson in two decades, it will combine a railcar and deck cargo barge measuring $400 \times 100 \times$ 24 ft. (121.9 x 30.4 x 7.3 m) with a deck load capacity of 3,350 lbs. per sq. ft.



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Transition In History: A Look At The Panama Canal

Dubbed "The Greatest Engineering Wonder of the World," the Panama Canal has experienced a whirlwind run since President Woodrow Wilson flicked a switch of the first gushes of water to flow through the 51-mile body of water that is arguably the most important shipping channel in world. — by Regina P. Ciardiello

It was 1914 and it was as though Central America and Europe — situated at opposite sides of the Atlantic — were worlds apart. For it was in the Central American country of Panama where workers from many nations joined forces to build the massive Panama Canal, while hostilities in Europe were quickly leading to WWI.

Together, these workers, who came from all walks of life and all different backgrounds - all shared one dream - to be part of a piece of history that to this day, is considered to be one of the world's greated engineering feats.

The canal will soon be handed back to its homeland from the U.S., per a treaty signed on September 7, 1977. But it was not a member of U.S. or Panamanian government who initiated the idea for the canal, rather a King from Spain named Charles who reigned in the early 1500's. It was King Charles, who, in 1534, explored the possibilities of constructing a canal in the region. His revelation never came to pass, as he scratched his plans when the Spanish governor expressed his thoughts of disbelief regarding the King's idea.

For centuries continuing, various proposals were drawn posing the same question: How do we find an effective route through the conti-

nental divide? Enter Ferdinand de Lesseps' French company, which had successfully completed the Suez Canal in 1869. Although de Lesseps had not encountered many roadblocks throughout the Suez's construction, he would find out that the construction of the Panama Canal was different. It was not long after building commenced in 1882 that yellow fever took its toll on many of the canal's workers. It is estimated that by the time the century ended, more than 22,000 workers had succumbed to the disease, which had been spread by infected mosquitoes. This, along with poor sanitation and disorganized management forced the French company into bankruptcy - ceasing all construction on the unfinished waterway.

Three years and \$40 million later, in 1903, the U.S. purchased what was left of de Lesseps' failed company, with full support from President Theodore

Roosevelt in allowing Panama's request to become a republic. Following the signing of a treaty between the two countries, the U.S. took over the task of building the waterway on May 4, 1904, and completed the job nine years later for an estimated



The Cut - Looking north from Contractors' Hill - December 28, 1907



\$380 million. The lock-style canal, w

Note: All photos are courtesy of the Panama Canal Commission.

The lock-style canal, which, according to the Panama Canal Commission's Office of Executive Planning, took in 1,058 transits and 4,88,400 long tons of cargo during its first full year of operation in 1915, allows vessels

Its first full year of operation in 1915, allows vessels to enter from either the Atlantic or Pacific side. Entrance from the Atlantic side brings a ship to a sea level sail the seven-mile distance from Cristobal Harbor to Gatun Locks. The vessel is then brought up 85 ft. to Gatun Lake where it passes through three step-like lockages. After departing Gatun, the vessel moves 85 ft. above sea level to complete the 31-mile distance to Pedro Miguel Locks. Just one lock at Pedro Miguel lowers the ship 31 ft. to Milaflores Lake - setting up for the entrance to Milaflores Locks. It is here where the vessel will, in just two lockages, be lowered 54 ft. to the Pacific Ocean level. Before completing its canal journey, it must then sail four miles of the waterway - bringing it to Balboa Port before entering the outer harbor.

Measuring 110 x 1,000 ft. $(33.5 \times 305 \text{ m})$, the locks' chambers are able to handle vessels limited to a beam of 106 ft. (32.3 m) with a length of 950 ft. (289.5 m) and a draft of 39.6 ft. (12 m) tropical freshwater.

But perhaps the most renowned portion of the canal is the Galliard Cut, which is the waterway's narrowest portion. Plagued by a variety of landslides - the worst during 1987-did not prompt the closing of the canal, but prompted the Panama Canal Commission's Board of Directors to approve a widening plan in July 1991. Because of its narrow width, vessels are only permitted through the cut on a one-way basis -Northbound during early morning hours - Southbound by afternoon, with a flow switching between both directions during the rest of the day.

Originally constructed at 500 ft., the Commission plans to widen the cut to at least 630 ft. along straight stretches and 730 ft. at curved areas. Scheduled for a 2014 completion, the approximate cost of the project, whose dry excavation is 91 percent finished will cost approximately \$17 million to fund post year 2000. The cut's wet excavation is halfway complete, while overall drilling and blasting are about 70 percent done.

Throughout its existence, the Canal has accommodated vessels of all shapes and sizes — the first being SS Ancon on August 15, 1914.

According to the Panama Canal Commission, the tanker Arco Texas holds the top spot of most cargo carried through the canal. The vessel, which passed through the canal on December 15, 1981, held 65,229 long tons of oil. The Commission also cites that U.S. Navy hydrofoil, Pegasus, in June 1979, performed that quickest transit - from Miraflores through Gatun Locks in two hours and 41 minutes. An incredible feat as the average transit time (from port to port) for this type of ship normally stands between eight and 10 hours.

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ocean through the Panama Canal, January 7, 1914



The Signing of the Panama Canal Treaty (Torrijos-Carter Treaty) by General **Omar Torrijos** and President **Jimmy Carter** occurred on September 7, 1977.

A change in course

September 7, 1977 was an instrumental day for both the Panamanian and U.S. Governments as it markes the first the signing of the Panama Canal Treaty, first step taken by both nations in Panama's quest to take back control of the Canal.

Known as the Torrijos-Carter Treaty, the document stated that on December 31, 1999, the Republic of Panama would be permitted to take control of the canal — disbanding all U.S. opera-

tions. Set into force on October 1, 1979, the treaty provided the Republic of Panama with a 20-year transition period — allowing the nation to prepare itself for its role.

The treaty also called for the establishment of a new agency of the U.S. Government - the Panama Canal Commission - abolishing the former Panama Canal Company. The purpose of this organization was to take action in the improvement, upgrading and maintenance of the canal until the transition date. In addition, the treaty also set forth a toll rate increase of 29.3 percent in order to provide Panama with canal revenues. A slew of improvements, in addition to the Galliard Cut widening encompass new locks towing locomotives, locks machinery and equipment upgrade, as well as enhanced vessel traffic management system. According to the Commission, the first two units of the new locks are currently in place, having already performed successful factory tests. Eighteen production units are expected by February 2002. Regarding the vessel traffic management system (VTS), the enhanced version went into effect this past July. More than 50 electronic boxes have already been implemented and are up and running in the Commission's floating equipment and shore sites.

Tolls, which were last increased on January 1, 1998, will remain the same after the handing-over. Vessel rates continue at \$2.57 per PC. Net Ton, Laden; and \$2.04 per PC. Net Ton, Ballast.

Measured by the Panama Canal Universal Management System (PC/UMS), which was put into effect by the Commission on October 1, 1994; total long tons of cargo that passed through, based on 12,924 transits stood at 192,091,107, garnering a toll revenue of \$543,036,483.

According to Panama's President **Mireya Moscoso**, the Panama Canal will be operated as a non-political state entity once it is handed over from the U.S. President Moscoso also reassured that Panamanian politics will not interfere with the Canal and that the Republic is ready to gain control on the 31st.

There have been some recent, publicized concerns that China will try to gain command of the canal based on a





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contract that Panama awarded to Hutchinson Whampoa Ltd. - one of the world's largest shipping and port companies located in China. The contract calls for the organization to operate the two facilities situated at the canal's Atlantic and Pacific entrances. Some have even speculated that the company, which is based in Hong Kong, is linked to the Chinese military. President Moscoso disagrees however, assuring that the "canal will never be in Chinese hands and that there is no Chinese threat to the ports."

Despite any discord or speculation, the canal will still be handed back to the Republic whose soil it is built on. At 12 Noon on the eve of the new millennium, a historical event will occur - an event that seemed years away on that day in 1977 that changed the fate of the canal forever.



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1970s

September 7, 1977 - Signing of the Panama Canal Treaty (Torrijos-Carter Treaty) between the Republic of Panama and the U.S. This agreement establishes a regime of neutrality guaranteeing that the Canal remains open, safe, neutral and accessible to vessels from all over the world.

September 30, 1979 - The canal's final day of operation under the Panama Canal Company and the Canal Zone Government, as per the treaty signed two years earlier.

October 1, 1979 - The Panama Canal Treaty is entered into force, granting Panama jurisdiction over the former Canal Zone. The Panama Canal Commission, a new agency of the U.S. Government, is now responsible for managing, operating and maintaining the Canal through December 31, 1999.

1980s

June 11, 1980 - Established under the Treaty, the Coordinating Committee holds its first binatorial meeting in Panama City

March 31, 1982 - Marked the end of the 30month transition period. The Panama Canal Commission's transitory police force and magistrate's court, in addition to the U.S. District Court disbanded on this day.

September 30, 1989 - A long-term project to revamp 50,000 ft. of towing locomotive track at the locks - including water and landslide rails, rack selections and conductor slots is finished.

1990s

December 25, 1993 - The Panama Legislative Assembly approves the first legislature of the Constitutional Title on the Canal.

December 1994 - Adding nine additional articles guaranteeing that the Canal authority would have both administrative and financial autonomy, the Legislative Committee approves the second legislature of the Constitutional Title.

February 1996 - President Clinton signs Public Law 104-106 - The Defense Authorization Act for fiscal year 1996, which converted the Panama Canal Commission to a wholly owned U.S. government operation.

August 18, 1996 - Alberto Aleman Zubieta is sworn in as the second Panamanian Administrator of the Panama Canal Commission.

October 9, 1996 - The proposed bill regulating the Panama Canal Authority - the agency that will operate the canal upon its transfer - is presented to Panama President Ernesto Perez Balladares.

July 17, 1998 - The first Board of Directors meeting between the Panama Canal Commission and the Panama Canal Authority occurs.

September 3, 1998 - Administrator Zubieta is sworn in as the first Administrator of the Panama Canal Authority - serving in both positions until the December 31 transition.

March 24, 1999 - The Cabinet Council of Panama approves the Panama Canal Authority (PCA) toll rates, which in essence, remain the same.

December 31, 1999 - The U.S. hands over The Canal to Panama at 12 Noon per the Torrijos-Carter Treaty.

Source: Panama Canal Commission

Marine Electronics Update Electronic Matters Rule The Day In Amsterdam

The maritime industry gathered in Amsterdam last month at the semiannual Europort Exhibition to display the latest technological advances in marine products and systems. While the show maintains a large local contingency — a good deal of the exhibitors are local agents rather than the manufacturing company principles - it is well regarded as one of the industry's premier events for showcasing new products and services to an international shipowning community.

Of particular note — and not just in Amsterdam — are the tremendous strides which are continually made on the marine electronics products and systems front. Competition in this segment is very keen, and the category is dominated by very large, usually diverse industrial conglomerates that have made consolidation of systems and capabilities a quasi-sport in recent years. The need by shipowners to meet increasingly strict rules and regulations with advanced electronic products and systems and the economies of scale of being a "one stop shop" for bottom-line minded shipyards have been primaries drivers in the urge to merge. In addition, the task of continually delivering advanced products and systems which are increasingly easy to use requires that



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ECDIS systems, from Transas and Kelvin Hughes. Transas was the world's first company to receive type-approval, as was reported on in the November edition of Maritime Reporter & Engineering News, while the Kelvin Hughes announcement was a mild surprise to competitors and customers alike. BSH, the Federal Maritime and Hydrographic Agency, has provided the type-approval for Kelvin Hughes' Nucleus2 "duelfuel" 5000 and 6000 Electronics Chart Display and Information System (ECDIS) in accordance with the IMO resolutions and IEC specification. While a string of new ECDIS approvals are anticipated in the coming months and years, currently Kelvin Hughes is the only company to offer an IBS solution with a type-approved ECDIS.

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will surely sweep many maritime circles in 2000, and remains a leading edge technology, Transas' Andrey Vorobiev, chief design engineer, Marine Navigation Systems, points out that ECDIS is simply the cusp of development, and that the next step will involve integration of all shipboard systems.

Echoing that thought was Patrick T. Enright, Litton Marine System's (LMS) new director, Strategic Business Unit Machinery Automation, who recently

joined LMS to lead the development of a complete ship control and monitoring system. LMS is a particularly strong example of a company that has steadily built through acquisition, as it has integrated a host of widely recognized marine industry manufacturers in recent years, including Decca and C. Plath. Litton has traditionally exuded a strong market confidence — confidence backed by a significant backlog of orders on both the commercial and naval

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fronts. Today is no different, as Litton touts its position aboard the largest cruise ship ever built - Royal Caribbean's Voyager of the Seas built by Kvaerner Masa-Yards. "The IBS for Voyager of the Seas is actually two separate systems," said Dr. Clark Graham, president of Litton Marine Systems. "The system has been designed so that there is a complete duplication and redundancy for all critical components." Litton's major announcement at Europort centered on the introduction of a new virtual reality design tool for bridge layout. Design Vision 1.0 is a conceptual design tool for creating and evaluating integrated bridge system designs. It is a CAD program, which allows the designer to built a 3-D model of the bridge layout and evaluate various configurations. The software was developed jointly by Litton Marine Systems and the University of Strathclyde.

STN Atlas Marine Electronics is another organization which has been transformed significantly of late, as the company was recently integrated into new parent company, Dusseldorf-based Rheinmetall Group, made a major announcement in Amsterdam. STN Atlas presented a new navigational product, the Radarpilot 1000, with various versions of high-resolution 12 and 16-in. color graphic displays. New features include a new "clean sweep" function which is designed to significantly eliminate clutter, and an enhanced zoom function to offer an enlarged display for tracked targets.

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Raytheon Presents Its New Raychart 420

Raytheon, supplier to the worldwide recreational marine electronics market, introduces new, fully its waterproof Raychart 420 chartplotter. The new device uses intu-

itive software to simplify sophisticated functions such as viewing electronic charts, navigating, and creating and editing waypoints. The chart's Find Ship button instantly centers the screen on your current chart position - no mether which area of the chart you are viewing. Measuring six-in., the compact LCD Raychart 420 is economically packaged with the Raystar 112LP GPS. For advanced accuracy, Raytheon offers the Raychart 420D, which is equipped with the Raystar 114 combined GPS/Differential beacon receiver, providing repeatability greater than 39 ft.

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Introduced for the first time at the Ft. Lauderdale Boat Show and exhibited for the first time at Europort, Kelvin Hughes' new MANTA Integrated Bridge System offers vessel owners a unique new look in bridge design. Developed in consultation with one of the world's premier SuperYacht designers, Jon Bannenberg, the system uses flat screen technology with

a space saving and ergonomic design. The system's "At Sea" mode entails the units five displays operating as multifunctional, interchangeable Radar, ECDIS, Conning Display, Collision Assessment and Avoidance System and a

Thrane & Thrane Expands Communications Capabilities

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Hvide Marine Continues With Malin 2000

Hvide Marine has purchased the Malin 2000 analyzer — a new low cost portable precision diesel engine analyzer - for vessel Ambrose Channel.

Malin 2000 also increases the speed, accuracy and reliability of determining the health of the main and generator diesel engines. Information can be rapidly gathered and downloaded to a desktop PC, while a Windows-based software program, known as the MK-5 generates a drawcard, indicator and derivative. The program also offers an immediate check on the fuel injection system, power output of each cylinder, fuel injection timing and engine balance trends.

Laurin Maritime (America) is providing MV Sunny Blossom with Malin 3000 MK-5 — a portable diesel engine analyzer with angular velocity sensor.

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SSP Pod Approved For Service



After more than two years of development and successful performance trials at Howaldswerke-Deutsche Werft AG in Kiel, the Siemens-Schottel Propulsor (SSP) consortium was granted approval for the new SSP marine propulsion system. Classification society Det Norske Veritas was responsible for technical acceptance of the propulsion system for worldwide service.

The SSP is the result of a successful cooperation between two German marine industry stalwarts, Siemens Marine Engineering Subdivision and Messrs Schottel of Spay. Work began in 1997 on the development of a marine propulsion "pod" system that would be offering not only economic advantages, but superior technological performance. The pod-type propulsion system features an electric motor housed in a pod or nacelle suspended beneath the hull of a vessel, and providing direct drive to a propeller of propellers. The fact that the pod can be rotated about its vertical axis too, so that it points in any required direction, means that the system also performs a steering function.

The power output of the unit tested at the shipyard amounts to 7MW, which corresponds to 9,510 hp.

Similar type pod systems have already been adopted for technically advanced uses, and have been specified and operational aboard such high value vessels such as cruise ships. The system is particularly interesting for the cruise ship market because its twin screws produce low noise and vibration levels to ensure passenger comfort.

Siemens, one of the world's foremost suppliers of electric marine propulsion systems, provided a permanent-magnet motor, which has permanent magnets attached to the rotating rotor. The design of the permanent-magnet motor has been undergoing development and testing for the past 12 years and is now ready for general use, including by the Germany Navy. The Propulsor employs the patented "Twin Propeller System" developed by Schottel GmbH. The prin-

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Containership Safety: Averting Disaster Through Research & Design

Containership design development has grown as rapidly as its gain in popularity as the vessel of choice in many product shipping niches. Germanischer Lloyd's Dr. Hans Payer, who has been on the forefront of containership safety and design issues, examines the strength requirements for large, fast containerships.

The structural safety of modern large container carriers, with their high demands on the hull, could, and still can only be guaranteed by modern methods of analysis. These demands include an extreme deck opening ratio, resulting in considerable deformations due to wave and deck load on hatch covers. Hence, the development of the container vessels was accompanied by continual advancement of computational methods.

Today's Panamax vessel offers up to

4,800 stowage positions, whereby the percentage of deck containers has risen to more than 50 percent. Optimization focuses on minimizing the steel weight and maximizing tonnage, as well as maximizing the stowage positions. Low consumption diesel propulsion engines also contribute towards greater operating economy, with the energy needed per container being only about half that of the third generation container vessels running on steam turbines.

After these optimized containerships were introduced, an increased incidence of forebody damage has been observed, as reported also in a study by the Salvage Association. Typical features include local and global buckling of brackets, wing bulkheads and decks, which considerably reduces the ultimate strength margin of the structure. According to this study, high speeds during bad weather, because of the pressure of time schedules as well as a lack of "seaman's intuition" for extreme loads due to the vessel size, are generally taken as the primary cause of extreme loads higher than previously assumed. Very often, the damage is only noticed in the port of destination, and usually the crew can no longer ascertain the cause.

Ships with a widely flared forebody system have, as was already the case for container carriers of the second generation, a good seakeeping behavior without green water on deck. So from the viewpoint of the shipmaster, there is no reason to reduce speed in a seaway. Only if the danger is recognized, can the risk of foreship damage be reduced

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appreciably through changes in speed and course.

It is noticeable that in the North Atlantic, mainly smaller vessels of about 591 ft. (180 m) in length are affected, whereas in the North Pacific it is more so the larger ships. This observation by the Salvage Association is confirmed by the results of a research project conducted by Germanischer Lloyd, in which inter alia the waveinduced loads and bending moments on various container carriers were measured. Similar problems have also occurred on modern cruise liners, where a projecting bow is intended to give the ship the looks of an elegant yacht.

A significant advantage for passenger ships is, however, that the bridge is situated far forward, and the master is thus much closer to the bow action than in a jumbo containership. Nonetheless, there is also in the passenger/ferry ship



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ships: at present, four jumbo ferries and two fast cruise liners are under construction to GL class, all with service speeds of around 28 knots. GL immediately took appropriate action as a result of these findings, and initiated a research project in which, amongst other factors, extreme loads on the forebodies of large and fast ships are being investigated. The development of fast RoRo passenger ferries is the reason why a conventional but very fast (28 knots) RoRo passenger ferry was chosen as the reference ship for the new EU research project DEXTREMEL. In this project, the extreme loads on the ships are being investigated in depth, with the loads on the forebody representing one of the main aspects. Another work package involves determining the structural reserve strength for the elements of a damaged structure and, associated with this, an investigation of the possibilities for enlarging this residual structural strength without increasing the steel weight appreciably. In these studies, peak pressures cased by slamming are being calculated for a variety of bow shapes using modern methods such as computational fluid dynamics. Naturally, the results obtained from the example of a fast RoRo passenger ferry can be transferred fully to other ship types including the container carriers mentioned.

The initial results have already been incorporated into the new edition of the Construction Rules for Hull Structures (Edition 1998). The new regulations include increased design pressures for the forebody structure, including the forecastle, together with structural requirements and guidelines on increasing the ultimate strength under extreme loads. The consideration of stresses caused by hydrodynamic impact forces on the forebody, as part of the global analyses of the large containerships, is the current state-of-the-art ship structural analysis at Germanischer Lloyd.

Just how urgent these amendment to the Rules are with a view to improving the operational safety of modern containerships can be seen from the fact that responsible-minded shipowners after having been informed by GL have already, before official publication, made them a contractual requirement for their order of Panamax as well as post-Panamax vessels.

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ciple of the design is to share the propulsive power between two screws so that it is possible to employ propellers with a lower specific loading and very high efficiency which, as well as producing less noise and vibration, also allow significant savings in energy consumption to be made. The SSP comes in sizes from 5,000 to 30,000 kW.

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Rochem Snags \$2 Million Celebrity Order

As the cruise market comes under continued scrutiny for its environmental practices, companies — such as Rochem Environmental, Inc. — that manufacture advanced environmental solutions should flourish.

Royal Caribbean Cruises Ltd.-owned Celebrity Cruises recently awarded Rochem Environmental a \$2 million contract to install a Rochem FM-Module grav water membrane system on two of its ships, Galaxy and Mercury. The contract has an option for three additional units.

Gray water, almost 90 percent of which is coming from a cruise ship's sinks and staterooms, can be legally discharged in most places. By using the Rochem system, Celebrity expects to significantly purify gray water that is released.

The membrane system rejects bacteria, suspended solids and organic matter, making the equipment suited for gray water treatment. "We believe this is another important step forward in our Above and Beyond Compliance (ABC) environmental management system," said Nancy Wheatley, vice president of Safety and Environment for Royal Caribbean Cruises.

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Boatracs Presents ChartView At Workboat

Boatracs, a business unit of Advanced Remote Communication Solutions (ARCOMS) has formed a strategic alliance with Nobeltec Corp., a developer of charting and navigation software. Together, they will spotlight ChartView Celestial Mariner, Boatracs' and Nobletec's nautical charting navigation and communications software, which was presented at the 1999 Fish Expo in Seattle during November.

The product was shown again at the International Workboat Show in New Orleans in December.

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Pennzoil Launches New Synthetic Line

Pennzoil Marine has expanded its line of marine lubricants to include three 100 percent synthetic products: Pennzoil Marine 100 percent synthetic Outboard two-cycle oil TC-W3; Pennzoil Marine 100 percent synthetic Lower Unit Gear Lube SAE 75W-90; and Pennzoil

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Northrop Grumman Readies New Gas Turbine For Market

As the use of gas turbines as main ship's propulsion power continues to grow in popularity, particularly in the niche vessel segments of cruise shipping and rapid transport, Northrop Grumman recently announced that its WR-21 Intercooled Recuperated (ICR) advancedcycle gas turbine ship propulsion engine has begun final development tests for the market which has most widely used the product in ship propulsion applications — naval.

The engine, which is being developed for naval warship applications through a team led by Northrop Grumman, is being put through its final paces at a naval facility in Philadelphia. England's Rolls-Royce is designing and developing the gas generator and power turbines, while AlliedSignal's Aerospace Systems & Equipment Group in Los Angeles is providing the Intercooler and Recuperator Heat-Exchanger

Cores.

The WR-21 is touted particularly for its fuel efficiency, as it will reportedly reduce both operation and support costs significantly while keeping the naval ships it serves battle ready. To date, it is a candidate for the U.S. Navy's DD-21 program and for European advanced combatants.

"In initial tests, the WR-21 has already demonstrated a 25 percent annual propulsion fuel savings, compared to the existing gas turbine engines on a typical Navy destroyer," said **Jim Hupton**, vice president, Northrop Grumman Marine Systems. "The WR-21 is now predicted to deliver a 27 percent propulsion fuel savings in its initial mechanical drive production configuration.

An additional benefit from the newly developed gas turbine is a lower exhaust temperature, which can help to reduce the infrared signature of the vessel. Also, the



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Great Ships of 1999

Builder	Kvaerner-Masa Yards
Vessel name	Voyager of the Seas
Vessel type	Cruise Ship
Owner	Royal Caribbean
By David Tinsle	?V

Slipping out through the Finnish archipelago on a Sunday morning at the end of October, Voyager of the Seas cut a figure of unprecedented scale in the passenger ship sector, symbolizing both the surging growth in the cruise market and the fertility of the Finnish maritime technology cluster.

The 137,200-gt cruise ship, whose towering superstructure and an air draft of 208-ft. (63.5-m) belies a relatively tender draft of just over 28-ft. (8.8-m), marks a new highpoint in the industry's unerring endeavors to foster long-term sustainable business development in the seagoing leisure sector.

Although the shipbuilding price from long been the watchwords of Kvaerner

Kvaerner Masa-Yards was around \$500 million, about seven times the current cost of a VLCC, Royal Caribbean estimates that its overall project expenditure in bringing Voyager of the Seas to the market has been closer to \$700 million. The group's overall fleet expansion program is no less astounding than its record-breaking new cruise liner, with \$3.6 billion being ploughed into newbuild investments spanning deliveries up to the summer of 2002.

At a time when European shipbuilding is facing intensified competition from the Orient in fields of construction it has hitherto dominated, as demonstrated by Japanese and Korean successes in the cruise ship and RoRo passenger (RoPax) ferry segments, Voyager of the Seas is a powerful reminder of Nordic maritime industrial capabilities.

Quality and contractual performance have





Masa-Yards (KMY) and its forebears. The shipbuilder's track record in meeting delivery undertakings has been reinforced by its delivery of the latest, seminal vessel on schedule. The accomplishment has been all the greater for the production setbacks it suffered during the early part of the year when the ship sustained a fire and mainly smokeincurred damage while alongside at Turku.

"Like no vacation on earth" is emblazoned along the sides of the hull of a vessel in which the design focus has been not only on combining the biggestever cruise passenger volume with very high standards of comfort and service, but also on melding passenger scale with considerable variety in shipboard activity and facilities. While acutely aware of customers' rising expectations and perceptions of 'value-for-money,' the shipowner has sought to bolster overall revenue generation through higher quality and imaginative new activity options.

The size of the shipboard community at any time during the course of its seven-day voyages in the Western Caribbean is startling, whether judged by the lower-bed passenger capacity measure of 3,138 or maximum of 3,840, together with up to 1,180 crew.

Voyager has occupied some of the best minds in interior design as well as some of the most innovative minds in naval architecture. The vessel furthermore denotes the attainment of a new milestone in the passengership domain as regards marine engineering technology, expressed in its refined diesel-electric power and propulsion system incorporating a triple Azipod configuration. Voyager of the Seas is emphatically also

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The design of the new leviathan succeeds in combining the largest-ever cruiseship passenger capacity with spacious staterooms and public areas, accentuated by the truly remarkable, four-deck high, interior promenade, culminating at each end in an 11-deck high atrium. Evocative of the renowned Burlington Arcade in London, the

Royal Promenade extends for 394 ft. (120 m) through the heart of the vessel, flanked by a wide selection of shops,



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some nine percent of the vessel's staterooms have bay windows overlooking the Royal Promenade enhances the effectiveness of this astounding central feature, and should better realize the extra revenue potential it offers. The preoccupation with the expectations of an increasingly discerning passenger market is reflected in arrangements whereby 69 percent of the total 1,557 passenger cabins have a view, either seaward or into the mall, while 49 percent incorporate a balcony. The conceptual design for Project Eagle, in support of the \$1.5 billion, three-ship series entrusted to KMY's Turku yard, was provided by Kvaerner Masa-Yards Technology - highly regarded worldwide for its innovative approach to ship design - in close co-operation with Royal Caribbean. The combination of the wider-than-Panamax beam, affording the extra stability for a still greater breadth in the main passenger decks, and the longitudinal division of the superstructure by way of an indoor arcade, or promenade, have been fundamental to the Eagle concept.

The idea of a central mall running through the ship was first applied in the Finnish domain almost a decade ago, in the Turku-built ferries Silja Serenade and Silja Symphony. At the time of their delivery in 1990/91, the 58,400-gt sisters had signified a major new stage in the evolution of the Baltic cruise ferry concept.

Voyager of the Seas provides a new window on Finnish engineering in a number of sectors, not least as regards her cycloconverter-based, ABB electric propulsion system and array of podded propulsors of the proven Azipod type. The trials results met or exceeded expectations, with the vessel having achieved a forward speed of 25 knots, compared with an anticipated, maximum service speed requirement of 22 knots, and made an incredible 17 knots astern. Moreover, she was worked athwartships at five knots, such a relatively high rate of lateral travel being achieved using the two azimuthing units within the three-pod configuration, in conjunction with the four tunnel thrusters in the foreship section. Each Azipod offers an output of up to 14-MW, the centerline, fixed propulsor being flanked by two 360-degree rotatable units, while a total of 12 MW is available from the staggered line of bow thrusters.

A crash stop distance of less than six ships' lengths, with full control available throughout the maneuver, and a highly responsive, precise action in very slow-speed navigation through the rock-bound leads of the archipelago, also helped endear the vessel to her handlers.

The 75,600-kW primary power concentration engendered by Wärtsilä 46-series diesel machinery, whereby six 8-cylinder engines drive the main gensets, testifies to Finnish strengths in medium-speed engine design and manufacturing. Inevitably, the speed with which a vessel of such considerable passenger and crew capacity might be safely evacuated in the event of a casualty in difficult weather and sea conditions is always a point of interest. Certainly, she has been designed and equipped to meet the toughest regulatory requirements in that regard. However, in keeping with the principle of risk minimization and the philosophy that the ship herself should be the safest haven in all circumstances, Voyager of the Seas incorporates an exceptional degree of system redundancy and, furthermore, offers the highest design integrity.

It is claimed that she could take a 40-degree angle of heel before suffering water ingress although, of course, she has been designed and equipped mindful of passengers' tolerance of little more than a level platform at all times. Not without cause has she assumed the mantle as the first vessel to receive Det Norske Veritas' Comfort-class notation. The high level of engineering redundancy is reflected in the DNV Redundant Propulsion (RP) certification, as an acknowledgement of features such as the divided main machinery plant and main electricity distribution system. Moreover, she has been equipped with a dual, integrated bridge system from Litton for all key navigation and command functions, as reportedly another 'first' in the industry.

Builder Vessel name Vessel type Owner

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This flexible cargo section is divided into 36 integral tanks and four deck tanks, designed to carry IMO type 1 and 2 chemicals, plus hazardous and corrosive cargoes by means of two longitudinal bulkheads vertically corrugated. An exception to this would lie in cargo tanks numbered one, two and 13, where the longitudinal bulkhead is arranged in the centerline.

Cargo tank capacity amounts to 25,220 cu. m. with payload cargo reaching a 24,720 cu. m. total at 98 percent cargo tank capacity.

Each tank is served by its own submerged hydraulically driven cargo pump and associated piping made of 316L stainless steel. A fully integrated cargo service system controls and monitors every operation and includes, in each cargo tank, temperature sensors at three levels, an internal cone antenna for level indication, transmitter gauges, remote pressure sensor of vapor space and independent high level (95 percent), and overfill (98 percent) alarms. This



system is topped off with individual independent heating and cooling systems. Additionally, each cargo tank is fitted with three, two or one multi-stage fixed tank cleaning machine. Fully equipped with an integrated navigation bridge, fulfilling the one man bridge notation, the vessels also feature a set of systems that include one voyage data recorder system and one rate of turn indicator (ROTI) system with three repeaters. The bridge system integrates a variety of functions such as digital radars, adaptive track pilot and position sensors.

Able to apply a service speed of 15.2 knots, the vessels' structure includes a double skin design and double bottom running the entire length of the cargo section plus the engine room. The double sides protect the cargo area by way of longitudinal flat bulkheads.

Main Particular	s
Classification	DNV
Length, o.a	.533 ft. (162.6 m)
Length, b.p	.505 ft. (154.1 m)
Breadth (molded)	78 ft. (23.7 m)
Depth (molded)	
Draft	
Deadweight	
Propulsion power	
Service Speed	15.2 knots
Capacity	25,220 cu. m
Crew	



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chemicals, Silver River, constructed by German-based Lindenau was delivered to one of the largest Chinese shipowners - China Changjiang Shipping Group on June 26, 1999. Classed by Germanisch-

Great Ships

Designed for the economical, interna-

tional and ecological transport of oil and

Builder Vessel Name

Owner

Vessel type

Lindenau GmbH,

DH chem/oil tanker China Changjiang

Shipping Group

Silver River

er Lloyd as a Chemical/Oil Tanker, the vessel is the third out of a four-part series

built within 1.5 years by Lindenau.

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This newbuilding, which joined its sister vessel Gold River delivered on March 1, 1999, is a member of Lindenau's Tanker Class 2000 featuring internationally patented Lindenau bulbous bows - allowing the vessels to reach speeds of 14.8 knots at a constant engine output of 2,920 kW. Adding to Lindenau's trademark bows, which allow for high speed at low fuel consumption, Silver River fulfills all relevant regulations such as MARPOL, IMO Resolutions and Charter Requirements.

Advantageous features of this vessel include minimum risk of environmental pollution, increased collision resistance, minimum effort for tank cleaning and minimum loss of energy for heated cargo.

Silver River's high flexibility due to various cargo tank sizes and high cargo tank volume also offers a centralized cargo control via control desk in the cargo control room - providing economical and practical automated cargo and ballast handling.

Consisting of Framo hydraulic-driven pumps, which are directly connected to five manifold lines, the vessel can carry up to ten different cargoes - separate loading and discharging up to five cargoes is possible. All valves, except the manifold valves are remote-controlled from the control desk in the cargo control room. Ballast valves and pumps are also controlled from the cargo room.

Silver River is suitable for transporting oil and chemical products in 11 cargo/sloptanks and has a larger loading flexibility due to its well-balanced damage stability and increased longitudinal strength.

Ma	in Particulars
Flag	St. Vincent/Grenaden
	Germanischer Lloyd
Length, (o.a)	
• • • •	
Breadth	
GT	
Deadweight	
Speed	
Main engine	MaK 9 M 32 @ 4,200 kW
Auxiliary engines	Wartsila 6L20
Propeller	Lips
Generators	AvK
Couplings	Vulkan
Reduction gears	
Engine controls	Janssen
0	Janssen
Steering controls	
Steering controls Deck machinery	Janssen Ulstein-Tenfjord
Steering controls Deck machinery Shafting	Janssen Ulstein-Tenfjord Hatlapa
Steering controls Deck machinery Shafting Bearings	Janssen JanssenUlstein-TenfjordHatlapaLips
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Great Ships of 1999

Avondale Industries
Endeavour
Tanker
Arco

Though not scheduled for delivery until the summer of 2000, Arco's Endeavour, which is under construction at Litton Avondale Industries in New Orleans, is such an achievement that review of the ship's progress is necessitated in this year's grouping of Great Ships. When the Arco Millennium tanker project was announced in 1997, it was recognized as one which would require exceptional adherence to technical excellence in the design, construc-

Main Particulars
Length, (o.a)
Length, (b.p.)
Beam, molded
Depth, molded
Draft, design
Draft, scantling
Lightship weight
Deadweight (at design draft) 127,005 metric tons
Deadweight (at scantling draft) .140,122 metric tons
Displacement (at design draft) 160,193 metric tons
Displacement (at scantling draft) 173,310 metric tons
Speed
Engines
Cargo tanks

tion and outfitting of what could arguably be described one of the more advanced oil tankers in the world.

With its operation in and around the environmentally super-sensitive U.S. West coast (it was designed primarily for the 2,400 mile round-trip voyage between Valdez, Alaska and Cherry Point, Wash.) the tanker is designed to meet and exceed the provisions of OPA 90. The total contract includes three firm orders and two options, each of which will be uniquely equipped to navigate the rigors inherent in the winter seas of the Alaskan Gulf. Capable of carrying one million barrels of oil in 12 cargo tanks, the inner and outer hulls of the Millennium Class are separated by 10 ft., a measure which exceeds the legal requirement by 50 percent.

The ship series was developed utilizing some of the more outstanding minds and resources, including John J. McMullen Associates (JJMA), MCA Engineers, Inc., SSPA Maritime Consulting AB, Herbert Engineering Co., Glosten Associates Inc., Knutsen Shipping and Astilleros Espanoles, S.A.

Endeavour measures 895×152 ft. (273 x 46.3 m) with a depth of 83 ft. (25.3 m). With a cubic capacity of



1,017,161 barrels, the 125,000-dwt vessel will travel at more than 16 knots, powered by a pair of B&W 7550 MCC slow speed diesel engines, which generate a combined 30,030 hp. The tanker's continuous operation - even in the case of emergency - is ensured by the fact that it features two fully independent engine rooms separated by a fireproof, watertight bulkhead. Each engine powers separate, reversible pitch propellers, which are capable of going from full ahead to full astern in seconds, without reversing the direction of rotation. Controls onboard are state-of-the-art as well. as a fully integrated joystick are capable of controlling the rudders, propellers and bowthruster from a single lever. The vessels can make a complete 360-degree turn within the ship's own length at slow speed or zero speed.

The new vessel will be outfitted with the latest navigational tools, including: ECDIS, three automatic plotting collision avoidance radars, and GMDSS. All data needed to operate the ship will be available on a single system, presented in a concise form to the operator, allowing the operator the ability to spend much less time gathering data and more time to analyze and formulate correct response.



BuilderHanjinHeavy IndustriesVessel nameHanjinMuscatVessel typeLNG CarrierOwnerHanjinShipping Co.

Built by Hanjin Heavy Industries for the transportion of liquefied natural gas (LNG) between Oman and Korea, Hanjin Muscat is a 918 ft. (280 m), 68,524dwt ship using Gaz Tranport's No. 96-2 membrane cargo containment system. The vessel was built with only four cargo tanks, contained within a complete double side/bottom/bulkhead/deck trunk structure, with top and bottom wing tanks. The side and bottom spaces from integral port and starboard water ballast tanks, divided by the duct keel. This double-hull structure not only protects the tanks from external damage, but insulates the outer hull against critical steelwork fractures cased by the low temperatures (-163 degrees C and atmospheric pressure) at which cargo is transported.

Tank insulation is formed by primary and secondary membranes of 0.7 mm Invar (36 percent nickel steel) sheets, in conjunction with expanded perlite beads contained in plywood boxes attached to the inner hull by stud bolts. This combination is able to sustain the liquid pressure, also static and dynamic loads, and to limit the daily boil-off rated to 0.15 percent of cargo volume. Within

each tank, the filling line and two Ebara 1,700 cu. m./hr. electric s u b m e r s i b l e pumps are arranged on a tripod mast. These pumps

are used for unloading pur-

poses, loading being carried out by shore pumps, with vapor produced in the operation returned to shore by the ship's two 32,000 cu. m./hr. compressors. Other equipment includes a 26,000 kg/hr. main vaporizer, and 7,600 kg/hr. forcing vaporizer, 13,800 N cu. m./hr. forcing vaporizer, 13,800 N cu. m./hr. inert-gas generators and two 1,250 cu. m./hr. vacuum pumps. Four 50 cu. m./hr. stripping/spray pumps, 550 cu. m./hr. emergency cargo pump, and two sets of 20,000 kg/hr. boil off/warm-up heaters are also fitted.

Two crew members can operate and monitor the

entire ship from a centralized administration and control center on accommodation deck D, using two s e p a r a t e



Yamatake-Honeywell TDC 3000 Basic automation systems. These serve cargo/ballast operations a n d machinery/electric generation, respectively, with Whessoe tank

level gauges, a Foxboro custody transfer systems, and Mitsubishi total boil-off gas control system. Mitsubishi also supplied a loading calculator to assist cargo operations, also an automatic combustion control, burner management and main turbine controls. Other equipment includes an AMCO turbo feed pump control system and Kvaerner ship performance monitors for the machinery installation.

A Mitsubishi MS 40-2 cross-compound steam turbine developing 38,900 shp drives a fixed propeller through a

> double-reduction gearbox to give a service speed of 20.3 knots, with steam generated from two vertical, two-drum watertube boilers, burning oil or boil-off gas, or

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a combination of both. Two 3,450 kW turbo alternators and a similar sized diesel-alternator set satisfy electrical requirements. A water scoop system is provided for cooling the main condensor. A Mitsubishi total navigation system is integrated with three radars, echosounder, a Doppler sonar and docking system supplied by Atlas Elektronik, with additional aids including a Tokimec chart plotter and two GPS navigators.

Main Particulars FlagPanama GearboxesMitsubishi Mooring equipmentBLM Cargo, Ballast control systemMitsubishi BowthrustersNakashima Fire detection systemConsilium-Marine Fire extinguishing systemFain RadarSTN Atlas Satellite navigation systemJRC



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Great Ships of 1999

Builder Vessel name Vessel type Owner Daewoo C OKHA and FSO this ICB Shipping of

Originally planned
 and designed as the
 third vessel in a trio
 of three conventional
 Crude Oil Tankers
 ordered by ICB Ship-

ordered by ICB Shipping, Daewoo constructed the 158,000-TDW Okha - modification to FSO. Although the vessel had been aimed at operating not only in tanker mode, but also

in FSO, efficient design and construction had been achieved economically through ICB & SBM's operational experience.

Prior to its designation as a crude oil tanker during the first half of 1999, Okha, which was delivered on May 11, is currently being operated as a FSO unit at Sakhalin oil field.

The vessel houses six pairs of cargo tanks and a pair of slop tanks in three segregation and 15 ballast tanks including peak tanks, which form double skin meeting MARPOL requirements. Accommodation stands at 36 with four tiers and a navigation bridge. Total cargo capacity is 173,300 cu. m. and ballast capacity is 54,560 cu. m. As a noted FSO Unit, the vessel has equipment consisting of a bow cargo loading station, stern cargo offloading station and turbine type of metering unit with the steel support structure and a laboratory unit. Two sets of quick release mooring hooks provide for the single point mooring with a SALM buoy and an electro-hydraulically driven deck crane of offshore type is provided on the starboard side for handling offloading goods from the supply boat, cargo hoses and Suez mooring boat. One bow loading pipe of ND 300mm is arranged from loading station at portside and connected to the manifold cross-over line in midship, and a fire safe type ESD (Emergency Shut Down) ball valve at loading station is remotely/hydraulically controlled from CCR and the wheelhouse.



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Builder Hyundai Heavy IndustriesVessel nameBunga MelatiVessel typeChemical TankerOwnerMISC

In early July, Hyundai Heavy Industries delivered a 30,000-dwt chemical tanker to Malaysia International Shipping Corp. (MISC). The vessel, dubbed Bunga Melati 4, is a double bottom and double skin chemical tanker with 34 cargo tanks including 16 stainless steel tanks. Classed by LR, the vessel is a single screw diesel engine driven ship of flush decker with forecastle and poop, with bulbous bow and open water type stern. The cargo area is divided by two longitudinal corrugated bulkheads and nine transverse corrugated bulkheads. In the cargo tank section, the vessel has a double hull with side ballast tanks and a double bottom. The ship is designed to carry chemical cargoes type 2 and 3 as specified in the IMO IBC Code.

The cargo tank section of the Bunga Melati 4 comprises 34 cargo tanks including 16 stainless steel 316 LN tanks, 16 coated (phenolic epoxy 300 mic) tanks and two slop tanks, each equipped with a hydraulic motor driven centrifugal submerged cargo pump (Framo type), with a capacity of 450-250 cu. m./hr. for cargo tanks and 190 cu. m./hr. for slop tanks.

The internal parts of the stainless steel cargo tanks have been pre-treated by a local company that specializes in marine and industrial services, a company which also took care of degreasing, pickling and passivation for the cargo tanks.

This pipeline arrangement allows the connection of each tank separately to either starboard or port manifold outlet. For cargo heating and tank cleaning purposes, all cargo tanks are fitted with stainless steel heating coils and cleaning machines.

Heating is by steam. Gas freeing of the tanks is with mechanical ventilators, which are installed in a fan room.

N2 gas supply system with N2 bottle is provided for the ullage space of cargo tanks to compensate for normal losses during transportation. Each cargo tank and slop tank is provided with pressure sensor type level gauge.

The ship is powered by a six-cylinder in-line low speed, two stroke marine diesel engine, a Hyundai-B&W 6S50MC, which develops an MCR of 9,600 bhp at 119.6 rpm.





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Great Ships of 1999

Builder (Hull) Astano **Modules Integration** Ingalls Vessel name Discoverer Enterprise Vessel type Drillship Owner **Transocean Offshore**

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struction and field development performance.

Transocean Offshore owns the vessel, which was constructed at El Ferrol, Spain. Supplementary to this is Ingalls Shipbuild-

ing's test and trials contract with BP-Amoco Corporation. The Pascagoula-

> The assembled units retain the same strength and structural properties as that of a traditional hull construction. The time spent in port to engage/disengage the two seperate units takes less than 2 hours.

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based shipyard completed the rigs outfitting and erected all of its major modules.

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Main Particulars

FlagPanam	
ClassificationDNV	
Length, (o.a.))
Breadth	
GT	s
Displacement	
Deadweight	s
Draft	r
Speed	
Fuel consumption	e
Main engines 4 Wartsila 18V32 and 2 12V32	2
Total hp	
Thrusters	a
Generators	-
Emergency generatorWartsil	a
Motor startersABI	
Engine controls	
Coatings	n
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Two full-capability, full-capacity drilling stations - specifically two separate drilling rigs - are located under the single derrick providing the conceptual simultaneous drilling operations. A drill floor, which is more than twice as large as one that is usually implemented, includes two-full sized rotary tables. Full integration of the two rigs is supplied by an automated pipe-handling system with each rig capable of running, pulling and standing back 135 ft. long stands of pipe (vs. the standard 93-ft. stands), thus decreasing the number of drilling and tripping connections.



Ordered by Golden Door Corporation of Liberia, Golden Nerina, a 75,484-dwt bulk carrier was constructed by Hitachi Zosen's Maizuru Works for an August 5 delivery.

Registered in Panama, the vessel is the 97th Hitachi Panamax and second Hitachi Panamax jumbo vessel that houses various upgrades over the original version. It is the fourth bulk carrier in the series built with an ABS Safe Hull; deadweight tonnage and cargo capacity are considerably greater than previous vessels.

Golden Nerina is equipped with an energy-efficient Hitachi Zosen MAN B&W main diesel engine with the Hitachi Zosen Super Stream Duct (SSD) at its stern. The vessel holds exceptional propulsion efficiency and fuel economy as well.

N	Main Particulars
Flag	Liberia
Classification	
Length, (o.a.)	
Breadth	
Depth	
Full draft	
DWT	
Main engine	Hitachi Zosen-MAN B&W
Speed	

December, 1999

Builder Vessel name Vessel type

Owner

Meyer Werft Clipper Harald Gas tanker Solvang ASA

Joining its sistership, Clipper Viking, which was delivered in December 1998, Clipper Harald was delivered to its owners Solvang ASA in July.

Built in cooperation between Papenburg-based Meyer Werft and Thyssen Nordseewerke of Emden, Clipper Harald measures 146.4 m in length with a breadth of 20.5 m. and boasts a cargo tank volume of 12,660 cu. m. Able to move at a top

Main Particulars



speed of more than 18 knots, the gas tanker is capable of carrying products such as ethylene, vinyl chloride monomer, ammonia and propylene oxide in three bilobe tanks.



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Great Ships of 1999

Builder Vessel name Vessel type Vessel owner



Samsung Heavy Industries SK Supreme LNG Carrier SK Shipping Co.

Samsung Heavy Industries Co. is scheduled to deliver by year's end, the largest size LNG carrier of GTT Mark-II1 membrane type and is scheduled to deliver two more vessels within 2000.

Supreme, a 138,000 cu. m. LNG Carrier has been designed and constructed with the regulation of ABS and KR classification societies and the membrane

cargo containment system developed by GTT (Gaz Transport & Technigaz) in France.

The cargo tanks are protected by a complete double side/bottom, cofferdam between each tanks and trunk at topside. For the hull and cargo containment system of cargo tank, Dynamic Load Analysis and extended fatigue analysis have been carried out to ensure the vessel's high reliability and long lifetime.

Cargo will be carried at -163 degrees C in the near atmospheric pressure with an insulation of 250 mm and membrane of 1.2 mm thick corrugated stainless steel sheet.

The GazTransport & Technigaz Mark-Ill system offers a low boil-off rate, in this case 0.15 percent/day of total cargo volume. Each cargo tank is fitted with two 1,700 cu. m. /h submerged centrifugal pumps, which are capable of unloading cargo within 12 hours. Cargo loading is carried out by shore-based pumps, after the tanks have been pre-cooled by LNG spray. Vapor produced during this process is returned ashore through the ship's high-duty compressors. Boil-off gas generated on voyage is heated and delivered as fuel gas to the main boiler by a low-duty compressor and boiloff gas heater.

An elevated walkway over the tanks affords access from the Centralized Administration and Control Center (CACC), located at the fourth tier level of accommodation deckhouse the wheelhouse, to the compressor room and deck. The CACC provides a central command station for cargo and ballasting operations, as well as monitoring, remote control of the propulsion plant, integrated automation and shipboard management systems.

The propulsion machinery comprises a 39,500 SHP Kawasaki steam turbine set driving a fixed propeller through a double reduction gearbox. The vessel's service speed stands at 20.8 knots with a 21 percent sea margin. Steam is generated by two Kawasaki boilers, capable of burning fuel oil, boil-off gas or a combination of both. Electrical power is derived from two turbo-alternators, each producing 3,450 kW, and a 'stand-by' 3,450 kW diesel-driven set.

Fire safety measures include dry powder and water spray for the cargo tank areas, and a water spray for the deckhouse front. Accommodation is provided for 48 persons.

Mooring arrangement and hull parallel body have been especially designed to suit the cargo loading/unloading at worldwide LNG terminals. Cargo cooling, also loading and unloading operations will be done, utilizing two Atlas Copco high duty compressors (32,000 cu. m. /h), a main vaporizer (21,300kg/h) and two heaters



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Great Ships of 1999

Mai	n Particulars
Flag	Panamanian
Classification	ABS
Delivery Date	Dec. 30, 1999
Length, (o.a.)	915 ft. (278.8m)
Length, (b.p.)	873 ft. (266 m)
Breadth	140 ft. (42.6m)
Depth	85 ft. (26m)
GT	93,000
Draft	37 ft. (11.3 m)
Service speed	20.8 knots
Cargo capacity	138,200
Propeller	HHI
Turbo-alternators	MHI
Hose handling cranes, m	ooring winchesSHI-BLM
Cargo pumps	EBARA
Cargo control, Ballast co	ontrol systemsYuken
Bridge control system	Norcontrol
Fire detection systems	Saraco-Thorn
Fire extinguishing system	msNamyang-Kidde(N.K.)
Radars	Norcontrol
SatNav	Trimble
Gyro compass/Autopilot	Raytheon Anschutz

(1,560 kW), while forced boil-off, and the handling of gas fed to the main propulsion boilers, is served by two ATLAS COPCO compressors (8,500 cu. m. /h), a forcing vaporizer (7,000 kg/h) and a combined heater (540 kW). Inerting of the insulated space and cargo tanks is by means of two Permea nitrogen generators (90 m3/h) and a MOSS inert gas generator (14,000 cu. m. /h). A particular feature of design is the adoption of a single control room for engine room and cargo spaces.

The high degree of automation fitted includes an operating control conditions, optimization of ship and machinery control conditions, ship management and vibration monitoring. A distributed control system incorporates four twin and three single workstations, with electronically self-contained screens capable of controlling any ship function, provided the operator presents the correct badge. Also included are 30 main and 70 submimic boards. New insulation material such as reinforced polyurethane foam and triplex are applied, having excellent quality and reliability, and fabricated by well-established Korean subcontractors. Gas trials have been successfully fulfilled in Korean LNG terminal (Incheon) this past November. Samsung began to invest and develop LNG technology in 1986, and acquired the technologies of engineering and construction from GTT in 1990.



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Designed and constructed to comply with the requirements of Korea Register of Shipping (KR), SK Summit, a 135,000 cu. m LNG Carrier was delivered in August 1999 to SK Shipping by DHI Okpo Shipyard. Registered under the Panamanian flag, Summit will transport Liquefied Natural Gas from Qatar to Korea. The vessel has a continuous upper deck with aft sunken deck, as well as a raked stem with bulbous bow and bow thruster. A fixed pitch propeller is driven by a marine GPS steam turbine. Four cargo tanks, which are capable of holding a capacity of 138,000 cu. m. capacity are designed as GTT membrane type and will keep the LNG at a temperature of -

163 degrees C under the condition of maximum daily boil-off rates less than .15 percent of fully loaded cargo volume. Via the cargo hold length, underdeck passageways are situated port and starboard in trunk deck space and also center passageway (pipe duct) with trolley system is arranged in the double bottom. A six-tier deckhouse located aft offers accommodation for 48 with vibration levels in living areas designed especially low at normal operating condition.

The vessel holds a typical cargo handling system, which has been upgraded on membrane type of LNG carriers. Liquefied cargo handling equipments such as a double set of main cargo pumps, one set of spray/stripping pump, and one set of capacitance type level gauge is present.

Summit is constructed to comply with ship/shore compatibility of the LNG loading terminal in Qatar, Oman (Qalhat); Indonesia (Arun/Bontang); and Malaysia (Bintulu) as well as discharge terminals in Korea. Mooring arrangement, fender contract flat area, gangway landing position/support, manifold arrangement and ship/shore communication systems for these LNG terminals are considered sufficiently in this vessel.

> The main powering unit is comprised of the Kawasaki cross compound steam turbine with high and low pressure turbine, double reduction gear and main condenser including astern turbine. The main condenser is designed to be cooled by a scoop cooling sea water system at normal sea going condition and by main sea water circ. Pump at the low load under 65 rpm of main turbine.

> Consisting of three switchboards (main, cargo and emergency) the electric distribution system is located in separate rooms. Power is supplied to the main switchboard by three (two steam turbine-driven, one diesel engine-driven) 3,450 kW generators at 440VAC, 3-phase, 60Hz. A diesel-driven emergency generator of 850 kW capacity is connected to the emergency switchboard to meet statutory requirements and to provide for restricted operations if the main generators are unavailable.

> Service speed of the SK Summit is confirmed at 20.8 knots fully loaded at 100 percent MCR with 21 percent sea margin, by sea trial, which is increased by .3 knots than the contracted speed of 20.5 knots.

Main Pa	articulars
g	Panama
ssification	KR, DNV
ngth, (o.a)	909 ft. (277 m)
ngth, (b.p.)	873 ft. (266 m)
adth, molded	142 ft. (43.4 m)
	95,400
ΤV	69,000
aft	11.3 m
eed	20.5 knots
go capacity 138,0	00 cu. m. in four tanks
ter ballast	52,000 cu. m.
el consumption (dail	y) 202.6
in turbines	KHI
bo generator	HHI-EMD
w thrusters	KHI
nerator engines	Ssang Yong HI
nerators	HHI
duction gears	Kawasaki
gine controls	Nabco
	yung Heavy Industries
ck machinery Briss	onneau & Lotz marine
afting	Daewoo
arings	Kobelco
atings	Hempel
F radio	Japan Radio Co.
lar	Kongsberg Norcontrol
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Builder **Vessel name** Vessel type Owner

Qiu Xin Shipyard Maria Desgagnes Tanker **Groupe Desgagnes**

Constructed in China at the Qiu Xin Shipyard in Shanghai, Maria Desgagnes is a state-of-the-art double-hulled, ice class 1A, type 2 oil and chemical tanker, which is able to transport 12 different types of cargo at once. Featuring a total capacity of

15,570 cu. m., the vessel measures 394 x 69 ft. (120 x 21 m) requiring an investment of more than \$35 million.

The vessel is chartered by Petro-Nav, a subsidiary introduced by Groupe Desgagnes in 1996 with two other shareholders - Nicolas Gravino and Richard P. Carson - to develop the bulk liquid transport side of the business. The tanker joins two others in the fleet - Thalassa Desgagnes and Petrolia Desgagnes, as well as Rigel Shipping Canada tankers for which Petro-Nav has signed a long term charter agreement.

Known as one of the best-equipped oil tankers in the Canadian fleet, Maria Desgagnes is considered a milestone within the maritime industry. According to research completed by Groupe Desgagnes, aside from the construction of ferries for governments - or passenger ships - this is the first new Canadianowned merchant vessel to join Canada's shipping fleet since 1984 and the first oil tanker since 1982.

This technologically-driven vessel includes a loading program that calculates ship stability when intact or damaged, among other things; a computer-

Main	Par	rticu	lar

Main Particulars
FlagCanadian
ClassificationLloyd's
Designer
Contract dateAugust 16, 1996
Length, (o.a.)
Length, (b.p.)
Depth
GRT
Displacement
Deadweight
Draft
Engine manufacturer Hudong Heavy Machinery
Engine
Engine controlsNorControl
Steering controls
Generators
Bow thruster
Reduction gears
Deck machinery
Bearings Simplex seal White Metal
VHF radio Furuno
Compass
Heat exchangers
A/C Airtech
Liferafts
Lifeboats/Davits
Waste management systemODME
Ballast control system .Danfoss, Ian Conrad System Cargo controlDanfoss, Framo, Ian Conrad
Average speed
Consumption at sea
Consumption in port
Tank capacity Fuel
Ballast
Dunast

ized monitoring system for cargo and ballast tanks, including ullage, temperature, high-level alarm, etc; and stainless steel heating coils for the cargo oil and slop tanks.

With a loading and discharge capacity of 1,800 cu. m., the vessel's main engine houses a shaft alternator, while maneuvering bow thrusters assist in docking and navigation in restricted waters.



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Vessel name Vessel type Owner

Port Weller Drydocks (A division of CSE) **CSL** Niagara Two belt self unloader **Canada Steamship Lines**

M.V. CSL Niagara, which was delivered by Port Weller Dry Docks this past

July, is the largest seaway capable vessel on the Great Lakes. The two selfunloader resulting was formulated by joining the aft end of M.V. J.W. McGiffin to a complete new forebody built and outfitted by PWDD. Beginning with the new forebody being floated out of the building dock, McGiffin was then

docked and its old forebody was cut and floated off the new forebody was redocked and joined to McGiffin's stern shortly after. Taking advantage of maximum seaway new dimensions resulting in cargo lifts, the

vessel was selected to celebrate strong







links between Canada Steamship Lines and the Niagara Region.

Resulting from the handiwork of CSL's technical team and CSE Marine Services, the objective at hand was to produce an efficient design that would span for another quarter-century. Niagara's cylindrical bow design provides more displacement and an additional 600 tons of cargo lift over other designs.

From a structural standpoint, the vessel is longitudinally framed - unlike traditional lakers. As a result, there is a lighter, more efficient design, which is complimentary to PWDD's state-of-theart production processes. Bulb sections provided by Fundia were utilized due to their stability for application of the high quality coating system by International Paints. Other steel shapes were supplied by Salit Steel, while the steel manufactured by Algoma Steel and supplied by Samuel Plate was blasted and primed by both PWDD and Blastech Corporation.

By far, the total concept of the vessel is its self-unloading system. The existing boom and loop belt were retained and joined to a new arrangement of hold and transfer conveyors. In cooperation with EMS-Tech, the system was designed to be efficient and maximize cargo cubic and discharge at 6,000 STPH. A total of 146 suspended roller track gates were constructed by Pascol Engineering for installation by Port Weller adding to the two conveyor belts, which were implemented on garland rollers from Haak Industries. Unloading and ballast systems are remotely controlled by 14 closed-circuit television cameras installed by Canal Marine, while cargoholds are serviced by a series of hatches, fitted with one-piece steel covers, removable by crane. Outstanding in this vessel is a new 1,000 kW Kamewa bow thruster that was installed to assist the bigger vessel when maneuvering. Utilizing the same idea, a new Pascol-constructed steering nozzle was installed.

Main Pa	articulars
Flag	Canadian
Classification	Lloyd's
Designer	CSE Marine Services
Length (o.a.)	740 ft. (225.5 m)
Length (b.p.)	730 ft. (222.5 m)
Breadth	78 ft. (23.8 m)
Deadweight	35,560 tons
Draft	30 ft. (9 m)
Speed	13 knots
Cargo capacity	40,200 cu. m.
Bunker	435 MT
Water ballast	19,250 MT
Coatings	International Paint
Cargo control system	Canal Marine



Signifying the best of an outstanding new crop of seismic vessels, the Norwegian-built wedge-shaped Geco Eagle sports a 121 ft. (37m) wide back deck to store and deploy more recording equipment than any other vessel afloat, but the unique shipshape does not lead to a trade-off in capacity.

The ability to survey more territory in a time and cost efficient manner has directly led to the tremendous push for deeper water resources exploration.

Geco-Prakla routinely deploys 6 km streamers and the slim Nessie-4 streamers and large streamer reels will enable Geco Eagle to easily deploy streamers over 8km.

Geco Eagle is equipped with the Monowing* II deflector system, which coupled with lightweight towing leads, has already been proven to deliver 1,400 meter wide spreads without the help of other vessels.

The highest capacity vessels previous to Geco Eagle in the Schlumberger fleet were already deploying footprints up to 8 sq. km. Geco Eagle — if you can excuse the expression — effectively knocks all existing records out of the water with its massive footprint up to 11 sq. km.

With 20 tow points, Geco Eagle is able to shoot very high-resolution 3-D. It is not only the vessel's capacity, but also its flexibility that sets Geco Eagle apart.

Geco Eagle has a specially designed 36-ft. (10.9 m) workboat that is easy to deploy, is completely self-contained ---with enclosed cabin and navigation system and is very fast moving. It can pick up, exchange and store 100 m streamer sections, has underwater cameras and a unique streamer cleaning system. Geco-Prakla vessels have already kept

Main P	articulars
Flag	Panama
Length, (o.a.)	311 ft. (94.8 m)
Length, (b.p.)	281 ft. (85.8 m)
Breadth, (molded)	79 ft. (24 m)
Breadth, (extreme)	121 ft. (37 m)
Draft	25 ft. (7.5 m)
GT	10,846
Main engines	4x 4,050 kW
Auxiliary engines	Volvo Penta 250 kW
Speed 16 knots	
Lifeboats	Norsafe

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streamers deployed for well over a year and have encountered barnacles and other growths of amazing proportions. With its five-year docking interval, Geco Eagle streamers are likely to spend a very long time continuously deployed in the water.

The uniquely shaped Geco Eagle is helping Schlumberger to survey larger areas more time and cost efficiently in the quest to continually discover resources in deeper waters.





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ceeding inflation. The company has

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ener Signs Foran Agreement With PSC

Sener has signed a contract for the censes and associated services with the falaysian shipyard PSC Naval Dockard. The Foran contract includes licenss for all the Subsystems, employing bout 30 work-seats who will collaboate with Foran at the shipyard's offices n Lumut. Foran has already been successfully carried out in Lumut and the standard training of users. A two-week nduction course for managers, which is already underway, will be complete this nonth. Windows NT was the operating system selected.

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ACR Electronics, Fort Lauderdale, Fla., has developed an innovative alternative to hazardous pyrotechnic devices to comply with USCG signal requirements — the DistresS.O.S. The product is a non-flammable, safe, buoyant, battery powered, USCG compliant night visual distress signal that flashes S.O.S.the international Morse Code for distress. With more than 50,000 candela of light intensity after six hours of continuous use, DistresS.O.S. has more than 22 nautical miles of visibility at sea level.

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SeaJets Take Off For Grand Bahama Island

SeaJets, the Palm Beach-based Jetfoil, left the Port of Palm Beach on November 6, inaugurated regular service of the jets into Grand Bahama Island.

SeaJet Kara will depart from the Port Thursday through Monday at 9 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. with scheduled arrivals on Grand Bahama Island at 11 a.m. and 6:30 p.m., respectively. Departures from the Island will be at 11:30 a.m. and 6:50 p.m., arriving in Palm Beach at 1:30 p.m. and 8:30 p.m., respectively.

Combining their innovative and high speed operation, the jets are able to cover the 65 nautical miles between the Port and the Island in 99 minutes flying time. Flying over the sea's surface, the JetFoils leave no wake and can absorb shock waves up to 19 ft. (5.7 m) - with little or no movement in passenger cabins. The only two JetFoils operating from U.S. ports, the jets can accommodate up to 250 passengers.



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MaK Signs Letter Of Intent For Its Subsidiary

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BALBOA, PANAMA	- 1/2 - 2										NEW YORK, NY										
AVERAGE MAX	981.6 988.2	362.6 388	14.8 16.5	0.06 0.08	0.26 0.5	2.6 3.87	166 277	12 23	13	0.01 0.02	AVERAGE MAX	986.9 992.1	242.7 360.4	13.4 17.7	0.07 0.09	0.34 0.7	2.65 2.96	227 304	17 40	26	0.05 0.09
BUSAN, KOREA AVERAGE	966.3	319.5	11	0.01	0.08	2.89	83	7	20	0.01	NORFOLK, VA AVERAGE	988.2	208.8	10.6	0.06		2.05				
MAX	979,3	467	14	0.02	0.25	3.46	168	17	20	0.02	MAX	991.3	252.6	10.8	0.06	0.2 0.3	2.95 3.23	186 241	11 14	14	0.02 0.03
CEUTA, SPAIN AVERAGE	982.4	170.5	15.3	0.05	0.3	2.92	209	14	23	0.02	PHILADELPHIA, PA AVERAGE	000 5	224.2								
MAX	987.6	177	17	0.06	0.35	3.07	230	14	23	0.02	MAX	989.5 995.4	234.3 354.4	13.5 16.8	0.06 0.11	0.39 1.5	2.86 3.18	229 339	14 33	15	0.05 0.09
DURBAN, SOUTH AFRICA AVERAGE	990.2	149	17.8	0.07	0.05	2.44	140	12	76	0.07	PIRAEUS, GREECE										
MAX	990.2 990.7	149	17.8	0.03 0.04	0.05 0.05	3.44 3.58	146 180	13 14	25	0.07 0.09	AVERAGE MAX	968.7 990	337 372	11.2 18.9	0.03 0.04	0.08 0.1	3.01 4.04	129 204	13 34	16	0.12 0.7
FOS, FRANCE							1726				PORT ARTHUR, TX										
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GENOVA, ITALY											SAN FRANCISCO, CA										
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GIBRALTAR, SPAIN											SEATTLE, WA										
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GOTHENBURG, SWEDEN											SINGAPORE										
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LOS ANGELES, CA											SUEZ, EGYPT										
AVERAGE MAX	986.8 996.3	276.9 624	10.2 14.3	0.05 0.07	0.19 0.7	1.7 2.11	129 273	17 30	21	0.03 0.1	AVERAGE MAX	956.8 958.2	306.8 321	10.6 11.1	0.03 0.04	0.11 0.3	2.75 3.13	108 184	17 23	9	0.02
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NEW ORLEANS, LA		5.0.0		0.07						5.1	Ash %:							.and si	licon e	pressed a	is ppm.
AVERAGE	987.4	286.1	15.2	0.05	0.17	3.64	138	24	17	0.04	H2O %:				TSP%			Perce	nt total	dissolved	solids
MAX	990.5	364	18	0.07	0.4	4.12	297	56		0.24	S%:		Percer	n sunur.							



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YPRUS MARITIME	CYPRUS	IMABARI SHIPBUILDING	BULK CARRIER	1	_	170,000	2000	
AIWAN NAVIGATION	TAIWAN	OSHIMA SHIPBUILDING	BULK CARRIER	1		91,000	2002	
	TAIWAN	TSUNEISHI	BULK CARRIER	1	—	76,300	Jun-01	
YKIARDOPULO	GREECE	HITACHI ZOSEN	BULK CARRIER	2	—	75,000	2000/2001	
ARUBIA SHIPPING RCADIA SHIPMANAGEMENT		KANASASHI CO.	BULK CARRIER	1	_	75,000	2000	
DIAMANTIS LEMOS	GREECE GREECE	HYUNDAI HEAVY INDUSTRIES (HHI)	BULK CARRIER	1	—	74,900	2002	
IISHIN KISEN	JAPAN	HUDONG SHIPYARD NAMURA ZOSENSHO	BULK CARRIER	1	_	74,500	2001	
AMAMOTO KAIUN	JAPAN	NAMURA ZOSENSHO	BULK CARRIER BULK CARRIER	- ÷		74,000	2001	
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IRST SS	TAIWAN	TSUNEISHI	BULK CARRIER	1	_	52,300	2001	
TRC	CANADA	JING JIANG	BULK CARRIER	6	_	52,000	2001	
ICTORIA STEAMSHIP	U.K.	JING JIANG	BULK CARRIER	2		52,000	2001/2002	
ORDEN	DENMARK	OSHIMA SHIPBUILDING	BULK CARRIER	2	_	50,800	2001/2002	
APPADAKIS	GREECE	MITSUI	BULK CARRIER	ĩ	_	50,000	2002	
IOVIS SHIPPING	GREECE	MITSUI	BULK CARRIER	1		50,000	2001	
ORVALD KLAVENESS	NORWAY	OSHIMA SHIPBUILDING	BULK CARRIER	2	_	49,900	2001	
BT SHIP/WALLEM.	U.K.	SANOYAS CORP.	BULK CARRIER	2	<u> </u>	48,000	2001	
ETAF SAGET	FRANCE	NANTONG COSCO KHI	BULK CARRIER	2		47,980	Feb-01	
RIENT HAKUSAN SHIPPING	PANAMA	TSUNEISHI	BULK CARRIER	ĩ	_	45,300	2000	
RIEG SHIPPING	NORWAY	MITSUI	BULK CARRIER	2	_	45,000	2003	
NKNOWN	UNKNOWN	KANASASHI CO.	BULK CARRIER	2		32,000	2000/2001	
LLIED MARITIME	GREECE	KANDA SHIPBUILDING CO.	BULK CARRIER	2	_	28,200	2001	
INCERE SHIPPING	TAIWAN	TSUNEISHI	BULK CARRIER	ĩ	_	28,000	2001	
LIPPER GROUP	DENMARK	JIANG JIANG	BULK CARRIER	2	_	27,000	Feb-01	
ETER DOHLE SCHIFFAHRTS	GERMANY	MUTZELFELDTWERFT	BULK CARRIER	2	_	7,580	2001	
NTERPRISE SHIPPING & TRADING	GREECE	HYUNDAI HEAVY INDUSTRIES (HHI)	BULK CARRIER	_		.,	2001	
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IRST SS	TAIWAN	HASHIHAMA	BULK CARRIER (OS)	ī		76,300	2001	
GON OLDENDORFF	GERMANY	DAEWOO	BULK CARRIER (OS)	2	_	76,000	2001	
NTERPRISE SHIPPING & TRADING	GREECE	DAEWOO	BULK CARRIER (OS)	2	_	75,000	2001	
NANGEL SHPG. ENT.	GREECE	DAEWOO	BULK CARRIER (OS)	4		75,000	2001/2002	
RAVE MARITIME	GREECE	JIANGYANG	BULK CARRIER (OS)	2		74,500	2001	
FOCHU CORP.	JAPAN	NAMURA DOCK	BULK CARRIER (OS)	2	_	74,000	2001	
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	CHINA	SUMITOMO	BULK CARRIER (OS)	1	<u>.</u>	73,500	2002	
ILVER LAKE	GREECE	SUMITOMO	BULK CARRIER (OS)	2	_	73,500	2001	
	GREECE	HITACHI ZOSEN	BULK CARRIER (OS)	1	_	65,500	2001	
	HONG KONG	DAEDONG SHIPBUILDING	BULK CARRIER (OS)	1	_	50,500	2001	
	GREECE	SHANGHAI SHIPYARD	BULK CARRIER(OS)	2		48,000	Feb-02	
	IRAN	PERSIAN GULF	CONTAINER	6	2,500	35,000	2002/2003	
	GERMANY	HANJIN	CONTAINER	2	1,200	14,300	2001/2002	
	GERMANY	SAMSUNG	CONTAINER	2	5,500	_	2001	
	GERMANY	HANJIN	CONTAINER	3	5,600	- · · · ·	2000	
	NETHERLANDS	HANJIN	CONTAINER	2	1,600	_	Dec-00	
	GERMANY	GUANGZHOU	CONTAINER	2	1,200	_	2001	
	GERMANY	DAEWOO	CONTAINER	3	6,500		2002	
	FRANCE	CHINA SHIPBUILDING CORP.	CONTAINER	3	2,200	—	2002	
	GREECE	CHANTIERS DE L'ATLANTIQUE	CRUISE SHIP	1	<u> </u>	_	Mar-02	
	NORWAY	FOSEN MEK VERKSTEDER	CRUISE SHIP	1		_	Dec-01	
	UK/GERMANY	AKER MTW WERFT	CRUISE SHIP	2		_	2002/2003	
	INDIA	HINDUSTAN SHIPYARD	DREDGER	1	_		2000	
	GREECE	LEROUX ET LOTZ	FERRY	1	_	10,000	Jun-01	
	GREECE	LEROUX ET LOTZ	FERRY	1	_	8,000	May-01	
	CHINA	DALIAN NEW	FSO	1	—	_	2001	
	JAPAN	HITACHI ZOSEN	FSO	1	—		2000	
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	GERMANY	PETERS SCHEEPSWERF	GENERAL CARGO	1			2000	
	NETHERLANDS	DAEWOO MANGALIA HEAVY IND.	GENERAL CARGO	8	132		2000	
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	PHILIPPINES	ATLANTIS	LPG	2	_	3,500	2001	
	AUSTRALIA	INCAT AUSTRALIA	MH PASSENGER/FERRY	1	_	-	2000	
	GERMANY	ZHEJIANG	MULTI-PURPOSE	5	364	-	2001	
	NORWAY	TRONDHEIM VERFT	PASSENGER	1	—	_	2000	
	GREECE	FINCANTIERI	PASSENGER / FERRY	2	—		2001/2002	
	GERMANY	ZHEJIANG	PASSENGER / VEHICLE/FERRY		_	_	2000	
	JAPAN	HAKODATE DOCK	PASSENGER / VEHICLE/FERRY	1	_		2000	
	GREECE	KOYO DOCK	PRODUCTS TANKER	1	_	75,000	2001	
	GREECE	IMABARI SHIPBUILDING	PRODUCTS TANKER	1	—	68,000	Mar-02	
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	KOREA	HAEDONG	PRODUCTS TANKER	1		4,990	2000	
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	GREECE	SAMSUNG	RoRo / FERRY	1	_	_	May-01	
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	NORWAY	KLEVEN MEK	SUPPORT VESSEL	2	_	_	2000/2001	
	SINGAPORE	PAN-UNITED SHIPYARD	SUPPORT VESSEL	1			2000	
	GREECE	SAMSUNG	TANKER	2	-	308,500	2001	
	GREECE	SAMSUNG	TANKER	2	_	308,000	2001/2002	
		DAEWOO	TANKER	1	—	300,000	2001	
	BERMUDA	DAEWOO	TANKER	2	_	300,000	2001/2002	
	TURKEY	HYUNDAI HEAVY INDUSTRIES (HHI)	TANKER	1	_	165,000	2001	
	GREECE	DAEWOO	TANKER	1	_	158,000	2001	
	GREECE	DAEWOO	TANKER	1	_	105,000	2001	
	JAPAN	MATSUURA TEKKO	TANKER	1	_	2,170	2000	
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P&O North Sea Ferries will operate the vessel, which began regular service between Continental Europe and the U.K. on the Zeebrugge-Tessport route in

October. The vessel is designed mainly for transporting trailers, trucks and containers providing fast unloading and loading, and is also equipped with two stern ramps. Measuring 591 ft. (180 m), with a beam of 83 ft. (25.2 m) and draft of 21 ft. (6.5 m), the vessel moves at a speed of 20 knots powered by two mediumspeed diesel engines at 18,900 kW. Norstream's sistership Norsky was delivered to the Bore Company this past June.

Friede Goldman and Halter Complete Merger

Friede Goldman International, Inc. and Halter Marine Group Inc. have announced the two companies have completed their previously announced merger and the name of the combined company is now Friede Goldman Halter, Inc.

The new company began trading on the New York Stock Exchange on November 4, under the new symbol "FGH."

Moore Stephens Warns Of Internet's Risk

Moore Stephens has alerted the shipping industry to be wary of the Internet. Per the most recent edition of its inhouse newsletter, Bottom Line, the company informs that while the Internet is a useful communication tool, it can also be time consuming and risky.

The firm stresses upon problems such as security, validity and other concerns, which shipping businesses may encounter when using the Internet, either as an information resource for ecommerce or communication.

According to Moore Stephens, companies can take precautions such as establishing a computer security policy and statement of practice, as well as educating staff on the risks and viruses that often plague computer networks.

Pilots Train At MarineSafety

A group of Hadera Pilots is following shiphandling training at MarineSafety Rotterdam (MSR) focusing on the main issue of investigating the maximum capabilities of the new tugs presently operating in Hadera Port. This was a significant week of training since MSR combined its shiphandling training of Hadera with Jawaharlal Pilots from

India, which provided a positive practical insight into the maximum possibilities of the new tugs.

The first training session occurred two years ago, prior to the arrival of the new tugs in the Port of Hadera. This time around the pilots had already grasped the usage of the tugs but wanted to try out the maximum capabilities of the tugs using large vessels. Eventually the pilots learned that the safest way to experiment with this was through the use of the simulator.

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Delta Marine President Participates In Conference

Ken Hughes, president of Delta Marine International was a participant at the Research Vessel Operator's Committee (RVOC) Meeting and Conference hosted by Harbor Branch Institution of Oceanography.

The conference, which occurred on November 3 in Fort Pierce, Fla., presented more than 30 research vessels from the world's oceanographic community represented at the RVOC, as well as the National Science Foundation.

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technical brochure available from Drew documents the new cleaner's benefits regarding efficient air cooler maintenance.

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KVH Garners Best Product Awards

For the second year running, two communications systems and two navigation products from KVH Industries have earned "best product" awards from The National Marine Electronics Association (NMEA). TracVision® 3, a new system for 1999 based upon last year's TracVision II, was named Best Satellite Television System, while Tracphone® 25 was designated best Satellite Telephone System. The company's new Azimuth® GyroTrac[™] was voted Best Gyro Compass and the Azimuth 1000 won for Best Electronic Compass.

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Petrobras 36, the 31,183 ton Offshore Oil and Gas Platform left Sept-Iles, Quebec for Brazil on November 11. The Floating Production System is recorded as the heaviest load ever carried by a submersible heavy lift vessel. Performed by Dockwise of Belgium, the operation entailed the usage of the company's Modern Servant I heavy lift ship and the vessel, together with its large cargo, was scheduled to arrive in Rio de Janeiro by mid-November.

Formerly known as the Spirit of Columbus, Petrobras 36 had been at Quebec City Davie

Industries undergoing upgrades for the past two years — making the vessel into one of the largest platform of its kind. When in operation at the Roncador Field located offshore Brazil, the vessel will produce 180,000 barrels of oil and 7.2 MM cu. m of gas per day from a water depth of 1,350 m.

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