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On Saturday evening, September 16, 2023, Richard Wisse, a well-known and skilled photographer of tugboats, passed away as a result of a traffic accident. Richard was only 48 years old. He enjoyed a lot of respect and appreciation among fellow photographers and towing hobbyists because of his extensive knowledge of towing and enormous collection of photos. A real tugboat man has left for his last voyage. We wish his wife, son and daughter all the strenght to cope with this great loss. The picture of VB BENELUX is one of the last pictures that we received from him. We post this picture as a tribute to Richard.





Listed below are new constructions, renamings, sales, demolitions of tugs, anchorhandlers and offshore supply vessels that recently have taken place.



FELINTO PERRY Brasil

photo: Jan Plug

Tugs *Braakman*, ex *Yolande Letzer* '00 (1991 – 8915457), *Union 5* (1992 – 9034975), *Union 8* (1996 – 9120176), *Southampton* (2017 – 9816672), *Union Eagle* (2010 – 9406441) and *Union Panda* (2009 – 9502697) all owned by URS België NV, operated by Boluda Towage Belgium NV have been renamed resp. *VB Braakman*, *VB Triumfante*, *VB Victory*, *VB Southampton*, *VB Eagle* and *VB Panda* in 2023.

BENIN

Newbuilding:

Tug *Wapco 1* (2023 – 9977402). Yard: Guangxi Guijiang Shipyard, Wuzhou (CHN), ynr. GJ01-2021-06. 1.161 GT. Dim. 49,80 x 13,60 x 5,50 m. Engines: 2x Caterpillar, total: 5.218 bhp. Speed: 12 kn. Owner and operator: West African Oil Pipeline, Cotonou.

BRASIL

Newbuilding:

Tug *Svitzer Atanásio* (2023 – 9956240). RAmports 2300 design. Yard: Rio Maguari Shipyard, ynr. 2099. 299 GT. Dim. 23,20 x 11,40 x 4,40 m. Engines: 2x MTU, 16V4000M63. Bollardpull: 70 tonnes, speed: 13 kn. Owner and operator: Svitzer Brasil Servicos Maritimos Ltda., Vitória.

Scrapped:

OSV *Felinto Perry*, ex *Wildrake* '86, *Holger Dane* '88 (1979 – 7724239) owned and operated by Brasil Govt. Marinha do Brasil, Niterói has been scrapped in 2023 at Niterói.

BRITISH VIRGIN ISLANDS

Transaction:

OSV *Success I*, ex *Swissco Succes* '14 (2007 – 9412282) owned and operated by Althea Shiptrade Ltd. has been sold in 2021 to new owner and operator Lyan Shipping Inc., Panama City (PAN) and has been renamed *Delta 1*.

BULGARIA

Newbuildings:

Tug *Alcor* (2023 – 9974814). RAmports 2700 design. Yard: Sanmar Denizcilik Makina Ve Ticaret AS, Altinova (TUR), ynr. 281. 328 GT.



ALCOR Bulgaria

photo: courtesy Robert Allan

AUSTRALIA

Newbuildings:

Tugs *Svitzer Bilby* (2023 – 9965150) and *Svitzer Dorado* (2023 – 9965162). RAstar 2800 design. Yard: Cheoy Lee Shipyards, ynr. 5251 and 5252. 433 GT. Dim. 29,00 x 13,00 x 5,40 m. Engines: 2x Caterpillar, total: 6.390 bhp. Bollardpull: 80 tonnes, speed: 13 kn. Owner and operator: Svitzer Australia, Sydney.

AZERBAIJAN

Transaction:

OSV *Shahdag*, ex *F.D. Incomparable* '19 (2012 – 9499694) owned and operated by Azerbaijan Caspian Shipping, Baku has been renamed *Sugovushan* in 2021.

BELGIUM

Transactions:



Dim. 24,20 x 12,00 x 4,48 m. Engines: 2x Caterpillar, total: 5.706 bhp. Speed: 10 kn. Owner and operator: BMF Tug Service Ltd., Burgas. Launched as *Bogacay LVIII*. Tug *Aquila 2* (2022 – MMSI 207837270). RAport 1600-SX design. Yard: Sanmar Denizcilik Makina Ve Ticaret AS, Altinova (TUR). Dim. 16,30 x 7,40 x 3,30 m. Engines: 2x Caterpillar, C18, total: 1.215 bhp. Bollardpull: 16,4 tonnes, speed: 11 kn. Owner and operator: BMF Port Burgas, Burgas. Launched as *Gokcay II*.



MOSCOW Canada

photo: Captain Peter

CANADA

Transaction:

Tug *Moscow*, ex *Moskau '15* (2006 – 9339739) owned and operated by Seablinc Canada Inc. has been sold in 2022 to new owner and operator Maple Leaf Shipping N.V., Curaçao (ANT) and has been renamed *Maple*.

Newbuildings:

Tugs *Barkerville* (2022 – 9921960), *Canso* (2023 – 9921972), *Haro* (2022 – 9921958) and *Stella Maris* (2023 – 9921984). RAparts 2400 design. Yard: Ocean

Industries, Quebec. 310 GT. Dim. 24,40 x 11,25 x 5,10 m. Bollardpull: 60 tonnes, speed: 12 kn. Emission Standard: Tier III. Owner and operator: Canada Govt. National Defence, Ottawa, ON.

Tug *HaiSea Wee'git* (2023 – 9942976). ElectRA 2800-SX design. Yard: Sanmar Denizcilik Makina Ve Ticaret AS, Tuzla (TUR). 472 GT. Dim. 28,40 x 13,40 x 5,60 m. Bollardpull: 70 tonnes, speed: 12 kn. Owner and operator: HaiSea Marine, Vancouver, BC. Full electric powered tug, with 6.000 kWh storage system.



HAISEA WEE'GIT Canada

photo: courtesy Sanmar

CHINA

Transactions:

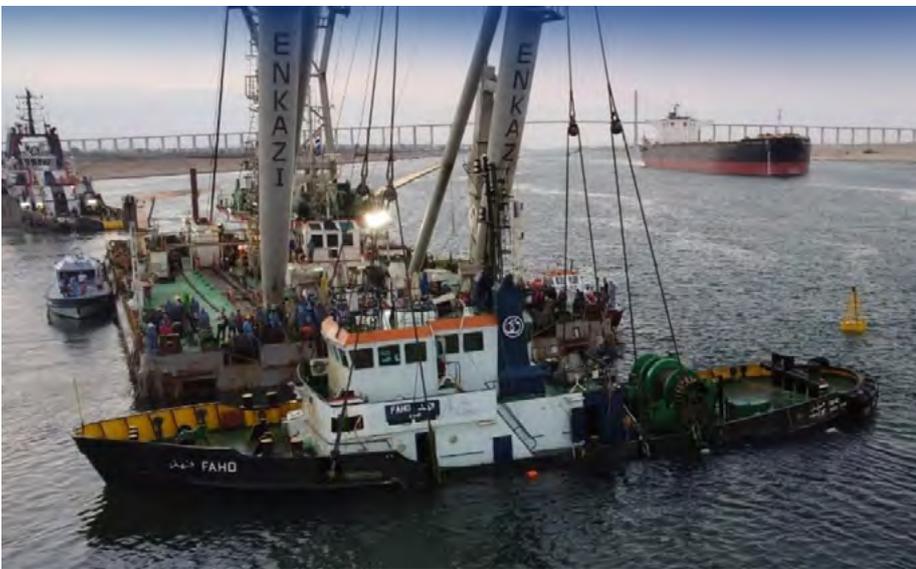
AHTS *Dong Nan 15* (2021 – 9754549) owned and operated by Fujian Funing Shipbuilding Co. has been sold in 2023 to new owner and operator Keyfield Offshore Sdn. Bhd., Kuala Lumpur (MYS) and has been renamed *Nadira*.

Tug *Hang Gong 3002*, ex *Ning Hai Tuo 3001 '16* (2007 – 9391854) owned and operated by CCCC Second Hand Harbor Engineering has been sold in 2023 to new owner and operator Shenzhen Huayuan Offshore, Shenzhen and has been renamed *Hua Yuan Hai Yang*.

Newbuildings:

Tug *Bao Hang 10* (2022 – MMSI 413384550). Yard: Jiangsu Zhenjiang Shipyards. Dim. 38,20 x 10,80 x 5,15 m. Total: 6.000 bhp. Bollardpull: 71,6 tonnes, speed: 13,5 kn. Owner and operator: Liaoning Longyun Shunze Tug Ltd., Jiangsu.





FAHD Egypt

photo: Suez Canal Authority

Tug *Bei Bu Wan Tuo 12* (2022 – MMSI 413348940). Yard: Jiangsu Zhenjiang Shipyards. Dim. 38,00 x 12,00 x 3,20 m. Total: 4.000 bhp. Bollardpull: 51 tonnes, speed: 13 kn. Owner and operator: Beibuwan Port.

Tug *Bo Qiang Tuo 8* (2023 – MMSI 413396670). Yard: Jiangsu Zhenjiang Shipyards. Dim. 44,60 x 13,00 x 5,80 m. Total: 7.287 bhp. Bollardpull: 91 tonnes,

speed: 12,9 kn. Owner and operator: Jiangsu Bohang Shipping Co. Ltd., Jiangsu.

Tugs *Cao Gang 30* (2023 – MMSI 413511420) and *Cao Gang 31* (2023 – 413511430). RAMParts 3500 design. Yard: Jiangsu Zhenjiang Shipyard. 499 GT. Dim. 35,93 x 11,10 x 5,23 m. Total: 6.498 bhp. Bollardpull: 81 tonnes, speed: 13,1 kn. Owner and operator: Tangshan Caofeidian Shipping, Tangshan.

Tug *Da Gu Lun 7* (2022 – MMSI 413345570). Yard: Jiangsu Zhenjiang Shipyards. Dim. 38,00 x 10,60 x 4,85 m. Total: 5.200 bhp. Bollardpull: 63,5 tonnes, speed: 13,2 kn. Owner and operator: Tianjin Lingang Shipping Co.

AHTS *Ganda* (2023 – 9752149). Yard: Guangzhou Hangtong Shipbuilding, ynr. HT132228. 1.562 GT. Dim. 55,00 x 14,60 x 5,50 m. Engines: 2x Yanmar, total: 5.220 bhp. Owner: Guangzhou Hangtong Shipbuilding, operator: Sinoship Maritime Services Co. Ltd. Launched as *Triton Sadewa*.

AHTS *Raptor II* (2022 – 9616151). Yard: South China Marine Ltd., Hong Kong. 1.572 GT. Engines: 2x Caterpillar, total: 5.200 bhp. Owner and operator: builders account.

Tug *Tai Gang Tuo 16* (2023 – MMSI 413874737). Yard: Jiangsu Zhenjiang Shipyard. Dim. 38,70 x 10,50 x 4,60 m. Total: 5.200 bhp. Bollardpull: 66 tonnes, speed: 14 kn. Owner and operator: Jiangsu Port Navigation Engineering.

CYPRUS

Newbuildings:

OSVs *Aprion* (2023 – 9707235) and *Larga* (2023 – 9698816). PX121 design. Yard: ROC Shipyard, Nantong. 3.793 GT. Dim. 83,40 x



FAIRPLAY-67 Germany

photo: Nico Ouwehand



18,00 x 6,70 m. Total: 7.130 bhp. Speed: 14,5 kn. Owner and operator: Amga Shipping Ltd., Paphos. Ordered in 2013 by the ITG Group, but in fact never delivered to the client.

DENMARK

Transaction:

SSV *Esvagt Delta*, ex *Kapilssund '91* (1974 – 7359151) owned and operated by Esvagt A/S has been sold in 2022 to new owner and operator OBL EHF, Reykjavik (ICL) and has been renamed *Delta GK*.

EGYPT

Scrapped:

Tug *Haj Ibrahim*, ex *Lloyd M. Defelice '17* (1978 – 7809534) owned and operated by Max Marine FZE, Alexandria has been sold in May 2023 for scrap to Karachi (PAK).

Casualty:

Tug *Fahd*, ex *Brielsebank '76* (1976 – 7430474) owned and operated by Suez Canal Authority has sunk on 5 August 2023 after a collision with LPG tanker *Chinagas Legend* (2020 – 9847944, 48.489 GT) in the Suez Canal at Km 51.300 (Canal marking). Three days later she was recovered from a depth of 88 ft by sheerlegs *Inkaz I*.

FRANCE

Transactions:

AHTS *Bourbon Liberty 207* (2009 – 9513543) owned by Bourbon Liberty 207 SNC, operated by Bourbon Offshore SURF SAS has been sold in 2022 to new owner and operator Naviun Offshore B.V., Urk (NLD) and has been renamed *Liberty 207*.

OSV *Inyanga Entsha*, ex *Bourbon Liberty 121 '21* (2010 – 9581150) owned by Inyanga Maritime Ltd., operated by Inyanga Tech SAS has been sold in 2023 to new owner and operator Beitveit Holding AS, Kvamsøy (NOR) and has been renamed *Sea Admiral*. She will be converted into a fishing support vessel.

GERMANY

Transactions:

Tugs *Bugsier 2* (2006 – 9338993), *Fairplay Bentayga*, ex *Bugsier 19 '20* (1997 – 9158472), *Florian* (1985 – 8408480) and *Stella* (1998 – 9183398) all owned and operated by Fairplay Borchard GmbH, Hamburg have been renamed resp. *Fairplay-62*, *Fairplay-67*, *Fairplay-52* and *Fairplay-65* in 2023.

Tug *RT Pioneer* (1999 – 9190614) owned by Boluda Shipping NL B.V., operated by Boluda Deutschland GmbH has been renamed *VB Pioneer* in 2023.



FAIRPLAY-62 Germany

photo: Willem Koper



SCHOLLE Germany

photo: Rob & Frits van der Hoek

Tug *ZP Bison* (2014 – 9701994) owned by ZP Bison Ltd., operated by Boluda Deutschland GmbH, Bremen has been renamed *VB Bison* in 2023.

Newbuilding:

Utility *Scholle* (2023 – MMSI 218021300). Design: Multi Cat 1908 SD. Yard: Damen Shipyards, Gorinchem, ynr. 571721. Dim. 19,40 x 8,50 x 1,00 m. Engines: 2x Caterpillar. C12 TA/B, 770 bhp. Bollardpull: 8,5 tonnes, speed: 9 kn. Owner and operator: Bohlen & Doyen Bau GmbH., Wiesmoor.

GREECE

Transactions:

Tug *Coeus*, ex *L.E. Stewart '84*, *Jarmac 66 '93*, *Mac Tide 66 '01*, *James Surveyor '05* (1975 – 7390961) owned by Moby I Inc., operated by International Maritime Services GRC has been sold in 2022 to new owner Greataf Trading Co. Ltd., Lagos (NGA). Name remains the same.

Tug *Leon*, ex *Kuroshio '91*, *Kestrel '91*, *Lady Morag '06*, *Adsteam Morag '08*, *Svitzer Morag '16* (1983 – 8312007) owned by Lyboussakis Leon Shipping Co., operated by Med Tugs, Piraeus has been renamed *Lyboussakis Leon* in 2023.

Newbuilding:

Tug *Kedros* (2023 – 9954096). Yard: Eregli Gemi Insa Sanayi Ve Ticaret AS, Eregli (TUR), ynr. 108. 363 GT. Dim. 23,77 x 12,00 x 4,60 m. Total: 3.800 bhp Owner and operator: Kedros Shipping Co. Piraeus.

Scrapped:

AHTS *Aegean Star*, ex *Lord Supplier '90*, *Gro Viking '02*, *Active Lord '08*, *Aries Lord '10*, *Energy Lord '14*, *Valiant Energy '20* (1984 – 8401432) owned and operated by Laki Star Maritime, Alexandroupolis has been beached for scrap in August 2023 to Aliaga (TUR). Tug *Atlas*, ex *Yorkshireman '74 Lady Theresa '81* (1967 – 6713087) owned by Lyboussakis Atlas NE, operated by Med





ATLAS Greece

photo: Nektarios Papadakis

Tugs, Piraeus has been sold for scrap in July 2023 to Aliaga (TUR).

Tug *lason*, ex *Pontailac '88*, *Loucas Matsas '91*, *Karapiperis 1 '96* (1956 – 9281917) owned by Lybousakis Iason Naftiki, operated by Consortium Union of Tugs, Piraeus has been sold for scrap in July 2023 to Aliaga (TUR).

INDIA

Transactions:

Tugs *A M Akshant*, ex *Dragonet IV '15*, *Agt 1802 '18*, *AM Akshant '21* (2009 – 9513256) and *A M Amber*, ex *Dragonet I '15*, *Agt 1601 '19*, *AM Amber '21* (2008 – 9548770) owned and operated by Alphard Maritime Pvt.

Ltd. have been sold in 2022 to new owner Safeen Marine 13 Ltd., operated by Middle East Marine LLC, Dubai (ARE) and have been renamed resp. *Akshant* and *Amber*.

Tug *Col. H. Cartwright Reid* (2012 – 9571090) owned and operated by Visakhapatnam Port Trust has been sold in 2023 to new owner and operator Jami A, Dubai (ARE) and has been renamed *Maya 1*.

Newbuilding:

Tug *River Pearl 10* (2023 – 9971525). Yard: Synergy Shipbuilders, Goa, ynr. 62. 122 GT. Dim. 21,00 x 7,20 x 2,00 m. Engines: 2x Cummins, KTA19 M3, total: 1.014 bhp. Bollardpull: 10 tonnes, speed: 11,9 kn. Owner and operator: Knowledge Marine & Engineering Works Ltd., Mumbai.

INDONESIA

Newbuildings:

Tugs *LL Johan Wahyudi* (2022 – 9970131) and *LL Untung Junaidi* (2022 – 9970143). Yard: Lautan Lestari Shipyard, Batam, ynr. 151 and 152. 252 GT. Dim. 26,00 x 9,00 x 3,20 m. Owner and operator: LL Permata PT, Batam.

IRAN

Transaction:



BAY CLEAN Japan

photo: West JP



Tug *DP Hoormand*, ex *Vikingbank '04*, *Stanford Pride '18* (1987 – 8519605) owned and operated by undisclosed interest has been sold in 2022 to Tanzania flag undisclosed interest and has been renamed *ETN Baltic*.

ITALY

Newbuilding:

Tug *Blasco* (2023 – 9974840). RAmports 3200-X design. Yard: unknown. 497 GT. Dim. 32,00 x 13,00 x 4,35 m. Total: 6.865 bhp. Bollardpull: 82 tonnes. Owner: Cafimar Group, operator: Somat, SpA, Palermo. Launched as *Kocacay VIII*.



WADDENZEE The Netherlands

photo: Hette Kloosterman

JAPAN

Transactions:

Tug *Asuka*, ex *Akagi Maru '17* (1991 – 9038036) owned and operated by undisclosed interest has been sold in 2023 to new owner and operator Pelayaran Multi Jaya Samudera, Medan (IDN) and has been renamed *Martha Queen*.

Pushertug *Bay Clean* (2001 – 9250658) owned and operated by Japan Government

has been sold in 2022 to new owner and operator Lingsheng HK Marine Co. Ltd., Hong Kong (CHN) and has been renamed *Beikurin*.

Tug *Kenzan Maru*, ex *Sakura Maru '13* (1987 – 8618528) owned and operated by Kochi Marine Service KK, Kochi-shi has been renamed *Sakura Maru* in 2023.

Tug *Yashiro*, ex *Kasuga Maru '19*, *Akemi Maru '20* (2005 – 9094470) owned and

operated by Fuji Kaiji KK has been sold in 2023 to new owner and operator Synderi International Shipping, Tortola (BVI) and has been renamed *Laboda KTP 07*.

LUXEMBOURG

Transaction:

Tug *Hannah*, ex *Amerika '84*, *Van Woelderens '86*, *Zeerob '05* (1952 – ENI 023.08324) owned and operated by Asapos AG, Grevemacher has been sold in 2023 to new owner Sleepvaartbedrijf Jansen België, Essen (BEL), operated by M.K. Jansen Sleepvaartbedrijf v.o.f., Tholen (NLD) and has been renamed *Annie V*. She will fly the Belgium flag.

MALAYSIA

Transactions:

Tug *NL 902* (1993 – 8663509) owned and operated by Elite 88 Sdn. Bhd., Lunas has been renamed *Elite 8801* in 2023. OSV *SK Patriot*, ex *Wira Kenyalang '18* (2018 – 9538012) owned and operated by Nam Cheong Dockyard Sdn. Bhd. has been sold in 2023 to new owner MVA Investments Ltd., operated by CS Offshore DMVV, Dubai (ARE) and has been renamed *Island Girl*.

OSV *Tegas Tera*, ex *Nautika Resolute '17*



KOOLE 32 The Netherlands

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(2011 – 9594377) owned and operated by Tegas Navigation Sdn. Bhd. has been sold in 2023 to new owner Mars Offshore Ltd., operated by Allianz Marine Services LLC, Dubai and has been renamed *AMS Mars*.

Newbuildings:

Tugs *Aleksandr Nesterov* (2023 – 9993561), *Ivan Zholobov* (2023 – 9993573) and *Rumil Nizamov* (2023 – 9993585). Yard: Hung Seng Shipbuilding Sdn. Bhd., Sibul, ynr. resp. 83, 84 and 85. 149 GT. Dim. 23,00 x 8,00 x 3,20 m. Engines: 2x Yanmar, total: 1.318 bhp. Owner and operator: builders account. All three will fly the Russian flag.

MARSHALL ISLANDS

Newbuilding:

Tug *Abdul 11* (2023 – 9768186). Yard: Torgem Gemi Insaat Sanayi Tic AS, Altinova (TUR), ynr. 113. 394 GT. Dim. 30,50 x 11,00 x 5,00 m. Engines: 2x Caterpillar, total: 5.434

bhp. Speed: 11,5 kn. Owner and operator: GG Maritime Co., Majuro.

MAURITIUS

Transaction:

AHTS *Intrepid*, ex *Lars Grael* '12, *Bourbon Thor* '15, *TSL Intrepid* '22 (2006 – 9351189) owned by Bourbon Supply Investissements, operated by Bourbon Offshore Greenmar Ltd. has been sold in 2023 to new owner and operator Sadhav Shipping Ltd., Mumbai (IND) and has been renamed *Aditri*.

THE NETHERLANDS

Transactions:

Utility *Alligator*, ex *Zeepok* '86 (1984 – 8745175) owned and operated by Mariserve B.V. has been sold to new owner and operator Naviera Daedalus SL, Calvia (ESP) and has been renamed *Daedalus Alligator*. Tug *Dieni*, ex *Waddenzee* '22 (1940 – ENI

020.03751) owned and operated by Sharondi B.V. has been sold in 2023 to new owner and operator Naval Worx Beheer B.V., Utrecht and has been renamed *Waddenzee*.

Utility *DMS Skua*, ex *Opua* '18 (2013 – 9641479) owned and operated by Damen Trading & Chartering has been sold in 2023 to new owner and operator Caspian Offshore Construction, Aqtau (KAZ) and has been renamed *Caspian Skua*.

Tug *Dutch Pearl* (2010 – 9547881) owned and operated by Bouwman Towing & Shipping has been sold in 2023 to new owner and operator Koole B.V., Vijfhuizen and has been renamed *Koole 32*.

AHTS *Liberty 207*, ex *Bourbon Liberty 207* '22 (2009 – 9513543) owned and operated by Naviun Offshore B.V. has been sold in 2023 to new owner and operator Ships & Boats Oil Services, Alexandria (EGY) and has been renamed *Sea Shark* and two months later renamed *Sea Pass*.

Tug *Marinequest II*, ex *Cornelis Sr.* '95, *Rodie 4* '07, *Joco VI* '20 (1979 – ENI 022.04992) owned and operated by Amke Shipping B.V. has been sold in 2023 to new owner and operator Koridon B.V., Zaandam and has been renamed *Rodie 4*.

OSV *Sara Maatje VI*, ex *Zus* '90 (1986 – 8607476) owned by Coastal Shipping B.V., operated by Acta Marine B.V. has been sold in 2023 to new owner and operator Alma Shipping SAS, Versailles (FRA) and has been renamed *Alma Saga*.

Tug *Sea Foxtrot* (2011 – 9605449) owned and operated by Seacontractors B.V. has been sold in 2023 to new owner and operator Neptune Marine Services B.V., Hardinxveld and has been renamed *Neptun Foxtrot*.



VB TEXELBANK The Netherlands

photo: Willem Holtkamp



L'AVENIR The Netherlands

photo: Leen van der Meijden



Tug *SL Mauritius*, ex *ASL Mauritius* '09, *Smit Mauritius* '14 (2008 – 9397937) owned by Smit Lamnalco Ltd., operated by Smit Lamnalco Netherlands B.V. has been sold in 2023 to undisclosed interest in the Union of the Comores (COM) and has been renamed *Orion*.

Tug *Soldier*, ex *Zeearend* '04, *Coastal Eagle* '20, *Gerrit* '21 (1968 – ENI 023.12697)

owned and operated by v.o.f. Companos Barges has been sold to new owner and operator Walter Lauk Ewerfuherei GmbH, Hamburg (DEU). Name remains the same.

Tug *Suzzy*, ex *Ruwi 27* '90, *Salvor 16* '01, *Zeeleeuw* '07 (1976 – ENI 020.15461) owned and operated by Mr. D. Bos has been sold in 2023 to new owner and operator Van Aerde, Sas van Gent and has been renamed *Hendrik 9*.

Tug *Texelbank* (1992 – 9060699) owned by SHTR B.V., operated by Boluda Towage Rotterdam B.V. has been renamed *VB Texelbank* in 2023.

Tug *Union 11* (1997 – 9120190) owned by Boluda Towage Belgium NV, operated by Boluda Towage Rotterdam B.V. has been renamed *VB Falcon* in 2023.

Tug *Valk*, ex *Woutrina* '37, *Gerard* '39, *Lerna* '55, *Elan* '69, *Clara* '73, *Leja II* '98 (1928 – ENI 020.00971) owned and operated by E. Valkenburg has been sold in 2023 to new owner and operator Duw- en Sleepdienst Andre Bouwman, Zierikzee. Name remains the same.

Newbuildings:

Pusher *L'Avenir* (2022 – ENI 023.39113). Yard: Concordia-Damen Shipbuilding, Werkendam, ynr. CS 876. Dim. 19,95 x 9,95 x 1,80 m. Engines: 2x Caterpillar, C32, total: 2.500 bhp. Owner: Concordia Damen, operator: Van Wijngaarden Marine Services, Hardinxveld. Tug *VB Rhino* (2023 – 9963944). ASD 2312 design. Yard: Damen Shipyards, Song Cam,

ynr. 513619. 263 GT. Dim. 22,80 x 12,03 x 4,40 m. Engines: 2x Caterpillar, 3512-C TA HD/D, total: 5.102 bhp. Bollardpull: 70 tonnes, speed: 13 kn. Owner: Boluda Corporacion Maritima SL, operator: Boluda Towage Europe B.V., Rotterdam. The tug will be deployed in West-Africa and meanwhile has been renamed *VB Lomé*.

MPSV *Zwerver V* (2023 – 9905667).

Multibuster 8020 design. Yard: Damen Shipyards, Sharjah, ynr. 610117. 3.759 GT. Dim. 80,00 x 20,00 x 4,40 m. Engines: 4x Caterpillar, C32. Bollardpull: 60 tonnes, speed: 11 kn. Owner: VSO Zwerver B.V., operator: Van Stee Offshore Support B.V., Harlingen.

NORWAY

Transactions:

Tug *FFS Amaranth*, ex *Paolo Parente* '14, *Osprey Fearless* '17 (1997 – 9161912) owned and operated by FFS Marine AS has been

sold in 2023 to new owner and operator Compagnie Maritime Chambon, Marseille (FRA) and has been renamed *Chambon Mistral*. OSV *Island Champion* (2007 – 9366598) owned by Island Offshore Shipholding AS, operated by Island Offshore Management AS has been sold in 2021 to new owner Green Island Champion AS, Ulsteinvik. Name and operator remains the same.

OSVs *Normand Arctic* (2012 – 9595812), *Normand Falcon*, ex *Sea Falcon* '23 (2013 – 9645683), *Normand Falnes*, ex *Rem Fortress* '19 (2011 – 9591882), *Normand Fortune*, ex *Rem Fortune* '17 (2013 – 9683659), *Normand Seeker*, ex *Far Seeker* '23 (2008 – 9381691), *Normand Service*, ex *Sea Spider* '19 (2014 – 9656644), *Normand Skipper* (2005 – 9331268), *Normand Supporter*, ex *Rem Supporter* '17 (2012 – 9591868), *Normand Supra*, ex *Sea Supra* '19 (2014 – 9656668), *Normand Surfer*, ex *Sea Surfer* '19 (2014



FFS AMARANTH Norway

photo: Hans Lingbeek



FALNES TIDE Norway

photo: George Saunders

– 9656670), *Normand Swan*, ex *Sea Swan* '19 (9656682), *Normand Triumph*, ex *Sea Triumph* '22 (2014 – 9624756) and *Sea Forth* (2013 – 9656723) all owned by Solstad Rederi AS, all operated by Solstad Shipping AS have been sold in 2023 to TDW International Vessels, Skudeneshavn and have been renamed resp. *Arctic Tide*, *Falcon Tide*, *Falnes Tide*, *Fortune Tide*, *Seeker Tide*, *Service Tide*, *Skipper Tide*, *Supporter Tide*, *Supra Tide*, *Surfer Tide*, *Swan Tide*, *Triumph Tide* and *Forth Tide*. Operator remains the same. As far as we know now the vessels will not change colours, only the Solstad logo on the vessels has been changed into Tidewater logo.



Tug *TB Edison*, ex *Smit Missouri '15*, *SL Missouri '19* (1999 – 9187277) owned by Rana Kommune, operated by Mo I Rana Havn KF has been sold in 2023 to new owner and operator Fairplay Towage Polska, Szczecin (POL) and has been renamed *Fairplay-74*.
 AHT *Varada Deepti*, ex *King of Calabar '15* (2011 – 9591894) owned by SD Pride B.V., operated by Pareto Business Management AS has been sold in 2022 to new owner and operator Starzs Investments Co. Ltd., Port Harcourt (NGA) and has been renamed *Efosa-Joey*.

Newbuilding:

CSOV *Edda Nordri* (2023 – 9964912). SALT 0217 design. Yard: Astilleros Gondan, ynr. 491. 6.800 GT. Dim. 88,30 x 19,70 x ? m. Owner and operator: Østensjø Rederi AS, Haugesund.

Scrapped:

Well Stimulation Vessel *Bigorange XVIII* (1984 – 8311314) owned by Bigorange XVIII, operated by Wilhelmsen Ship Management, Lysaker has been sold for scrap in July 2023 to Esbjerg (DNK).

OMAN

Transaction:

Tug *Salalah* (2005 – 9321079) owned and operated by Salalah Port Services Co, Dhofar has been renamed *Mararafi II* in 2023.

PANAMA

Transaction:

Tug *Fatima II*, ex *Sea Setter '98*, *Gutec '02*, *Raj Gaurav '07*, *Al Sadiq 5 '11*, *Al Sadiq '16*, *Prince II '17*, *Hennry '20* (1982 – 8119766) owned and operated by undisclosed interest has been sold in 2021 to new



SKIPPER TIDE Norway

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owner and operator Marks Marine Services Inc., Panama City, FL (USA) and has been renamed *Ocean Breeze*.

POLAND

Transaction:

Tug *Heros* (1998 – 9175145) owned and operated by Fairplay Towage Polska, Gdynia has been renamed *Fairplay-71* in 2023.

Newbuildings:

Tug *Ares* (2023 – 9906221). ASD 2813 design. Yard: Damen Shipyards, Song Cam, ynr. 513325. 381 GT. Dim. 27,59 x 12,93 x 5,20 m. Engines: 2x Caterpillar, 3516-C TA HD/D, total: 6.772 bhp. Bollardpull: 82 tonnes, speed: 13 kn. Owner and operator: Wuz Gdansk.

Tug *Mars* (2023 – 9963877). ASD 2811 design. Yard: Damen Shipyards, Song Cam,

ynr. 513218. 299 GT. Dim. 28,57 x 11,43 x 4,60 m. Engines: 2x Caterpillar, 3512-C TA HD/D, total: 5.104 bhp. Bollardpull: 60 tonnes, 13 kn. Owner and operator: Wuz Gdansk.

RUSSIA

Transaction:

Pushertug *OTT-2077* (1976 – 9025778) owned and operated by Transpetrochart LLC, St. Petersburg has been renamed *Nord* in 2023.

Newbuildings:

Tug *Kapitan Sergeev* (2023 – 9871919). Project 23470. Yard: Yaroslavl Shipyard, Yaroslavl, ynr. 413. 2.800 GT. Dim. 69,75 x 15,00 x 5,20 m. Total: 11.620 bhp. Speed: 14 kn. Owner and operator: Russia Govt. Navy, Moscow.

Tugs *Favor* (2023 – 9982770) and *Uzon* (2023 – 9982794). Design: Project NE025. Yard: Okskaya Sudoverf JSC. 299 GT. Dim. 29,00 x 9,40 x 4,20 m. Total: 2.028 bhp. Speed: 11 kn. Owner and operator: Marine Rescue Service, Moscow.

Tug *Vladimir Sungorkin* (2023 – 9988841). Yard: South China Shipyard, ynr. 171. 489 GT. Dim. 32,00 x 12,00 x 4,20 m. Total: 5.200 bhp. Speed: 12,5 kn. Owner and operator: Vladivostok Commercial Sea Port, Vladivostok. Launched as *Hummer 32*.

SAUDI ARABIA

Newbuildings:

OSV *BGMS Mighty* (2023 – 9944364). Yard: Guangzhou Shunhai Shipyards, ynr. SH147. 1.371 GT. Dim. 56,95 x 14,00 x 5,00 m. Engines: 2x Caterpillar, total: 4.256 bhp. Speed: 11 kn. Owner and operator: BGMS, Al-Khobar.
 Tug *Rawabi Titanium* (2023 – 9962342). ASD 2811 design. Yard: Damen Shipyards, Song Cam, ynr. 513220. 299 GT. Dim. 28,57 x 11,43 x 4,60 m. Engines: 2x Caterpillar, 3512-



SALALAH Oman

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ARES Poland

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LANGERY Singapore

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C TA HD/D, total: 5.102 bhp. Bollardpull: 60 tonnes, speed: 13 kn. Emission Standard: Tier III. Owner and operator: Rawabi Vallianz Offshore Services, Al-Khobar.

SINGAPORE

Transactions:

AHTS *Langery*, ex *Pearl '12* (2008 – 9427677) owned by CH Offshore Ltd., operated by CHO Shipmanagement Pte. Ltd. has been sold in 2023 to new owner Sea Offshore Assets Sdn. Bhd., operated by Interseas Sdn. Bhd., Selangor (MYS) and has been renamed *Mutiara Ratu*. Tug *Mtide Taurus*, ex *Hoko Maru No. 7 '78*, *Hyundai No. 110 '79*, *Chung Ryong No. 2*

'82, *Hyundai T No. 1002 '98*, *Sandy Cape '07*, *Sandy Pearl '14*, *Dong Bang Pearl '14* (1977 – 7626853) owned and operated by Mosestide Pte. Ltd. has been sold in 2023 to OBS 1 Ltd., Belize City (BLZ) and has been renamed *OBS 2*. In July 2023 the tug was scrapped at Aliaga (TUR).

Tug *PB Diamantina* (2008 – 9417505) owned and operated by Smit Lamnalco Singapore Pte. has been renamed *SL Diamantina* in 2022.

Newbuildings:

Tug *JMS Sunshine* (2023 – 9897200). Yard: Sembcorp Marine, Singapore. 480 GT. Dim. 30,00 x 12,00 x 4,90 m. Engines: 2x

MTU, 16V4000M55RN, total: 4.057 bhp. Bollardpull: 65 tonnes, speed: 12 kn. Owner and operator: Jurong Marine Services Pte. Ltd. LNG hybrid tug, runs on pure LNG. Tug *Marlin 2* (2023 – 9999436) Yard: Kaibuok Shipyard (M) Sdn. Bhd., Sibu (MYS), ynr. KS12001. 251 GT. Dim. 25,93 x 8,53 x 4,30 m. Engines: 2x Mitsubishi Heavy Industries, total: 2.063 bhp. Owner and operator: Seatoshore Group Pte, Ltd., Singapore. Tug *PSA Wayra* (2023 – 9959709). RAmports 2400-W design. Yard: Cheoy Lee Shipyards. 312 GT. Dim. 24,40 x 11,25 x 4,37 m. Engines: 2x Caterpillar, 3516-C, total: 6.090 bhp. Bollardpull: 77 tonnes, speed: 13 knots. Owner and operator: PSA Marine Pte. Ltd., Singapore.

SOUTH KOREA

Transaction:

Tug *Yong Ma No. 11*, ex *Hokuto '96* (1988 – 8803874) owned and operated by undisclosed interest has been sold in 2022 to new owner and operator Aju Joung Hap Development Co., Seoul and has been renamed *Aju 8 Ho*.

Scrapped:

Tug *Woongjin T-3600*, ex *Kanyo '09* (2005 – 9093658) owned and operated by Woongjin Development Co. Ltd., Busan has been scrapped in Mokpo in August 2023.

ST. LUCIA

Transaction:

Tug *Chale* (1965 – 6513023) owned and operated by Tugs Ltd. has been sold in 2023 to undisclosed interest in Georgetown (GUY). Name remains the same.

TAIWAN

Transaction:

OSV *Polaris Australis*, ex *OMS Resolution '16*, *Resolution '17* (2008 – 9459307) owned and operated by Horngng Tah Enterprise Co. Ltd. has been sold in 2023 to new owner and operator Dragon Drilling Co. Ltd., Kaohsiung City and has been renamed *Australis*.

Casualty:

Tug *TIPM No. 13302* (1975 – MMSI 416003007) owned and operated by TOPC Marine Corporation Ltd., Kaohsiung City collided on 25 August with ferry *New Taima* (2023 – 9939709, 5.400 GT) at Fuao port, Matsu Islands, Taiwan. Aft hull of the tug

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SL DIAMANTINE Singapore

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was breached and the engine room was flooded. The tug sank in about half an hour after the collision.

THAILAND

Newbuilding:

Tug *HTMS Tachai* – 859 (2023 – 9942938). RAmports 3200-SD Design. Yard: Asian Marine Engineering Ltd. 490 GT. Dim. 31,50 x 12,60 x 4,50 m. Engines: 2x MTU, 16V4000M54, total: 4.581 bhp. Bollardpull: 55 tonnes, speed: 13 kn. Owner and operator: Royal Thai Navy, Bangkok.

TURKYE

Transaction:

Tug *Sanmar Terminal XXX* (2021 – 9901764). RAstar 2800 design. Owned and operated by Sanmar Denizcilik Makina Ve Ticaret AS has been sold in 2023 to new owner and operator Rimorchiatori Napoletani, Naples (ITA) and has been renamed *Tarentum*.

UNITED ARAB EMIRATES

Transactions:

OSV *Al Barsha*, ex *Cay W '92*, *Ocean Works '99*, *Heaven '01*, *Sulfia I '03* (1969 – 7026962) owned by Royal Oyster General Trading, operated by Delta Muhitat Shipping LLC has been sold in 2021 to undisclosed interest and has been renamed *Jerboa*.

OSV *AMS Legend*, ex *Aries Warrior '10*, *Lewek Aries '20* (2008 – 9434503) owned by Legend Maritime Services SA, operated by Atlas Marine Shipping LLC has been sold in 2023 to new owner Dylan Maritime 7 Dac, operated by Genesis Marine Services WLL, Al Khor (QAT) and has been renamed *GMS Legend*.

AHTS *Hamed Glory*, ex *SK Line 62 '12* (2012 – 9597927) owned by Glory Marine

Services Ltd., operated by Gulf Glory Marine Services LLC has been sold in 2022 to new owner Amwaj Al Khair Sea Cargo LLC, Muscat (OMN) and has been renamed *Carlo*. Operator remains the same.

Tug *Ocean Halley*, ex *Pertama Abadi '19* (2002 – 9277515) owned by Aquilo Offshore Inc., operated by Marine Core & Charter LLC has been sold in 2022 to new owner and operator Al Nashwan Shipping LLC, Dubai and has been renamed *Nashwan 2*.

Tug *Rabeeba* (1995 – 9108805) owned and operated by Adnoc Logistics & Services has been sold in 2023 to new owner and operator Papadakis Group, Heraklion (GRC) and has been renamed *Achilles*.

Tug *Sheem* (1995 – 9108790) owned and operated by Adnoc Logistics & Services has been sold in 2023 to new owner and operator Laki Star Maritime Co., Athens (GRC) and has been renamed *Aegean Star*. Tug *STI Saturn*, ex *Hako 16 '14* (2008 – 9501928) owned and operated by Sea Horse

Middle East Marine has been sold in 2020 to undisclosed interest in Tanzania (TZA) and has been renamed *Madad 1*.

UNITED KINGDOM

Transactions:

Pipe-layer *Apache II*, ex *North Ocean 103 '10* (2009 – 9397951) owned and operated by Technip UK Ltd. has been sold in 2023 to new owner Offshore Equipment B.V., operated by Boskalis Offshore Fleet Management B.V., Rotterdam (NLD) and has been renamed *Boka Ocean*.

Utility *Aqua Lass*, ex *Whalsa Lass '20* (2011 – 9633812) has been sold in 2023 by Aquaship UK Ltd, to new owner and operator Jenkins Marine Ltd., Poole and has been renamed *Wind Lass*.

Research vessel *Chartwell*, ex *Chartwell '02*, *Smit Cymran '04*, *Smit Cymyran '09* (1989 – 8807961) owned and operated by Bibby Hydromap Ltd. has been sold in 2023 to new owner and operator Garant Ship Repairing Co., Klaipeda (LVA) and has been renamed *Baltic Navigator*.

OSV *FS Arendal*, ex *Aeolus '07*, *E.R. Arendal '16* (2006 – 9365104) owned by Agility Shipping International, operated by Fletcher Supply Vessels Ltd. has been sold in 2023 to new owner and operator Atlantica Shipping AS, Oslo (NOR) and has been renamed *Atlantica Carrier*.

Tug *Goliath*, ex *MSC Scimitar '86* (1956 – 8227214) owned and operated by Griffin Towage Ltd. (in administration) has been sold in 2023 to new owner and operator Seven Seas Shipping Ltd., Bideford and has been renamed *Severn Scimitar*.

Tug *Inchcolm* (2020 – 9892092) owned and operated by Forth Estuary Towage Ltd. has been sold in 2021 to new owner and operator Targe Towing Ltd., Dundee. Name remains the same.



CHALE St. Lucia

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Tug *RT Peter* (2009 – 9474917) owned by RT Peter Ltd., operated by Boluda Towage London Ltd., Stanford-le-Hope has been renamed *VB Peter* in 2023.

Tug *Riverman*, ex *Brentonian '62*, *Bargeman '74*, *Ross End '04* (1955) owned and operated by East Kent Marine/Parker Marine has been sold in 2023 to Mr. Steve Burgess as houseboat at Hoo Marina, Rochester.

Tug *Sandsfoot Castle*, ex *Dalmatian '03* (1965 – 8891065) owned and operated by Griffin Towage Ltd. (in administration) has been sold in 2023 to undisclosed interest in West Africa.

Tug *SD Jupiter* (2009 – 9476331) owned by SD Marine Services, operated by Serco Ltd. has been sold in 2022 to new owner and operator Forth Logistics Marine Services, Dalgety Bay and has been renamed *Jupiter*.

OSV *Standard Duke*, ex *FD Remarkable '14*, *Highland Duke '22* (2012 – 9499682) owned by Shipinvest 26 AS, operated by Fletcher Supply Vessels Ltd. has been sold in 2023 to new owner and operator Atlantica Shipping AS, Oslo (NOR) and has been renamed *Atlantica Duke*.

Tug *Thameside*, ex *Audrey (A-117) '92*, *Brenda '00*, *Drake Brent '00*, *Brent '02* (1963 – 5710687) owned and operated by Thameside Services Marine Ltd. has been sold in 2022 to Thames Marine Services Ltd., London and has been renamed *Irene*.

Newbuilding:

Tug *Tradesman* (2023 – 9875862). RAmports 2200-SX design. Yard: Sanmar Denizcilik Makina Ve Ticaret AS, ynr. 226. 288 BT. Dim. 22,07 x 10,84 x 4,40 m. Engines: 2x Caterpillar, 3512-C. Total: 4.078 bhp. Bollardpull: 52 tonnes, speed: 11,5 kn. Owner and operator SMS Towage Ltd., Hesse. Built as *Sirapinar XIV*.

Scrapped:

Research vessel *SW Diamond*, ex *Geco Diamond '20* (1993 – 9048706) owned by Shearwater Geoservices Assets, operated by Reflection Marine UK Ltd., Gatwick has been scrapped in June 2023 at Aliaga (TUR).

UNITED STATES

Transactions:

Tug *Brooklyn*, ex *Peggy Sheridan '01*, *Brooklyn Service '13* (1975 – 7412109) owned by Apex Oil Company, operated by Polin-Cutler Marine Transportation has been sold in 2023 to new owner and operator Mar-K Towing Inc., Panama City, FL and has been renamed *Capt. Denny*.

Tug *Charles Winslow*, ex *Coastal Champion '77*, *Eddie P. Touchard '82*, *Joseph R '83*



GOLIATH United Kingdom

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THAMESIDE United Kingdom

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(1972 – USCG 538416) owned and operated by Winslow Marine Inc. has been sold in 2023 to new owner and operator Stasinos Marine LLC, Weymouth, MA and has been renamed *David Winslow*.

Tug *David M. Krause*, ex *LT-2075 '92*, *Marauder '94*, *Marine Exporter '06*, *Cygnus '10* (1953 – 8424848) owned and operated by Krause Marine Towing Corporation has been sold in 2023 to undisclosed interest at Guyana. OSV *Dionne Chouest* (2005 – 9347322) owned by Nautical Ventures LLC, operated by Edison Chouest Offshore LLC has been sold in 2023 to new owner and operator Hornbeck Offshore Services LLC, Covington, LA and has been renamed *HOS Springfield*. Tugs *Donald J. Sarter*, ex *Point Comfort '04*, *Horace '14*, *Nancy J. '20* (1964 – 6504838) and *William C. Selvik* (1944 – 5322623) owned and operated by Sarter Marine Towing

Co. have been sold in 2023 to new owner and operator The Great Lakes Towing Company, Cleveland, OH. Names remains the same.

Tug *Drum Point* (1968 – 7338353) owned by Moran Towing Company, operated by Curtis Bay Towing Company has been sold to new owner and operator Seaward Marine Corporation, Chesapeake, VA and has been renamed *Mia*.

OSV *HOS Explorer*, ex *Candy Explorer* (1999 – 8964410) owned by HOS IV LLC, operated by Hornbeck Offshore Services has been sold in 2023 to new owner and operator Leviathan Offshore LLC, League City, TX and has been renamed *Kraken*.

OSV *HOS Rosebud*, ex *Bravante V '22* (2013 – 9645619) owned and operated by Hornbeck Offshore Services LLC, Covington, LA has been renamed *HOS Rocinante* in 2023. She will be converted for the U.S. offshore wind market.





TRADESMAN United Kingdom

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Towboat *Kami Renee*, ex *Maverick J '11* (2011 – USCG 1233330) owned and operated by E Squared Marine Service has been sold in 2023 to new owner and operator Campbell Transportation Company, Houston, TX and has been renamed *H.F. Bean*.

Tug *Kathleen* (1979 – USCG 605315) owned and operated by Weeks Marine Inc. has been sold in 2023 to new owner and operator Dixie Towing LLC, Jacksonville, TX. The name remains the same.

Tug *Na'ina*, ex *C/Commodore '?*, *Mar 10 '89* (1980 – USCG 0630319) owned and operated by K-Sea Transportation Partnership

Inc. has been sold in 2022 to new owner and operator P and R Taxi Company, Honolulu, HI and has been renamed *Moi*.

Tug *Shiloh Amon* (2022 – USCG 1279891) owned by Maritime Partners LLC, operated by Centerline Logistics Corp., Seattle, WA has been renamed *Jillian Irene* in 2023.

Tug *Virgie Cenac*, ex *Chad Eymard '94*, *Al Cenac '04* (1972 – USCG 539304) owned and operated by Caillou Island Towing Company has been sold in 2022 to new owner and operator Dixie Towing LLC, Jacksonville, FL and has been renamed *Capt. KG*.

Tug *Virginia*, ex *Bayou Bay '88*, *Wauwinet '96* (1979 – USCG 609007) owned and operated by Weeks Marine Inc. has been sold in 2023 to new owner and operator Carver Marine Towing Co., Ravena, NY and has been renamed *Caroline N*.

Tug *Yemitzis*, ex *Philadelphia '81*, *Northampton '89* (1954 – USCG 268826) owned and operated by Henry Marine Services Inc. has been sold in 2022 to new owner and operator Enchanted Charters LLC, Staten Island, NY and has been renamed *Enchanted Sunset*.

Newbuildings:

Towboat *Alma Grace* (2022 – USCG 1321735). Yard: Verret Shipyard, Plaquemine, LA, ynr. T-160. 150 GT. Dim. 21,33 x 9,14 x 3,32 m. Engines: 2x Mitsubishi, S6R2, total: 1.600 bhp. Emission Standard: Tier III. Owner and operator: McDonough Marine Services, Metairie, LA.

Tug *Eden K* (2023 – IMO 1022990). RApport 2600 design. Yard: Master Boat Builders Inc., Coden, AL. 200 GT. Dim. 26,00 x 12,00 x 5,00 m. Engines: 2x Caterpillar, 3512-E HD, total: 4.486 bhp. Bollardpull: 60 tonnes. Speed: 12 kn. Emission Standard: Tier IV. Owner: Suderman & Young Towing Co., operator: G&H Towing Co., Galveston, TX.

Tug *Indiana* (2023 – USCG 1316834). Stan Tug 1907 ICE design. Yard: Great Lakes Shipyard. 114 GT. Dim. 17,77 x 7,28 x 3,51 m. Engines: 2x MTU, 8V4000, total: 2.000 bhp. Emission Standard: Tier III. Owner and operator: Great



BROOKLYN United States

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Lakes Towing Company, Cleveland, OH.
 Towboat *Isabella Juliette* (2023 – USCG 1326320). Yard: Eymard Marine Construction & Repairs, Harvey, LA, ynr. 146. 222 GT. Dim. 23,77 x 10,36 x 3,05 m. Engines: 2x Mitsubishi, S6R2, total: 1.600 bhp. Emission Standard: Tier III. Owner and operator: Lydia Ann Channel Fleet, Port Aransas, TX.
 Tug *Jane McAllister* (2023 – 1014539). Yard: Washburn & Doughty, Boothbay, MA. 285 GT. Dim. 28,30 x 11,60 x 5,10 m. Engines: 2x Caterpillar, 3516-E, total: 6.770 bhp. Bollardpull: 91 tonnes, speed: 15 kn. Emission Standard: Tier IV. Owner and operator: McAllister Towing, New York.
 Towboat *John Austin* (2022 – MMSI 368248580). Yard: C&C Boat Works LLC, Belle Chasse, LA, ynr. 314. 365 GT. Dim. 24,54 x 10,36 x 3,35 m. Engines: 2x Cummins, QSK38-M1, total: 2.600 bhp. Owner and operator: Imperial River Transport LLC, Dunlevy, PA.
 Towboat *Kenny Billiot Jr.* (2022 – MMSI 368252160). Yard: Eymard Marine Construction & Repairs, Harvey, LA. Dim. 20,57 x 8,53 x 2,90 m. Engines: 2x Caterpillar, C32, total: 1.600 bhp. Emission Standard: Tier III. Owner and operator: Wood Resources LLC, Avondale, LA.

Scrapped:

Tug *Invader* (1974 – 7367201) owned and operated by Crowley Marine Services Inc., Seattle, WA has been scrapped in June 2023 at Port Mellon, BC.
 Tug *Mars* (1967 – 7338327) owned by Suderman & Young Towing Co., operated by G&H Towing Co., Galveston, TX has been scrapped in Brownsville, TX in June 2023.
 Tug *Mohawk* – T-ATF-170 (1980 – 8834914) owned and operated by United States Gvt. MSC, Norfolk, VA has been sold for scrap to Brownsville, TX in September 2023.

Casualty:

Towboat *Jacqueline A*, ex *Eric Paul* '9 (1981 – USCG 638353) owned and operated by Ward Towing Inc., Deltaville, VA has sunk in 30 feet of water on 8 August 2023 three miles off North Myrtle Beach, South Carolina. After being lifted, de-watered and inspected, the towboat was towed to a shipyard on 21 August.

Other news:

Sarter Marine Towing Co. Inc. from Sturgeon Bay, WI, has announced that it has agreed upon definitive terms for the sale of Sarter to The Great Lakes Towing Company, Cleveland, OH.

VIETNAM

Transaction:

Tug *Ashico 86*, ex *Crest Jade 1* '17, *Oceanway Fortune* '18 (2009 – 9528251) owned by Asia Investment & Asset Management, operated by Asia Marine Equipment & Services has been sold in 2021 to new owner and operator Hoang Nguyen Vung Tau LLC, Vung Tau and has been renamed *Hoang Nguyen Victory*.

Newbuilding:

Tug *Tan Cang 66* (2023 – 9963669). ASD 2811 design. Yard: Damen Shipyards, Song Cam, ynr. 513223. 299 GT. Dim. 28,57 x 11,43 x 4,60 m. Engines: 2x Caterpillar, 3512-C TA HD/D, total: 5.102 bhp. Bollardpull: 60 tonnes, speed: 13 kn. Emission Standard: Tier III. Owner and operator: Tan Cang Offshore Services, Ho Chi Minh City.

Additions to previous editions:

Nr. 14 BELGIUM

Tugs *83* (1977 – 7505152) owned and operated Port of Antwerp reported as being sold to undisclosed Turkish interests as *BP 3* in fact is now at Hoo Marina (River Medway, GBR) as houseboat.

Nr. 20 THE NETHERLANDS

Tug *Union 7* (1997 – 9120164) and not *Union 11* (1997 – 9120190) owned by Boluda Towage Belgium N.V., operated by Boluda Towage Rotterdam B.V. has been renamed *VB Sterling* in 2023. Sorry for the inconvenience. *Union 11* was later renamed *VB Falcon*. (see The Netherlands).

In previous editions sales were reported without a new name, now this has become known.

Nr. 19 NORWAY

OSV *Aurora Thunder* (2013 – 9665102) owned by FPS Thunder Ltd., operated by OSM Offshore AS has been sold in 2023 to Royal Wagenborg, Delfzijl (NLD) and has been renamed *Kingsborg*.

Nr. 21 GREECE

MPSV *Viking Vision*, ex *Veritas Vision* '07 (1993 – 8907034) owned and operated by Aikaterini Laskaridis Foundation has been donated in 2023 to the Greek Navy and has been renamed *Perseus*.

Nr. 21 RUSSIA

Tugs *Soll Taman*, ex *KST 41* '01 (1997 – 9155250) and *Soll Temryuk*, ex *KST 42* '01 (1997 – 9155262) owned by Smit Lamnalco Singapore Pte., operated by Soll-R LLC have been sold to undisclosed interest in the



DRUM POINT United States

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YEMITZIS Unites States

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Union of the Comores (COM) and have been renamed resp. *Aquarius* and *Andromeda*.

Nr. 21 UNITED KINGDOM

Tug *Hope* (2020 – 9768174) owned by Tor Denizcilik Sanayi Ve Ticaret AS, operated by North East Safety Boats & Co. has been sold in 2022 to new owner and operator PT Industries, Cape Broyle, NL (CAN) and has been renamed *Dalton Hunter*.

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