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*Just a tug ... JAMES D MORAN (2015) owned by Moran Towage Corp., New Canaan, seen on 26 October 2022 in New York, Manhattan, Jetty 90 by
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Listed below are new constructions, renamings, sales, demolitions of tugs, anchorhandlers and offshore supply vessels that recently have taken place.

AUSTRALIA

Transaction:

OSV [ADV Ocean Protector](#), ex *Skandi Bergen '10*, *Ocean Protector '15*, *Skandi Protector '16* (2007 – 9374260) owned and operated by the Australian Government has been renamed *Ocean Protector* in 2022.

BAHAMAS

Transaction:

Tug [Svitzer Yuma](#) (2015 – 9765172) owned by Svitzer Americas Co., operated by Svitzer Bahamas Ltd. has been sold to Tidewater Transportation, Burnaby, BC (CAN) and has been renamed *Yuma*. Subsequently resold to undisclosed interest and has been renamed *TWC Artemis*.



YUMA Bahamas

photo: Yvon Perchoc

BAHRAIN

Transaction:

Tug [Uco XIV](#) (1982 – 8202850) owned and operated by Uco Marine Contracting has been sold in 2022 to new owner and operator Realm Inc., Majuro (MHL) and has been renamed *Sea Care 1*.

and operator Hornbeck Offshore Services LLC, Covington, LA (USA) and have been renamed resp. *HOS Rosebud*, *HOS Rosehill* and *HOS Runnin Back*.

OSV [Far Scotsman](#) (2012 – 9616187) owned by Solstad Rederi AS, operated by Solstad Offshore Ltda. has been renamed *Normand Scotsman* in 2022.

Tug [Saturno I](#), ex *Saturno '19* (2007 – 9440540) owned and operated by Saveiros Camuyrano Services, Rio de Janeiro has been renamed *Saturno* in 2022.

OSV [Sea Brasil](#) (2012 – 9573440) owned by Deep Sea Supply Navagacao, operated by Solstad Offshore Ltda. has been renamed *Normand Carioca* in 2022.

BELGIUM

Transaction:

Tug [Union 6](#) (1993 – 9034987) owned by URS Belgium N.V., operated by Boluda Towage Belgium N.V. has been renamed *VB Cavalier* in 2023.



UNION 6 Belgium

photo: Richard Wisse

BERMUDA

Transactions:

Tugs [Faithful](#) (1990 – 8705412) and [Powerful](#) (1988 – 8705400) owned and operated by Bermuda Department of Marine have been sold in 2023 to new owner and operator Transport Corporation (VCT) and have been renamed resp. *Faithful TC* and *Powerful TC*.

BRASIL

Transactions:

OSVs [Bravante V](#) (2013 – 9645619), [Bravante VI](#) (2014 – 9645621) and [Bravante VII](#) (2014 – 9645633) have been sold by owner Boldini Ltd., operated by Brasbunker Participacoes SA have been sold in 2022 to new owner



FAITHFUL Bermuda

photo: Michael Hahn



BRAVANTE VIII Brasil

photo: Jan Plug

Tugs *SST Aimore* (2017 – 9806366), *SST Arua* (2017 – 9806378) and *SST Holanda* (2015 – 9746877) owned and operated by Saam Smit Towage do Brasil SA, Rio de Janeiro have been renamed in 2022 resp. *Saam Aimore*, *Saam Arua* and *Saam Holanda*.

Newbuildings:

Pushertugs *HB Dourada* (2023 – 9939826) and *HB Mapara* (2023 – 9939838). RAPide 4600 design. Yard: Uzmar Shipbuilding (TUR). 1.235 GT. Dim. 45,60 x 16,50 x 2,80 m. Engines: 3x Wärtsilä. Bollardpull: 65 tonnes, speed: 13 kn. Owner and operator: Hidrovias do Brasil, Sao Paulo.

Tugs *Starnav Lynx* (2023 – 9946221), *Starnav Octans* (2022 – 9946207) *Starnav Pollux* (2022 – 9946192), and *Starnav Polaris* (2023 – 9946219). Yard: Detroit Brasil Shipyard, ynrs resp. C-420, C-418, C-417 and C-419. 496 GT. Dim. 32,00 x 11,60 x 5,26 m.

Engines: 2x MTU, 16V4000M65L, total: 6.962 bhp. Bollardpull: 80 tonnes. Owner and operator: Starnav Servicos Maritimos Ltd., Macae.

Tug *Svitzer Arthur* (2023 – 9956226). RAmports 2300-ERM design. Yard: Estaleiro Rio Maguari, ynr, 2097. 299 GT. Dim. 23,20 x 11,40 x 4,40 m. Engines: 2x MTU, 16V4000M63. Bollardpull: 71 tonnes, speed: 13 kn. Owner and operator: Svitzer Brasil Servicos, Rio de Janeiro.

BRUNEI

Newbuildings:

Tugs *May Rosa* (2023 – 9920899) and *Sofea* (2022 – 9920887). ART 80-32 design. Yard: Hin Lee Zhuhai Shipyard, ynr. resp. 5212 and 5211. 491 GT. Dim. 31,95 x 12,53 x 4,80 m. Engines: 3x Caterpillar, total: 7.200 bhp. Bollardpull: 80 tonnes.

Owner: SPHI Marine Ltd., operator: resp. Kotug International B.V. and IES Offshore Management Sdn. Bhd., Sengkurong.

CAMEROUN

Transactions:

AHTS *Platt Tide* (2004 – 9303479) owned by Zapata Gulf Marine Int'l Ltd., operated by Tidewater Marine Int'l Inc. has been sold in 2022 to new owner and operator High Tide Marine Ltd., Port Harcourt (NGA) and has been renamed *Platt Joe-Joe*.

OSV *Rafael Tide*, ex *Allianz Ariston '13* (2012 – 9636929) owned by Violet Fleet Ltd., operated by Tidewater Marine Int'l Inc. has been sold in 2022 to new owner and operator Golden Plus Ship Charter LLC, Dubai (ARE) and has been renamed *GP Ocean*.

Scrapped:

OSV *Boudreaux Tide*, ex *Sanco Camelia '10* (2010 – 9427366) owned and operated by Tidewater Marine Int'l Inc. has sold for scrap in 2023 to a scrapyard at Morgan City (USA).

CAYMAN ISLANDS

Transaction:

OSV *Crest Aries 1* (2013 – 9658147) owned by Pacific Crest Pte.Ltd., operated by Stanford Asia Holding Co. has been sold in 2022 to new owner and operator Enav Asia Pte. Ltd. and has been renamed *Enav Agave*.

CHINA

Transactions:

AHTS *Bin Hai 264* (1987 – 8219657) owned and operated by China Oilfield Services Ltd. has been renamed *De Yao* in 2022.

Pushertug *Hang Feng 1*, ex *Daikai No. 1 '07* (1990 – 8844622) owned by CCCC Guangzhou Dredging Co. Ltd., operated by Circle Ocean International has been renamed *Tai Xin 1* in 2022.

Tug *Hokulani*, ex *Raleigh Ann '06* (1976 – 7417422) owned and operated by Young Brothers Ltd. has been sold in 2022 to new owner and operator Hamilton Marine Construction, Skagway, AK (USA) and has been renamed *Ann Marie*.

AHTS *Olympic Pegasus*, ex *Olympic Pegasus '22*, *Oceanrich No. 1 '22* (2002 – 9257929) owned and operated by Oceanrich Industry Shanghai Co. has been sold in 2022 to new owner and operator Oceanwind International Projects, Hong Kong and has been renamed *Oceanwind Pegasus*.

OSV *Xia Chuan 95*, ex *Optimus Sentinel '22* (2022 – 9729441) owned and operated by Xiamen Shipbuilding Industry Group has been sold in 2023 to new owner and operator



Tianjin Zhihai Shipping Co. Ltd., Xinbei Conglu and has been renamed *Kan Tan 409*.

Tug *Zhe Xing Hang 6* (2020 – 8355994) owned by Rich Spring Shipping Co. Ltd., operated by Da Lian Rich Ocean Shipping has been renamed *Rich Spring* in 2022.

Newbuildings:

Tugs *Yu Shan Tuo 5* (2023 – MMSI 413397610) and *Yu Shan Tuo 7* (2023 – MMSI 413397630). Yard: Jiangsu Zhenjiang Shipyard. Dim. 39,90 x 10,40 x 4,20 m. Total: 4.000 bhp. Bollardpull: 52 tonnes, speed: 13,2 kn. Owner and operator: undisclosed interest.

COLOMBIA

Transaction:

Tug *Atlas*, ex *Yam O '04*, *Gibson '05*, *Yam O '06*, *Atlas 2 '06* (1991 – 9012197) owned and operated by Coltugs SAS has been sold in 2022 to new owner Engage Marine Pty. Ltd., operated by Westug Pty. Ltd., Perth, WA (AUS) and has been renamed *Engage Rival*.

COOK ISLANDS

Scrapped:

Tug *York Syme* (1961 – 5396090) owned and operated by Coastal D&C Ltd., Rarotonga has been scrapped in November 2022 at Henderson Creek (NZL).



FAR SCOTSMAN Brasil

photo: David Dodds

CYPRUS

Scrapped:

Tug *Tigran*, ex *Erland '88*, *Kapitan Volodin '09* (1974 – 7341130) owned and operated by Justmore Trading Ltd., Limassol has been scrapped in February 2023 at Liepaja (LVA).

DENMARK

Transaction:

OSV *Northern Cecilia*, ex *Normand Produce '84*, *Solvbas '07*, *Ocean Produce '15*, *Cecilia '21* (1974 – 7381635) owned and operated

by Northern Survey Aps has been sold in 2022 to new owner and operator Amber Offshore SP ZOO, Gdansk (POL) and has been renamed *Amber Cecilia*.

FRANCE

Transactions:

OSV *Bourbon Helios* (2005 – 9307463) owned and operated by Bourbon Offshore Surf SAS has been sold to new owner Comercio Internacional Maritim, operated by Caracal Oil & Gas Services Ltd., Lagos (NGA) and has been renamed *Helios 289*. OSVs *Bourbon Hermes* (2005 – 9307475) and *Bourbon Hestia* (2006 – 9331294) owned by Bourbon Supply Investissements, operated by Bourbon Offshore Surf SAS have been sold in 2022 to new owner and operator Shanghai Sino Shipping Co. Ltd. and have been renamed resp. *Lu Xia* and *Chuan Bai*. AHTS vessels *Bourbon Liberty 218* (2010 – 9492036) owned by Bourbon Liberty 218 SNC and *Bourbon Liberty 236* (2010 – 9546576) owned by Bourbon Liberty 236 SNC, both operated by Bourbon Offshore Surf SAS have been sold in 2022 to new owner and operator Hainan Wanbo Offshore, Hainan (CHN) and have been renamed resp. *Kun Lun 9* and *Shou Hu Zhe 01*.

GERMANY

Newbuilding:

Tug *Lotus* (2022 – 9769099). Stan Tug 3011



SEA BRASIL Brasil

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SST ARUA Brasil

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BOUDREAUX TIDE Cameroun

photo: NMG

design. Yard: Damen Shipyards, Song Cam, ynr. 511804. 378 GT. Dim. 30,66 x 11,13 x 4,60 m. Engines: 2x MTU, 16V 4000M63R, total: 4.935 bhp. Bollardpull: 70,7 tonnes, speed: 12,8 kn. Owner: Arkadia Shipping, operator: Oldendorf Carriers GmbH, Luebeck.

GREECE

Transactions:

AHTS *Indigo*, ex *Vega Inruda* '16 (2013 – 9655676) owned by Newmont Chartering Ltd., operated by TMS Offshore Services Ltd. has been sold in 2022 to new owner and operator Ships & Boats Oil Services, Alexandria

(EGY) and has been renamed *Sea Bass*.

AHTS *Lucky Star*, ex *Abeille Bretagne* '96, *Pacific Salvor* '01, *Jantar* '09, *Spartan* '17 (1979 – 7725403) owned by Laki Star Maritime Co., operated by Tugs Chatzigavriil Maritime Co. has been sold in 2022 to new owner and operator Cortina Ventures Co., Majuro (MHL) and has been renamed *Thiseas*.

Scrapped:

AHTS *Diavlos Force*, ex *Katun* '15 (1983 – 8214023) owned by Diavlos Force Ltd., operated by Diavlos Salvage & Towage Ltd., Piraeus has been sold for scrap in February 2023 to Esbjerg (DNK).

HONDURAS

Scrapped:

OSV *Caribbean Clipper*, ex *Caspian Seahorse* '93 (1972 – 7223273) owned and operated by MC Ship Co. S de RL, Islas de la Bahia has been scrapped in July 2021 in Mexico.

INDIA

Transactions:

Tug *AM Accomplice* (1996 – 9164079) owned by Tomini Offshore Pte. Ltd., operated by Alphard Maritime Pte. Ltd. has been sold in 2022 to new owner Safeen Marine 13 Ltd., operated by Middle East Marine LLC, Dubai (ARE) and has been renamed *Accomplice*.

AHTS *Epoch Rainbow*, ex *Far Sword* '22, *UOL Sword* '22 (2006 – 9344851) owned by Epoch Offshore Engineering, operated by Alphard Maritime Pvt. Ltd. has been sold in 2022 to new owner Shanghai Chenguatai Shipping, operated by Seacon Ships Management, Qingdao (CHN) and has been renamed *Yi Bao Cai Hong*.

AHTS *Manna 7*, ex *Seacor Eclipse* '07, *Comotto Tide* '21 (2007 – 9359820) owned by Manna Shipping & Logistics Pvt., operated by Prayati Shipping Pvt. Ltd., has been sold in 2022 to new owner and operator Librus Energy & Infrastructure, Mumbai and has been renamed *Taurus 24*.

OSV *TAG 14*, ex *Steady Hawk* '14 (2014 – 9698446) owned and operated by TAG Offshore Ltd. has been sold in 2022 to new owner and operator Tan Cang Offshore Services JSC, Ho Chi Minh City (VNM) and has been renamed *TC Venus*.

INDONESIA

Transactions:

Tug *Bina Benua VIII*, ex *Armada Jaya 89* '93 (1993 – 8872564) owned and operated by Bina Benua Samudra PT, Banjarmasin has been renamed *Kenanga 23* in 2022.

Tug *Biwin 9* (2008 – 9508081) owned and operated by Biwin Indah Lestari has been sold in 2022 to new owner and operator Bahtera Dwiputra Mandiri, Jakarta and has been renamed *Sea Lion 06*.

Tug *Ericson* (1996 – 8898099) owned and operated by Dinabahari Alamsurya, Jakarta has been renamed *Armada Harapan I* in 2022.

Tug *Johan Jaya 128* (2013 – 8684187) owned and operated by Kapuas Jaya Samudra has been sold in 2022 to new owner and operator Kapal Energi Indonesia, Jakarta and has been renamed *Teduh 2002*.

Tug *Maninggal I* (2000 – 8962436) owned and operated by Trimanunggal Nugraha,





OLYMPIC PEGASUS China

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Samarinda has been renamed *Berkat Barokah* in 2022.

Tug *Manuntung 01* (2002 – 8997443) owned and operated by Panca Duta Prakarsa PT, Bogor has been renamed *MIC 301* in 2022.

Casualties:

Tug *Muara Sejati* (1994 – 8874665) owned and operated by Transindo Lanser PT, Jakarta developed a list and sank on 30 December 2022 in heavy weather while towing a barge in the Karimata Strait off Tanjung Binga.

Tug *Sinar Pawan I* (1969 – 8974283) owned and operated by Suri Adidjaya Kapuas, Pontianak has sunk on 12 February 2023 in Kendawang waters due to bad weather.

IRAN

Transactions:

OSV *Al Sanad*, ex *Muhlentor '88*, *Viking Jade '93*, *Selat Sapphire '96*, *Viking Hero '97*, *Seabulk Arabian '01*, *Al Anfal 4 '03*, *Pasargad 2 '06*, *Khalid '05* (1972 – 7219193) owned and operated by Khaledi E has been renamed *Mykonos* in 2022.

OSV *Mehravar*, ex *Halliburton 220 '05*, *Eternity '09*, *Mehran Explorer '15* (1977 – 7707243) owned and operated by Mehran Engineer & Well Service has been sold in 2022 to new owner and operator Sana Shipping International, Majuro (MHL) and has been renamed *Gulf 1*.

IRELAND

Newbuilding:

Utility *Ocean Energy* (2023 – 9971044). Multi Cat 2309 design. Yard: Damen Shipyards, ynr. 571827. 143 GT. Dim. 23,36 x 9,00 x 3.20 m. Engines: 2x Volvo Penta, D 16, total: 1.300 bhp. Bollardpull: 15 tonnes, speed: 9 kn. Owner and operator: Atlantic Towage & Marine Co., Cork.

ITALY

Transactions:

Tug *Capo Vaticano* (1998 – 9163958) owned and operated by Scafi Navigazione SpA has been sold in 2022 to new owner and operator Maritima del Pacifico SA de CV, Mexico City (MEX) and has been renamed *VB Bandolero*.

Tugs *Pino* (2007 – 9454072) and *Salvatore* (2007 – 9454060) owned by Sundrive Ltd., operated by Augustea Ship Management Srl have been sold in 2022 to new owner and operator Operaciones Tecnicas Marinas, Cartagena de Indias (COL) and have been renamed resp. *Pino I* and *Salvatore I*.

Newbuilding:

Tug *Matador* (2023 – 9949431). ASD 3212 design. Yard: Damen Shipyards, Song Cam, ynr. 512575. 449 GT. Dim. 32,70 x 12,82 x 5,35 m. Engines: 2x Caterpillar, 3516-C HD+ TA/D, total: 6.772 bhp. Bollardpull: 80,8 tonnes, speed: 14,3 tonnes. Owner and operator: Somar SpA., Trapani.

JAPAN

Transactions:

Tug *Arasaki Maru* (2008 – 9511557) owned by Futaba Senpaku KK, operated by Tokyo Kisen KK has been renamed *Suruga Maru* in 2022.

Tug *Hikita Maru No. 2* (1993 – 9079781) owned and operated by undisclosed interest has been sold in 2022 to new owner and operator Pelayaran Multi Haya Samudera, Medan (IDN) and has been renamed *Pommie*. Tug *Iwai Maru* (2004 – 8997508) owned and operated by Shin-Nippon Kaiyosha has been sold in 2022 to new owner and operator Kaiyo Eisen KK, Iwate and has been renamed *Osaki Maru*.

Tug *Kanji Maru*, ex *Kimitsu Maru '21* (2009 – 9552484) owned and operated by Shin-Nippon Kaiyosha has been renamed *Jogu Maru* in 2022.

Tug *Myoko Maru* (1996 – 9146883) owned and operated by Nichido Kaiun Co. Ltd. has been sold in 2022 to new owner Winning Atlantic Logistics Pte., operated by Lingsheng HK Marine Co. Ltd., Hong Kong (CHN) and has been renamed *Winning Harmony 9*.

Tug *Shinano Maru* (2012 – 9600126) owned and operated by Fukushima Kisen KK has been sold in 2023 to new owner and operator Rimorchiatori Riuniti Panfido, Venice (ITA) and has been renamed *Marti C*.

Newbuilding:

Tug *Taiga* (2022 – 9943152). Yard: Kanagawa Zosen KK, ynr. 770. 281 GT. Dim. 31,88 x 10,20 x 4,30 m. Engines: 2x ABB, total: 4.078 bhp. Owner and operator: Tokyo Kisen KK, Yokohama.

MALAYSIA

Transactions:

Tug *Classic 1* (2010 – 9564839) owned and



ENGAGE RIVAL Colombia

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TIGRAN Cyprus

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operated by Classis Shipping Sdn. Bhd. has been renamed *Manuel 88* in 2022.

Tug *Meb Tug 5* (2001 – 9256042) owned and operated by Muhibbah Engineering M Bhd. has been sold in 2022 to new owner and operator Him Marine Sdn. Bhd., Selangor and has been renamed *PG 231*.

AHTS *SK Parade*, ex *SK Line 207 '21* (2018 – 9779525) owned and operated by SK Parade Ltd. has been sold in to new owner and

operator Haduco, Vung Tau (VNM) and has been renamed *Hai Duong 85*.

Scrapped:

AHTS *Bayu Martin* (2007 – 9432725) owned and operated by undisclosed interest has been scrapped in 2022.

MARSHALL ISLANDS

Transaction:

Tug *Cyklo I*, ex *Cyclop '20* (1966 – 6605448)

owned and operated by Planet Shipping & Logistics has been sold in 2022 to new owner and operator Daha Shipping & Maritime, Panama City (PAN) and has been renamed *Vienna*.

Newbuilding:

Tug *Harbour Star 5* (2023 – 9954072). Yard: Eregli Gemi Insa Sanayi Ve Ticaret, Eregli (TUR), ynr. 105. 364 GT. Dim. 23,77 x 12,00 x 4,60 m. Total: 4.200 bhp. Owner and operator: Safeen Marine 29 Ltd., Majuro. Launched as *Med XI*.

MAURITIUS

Transactions:

AHTS *Bourbon Liberty 205* (2009 – 9513517) owned by Bourbon Liberty 205 SNC, operated by Bourbon Offshore Greenmar Ltd. has been sold in 2022 to new owner and operator Inox Marine FZ LLC, Ras-al-Khaimah (ARE) and has been renamed *IL 205*.

AHTS vessels *Bourbon Liberty 224* (2010 – 9394636) owned by Bourbon Supply Investissements and *Bourbon Liberty Liberty 229* (2010 – 9394650) owned by Bourbon Liberty 229 SNC, both operated by Bourbon Offshore Greenmar Ltd. have been sold in 2022 to new owner and operator Hainan Wanbo Offshore, Hainan (CHN) and have been renamed resp. *Chu Xin 11* and *Jing Ting Shan*.

MEXICO

Transactions:

AHTS *Beluga 1* (2011 – 9577862) owned by Naveste SA de CV, operated by Marinsa de Mexico SA de CV has been changed operator in 2022 to Transportation Maritima SA, La Paz and has been renamed *Go Ceiba*, owner remains unchanged.

OSV *Bourbon Liberty 155* (2014 – 9630121) owned by Bourbon Liberty 305 SASU, operated by Bourbon Tamaulipas SA de CV has been sold in 2022 to new owner and operator Southern Towing Ltd., South



DIAVLOS FORCE Greece

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Oropouche (TTO) and has been renamed *Lady Liberty*.

Newbuilding:

OSV *Enav Jacaranda* (2023 – 9762742). MMC 887 CD design. Shipyard: Fujian Mawei Shipyard. 3.601 GT. Dim. 87,25 x 18,80 x 7,40 m. Engines: 2x ABB Electrical Machines Ltd., total: 5.438 bhp. Owner: Enav Jacaranda SA, operator: Energia Naviera Sapi de CV, Ciudad del Carmen.

Scrapped:

OSV *Caballo Bucefalo*, ex *Witch Queen* '85, *Nand Rachit* '95, *Nan* '95, *Witch Queen* '07 (1980 – 7904841), tug *Caballo Lipizano*, ex *Otto Candies* '06 (1998 – 9169079) and AHT *Caballo Fuerte*, ex *Seabulk Katie* '90, *Katie* '02 (1984 – 8418760) all owned and operated by Oceanografia SA de CV, Ciudad del Carmen have been sold for scrap in 2022.

THE NETHERLANDS

Transactions:

Tug *Aäron*, ex *Volharding 4* '77 (1962 – ENI 023.11117) owned and operated by Iskes Towage & Salvage B.V. has been sold in 2023 to new owner and operator Mr. S.D. van der Zee, Westzaan without change of name.

Tug *Antonia*, ex *Shipyards* '51, *Shipyards I* '63, *Duc* '79 (1947 – ENI 023.11747) owned and operated by Grevenstein Holding B.V. has been sold in 2023 to new owner and operator Mr. J. Smit, Siddeburen without change of name.

Utilities *Auxilia* (2019 – 9855537), *Nero* (9641481) and *Odin* (2010 – 9572824) owned by Auxilia B.V. and Odin B.V., operated by ST Marine Support have been transferred in 2023 to new owner and operator Rederij Herman Sr., Barendrecht without change of name.

Tug *Beagle* (2018 – 9816359) owned by KS Beagle Ltd., operated by Boluda Towage Rotterdam B.V. has been renamed *VB Beagle* in 2023.

Tug *Buizerd* (1960 – ENI 023.10705) owned and operated by Cees de Jong Scheepvaartbedrijf has been sold in 2023 to new owner and operator Conquest Dredging, Kamerik without change of name.

Utility *DSC Adventurer*, ex *Kalitz* '03, *MCS Ailsa* '18 (1996 – 9158692) owned and operated by DCS Maritime B.V. has been sold in 2023 to new owner and operator Decoil Universal Shipmanagement, Mumbai (IND) and has been renamed *Q-Adventurer*.

Utility *Miranda* (2016 – 9738258) owned by Miranda Shipping, operated by Van Laar Maritime B.V., IJmuiden has been renamed *Miranda 1* in 2022.

Tug *Salvor 1*, ex *Ruwi 27* '90, *Salvor 16* '01, *Zeeleeuw* '07 (1976 – ENI 020.15461) owned and operated by Duw- & Sleepvaartbedrijf Hoetjes has been sold in 2023 to new owner and operator Mr. D. Bos, Westzaan and has been renamed *Suzzy*. Within a few weeks she was resold to new owner and operator Van Aerde Sleepdienst, Sas van Gent and has been renamed *Hendrik 9*.

Tug *Sea Alfa* (2008 – 9466271) owned by Sea Alfa B.V., operated by Seacontractors B.V. has been sold in 2023 to new owner and operator Mindaugas Shipping Ltd., Hong Kong (CHN) and has been renamed *Sea Latch*.

Tug *Veerhaven 13 – Otter*, ex *Neptunus 4* '79, *Diane II* '81, *EWT 13* '04 (1964 – ENI 023.11832) owned and operated by Thyssen



THISEAS Greece

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BIWIN 9 Indonesia

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Krupp Veerhaven has been sold in 2023 to new owner and operator Scheepswerf Hoogerwaard, Rotterdam and has been renamed *Reiger*.

Other news:

Netherlands-based company Herman Senior has acquired all shares of *ST Marine Support*, a provider of quality maritime and offshore



PINO & SALVATORE Italy

photo: Captain Ted





KIMITSU MARU Japan

photo: Akihiro

services. The acquisition includes ST's three existing vessels and their upcoming newbuild, a Damen Multi Cat 3313SD, which is expected to be delivered at the end of March this year.

Boluda Corporación Marítima has struck a deal to acquire the world's fifth-largest towage operator, *Smit Lamnalco*, a joint venture between the Dutch Boskalis Group and Saudi Arabia's Rezayat Group. The acquisition, for an undisclosed price tag, will add around 111 vessels to Boluda Towage's division and enable the company to strengthen its foothold in strategic markets such as Australia, the Middle East and West Africa.

NEW ZEALAND

Transaction:

Tug *Waimata* (2014 – 9679816) owned and operated by Eastland Ports has been sold in

2023 to new owner and operator Engage Marine Pty. Ltd., Perth (AUS) and has been renamed *Engage Bandit*.

Scrapped:

Tug *Loyal*, ex *Hauoko* '00, *Hauoko II* '03 (1968 – 6826949) owned by South Pacific Towing & Salvage, operated by Oceanlink Agencies Ltd., Auckland has been scrapped in December 2022 at Tauranga.

NIGERIA

Transactions:

AHTS *Afrik Curlew*, ex *Lamnalco Curlew* '20 (2005 – 9327944) owned by AfrikDelta Shipping Ltd, operated by AfrikDelta Marine Ltd. has been sold in 2022 to new owner and operator Joetek Engineering, Effurun and has been renamed *Joetek Edith*.

OSV *Dearest Miss Pette* (2018 – 9751822) owned and operated by Hartmann Offshore

Nigeria Ltd. has been sold in 2022 to new owner and operator Naviera Integral SA de CV, Ciudad de Mexico (MEX) and has been renamed *Elena*.

NORWAY

Transactions:

OSV *Aurora Thunder*, ex *Blue Thunder* '15, *Nao Thunder* '19, *Hermit Thunder* '22 (2013 – 9665102) owned by FPS Thunder Ltd., operated by OSM Offshore AS has been sold in 2023 to Royal Wagenborg, Delfzijl (NLD). She will be converted for walk-to-work duties. OCV *Boa Sub C* (2007 – 9275153) owned by Boa OCV AS, operated by Boa Management AS has been sold to new owner and operator Boskalis, Rotterdam (NLD) and has been renamed *Boka Sub C*.

OSV *Energy Scout*, ex *Island Scout* '08, *Aries Scout* '10 (2005 – 9322188) owned by Energy Scout AS, operated by Golden Energy Offshore Management AS has been sold in 2023 to new owner Atlantica Server AS, operated by Atlantica Shipping AS, Oslo and has been renamed *Atlantica Server*.

AHTS *Far Sagaris* (2009 – 9417828) owned by Solstad Rederi AS, operated by Solstad Shipping AS has been renamed *Normand Sagaris* in 2022.

OSV *Island Crown* (2013 – 9630535) owned by Green Island Crown AS, operated by Island Offshore Management AS has been sold in 2023 to UK Ministry of Defence and has been renamed *Stirling Castle*. She will be converted as mothership for Royal Navy autonomous mine warfare boats.

OSV *Island Defender*, ex *Defender* '20 (2019 – 9741279) owned by Island Defender AS,



BAYU MARTIN Malaysia

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operated by Island Offshore Management AS has been sold in 2022 to new owner Standard Defender AS, operated by Fletcher Supply Vessels Ltd., Aberdeen (GBR) and has been renamed *Standard Defender*.

OSV *Normand Flipper* (2003 – 9263631) owned by Solstad Rederi AS, operated by Solstad Shipping AS has been sold in 2023 to new owner NGH FBM 220605 AS, operated by OSM Offshore Bergen AS, Sandsli and has been renamed *HM Flipper*.

OSV *Normand Trym*, ex *Rem Supplier '09* (2006 – 9342724) owned by Solship AS, operated by Solstad Shipping AS has been sold in 2023 to new owner and operator Unicore Shipping Pte. Ltd., Singapore (SGP) without change of name.

Newbuilding:

CSOV *Edda Boreas* (2023 – 9915935). SALT 0217 design. Yard: Astilleros Gondan, ynr. 490. 7.093 GT. Dim. 88,30 x 19,70 x 6,60 m. Engines: 2x Caterpillar, 3512 E HD. Owner: Edda Wind II AS, operator: Østensjø Rederi AS, Haugesund.

Other news:

Solstad Offshore has agreed to sell its platform supply vessel fleet to U.S. offshore vessel operator Tidewater for a total cash consideration of approximately \$577 million, marking an exit from the PSV segment. The deal will see Tidewater, with a fleet of 228 vessels, add 37 PSVs and become the



AUXILIA The Netherlands

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largest owner and operator in this segment. As for Solstad, the move reduces its debt by approximately NOK6bn and repositions the focus on anchorhandlers and subsea vessels, which the company said would increase its presence in the renewable energy segment. After the transaction, Solstad will have 41 vessels in operation and six non-operational units and considered to be sold.

PANAMA

Transaction:

OSV *Baru Inti*, ex *Andrew Charles* (2007 – 9096909) owned and operated by Waves

Razor Inc. has been sold in 2021 to new owner and operator Bahia Seafood SA, slas de la Bahia (HND) and has been renamed *Baru Oceanos*, subsequently renamed *Isla Bahia*.

PHILIPPINES

Newbuilding:

Tug *Svitzer Bolbok* (2022 – 9950155). RASAR 2800-CL design. Yard: Hin Lee Shipyard, ynr. 5234. 433 GT. Dim. 28,40 x 12,99 x 6,58 m. Engines: 2x Caterpillar, 3516-C, total: 6.390 bhp. Owner: Svitzer Bahrain Spc., operator: Batangas Bay Towage Inc., Manila.



BUIZERD The Netherlands

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SALVOR 1 The Netherlands

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VB BEAGLE The Netherlands

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PORTUGAL

Transaction:

Tug [Braveheart](#) (2003 – 9263461) owned and operated by Barry Towage & Offshore SA has been sold in 2022 to new owner and operator Joetek Engineering, Effurun (NGA) and has been renamed *Joetek Perelade*.

RUSSIA

Transactions:

RSV [Iskatel](#), ex *Stad Sleipner* '89, *Far Sleipner* '11 (1984 – 8112586) owned by Geosubsea Technology Ltd., operated by Subsea Survey Solutions LLC has been sold in 2021 to new owner and operator Nikola Vaptsrov Navan Academy, Varna (BLG) and has been

renamed *SV.SV.Kirik I Metodil*.

AHTS [Mikhail Shnayderman](#), ex *Drill Fish* '98, *Gandurinski* '22 (1982 – 8102074) owned and operated by Uni-Tanker Group Ltd. has been sold in 2022 to new owner and operator Samaya Co. Ltd. LLC, Baku (AZE) and has been renamed *Caspian Energy*. AHTS [Narwhal](#), ex *Petromar Leader* '95 (1982 – 8216344) owned and operated by Go Shipping Ltd. has been sold in 2022 to new owner and operator Samaya Shipping Co. Ltd. LLC, Baku (AZE) and has been renamed *Caspian Dream*.

SAOUDI ARABIA

Transactions:

OSV [Hadi 10](#) (2007 – 9424168) owned and operated by Hadi H Al Hammam Establishment has been sold in 2022 to new owner and operator Mazlounian YK, Dubai (ARE) and has been renamed *Celina*. AHTS [Hadi 19](#) (2005 – 9366304) owned and operated by Hadi H Al Hammam Establishment has been sold in 2022 to new owner and operator Abkhoo M A, Dubai (ARE) and has been renamed *Tandis-31*. AHTS vessels [Hadi 63](#) (2021 – 9892028), [Hadi 64](#) (2021 – 9892030), [Hadi 65](#) (2021 – 9892042) and [Hadi 66](#) (2021 – 9892054) all owned and operated by Hadi H Al Hammam Establishment have been sold in 2022 to new owner and operator Rawabi Vallianz Offshore Services, Al-Khobar and have been renamed resp. *Rawabi 207*, *Rawabi 208*, *Rawabi 205* and *Rawabi 206*. AHTS [Vallianz Emerald](#), ex *Rawabi 14* '21 (2013 – 9661508) owned and operated by Rawabi Vallianz Offshore has been renamed *Rawabi 14* in 2022.

Newbuilding:

AHTS [BGMS Success](#) (2023 – 9944390). Yard: Guangzhou Shunhai Shipyard, ynr. SH165. 1.888 GT. Dim. 62,80 x 16,80 x 5,30 m. Total: 5.218 bhp. Bollardpull: 60 tonnes. Owner: Dylan Maritime 27 DAC, operator: BGMS, Al-Khobar.

SINGAPORE

Transactions:

AHTS vessels [Amethyst](#) (2008 – 9380219) and [Tourquoisa](#) (2008 – 9380221) owned by CH Offshore Ltd., operated by Cho Ship Management Pte. Ltd. have been changed operator to Mexiship Ocean CCC SA de CV, Mexico City (MEX) and have been renamed resp. *M Amelia* and *M Luisa*, owner remains unchanged.

OSV [ASL Symphony](#), ex *Energy Lindesnes* '15 (2015 – 9648128) owned by Intan Offshore Pte. Ltd., operated by ASL Offshore & Marine Pte. Ltd. has been sold in 2023 to new owner and operator Coral Ocean Research Group Ltd. (TOS Ship Delivery, Rotterdam, NLD) and has been renamed *L Symphony*.

OSVs [Bailey Sentinel](#) (2018 – 9761425), [Biscay Sentinel](#) (2018 – 9761401) and [Malin Sentinel](#) (2020 – 9761437), owned by Sentinel Offshore Vessels Ltd., operated by Sentinel

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Marine Pte. Ltd. have been transferred to the European Fisheries Control Agency, Vigo (ESP) and have been renamed resp. *Ocean Sentinel*, *Ocean Guardian* and *Ocean Protector*. All three vessels fly the Portuguese flag and will be deployed primarily as fisheries patrol vessels in European waters. AHTS *Bourbon Tubtim*, ex *Bourbon Liberty* 316 '13 (2013 – 9619165) owned by Bourbon Assets Singapore Pte., operated by Bourbon Offshore Asia Pte. Ltd. has been sold in 2022 to new owner Al Gafai Marine Services Co., operated by Adnoc Logistics & Services, Abu Dhabi (ARE) and has been renamed *Adnoc A-04*.

OSV *Coastal Supreme 3* (2020 – 9754329) owned by Hamilton Offshore Marine Pte., operated by Coastal Dynamic Pte. Ltd. has been sold in 2022 to new owner and operator Rawabi Vallianz Offshore Services, Al-Khobar (SAU) and has been renamed *Rawabi 504*.

OSV *Lewek Alphard* (2014 – 9652181) owned by Lewek Alphard Shipping Pte. Ltd., operated by Emas Offshore Services Pte. Ltd. has been sold in 2022 to new owner Transit Shipping Agency, operated by Pan Marine Shipping Co., Cairo (EGY) and has been renamed *Pan Tamara*.

AHTS *Lewek Swift* (2005 – 9315094) owned by Intan Offshore Sdn. Bhd., operated by Emas Offshore Services Pte. Ltd. has been sold in 2022 to new owner and operator Salam Pacific Offshore PT, Jakarta (IDN) and has been renamed *SPO Swift*.

Tug *Maritime Putri* (2005 – 9338773) owned

by Posh Subsea Pte. Ltd., operated by Posh Maritime Pte. Ltd. has been sold in 2023 to new owner and operator Raduga Tug & Barges Ltd., Tallinn (EST) and has been renamed *Raduga Altair*.

Tug *Maritime Ratu* (2004 – 9342592) owned by Maritime Alpha Pte. Ltd., operated by Posh Fleet Services Pte. Ltd. has been sold in 2023 to new owner and operator South Sea Towage Ltd., Suva (FJI) without change of name.

AHTS *Responder*, ex *Pacific Reiver* '14, Pacific Responder '21 (2006 – 9340049) owned and operated by Tidewater Offshore Operations has been sold in 2021 to new owner and operator Zhejiang Fengxin Ocean, Zhoushan (CHN) and has been renamed *Feng Xin 601*. AHTS vessels *Touchet Tide* (2004 – 9300635)

and *Yeo Tide* (9300647) owned and operated by Tidewater Marine Int'l Inc. have been sold in 2022 to new owner Win Maritim PT, operated by PT Wintermar Offshore Marine, Jakarta (IDN) and have been renamed resp. *SMS Stanza* and *SMS Sonnet*.

Tugs *Velocity 3212* (2010 – 9587295) and *Velocity 3213* (2011 – 9587300) owned and operated by Topniche Shipping Pte. Ltd. have been sold in 2022 to new owner Ega Overseas Investments LLC, operated by Rocktree Logistics Pte. Ltd., Singapore and have been renamed resp. *Gangan* and *Niandan*.

Newbuilding:

Tug *PSA Shuri* (2023 – 9951604). Ramparts 2500-CL design. Shipyard: Cheoy Lee Shipyards. 348 GT. Dim. 25,40 x 11,80 x 5,30 m. Engines: 2x Caterpillar, 3516-C HD, total:



HM FLIPPER Norway

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5.438 bhp. Bollardpull: 70 tonnes, speed: 13 kn. Owner and operator: PSA Marine Pte. Ltd.

SOUTH KOREA

Transaction:

Tug *Kwangsung* (2012 – 9661998) owned and operated by undisclosed interest has been sold in 2022 to new owner and operator Farshadjam S., Dubai (ARE) and has been renamed *Radman 1*.

SPAIN

Newbuilding:

Tug *Esva* (2022 – 9918664). ASD 2312 design. Yard: Damen Shipyards, Song Cam, ynr. 513613. 263 GT. Dim. 22,80 x 11,40 x 5,50 m. Engines: 2x Caterpillar, 3512-C TA HD/D, total:



ISLAND DEFENDER Norway

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NARWHAL Russia

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5.102 bhp. Bollardpull: 70 tonnes, speed, 12 kn. Owner and operator: Remolques Gijjoneses, Gijon. Launched as *VB Bucanero*.

SWITZERLAND

Newbuildings:

Tugs *Da-Opukuro* (2023 – 9949405) and *Mai Koko* (2023 – 9949390). ASD 2813 design. Yard: Damen Shipyards, Song Cam, ynr. resp. 513329 and 513328. 381 GT. Dim. 28,00 x 13,00 x 5,00 m. Engines: 2x Caterpillar, 3516-C TA HD, total: 6.865 bhp. Bollardpull resp. 82 and 81 tonnes, speed: 13 kn. Owner and operator: Depasa Marine International, Kusnacht (CHE).

TAIWAN

Newbuilding:

Tug *Tai Chin 306* (2023 – 9937452), Yard: PT Graha Trisaka Industri (IDN), ynr. NG8056. 498 GT. Dim. 32,00 x 12,00 x 5,36 m. Engines: 2x Niigata, 6L28HX, total: 5.071 bhp. Owner and operator: Taiwan Navigation Co. Ltd. Taipei City.

THAILAND

Newbuilding:

Tug *HTMS Tachai* (2023). RAmports 3200-SD design. Yard: Asian Marine Engineering Ltd. Dim. 31,50 x 12,60 x 4,50 m. Total: 5.000 bhp. Speed: 12,1 kn. Owner and operator: Royal Thai Navy.

TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO

Newbuilding:

Tug *National Energy Resilience* (2023 – 9949388). ASD 2811 design. Yard: Damen Shipyards, Song Cam, ynr. 513216. 299 GT. Dim. 28,57 x 11,43 x 4,65 m. Engines: 2x Caterpillar, 3512 TA HD/D, total: 5.102 bhp. Bollardpull: 60 tonnes, speed: 13,6



BAILEY SENTINEL Singapore

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DA-OPUKURO Switzerland

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NATIONAL ENERGY RESILIENCE Trinidad and Tobago

photo: Damen Shipyards

kn. Emission Standard: Tier III. Owner and operator: National Energy Corporation (NEC), Port of Spain.

TURKMENISTAN

Newbuilding:

OSV [Palwan](#) (2022 – 9618343). Yard: Astrakhan Shipbuilding Production Ass., ynr. 101. 2.505 GT. Dim. 77,75 x 19,04 x 7,00 m. Owner and operator: Dragon Oil Turkmenistan Ltd., Ashgabat.

TURKEY

Transactions:

Tug [Icdas-7](#) (2021 – 9913353) owned and operated by Icdas Celik Enerji Tersane, Istanbul has been renamed *Kara Yusuf 1* in 2022.

AHTS vessels [Karadeniz Powership Ali Bey](#), ex *Maersk Asserter '20*, *Asserter '20* (2004 – 9254379) and [Karadeniz Powership Ersen Bey](#), ex *Maersk Advancer '20*, *Advancer '20* (2004 – 9254381), owned by Karpowership Americas Co. Ltd., operated by Karmarine

Karadeniz Denizcilik have been sold in 2022 to new owner Silverburn Shipping IOM Ltd., operated by Morwenna Shipping Co. Ltd., Moscow (RUS) and have been renamed resp. *Siena* and *Senara*.

AHTS [Karadeniz Powership Alper Bey](#), ex *CPC Angelica '13*, *Crest Angelica '20* (2012 – 9630834) owned by Karpowershipyard Rauf Bey Co., has been sold in 2022 to new owner Fulan Tianjin Marine Services, operated by Fulan Offshore Engineering Co., Shanghai (CHN) and has been renamed *Fu Yang*.

Tug [Serviburnu](#) (1961 – 5320871) owned and operated by TDI Liman, Istanbul has been sold in 2023 as museum tug.

Tug [Turkuaz 2](#) (2007 – 8655576) owned and operated by Turkuaz Gemi NS has been sold in 2022 to new owner and operator PGE Denizcilik Ticaret Ltd., Istanbul and has been renamed *Timur Bey*.

Newbuilding:

Tug [Med XXXIX](#) (2022 – 9954060). Yard: Eregli Gemi Insa Sanayi Ve Ticaret, ynr. 103. 364 GT. Dim. 23,77 x 12,00 x 4,60 m. Owner and operator: Med Marine Kilavuzluk, Istanbul.

UNITED ARAB EMIRATES

Transactions:

OSV [Ali 20](#), ex *Coral Sea '89*, *Integrity '99*, *Dubai Beach '00*, *Romeo '01* (1970 – 7027526) owned by Hamdavi S, operated by Seaport International Shipping has been sold in 2022 to new owner and operator Petromar Supplies Services, Monrovia (LBR) and has been renamed *Zayzafon*.

AHTS [Atlas Jason](#), ex *Swissco Sky '11*, AHTS *Jason '17* (2007 – 9439266) owned and operated by Wayneridge Offshore Inc. has been sold in 2022 to new owner Riya Shipping Ltd., operated by Sals Shipping Pvt. Ltd., Mumbai (IND) and has been renamed *Tranquility*.

AHTS [Allianz Silver](#), ex *Pacific Silver '16*, *Seacor Silver '18* (2004 – 9299836) owned by Allianz Offshore Ship Management, operated by Allianz Middle East Ship Management has been sold in 2022 to new owner and operator Hainan Haiyue Offshore, Hainan (CHN) and has been renamed *Hai Yue 166*.

AHT [Diamond Achiever](#), ex *Posh Achiever '14* (2010 – 9581253) owned by Varghese KV, operated by Asaker Marine & Shipping has been sold in 2022 to new owner and operator Britoil Offshore Services Pte., Singapore (SGP) and has been renamed *Britoil 82*.

OSV [DMS Challenger III](#) (2005 – 9363895) owned by Topaz Challenger Ltd., operated



by Topaz Energy & Marine Ltd. has been transferred in 2022 to new operator Team Shipping Co. LLD, Dubai and has been renamed *Aqua III*, owner remains unchanged. AHTS *Es Thunder* (2014 – 9701774) owned by Yudhi Shipping Pte. Ltd., operated by Gogas has been sold in 2022 to new owner and operator Rawabi Vallianz Offshore Services, Ak-Khobar (SAU) and has been renamed *Rawabi 60*.

AHTS *Kourosh 2*, ex *Permina Supply No. 11* '98, *Yaghoot* '16 (1974 – 7373028) owned and operated by Dar Alkhaymam General Trading has been renamed *Guru 1* in 2022. RSV *Polarcus Adira* (2012 – 9610183) owned by Polarcus Adira AS, operated by PXGeo Services DMCC has been sold in 2022 to new owner Shearwater Invest AS, operated by Reflection Marine UK, Ltd., Gatwick (GBR) and has been renamed *SW Baret*.

OSV *Sea Stout*, ex *Masco IV* '93, *Sharief Express* '93 (1985 – 8971839) owned and operated by undisclosed interest has been sold in 2022 to new owner and operator Al Maruf Marine Services LLC, Ajman and has been renamed *Aboudi*.

AHTS *Sim Sim*, ex *Sea Bruin* '78, *Bruinford* '78, *Bushford* '80, *Chieftain Service* '97 (1976 – 7395648) owned by National Shipping Service LLC, operated by Whitesea Shipping & Supply LLC has been renamed *SBS Power 1* in 2022.

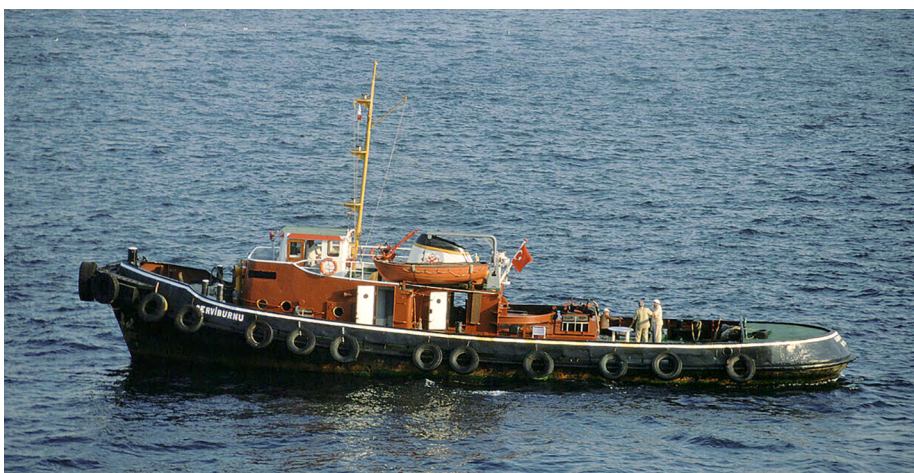
OSV *Subtech Swordfish*, ex *Siem Swordfish* '12, *Swordfish* '17, *Altus Uber* '19 (2007 – 9385300) owned and operated by James Fisher Marine Services Dubai has been sold in 2023 to new owner and operator Seamec Ltd., Majuro (MHL) and has been renamed *Seamec Swordfish*.

OSVs *Topaz Endurance*, ex *Britoil Power* '18 (2015 – 9678769) and *Topaz Energy*, ex *Britoil Energy* '18 (2015 – 9678771) owned and operated by Topaz Energy & Marine Ltd. have been sold to new owner, resp. Goodwood Shipping Pte. Ltd. and Goodhill Shipping Pte. Ltd., both operated by Fugro without change of name.

OSV *Topaz Tangaroa* (2019 – 9792539) owned by Team XLVI Ltd., operated by Topaz Energy & Marine Ltd. has been sold in 2023 to new owner and operator UK Ministry of Defence (GBR) and has been renamed *RFA Proteus*. She will be converted for multi-role ocean surveillance duties.

Scrapped:

OSV *SAS 1*, ex *Rimthan-2* '22 (1979 – 7715939) owned and operated by SAS Middle East, Dubai has been scrapped in 2022 in India.



SERVIBURNU Turkeye

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UNITED KINGDOM

Transactions:

Tug *Collie T*, ex *Collie* '01, *Te Awhina* '03 (1964 – 6409064) owned and operated by Targe Towing Ltd. has been sold in 2023 to Mr. M. Anderson (IRL) and has been renamed *Sylvia M*.

Tug *Forth* (1989 – 8812605) owned and operated by Svitzer Marine Ltd. has been sold to Manama SA (care of TOS Ship Delivery, Rotterdam) and has been renamed *Yeslem 3*. AHTS *Grampian Frontier* (1997 – 9141156) owned and operated by North Star Shipping has been sold in 2022 to new owner Credebt-Sea Angel I SA, operated by Hermes Maritime Services Pvt., Mumbai (IND) and has been renamed *Thanos II*.

OSV *Highland Laird*, ex *F.D. Invincible* '14 (2006 – 9361615) owned and operated by Tidewater Marine UK has been sold in 2022 to new owner and operator Unicore Shipping Ltd., Singapore and within a few weeks resold to new owner Sea Ship Invest

AS, operated by Sea Shipping AS, Aalesund (NOR) and has been renamed *Laird*.

Utility *Hound Dog*, ex *DMS 4004* '92, *BKM 101* '17 (1990 – 9098402) owned and operated by CPBS, Orpington has been renamed *Port Servicer* in 2022.

Utility *MCS Anneke* (2009 – 9570905) owned and operated by Maritime Craft Services Ltd. has been sold in 2023 to new owner and operator Thames Craft Dry Docking Services, London and has been renamed *Jenny D*. Tug *Yeoman*, ex *Tolo* '06 (1989 – 8816326) owned and operated by SMS Towage Ltd. has been sold in 2023 to new owner and operator Petrochemistry Research Center, Riga (LVA) without change of name.

Newbuilding:

Tug *Svitzer Jubilee* (2022 – 9963920). ASD 2312 design. Yard: Damen Shipyards, Song Cam, ynr. 513617. 263 GT. Dim. 22,80 x 11,40 x 4,40 m. Engines: 2x Caterpillar, total: 5.168 bhp. Speed: 12,5 kn. Owner and operator: Svitzer Marine Ltd., Middlesbrough.



GRAMPIAN FRONTIER United Kingdom

photo: Paul Gowen





SYLVIA M United Kingdom

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BUSTER BOUCHARD United States

photo: Captain Ted

Casualty:

Tug [Biter](#), ex *Salud* '82, *Haki* '01 (1982) owned and operated by Clyde Marine Services Ltd. has sunk on 24 February 2023 while escorting cruise ship *Hebridean Princess* in East India Harbour near Custom House Quay, Greenock.

UNITED STATES

Transactions:

OSV [Andrew Charles](#), ex *Seacor Diligent* '08, *Odyssea Diligent* '15 (2005 – 9370965) owned by Gulf Alpha LLC, operated by Seacor Marine LLC has been sold in 2022 to new owner Go Traveler LLC, operated by Gulf Resource Management Inc., New Iberia, LA and has been renamed *Go Traveler*.
Tug [Attentive](#) (2000 – 9214393) owned by

Vessel Management Services, operated by Crowley Marine Services Inc., Seattle, WA has been renamed *Signet Streight* in 2022.
OSV [Betty Chouest](#), ex *Carol Chouest* '19 (2007 – 9385269) owned by Reel Pipe LLC, operated by Edison Chouest Offshore LLC has been sold to new owner Edison Chouest Offshore LLC, Cut Off, LA and has been renamed *HOS Ruger*, operator remains unchanged.
OSV [Capt. Trey](#), ex *A.A. Martin* '06, *Odyssea Atlas* '13 (2002 – 9264623) owned by Rockin 'D' Offshore LLC, operated by Rockin 'D' Marine Services LLC has been sold in 2021 to new owner and operator REC Marine Logistics LLC, Raceland, LA and has been renamed *Duke*.
OSVs [Cheramie BoTruc No. 40](#) (2010 – 9447407) owned by Cheramie BoTruc No.

40 LLC and [Cheramie BoTruc No. 41](#) (2010 – 9503445) owned by Cheramie BoTruc No. 41 LLC, both operated by L&M BoTruc Rental have been sold in 2023 to new owner and operator Laborde Marine, New Orleans, LA and have been renamed resp. *Shelley Lab* and *Gibson Lab*.

Tug [Compass Dominator](#), ex *David Reese* '14, *Crosby Challenger* '16 (1975 – 7390973) owned by Crosby Marine Trans LLC, operated by Crosby Tugs LLC, Galliano, LA has been renamed *Webb Crosby* in 2022.

OSV [Delaware Responder](#) (1993 – 9043861) owned and operated by Marine Spill Response Corp. has been sold in 2023 to new owner and operator Northstar Marine Services, Clermont, FL and has been renamed *Northstar Responder*.

OSV [Ella Claire](#) (2013 – 9702182) owned by Century Boat Rentals LLC, operated by Gulf Resource Management Inc. has been sold in 2022 to new owner Go Triumph LLC, Madisonville, LA and has been renamed *Go Triumph*, operator remains unchanged.

Tug [Ellen S. Bouchard](#) (1982 – 8117952) owned and operated by Centerline Logistics Corporation, Seattle, WA has been renamed *Jeffrey S* in 2022.

Utility [GIS-Courage](#), ex *Bollinger Machine* '94, *Joyce* '06, *Charlie Crawford* '09, *Int'l Courage* '13 (1994 – 9121716) owned and operated by GIS Marine LLC has been sold in 2021 to new owner and operator Island Best Procesadora, Islas de la Bahia (HND) and has been renamed *Courage*.

OSV [GIS-Thunder](#), ex *Cape St. George* '05, *Int'l Thunder* '13 (1981 – 8878855) owned and operated by GIS Marine LLC has been sold in 2022 to new owner and operator Clear Water LLC, Marrero, LA and has been renamed *CW Thunder*.

OSV [Go Navigator](#), ex *Callais Navigator* '13, *Harvey Grizzly* '14, *GIS Grizzly* '18 (2009 – 9566887) owned by GIS Marine LLC, operated by Guice Offshore LLC has been sold in 2022 to new owner Falcon Landing LLC, operated by Gaillana Marine Services LLC, Cut Off, LA and has been renamed *Shannon*.

Tug [Guilford Courthouse](#), ex *ST-2118* '01 (1956 – USCG 1123899) owned and operated by Tripp Marine Construction has been sold in 2022 to new owner and operator Stasinos Marine LLC, Weymouth, MA and has been renamed *Joanne Marie*.
Tug [Heide Moran](#) (1975 – 7420390) owned and operated by Moran Towing Corp. has been sold in 2022 to new owner Tug Helen Inc., operated by Dann Ocean Towing Inc., Tampa, FL and has been renamed *Helen*.



OSV *HOS Douglas*, ex *Cape Douglas* '07 (1999 – 9234551) owned and operated by Hornbeck Offshore Services LLC, Covington, LA has been renamed *Douglas* in 2022.

Tug *Hunter* (1977 – 7726495) owned and operated by Ships Int'l Inc. has been sold in 2022 to new owner Dolphin Tugs Inc., operated by Hellenic Brokers Marine Ind., Panama City (PAN) and has been renamed *Hunter 128*.

Tug *Jewel Fisher*, ex *Odin* '14, *Jutte Cenac* '20 (1982 – 8989939) owned and operated by T.W. LaQuay Marine Inc. has been sold in 2022 to new owner and operator Seward Marine Services Inc., Chesapeake City, MD and has been renamed *Matty T*.

OSV *Keith Cowan*, ex *Seacor Sherman* '12 (2012 – 9407809) owned by Wells Fargo Equipment Finance, operated by Seacor Marine LLC has been sold in 2023 to new owner and operator Northstar Marine Services, Clermont, FL and has been renamed *Northstar Navigator*.

OSV *La Louisiana*, ex *Leam Louisiana* '89, *Seabulk Louisiana* '06 (1982 – 8107816) owned and operated by Louisiana Tugs LLC has been sold in 2022 to new owner and operator Alpha Vessel Co. LLC, Suffolk, VA and has been renamed *Reedville*.

OSV *Miss Flo*, ex *Ella G* '00 (1980 – 8967060) owned by Cheramie Utility Boats LLC, operated by Cheramie Marine LLC has been sold in 2022 to new owner and operator Duchess LLC, Homer, AK and has been renamed *The Duchess*.

Towboat *Rebecca Ann*, ex *Herbert P. Brake* '14 (1992 – USCG 1024813) owned and operated by Donjon Marine Company Inc. has been sold in 2022 to new owner and operator D Brake Marine LLC, Madison, CT and has been renamed *Herbert P. Brake*.

OSV *Seacor Washington* (2003 – 9296353) owned by Siemens Financial Inc., operated by Seacor Marine LLC has been sold in 2021 to new owner PSV Venture No. 5 LLC, operated by Seamar LLC, Broussard, LA and has been renamed *Cape Sans Blas*.

Towboat *ST-914 (USAV Mulberry)* (2004 – USCG 1322846) owned and operated by United States Army has been sold in 2022 to new owner and operator Patriot Marine Inc., Winthrop, MA and has been renamed *Mulberry*.

Newbuildings:

Tug *Eva* (2023 – 9980162). Yard: Master Boat Builders, Coden, AL, ynr. 471. 199 GT. Dim. 25,90 x 11,73 x 5,07 m. Engines: 2x Caterpillar, 3512-E HD, total: 4.486 bhp. Speed: 12 kn. Emission Standard: Tier IV.

Owner and operator: G&H Towing Co., Galveston, TX.

Tug *Signet Puritan* (2020 – USCG 1301258).

Yard: John Bludworth Shipyard, Corpus Christi, TX, ynr. 167. 279 GT. Dim. 24,68 x 9,75 x 3,35 m. Engines: 2x Cummins, QSK38, total: 2.600 bhp. Owner and operator: Signet Maritime Corporation, Ingleside, TX.

Scrapped:

Tug *Buster Bouchard*, ex *Buster B* '81 (1979 – 7814591) owned and operated by KMB Shipping Operations, Los Angeles, CA has been scrapped in 2022 at Gibson, LA.

Tug *Eva* (1980 – 7925340) owned and operated by G&H Towing Co., Galveston, TX has been scrapped in 2022 at Brownsville, TX.

OSV *Laird Tide* (2012 – 9533660) owned by Purple Fleet Ltd. operated by Tidewater Marine LLC, Houston, TX has been sold for scrap in 2023 to a scrapyard in Morgan City, LA.

Tug *Marion C. Bouchard* (1979 – 7901978) owned and operated by JMB Shipping Operations, Los Angeles, CA has been scrapped in 2022 at Gibson, LA.

Tug *Titan* (1979 – 7819589) owned and operated by G&H Towing Company, Houston, TX has been scrapped in 2023 at Brownsville, TX.

Casualties:

Tug *Sea Voyager*, ex *Independent Voyager* '92, *Sea Voyager II* '23 (1976 – 7417317) owned and operated by Ships Int'l Inc., Seattle, WA has sunk 50 miles west of Cartagena (COL) in the Caribbean Sea on 19 January 2023.

Tug *Tagish*, ex *Canocean* '75, *Iver Foss* '78 (1944 – 6413168) owned and operated by Etheridge DR Jr., Juneau, AK sank while moored at Juneau on 29 December 2022. She had been laid up for many years. She was scrapped in February 2023.



ELLA CLAIRE United States

photo: foggy



HEIDE MORAN United States

photo: Captain Ted



Other news:

Houston based Campbell Transportation Company, Inc. (CTC) announced it has signed a definitive purchase agreement to acquire the majority of the marine assets owned by [NGL Marine, LLC](#), a subsidiary of Tulsa based NGL Energy Partners LP. The \$111.65 million cash deal includes a fleet of 13 towboats and 25 tank barges that provide waterborne transportation of refined products and crude oil for customers on the Gulf Coast.

VIETNAM

Transactions:

AHTS [Luo Tong 6001](#), ex *Pacific 28 '18*, *TC Princess '21* (2004 – 9291652) owned and operated by Tan Cang Offshore Services JSC has been sold in 2022 to new owner and operator Zhoushan Ruijing Shipping, Beijing (CHN) and has been renamed *Ming Yang 11*. OSV [TC Victoria](#) (2010 – 9511844) owned and operated by Tan Cang Offshore Services JSC has been sold in 2022 to new owner Lova Shipping Inc., Istanbul (TUR) and has been renamed *Mihrimah*.

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BELGIUM

Tug [85](#) (1977 – 7505164) owned and operated by Port of Antwerp has been sold as houseboat to British owners. She was re-sold while she was en route to unknown Turkish interest.

IRELAND

Tug [Celtic Isle](#), ex *Tai O '00* (1986 – 8514693) owned and operated by Celtic Tugs Ltd., Cork has not been scrapped as reported before, but in fact she has been sold to Moldavia buyers and has been renamed *Celtic*.

SINGAPORE

AHTS [MMA Chieftain](#), ex *Jaya Chieftain '15* (2010 – 9532874) owned by MMA Offshore Vessels Asia Ops, operated by MMA Offshore Asia Pte. Ltd., has been sold in 2022 to new owner Hamilton Offshore Services, operated by Vallianz Offshore Marine, Singapore and has been renamed *Rawabi 42*.

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THE NETHERLANDS

Tug [SL Rima](#), ex *Smit Rima '14* (1999 – 9179012) owned and operated by Smit Lamnalco Netherlands B.V. has been sold in 2022 to new owner Seagate Maritime S.A., operated by Seagate Tugs & Barges



LA LOUISIANA United States

photo: cdag



SEACOR WASHINGTON United States

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Services, Souda (GRC) and has been renamed *Captain Dimitris I*.

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NORWAY

OSV [Edda Sun](#), ex *Acergy Merlin '09*, *GSP Prince '12*, *Seabed Prince '17*, *Sun Enabler '19* (2009 – 9489651) owned and operated by Østensjø Rederi AS has been transferred to joint-venture Eidesvik / Reach Subsea and has been renamed *Viking Reach*.

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