



# Worldwide Tug & OSV News

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## Worldwide Tug & OSV News

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

#### **AUSTRALIA**

## **Transaction:**

Tug *RT Eduard* (2010 – 9489948) owned by RT Eduard B.V., operated by Kotug Port Hedland Towage Pty. has been sold in 2025 to Boluda Towage SMS Ltd. (GBR) and has been renamed *VB Baydan*.

## **BELGIUM**

#### Transaction:

Tug 50, ex Bis Viridis '19, Multratug 6 '20 (2018 – 9842932) has been re-delivered by Antwerp Bruges to Damen Workboats B.V., operated by Damen Trading & Chartering B.V., Gorinchem (NLD) and has been renamed DMS 50.

#### CANADA

#### Transaction:

Utility *Southpaw* (2025 – 1056109) owned by Neptune Equipment, operated by Bridgemans GP Ltd. has been renamed *Southpaw X* in 2025.

## Newbuilding:

Tug *Ocean Diana* (2024 – 1096898). Yard: Sylte Shipyard Ltd., Maple Ridge, BC. 128 GT. Dim. 16,74 x 8,08 x 4,29 mtr. No further details available. Owner and operator: Mercury Launch & Tug Ltd., Vancouver, BC.

## **CAPE VERDE**

## Scrapped:

Tug *Damao* (1962 – 5403051) owned and operated by Enapor, Santiago has been scrapped in July 2025 at Mindelo.

## CHILE

## Transaction:

Tug Guayas II, ex World Star '01, Saam Tomiyauh '08 (1998 – 9204908) owned by Ecuaestibas Sam operated by Saam SA has been sold in 2024 to new owner and operator Pilot Transport Marine, Guayas (ECU) and has been renamed Caribe I.

## Newbuilding:

Tug *Teja* (2025 – 1040227). Ramparts 2500-CL design. Yard: Cheoy Lee Shipyards, ynr. 5290. 348 GT. Dim. 23,90 x 11,80 x 4,60 mtr. Engines: 2x Caterpillar. Output: 5.068 bhp. Bollardpull: 63,9 tonnes, speed: 12,9 kn.



DMS 50 Belgium

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Owner and operator: CPT Empresas Maritima SA, Valparaiso.

## CHINA

## **Transactions:**

AHTS *Funing 03* (2021 – 9776028) owned by Fujian Funing Shipbuilding Co, operated by

Shanghai Oceaner Marine has been sold in 2023 to new owner and operator Shanghai Oceaner Marine and has been renamed *Han Ze.* 15 Months later she has been sold to new owner and operator Halul Offshore Services Co. WLL, Doha (QAT) and has been renamed *Halul 72*.



DAMAO Cape Verde

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DAMAO Cape Verde

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OSV Zhong You Hai 798, ex Bourbon Hestia '22, Chun Bai '22 (2006 – 9331294) owned and operated by Shanghai Sino Shipping Co. Ltd. has been sold in 2024 to new owner and operator Hainan Wanbo Offshore, Hainan and was renamed Nan Hai 620.

A few months later she was sold to new owner NML SPM Alpha SA, operated by SPM Shipping – FZCO, Dubai (ARE) and has been renamed *SPM Alpha*.

OSV *Zhong Yu 8*, ex *Zhongtie '21* (2021 – 9676345) owned and operated by Zhongyu

Ocean Shipping Co. Ltd. has been sold in 2022 to new owner Jiangsu Financial Leasing Co., operated by Nanjing Oceanglory Shipping Co., Jiangsu and has been renamed *Hua Can*. **Newbuildings:** 

OSV *Antur* (2025 – 9786279). Yard: Zhejiang Shipbuilding Co. Ltd., ynr. ZJ4022. 3.899 GT. Dim. 71,58 x 17,20 x 7,80 mtr. Output: 5.280 bhp. No further details available. Owner: Aurelia Navigation Ltd., operator: Genmarca Navigation Ltd., Hong Kong. Launched in 2014 as *Boe Dempsey*.

Tug Sea Rhino (2025 – 1038509). ASD 2312 design. Yard: Damen Shipyards, Sharjah, ynr. 513540. 263 GT. Dim. 22,81 x 11,40 x 4,40 mtr. Engines: 2x Caterpillar. Output: 5.168 bhp. Bollardpull: 70 tonnes, speed: 12 kn. Owner and operator: Lei Teng Enterprises Ltd., Hong Kong

Tug *Shun Da Tou Yi* (2025 – 9649160). Yard: Fujian Baozhong Ocean Engineering, ynr. WD1006. 344 GT. Dim. 30,80 x 9,40 x 4,95



MAERSK TRADER **Denmark** photo: Henk van der Heijden







ARIES Finland photo: Kalle Inkinen

mtr. Engines: 2x Qingdao Zichai Boayang Diesel Engine Co. Output: 2.998 bhp. Speed: 12 kn. Owner and operator: Rongchuangda Trading Co., Hong Kong. Launched October 2019.

#### **DENMARK**

#### **Transactions:**

AHTS vessels *Skandi Tender*, ex *Maersk Tender* '24 (2009 – 9388651) and *Skandi Trader*, ex *Maersk Trader* '24 (2008 – 9388596) have been sold by owner and operator DOF Denmark A/S to new owner and operator Seacontractors B.V., Vlissingen (NLD) and have been renamed resp. *Sea Banckert* and *Sea Evertsen*.

## **ESTONIA**

## Transaction:

Tug *571723* (2024 – 9769269) owned by Damen Shipyards, operated by Baltic Workboats AS has been sold in 2025 to new owner LVR Flote, operated by Riga Freeport Authority, Riga (LVA) and has been renamed *Laura*.

## **FINLAND**

#### **Transactions:**

Tugs Aquila, ex Saturn '07, Evgeny Kocheshkov '18 (2001 – 9253686), Aries, ex Maju Cepat '07, Cepat '09 (1996 – 9154892), Cetus, ex Javeron '00, Knut '09 (1976 – 7407568) and Orion (1974 – 7368580) all owned and operated by Boluda Towage Finland Oy, Kokkola have been renamed in 2025 resp. VB Aquila, VB Aries, VB Cetus and VB Orion.

Tug *Jääsalo* (1975 – 7407544) owned and operated by Kemin Kaupunki has been transferred to new operator Boluda Towage Kemi Oy, Kemi. Owner and name remains the same.

## **FRANCE**

## Scrapped:

Tug *Morbihan* (1981 – 8116532) owned and operated by Commercial Port of Lorient has been sold in May 2025 to local breakers.

#### **GERMANY**

## Transactions:

Tug *Fairplay-21* (1997 – 9148752) owned by

Fairplay B.V., operated by Fairplay Borchard has been sold in 2025 to new owner Veneziana de Navigazione, operated by Ship Service Management SrL, Venice (ITA) and has been renamed *Fortizza*.

Tug Fairplay-85, ex Fairplay XI '22 (2015 – 9725108) owned and operated by Fairplay Borchard has been renamed Fairplay XI in 2025. Salvage tugs Baltic (2010 – 9556026) and Nordic (2010 – 9525962) owned by Nortug Bereederungs GmbH, operated by Bugsier Reederei have been transferred in 2024 to new operator Fairplay Borchard. Owner and name remains the same.



JÄÄSALO **Finland** photo: Igor Dilo





FORTIZZA Germany

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## Casualty:

Tug *Orca*, ex *Alja* '35, *Johanna* '64, *Louise* '73, *Anne-Marie* '94 (1930 – ENI 044.01820) owned and operated by Hans Wolkau GmbH, Hamburg sank in Bremen's industrial harbor on 23 July 2025 after a large drilling crane fell onto the tug during a construction operation on the river Weser. A few days later she was refloated by a floating crane.

## **GREECE**

## Transactions:

OSV Aegis I, ex Normand Flower '85, Ocean Flower '11 (1974 – 7392957) owned and operated by Environmental Marine Services has been sold in 2024 to undisclosed Comores interest and has been renamed Sea Wind.

AHTS NBA Power, ex Toisa Defiant '19, Defiant '24 (2006 – 9307308) owned by Offshore

Services & Management, operated by World Carrier Shipmanagement has been sold in 2024 to new owner Hope Oceanway Inc., operated by J Bulk Shipping LLC, Dubai (ARE) and has been renamed *Vega NBA Power*.

## Newbuilding:

Tug *Gaia* (2025 – 1057919). Rastar 2900-SX design. Yard: Sanmar Denzcilik Makina ve Ticaret. 497 GT. Dim. 29,40 x 13,30 x 5,50 mtr. Engines: 2x Caterpillar, 3516-E. Output: 6.390 bhp. Bollardpull: 82 tonnes. FiFi1. Owner and operator: Nemeca Maritime Co., Piraeus.

## GUATAMALA Newbuilding:

Tug *Iztapa* (2025 – 1034046). ASD 2312 design. Yard: Damen Shipyards Song Cam, ynr. 513641. 263 GT. Dim. 22,81 x 11,40 x 4,40 mtr. Engines: 2x Caterpillar, 3512-



FAIRPLAY XI Germany

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C TA. Output: 5.168 bhp. Bollardpull: 70 tonnes, speed: 12 kn. Owner and operator: Arrendadora Continental SA.

#### INDIA

#### Transaction:

Tug San Tiago (2016 – 9649639) owned and operated by Nautex Maritime Pvt. Ltd. has been sold in 2025 to new owner and operator Mat Marine Services Pvt. Ltd., Hyderabad and has been renamed Mat Neo.

#### **INDONESIA**

## **Transactions:**

Tug *Jas Power 3* (2015 – 9742013) owned and operated by Join Aditama Samudra PT has been sold in 2024 to new owner and operator Cahaya Lautran Mandiri, Jakarta and has been renamed *CLM 08*.

Tug *Kanaka 03* (2011 – 8658413) owned and operated by Kanaka Dwimitra Manunggal has been sold in 2024 to new owner and operator Nusa Bahari Perkasa PT, Jakarta and has been renamed *NBP Persada*.

Tug *Leo Power 2206* (2015 – 8353776) owned and operated by Bahtera Alam Sajahtera has been sold in 2024 to new owner and operator Pelayaran Bahtera Adhiguna PT, Jakarta and has been renamed *Srikanda Baruna 2202*.

Tug *S Diego*, ex *IBT Z2* '18 (2002 – 9277709) owned and operated by GHS Maritim Indonesia PT has been sold in 2024 to new owner and operator Glory Ocean Lines, Jakarta and has been renamed *Fanny 26*. Tug *TS Admira* (2011 – 9613460) owned and operated by Tirta Samudra Emas has been sold in 2024 to new owner and operator Sinar Putra Kapuas PT, Samarinda and has been renamed *Sinar Putra 21*.

#### **Newbuildings:**

Tug *Kingston 565* (2025 – 1088334). Yard: Forward Marine Enterprise, ynr. FM-219. 199 GT. Dim. 24,21 x 8,00 x 3,65 mtr. Engines: 2x Caterpillar. Output: 2.063 bhp. Owner and operator: Pelayaran Mitra Kaltim Samudera, Samarinda.

Tug *Mitra 236* (2025 – 1077244). Yard: Rajang Maju Shipbuilding, ynr. RM113. 193 GT. Dim. 24,19 x 8,00 x 3,35 mtr. Engines: 2x Caterpillar. Output: 1.658 bhp. Owner and operator: Pelayaran Aneka Atlanticindo Nidyatame, Palembang.

Tug *SLM Herakles 1* (2025 – 1061051). Yard: Tong Aik Shipyard, ynr. TA 22423. Dim. 28,42 x 9,20 x 4,30 mtr. Output: 2.433 bhp. No further details available. Owner and operator: Sinarmas LDA Maritime PT, Jakarta. Tugs *Tanjung Bahari 106* (2025 – 1052333),



Tanjung Bahari 109 (2025 - 1059113), Tanjung Bahari 110 (2025 - 1059125), Tanjung Bahari 111 (2025 - 1073157) and Tanjung Bahari 112 (2025 – 1073169). Yard: Rajang Maju Shipbuilding, ynr. resp. RM 105, RM 108, RM 109, RM 110 and RM 111. 193 GT. Dim. 24,19 x 8,00 x 3,65 mtr. Engines: 2x Yanmar. Output: 1.658 bhp. No further details available. Owner and operator: Pelayaran Tanjung Bahari Perkasa, Jakarta. Tugs *Toga 28* (2025 – 1089182) and *Tristan* 28 (2025 – 1077256). Yard: Rajang Maju Shipbuilding, ynr. resp. RM116 and RM115. 193 GT. Dim. 24,91 x 8,00 x 3,65 mtr. Engines: 1x Mitsubishi Heavy Ind. Output: 605 bhp. Owner and operator: Trois Marine, Jakarta.

#### ISRAEL

## Newbuilding:

Tug *Almog 1* (2025 – 1037244). Yard: Sanmar Denizcilik Makina ve Ticaret, Altinova, ynr. 74. 499 GT. Dim. 30,20 x 13,00 x 6,50 mtr. Output: 6.865 bhp. Bollardpull: 70 tonnes, speed: 12,5 kn. FiFi . Owner and operator: Ashdod Port Co. Ltd. Launched as *Vectra IV*. Due to political developments, the shipyard cancelled the second tug it had ordered. The new tug is now being built at a Bulgarian shipyard.

## IVORY COAST Newbuilding:

Tug *VB Kudu* (2025 – 1050222). ASD 2312 design. Yard: Damen Shipyards, Sharjah, ynr. 513644. 263 GT. Dim. 22,81 x 11,40 x 4,40 mtr. Engines: 2x Caterpillar. Output: 5.168 bhp. Bollardpull: 70 tonnes, speed: 12 kn. Owner: Damen Workboats B.V., operator: Ivoirienne de Remorquage, Abidjan.

## JAPAN

## **Transaction:**

Tug *Tone Maru* (2014 – 9739733) owned and operated by Tokyo Kisen KK has been sold in 2025 to new owner and operator Shanghai



NORDIC Germany

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ORCA Germany

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Dayu Shipping Co. Ltd., Shanghai (CHN) and has been renamed *Tone*.

## **Newbuildings:**

Tug *Futaba Maru* (2025 – 1061257). Yard: Kanagawa Zosen KK, ynr. 793. 259 GT. Dim. 32,50 x 11,40 x 4,40 mtr. Engines: 2x IHI Power Systems Co. Ltd. Output: 4.997 bhp. No further details available. Owner: Far East Towing Co. Ltd., operator: Fukushima Kisen KK, Fukushima.

Tug *Mutsu Maru* (2025 – 1061269). Yard: Kanagawa Zosen KK, ynr. 795. 269 GT. Dim. 35,52 x 10,20 x 4,08 mtr. Engines: 2x IHI Power Systems Co. Ltd. No further details





available. Owner and operator: Tokyo Kisen KK, Kanagawa.

## **KENYA**

#### Transactions:

Tug *Comarco Hawk*, ex *Swisko Natuna* '04 (1998 – 8954362) owned and operated by Kenya Marine Contractors has been sold in 2024 to new owner and operator RDS Foxconn Logistics LLC, Sharjah (ARE) and has been renamed *RDS 1*.

Tug Falcon, ex E-Line 1 '07, CPC Frascanti '10, Comarco Falcon '12 (1998 – 9191216) owned by Comarco, operated by Kenya Marine Contractors Ltd. has been sold in 2025 to new owner and operator Vema International, Port Louis (MUS) and has been renamed Vema Falcon.

## **MALAYSIA**

## Transactions:

Tug *Highline 53* (2007 – 9433999) owned and operated by Highline Shipping Sdn. Bhd. has been sold in 2025 to new owner and operator

Saujana Marine Sdn. Bhd., Selangor and has been renamed *Saujana Lapan*.

## **MARSHAL ISLANDS**

#### Transaction:

AHTS AOS Emerald (2018 – 9818474) owned by Atnav Inc., operated by Atlantic Maritime Group FZE has been sold in 2025 to new owner MAG Emerald Holdings Ltd., operated by Allianz Marine Services LLC, Dubai (ARE) and has been renamed MAG Emerald.

#### **MEXICO**

#### **Transaction:**

OSV *Tauro*, ex *Blue Ocean* '09 (2008 – 9539717) owned and operated by Catemar SA de CV has been sold in 2025 to new owner NML AM Pearl LLC, operated by Alphard Marine Pvt. Ltd., Mumbai (IND) and has been renamed *AM Pearl*.

#### **Newbuilding:**

Tug *VB Mixcoatl* (2025 – 1038494). ASD 2312 design. Yard: Damen Shipyards, Sharjah, ynr. 513639. 263 GT. Dim. 22,81



FRISIAN The Netherlands

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Power Ascent Asia Sdn. Bhd., Selangor and has been renamed *Power JME 11*.

OSV *Keyfield Lestari* (2014 – 9742297) owned and operated by Keyfield Offshore Sdn. Bhd. has been sold in 2025 to new owner Saraf Corporation India Pvt., operated by Hoger Offshore & Marine Pvt, Mumbai and has been renamed *Seaquest Garudas*. Tug *Meb Tug 3* (1998 – 9206877) owned by undisclosed interest has been sold in 2025 to new owner and operator Viva Omega Sdn Bhd, Selangor and has been renamed *Nilam Sari*.

OSV *Perdana Liberty*, ex *SK Line 402* '10, *Petra Liberty* '11 (2009 – 9556650) owned by Perdana Earth Ltd., operated by Intra Oil Services Bhd. has been sold in 2025 to new owner CNN Capital L Bhd., operated by x 11,40 x 4,40 mtr. Engines: 2x Caterpillar. Output: 5.168 bhp. Speed: 12 kn. Owner and operator: Maritima del Pacifico SA de CV, Mexico City.

#### THE NETHERLANDS

#### **Transactions:**

Pusher Coby, ex Neptunus 6 '81, Mars VI '91, Linge '14, Catharina 8 '17 (1971 – ENI 023.13175) owned and operated by Kapitein Materieel B.V. has been sold in 2025 to new owner and operator v.o.f. J. Smedeman, Terneuzen and has been renamed Nova. Tug DMS Kite (2020 – 9901465) owned and operated by Damen Trading & Chartering B.V. has been transferred in 2024 to new operator Astro Offshore Pte. Ltd., Singapore (SGP) and has been renamed Astro Pollux. Owner remains the same.

Tug *Elin-F*, ex *RN Temryuk* '21, *Nelly-Bly* '22 (2016 – MMSI 244038316) owned and operated by Fransbergen Trading & Shipping has been sold in 2025 to new owner and operator Boluda La Reunion (FRA) and has been renamed *VB Idefix*.

Tug En Avant 27, ex Capitaine Albert Ruault '78, Le Prevoyant '82 (1960 – ENI 023.28389) owned and operated by Beheersmij. Muller B.V. has been sold in 2025 to new owner and operator C.A. van der Zee, Westzaan and has been renamed Hercules.

Pusher *Frisian*, ex *Kees* '96, *Atlanta* '08, *Zebulon* '09, *Mikida* '13 (1996 – MMSI 244670596) owned and operated by Grova B.V. has been sold in 2025 to unknown Romanian owners.

Tug *GV 71* (1971 – ENI 023.13273) owned and operated by Rijndok B.V. has been sold in 2025 to Damen Heritage Fleet, Gorinchem. Tugs *Katran* (2022 – 9883625) and *Kumzha* 



HERCULES The Netherlands

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J. N FONCHE **The Netherlands** photo: Damen Shipyards

(2022 – 9883613) owned by Damen Shipyards have been sold from stock in 2025 to new owner and operator Port Authority of Douala (CMR) and have been renamed resp. J. N Foncha and E.M.L. Endeley.
The productname of the tugs has been changed from 'ASD 3010 ICE' into 'ASD 3010 HD' (HD = Heavy Duty).



MNO-E The Netherlands

photo: Huib Trommel

Tug Sea Hotel (2013 – 9695779) owned and operated by Seacontractors B.V. has been sold in 2025 to new owner Target Engineering Constr. Co., Abu Dhabi (ARE) and has been renamed Target Star.

Utility Zwaardvis, ex Kennemer '09 (1985 – 9104732) owned and operated by Van Straaten Beheer B.V. has been sold in 2025 to new owner and operator Acta Jifmar, Den Helder and has been renamed Coastal Legacy.

## **Newbuildings:**

Tug *Argo* (2025 – 1045069). ASD 2111 design. Yard: Damen Shipyards Changde, ynr. 510408. 198 GT. Dim. 21,02 x 10,18 x 4,06 mtr. Engines: 2x Caterpillar, 3512-C HA TA/C. Output: 3.702 bhp. Bollardpull: 50 tonnes, speed: 10,7 kn. Owner and operator: Damen Workboats B.V., Gorinchem. Tugs *Dawson Duck* (2025 – 1048487) and *Everwin Rose Gold*. RSD 2513 design. Yard: Damen Shipyards Song Cam, ynr. resp. 515040 and 515041. 353 GT. Dim. 24,73 x 12,50 x 4,97 mtr. Engines: 2x Caterpillar,



C32 V12. Output: 5.168 bhp. Bollardpull: 70 tonnes, speed: 12,5 kn. Owner and operator: Damen Workboats B.V., Gorinchem. Utility *Destiny* (2024 – 1074400). Yard: Scheepswerf Noordover, Urk. 380 GT. Dim. 23,50 x 11,45 x 0,70 mtr. Engines: 2x Volvo Penta. Output: 1.000 bhp. Bollardpull: 10 tonnes. Emission Standard: Tier III. Owner and operator: K&W Trans Shipping B.V., Tollebeek. Tug *Everwind Pride* (2025 – 1019151). ASD 3212 design. Yard: Damen Shipyards Song Cam, ynr. 512581. 440 GT. Dim. 32,70 x 12,20 x 5,35 mtr. Engines: 2x Caterpillar, 3516-C. Output: 6.862 bhp. Bollardpull: 80,8 tonnes, speed: 13,5 kn. Owner and operator: Damen Workboats B.V., Gorinchem. Pusher MNO-E (2025 - ENI 023.40576). Yard: Padmos Shipyard, ynr. 246. Dim. 16,00 x 7,60 x 1,35 mtr. Engines: fully electric. Owner and operator: Ros Zand- en Grindhandel, Schiedam.

Tug *Neptun Power* (2025 – 1071393). Eurotug 3413 design. Yard: Neptun Shipyard, ynr. 573. 499 GT. Dim. 34,20 x 13,40 x 3,20 mtr. Engines: 3x Caterpillar, C-32 SCAC. Output: 5.180 bhp. Bollardpull: 65 tonnes, speed: 10 kn. Emission Standard: Tier III. Owner and operator: Neptune Equipment B.V., Hardinxveld.

Tug Saad Warsama Dirieh (2025-1050210). ASD 2312 design. Yard: Damen Shipyards, Sharjah, ynr. 513643. 263 GT. Dim. 22,81



NEPTUN POWER The Netherlands

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x 11,40 x 4,40 mtr. Engines: 2x Caterpillar. Output: 5.168 bhp. Bollardpull: 70 tonnes, speed: 12 kn. Owner and operator: Damen Workboats B.V., Gorinchem Tugs *Sahel 281* (2025 – 1038999) and *Sahel 282* (2025 – 1039008). ASD 2813 design. Yard: Damen Shipyards, Song Cam, ynr. resp. 513352 and 513353. 381 GT. Dim. 27,59 x 12,30 x 5,20 mtr. Engines: 2x Caterpillar, 3516-C TA HD/D. Output: 6.862 bhp. Bollardpull: 82,7 tonnes, speed: 12,7 kn.

Emission Standard: Tier III. Owner: Damen Workboats, operator: Damen Shipyards. CSOV *Windcat Rotterdam* (2025 – 9995337). Yard: Ha Long Shipyard, ynr. 552205. 6.711 GT. Dim. 88,60 x 19,70 x 8,00 mtr. Engines: 2x Anglo Belgian Corp., 8DZC Owner: CMB Tech Belgium N.V., operator: Windcat Workboats B.V., IJmuiden.

#### Other News:

Jifmar Group will acquire **Seacontractors** workboats fleet up to the 50-tons bollardpull class. The deal covers 15 vessels mainly operating in the Middle East as well as 183 staff.

## **NIGERIA**

## Transactions:

AHTS *Bridgewater 108*, ex *MDPLI Asha Deep* '21 (2012 – 9578816) owned by Bridgewater 108 Pte. Ltd., operated by Red Offshore Nigeria Ltd. has been transferred in 2024 to new operator Kim Heng Marine & Oilfield, Singapore (SGP) and has been renamed *IFM Venture*. In 2025 she was sold to new owner Almarjan Offshore Shipping Ltd., operated by IGM Ship Management LLC, Dubai (ARE) and was renamed *IGM Venture*.

## NORWAY Transactions:

Seismic Survey vessels Ramform Explorer

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RAMFORM VALIANT Norway

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(1995 – 9118472) and *Ramform Valiant* (1998 – 9165023) both owned by PGS Shipowner AS, operated by PGS Geophysical AS have been sold in 2025 to new owner Karpowershipyard Rauf Bey Co., operated by Karmarine Karadeniz Denizcilik, Istanbul and have been renamed resp. *Karadeniz Powership Nefise Sultan* and *Karadeniz Powership Veyselbey*.

Tug *Tronds Fox*, ex *Isa* '16, *Fox Challenger* '22 (2007 – 9394038) owned and operated by Samba Marin AS has been sold in 2025 to new owner Meidell Ship Holding AS, operated by Rauma Cata Oy, Rauma (FIN) and has been renamed *Felix C*.

## Newbuildings:

Work/repair vessel IWS Moonwalker (2025 - 9993779). Yard: China Merchants Heavy Industry, ynr. CMHI262-5. 6.712 GT. Dim. 90,00 x 19,60 x 7,50. Engines: 2x Caterpillar, 3512-E HD. No further details available. Owner: Awind 3 AS, operator: IWS Fleet AS, Oslo. Work/repair vessel Monsoon Enabler (2025 - 1018212). Yard: VARD Group, Vung Tau, ynr 967. 6.802 GT. Dim. 87,50 x 19,50 x 5,30 mtr. No further details available. Owner: Edda Wind XIV AS, operator: Edda Wind Management AS, Haugesund. Tug *USV Challenger* (2025 – 1031733). Yard: Astilleros AS Gondan, ynr. 506. 230 GT. Dim. 27,29 x 7,50 x 3,00 mtr. Engines: 2x Volvo Penta, D 16. No further details available. Owner: USV AS, operator: Remota AS, Oslo. Scrapped:

Tug *Rødulf*, ex *Riverman '74*, *Torian '89*, *Beni '15* (1963 – 5408269) owned and operated by Arne Rød & Co AS, Sandefjord has been scrapped in May 2025 at local breakers in Norway.

#### **PANAMA**

## Newbuildings:

Tug *Isla Barro Colorado* (2025 – 1042158). Yard: Astilleros Armon SA, Naia, ynr. 876. 489 GT. Dim. 28,90 x 14,00 x 5,15 mtr. Engines: 2x Cummins, Hybrid Electric. Output: 6.252 bhp. Bollardpull: 80 tonnes. FiFi1. No further details available. Owner and operator: Panama Canal Authority, Panama City. Tug *VB Cobra* (2025 – 1034058). ASD 2312 design. Yard: Damen Shipyards, Song Cam, ynr. 513642. 263 GT. Dim. 22,81 x 11,43 x 4,40 mtr. Engines: 2x Caterpillar, 3512-C TA. Output: 5.168 bhp. Bollardpull: 70 tonnes, speed: 12 kn. Owner and operator: Tug Services Panama, Panama City.

## **QATAR**

## **Transaction:**

Tug *Al Jumailiah* (1978 – 7713981) has been



RØDULF Norway

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CUBIA **Spain** photo: Prieto

sold by undisclosed interest to also undisclosed interest and has been renamed *Faoz 1*.

## RUSSIA

## Transaction:

Tug *Draco*, ex *Saturn* '06, *Leonid Bochkov* '17 (2003 – 9280794) owned by Port Fleet Ltd. and operated by Boluda Towage Finland Oy has been renamed *VB Draco* in 2025.

## Casualty:

Tug *Kapitan Ushakov* (2025) of project 23470 capsized at the berth of the Baltic Shipyard, St. Petersburg. The tug listed to starboard side the day before and sank on 9 August 2025. The tug was launched at the Yaroslavl Shipyard on 16 June 2022 and was towed to the Baltic Shipyard for final outfitting.

## SAUDI ARABIA

## Transaction:

AHTS *Hadi 27* (2010 – 9463827) owned and operated by Hadi H Al Hammam Establishment has been sold in 2025 to new owner ETG OML9 LLC, operated by Overseas Marine Logistics LLC, Abu Dhabi (ARE) and has been renamed *Marsol Shiny*.

## Newbuildings:

OSVs Zaki Harmony (2025 – 1073884) and Zaki Star (2025 – 1073860). Yard: Guangzhou Shunhai Shipyards Ltd. 970 GT. Dim. 48,00 x 14,00 x 4,20 mtr. Output: 3.098 bhp. Speed: 10 kn. No further details available. Owner and operator: Zaki Al Zayer Marine Services, Al Amamrah Dammam.

## SENEGAL

#### Newbuilding:

Tug *SD Chatboul* (2025 – 1047316). Rastar 3200-W design. Yard: Uzmar Shipyard, ynr. 165. 499 GT. Dim. 32,00 x 13,20 x

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6,13 mtr. Engines: 2x Rolls-Royce. Output: 6.961 bhp. Bollardpull: 85 tonnes, speed: 12 kn. Emission Standard: Tier III. Owner: Kotug Middle East DMSS, operator: Kotug International and Maritalia S.A.

## **SINGAPORE**

## **Transactions:**

AHT Bridgewater 168, ex Salviceroy '20 (2007 - 9351830) owned by Bridgewater 168 Pte. Ltd,, operated by Kim Heng Marine & Oilfield has been sold in 2025 to new owner and operator Hwang Chang General Contractor, Taipei City (TWN) and has been renamed H Wang Chang No. 66. OSV Hai Long Ming, ex Oriental Dragon '21 (2019 - 9802645) owned by Jumeirah Offshore Pte. Ltd., operated by Strato Maritime Services Pte. Ltd. has been sold in 2025 to new owner and operator Thome Offshore Management, Singapore and has been renamed Oriental Dragon. Tug Yew Choon 5 (2007 – 9462055) owned and operated by Yew Choon Pte. Ltd. has been sold in 2024 to new owner Trimax Shipping & Trading, operated by Trident Shipping & Trading Pte., Singapore and has been renamed Trimax Shabita.

#### Newbuilding:

Tug *PSA Lyra* (2025 – 1060332). Rastar 2800-CL design. Yard: Cheoy Lee Shipyards. 433 GT. Dim. 28,40 x 13,00 x 4,15 mtr. Engines: 2x Caterpillar, 3516-C. Output: 6.390 bhp. Bollardpull: 80 tonnes, speed: 13 kn. Owner and operator: PSA Marine Pte. Ltd., Singapore.

## **SOUTH KOREA**

## **Transaction:**

Tug *Su Hae No. 7*, ex *Iseshio* '00 (1989 – 8865547) owned and operated by Il Woo Maritime Corp. has been in 2024 to new owner and operator Polaris Top Marine Services, Manila (PHL) and has been renamed *Polar Prince*.

## **SPAIN**

## Transaction:

Tug *Cubia*, ex *Med Istanbul* '07 (2007 – 9378577) owned and operated by the Port of Gijon has been sold in 2025 to new owner and operator Commercial Port of Lorient (FRA) and has been renamed *An Oriant*.

#### **SWEDEN**

#### Newbuilding:

Tug *Svitzer Ingrid* (2025 – 1037311). ElectRa 2500-SX design. Yard: Sanmar Denizcilik Makina ve Ticaret. 382 GT. Dim. 25,40 x

12,86 x 5,40 mtr. Engines: fully electric, battery capacity: 1.800 kWh. Output: 4.916 bhp. Bollardpull: 70 tonnes, speed: 12,5 kn. FiFi1. Owner: Em. Z. Svitzer, operator: Svitzer Sverige AB, Vastra Frolunda.

## **TAIWAN**

#### Transaction:

Tug *Da Gang* (ATF 554), ex *Achomawi* (AT148/ATF148) (1944) owned and operated by Taiwanese Navy was retired on 1 July 2025.

## **Newbuilding:**

Work/repair vessel *MP Wind Archer* (2025 – 9987732). Yard: Marcopolo Shipyard, Batam, ynr. H155. 6.421 GT. Dim. 83,00 x 21,00 x 8,02 mtr. Output: 8.157 bhp. No further

details available. Owner and operator: PKR Offshore Co. Ltd., Taipei City.

## **TRINIDAD & TOBAGO**

## **Transaction:**

Tug *Culloden*, ex *Chindit* '12 (1976 – 7414731) owned and operated by Coloured Fin Ltd. has been sold in 2024 to new owner and operator Energy Trans-Services SA Inc., St. Petersburg, FL (USA) and has been renamed *SS1-L*.

#### **TURKEY**

#### **Transaction:**

Tug *Dilburnu* (1985 – 7704227) owned and operated by Erd Deniz Araclari has been sold in 2025 to new owner and operator



**CULLODEN Trinidad & Tobago** 

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Marinsal Ship Agency, Istanbul and has been renamed *Marinsal 1*.

#### Newbuilding:

Tug *Sirapinar XXII* (2025 – 1037232). Yard: Sanmar Denizcilik Makina ve Ticaret, Altinova, ynr. 304. 287 GT. Dim. 22,07 x 10,84 x 4,40 mtr. Output: 4.078 bhp. No further details available. Owner and operator: builders account.

## UNITED ARAB EMIRATES Transactions:

OSV *Aboudi 3*, ex *NMS 207* '13, *Orient 207* '14, *Aboudi 3* '16, *Gulf Blue I* '22 (1981 – 8016029) owned by Genua General Trading LLC, operated by Meral Shipping LLC has been sold in 2025 to new owner and operator Vettal Mega Services Ltd., Lagos (NGA) and has been renamed *Perch*. AHTS *AOS Handler* (2010 – 9592630) owned by Bimar Offshore, operated by Atlantic Offshore Services LLC has been sold in 2025 to new owner Mag Handler Holdings LLC,

operated by Allianz Marine Services LLC, Dubai and has been renamed *MAG Handler*. AHTS *Atlantic 18*, ex *Hadi 18* '18 (2004 – 9300271) owned and operated by Petrofleet Energy Trading LLC has been sold in 2023 to new owner Echelon Global Shipping & Trading, operated by Meral Shipping LLC and has been renamed *Cleopatra*. In 2024 she was sold again, now to new owner and operator Inter Bulk Ship Management, Dubai and has been renamed *Achilles*.

OSV *Jabbar*, ex *N'Duva '20*, *Maf-1 '20* (2002 – 9261968) owned by Somturk Shipping Inc., operated by Mariam Shipping AS has been sold in 2025 to new owner and operator Oceanic Solution Ltd., Thane (IND) and has been renamed *Ocean Explorer*.

Tug *Melana 68* (2004 – 9330886) owned by Shin Yang Shipping Sdn Bhd, operated by Deena Shipping LLC has been sold in 2024 to new owner Ashtarian AF, operated by Sea Knots International, Dubai and has been renamed *Yam 14*.

Tug *Ruby 4*, ex *Topniche 4* '13, *Topaz* '19 (2001 – 9253521) owned and operated by Saptagulf Panama has been sold in 2024 to undisclosed Comores interest and has been renamed *AGT 1*.

OSV Sea Crown, ex C/Centurion '92, GMOSS Horizon '95, Shell Star '97, Seabulk Shell Star '99, Shell Star '04, Seabulk Star '16 (1982 – 8201143) owned and operated by Orient Oil Co. LLC has been sold in 2025 to new owner Al-Rubaye HGA, operated by Sea Swan Shipping FZE, Ajman and has been renamed Sea Giant.

## Newbuildings:

Tugs *Caribe* (2025 – 1110668) and *Maraca* (2025 – 1110656). Yard: Haidong Shipyard, ynr. resp. DBD-2023-016 and DBD-2023-015. 413 GT. Dim. 30,50 x 11,00 x 5,40 mtr. FiFi1. No further details available. Owner: resp. Caribe SA and Maraca SA, operator: Emepco FZE, Fujairah.

Utility *Mariam* (2025 – 9971068). Multi Cat 3313 DS design. Yard: Damen Shipyards, ynr. 571833. 345 GT. Dim. 32,80 x 12,50 x 1,85 mtr. Engines: 3x Caterpillar, C18 TTA Acert. Output: 2.409 bhp. Bollardpulli: 30 tonnes, speed: 10,8 kn. Owner: Mariam Co, operator: Gemhy Services LLC, Dubai. Tug *Mubarak* (2025 – 1116698). Yard: Dubai Shipbuilding & Engineering LLC, ynr. 481. 182 GT. Engines: 2x Weichai Machinery Co. Ltd. Output: 1.998 bhp. Speed: 10 kn. No further details available. Owner and operator: Mubarak Marine LLC, Dubai. Tugs P&O Rimal (2025 – 1038470) and P&O Zulal (2025 - 1038492). ASD 2312 design. Yard: Damen Shipyards, Sharjah, ynr. resp. 513637 and 513638. 266 GT. Dim. 22,81 x 11,40 x 4,40 mtr. Engines: 2x Caterpillar. Output: 5.168 bhp. Bollardpull: 70 tonnes, speed: 12 kn. Owner and operator: P&O Maritime Logistics, Dubai.



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## **UNITED KINGDOM**

## Transaction:

Tug King David, ex Shun Nichi Maru '06, Fairmount Fuji '14 (1997 – 9156618) owned by King David Shipping Ltd., operated by Prime Gulf International UK has been sold in 2024 to new owner and operator Oil & Industrial Services Ltd., Port Harcourt (NGA) and has been renamed Lagertha.

## Newbuildings:

CSOV *Grampian Eagle* (2025 – 1030038). VARD 4 22 design. Yard: VARD, Tomrefjord, ynr. 976. 6.804 GT. Dim. 88,30 x 19,50 x 7,40 mtr. No further details available. Owner and operator: North Star Shipping, Aberdeen. Utility *Willdiscover* (2025 – 1112525).

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Eurocarrier 2495 design. Yard: Neptun Shipyards, Aalst, ynr. 656. Dim. 24,00 x 9,50 x 2,10 mtr. Bollardpull: 24 tonnes. No further details available. Owner and operator: Williams Shipping Ltd., Southampton.

## **UNITED STATES**

## **Transactions:**

OSV A 110, ex Monica Ann '13, Harvey Falcon '23 (2009 – 9551052) owned and operated by Harvey Gulf Int'l Marine LLC has been sold in 2024 to new owner and operator EA Temile & Sons Dev. Co. Ltd., Warri (NGA) without change of name. OSV Gertie C, ex Leam California '89, Seabulk California '06, Maad-Hunter III '09 (1982 – 8107866) owned and operated by Allied Shipyard Inc. has been renamed Evelyna's Pride in 2025.

Towboats Island Lookout, ex Sarah Moran '08, Captain Bob '10 (1998 – USCG 1069715), Island Explorer, ex Raimy Jim '93, Genie Cenac '95, Sun Explorer '15 (1980 – USCG 619367) and Island Pilot, ex Alexandra Moran '08, David E '10 (19998 – USCG 1069716) owned and operated by Stevens Towing Company Inc. have been sold in 2025 to new owner and operator Riverbulk Transportation, Edenton, NC. The names of

the first two remains the same, while the third one has been renamed *River Pilot*. Tug *Mary M. Coppedge* (1975 – 7423512) owned and operated by Moran Towing Corporation has been sold in 2025 to new owner and operator New York State Marine Highway Transportation, Troy, NY and has been renamed *Mary Kay*.

Tug *Robert*, ex *Emily S*. (1982 – USCG 654353) owned and operated by Weeks Marine Inc. has been sold in 2025 to new owner and operator Stevens Towing Company Inc., Yonges Island, SC and has been renamed *Sea Islander*.

AHTS Seacor Lee (2008 – 9464297) owned by Madrona Bay Holdings, operated by Ocean Services LLC has been sold to new owner and operator Stabbert Maritime LLC, Seattle, WA and has been renamed Ocean Lee.

OSV U-81, ex Naghi 1000 '22 (2022 – 9756303) owned by Ulysses IV Ltd., operated by Vessel Safety Management has been sold in 2025 to new owner Aquilon Ltd., operated by Wright Maritime Group LLC, Fort Lauderdale, FL and has been renamed Wingman.

## **Newbuildings:**

OSVs *Armada 86.02* (2025 – 9980746) and *Armada 86.03* (2025 – 9980758). Yard:

Vard Vung Tau Ltd., ynr. resp. 954 and 955. 2.583 GT. Dim. 86,60 x 16,41 x 7.00 mtr. Engines: 2x Cummins, QSK60-M. No further details available. Owner: Ocean Infinity Operations, operator: Ocean Infinity Group Ltd., Austin, TX.

Tug *Gerard McAllister* (2025 – USCG 1351328). Yard: Washburn & Doughty, ynr. 138. 285 GT. Dim. 26,94 x 11,58 x 5,18 mtr. Engines: 2x Caterpillar, 3516-E. Output: 6.770 bhp. Bollardpull: 84 tonnes. Emission Standard: Tier IV. Owner and operator: McAllister Towing & Transportation, New York, NY.

Towboat *Henry Brooks* (2023 – USCG 1276024). Yard: Intracoastal Iron Works, ynr. 196. 177 GT. Dim. 23,77 x 10,36 x 3,05 mtr. Engines: 2x Cummins, QSK38. Output: 2.000 bhp. Emission Standard: Tier III. Owner and operator: Maritime Partners LLC, Metairie, LA.

Tugs J. Themistoclis Moran (2025 – USCG 1353628), Newt Moran (2025 – 1117850) and Thomas C. Moran (2025 – 1117551). Rapport 2800 design. Yard: Master Boat Builders, ynr. resp. 487, 486 and 483. 118 GT. Dim. 25,82 x 12,19 x 5,06 mtr. Engines: 2x Caterpillar, 3512-E. Output: 6.770 bhp. Emission Standard: Tier IV. Owner and operator: Moran Towing Corporation, New Canaan, CT.

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Towboat *Miss Hazel* (2025 – USCG 1351851). Yard: Serodino Inc., ynr. 152. 96 GT. Dim. 18,29 x 7,32 x 2,44 mtr. Engines: 2x Mitsubishi, S6R. Output: 1.368 bhp. Emission Standard: Tier III. Owner and operator: Jack Tanner Towing Company, Havana, IL.

#### **Casualties:**

Tug *Iron Horse*, abandoned for several years, has sunk off Vancouver Island's coast on 7
June 2025 at Fisherman's Wharf in Campbell River. The tug is believed to be over 40 years old and was owned by an elderly man in his 80's who abandoned it when he learned it would cost about \$ 100,000 to destroy.

Tug *Sea Ranger*, ex *Robin IX* '85, *Sea Ranger* '06, *Polar Ranger* 'xx (1975 - 7404102) owned and operated by Dunlap Towing Company, LaConner, WA has sunk on 4 August 2025 after taking water for more than nine hours, 130 miles south of Cordova, Alaska.

#### Other News:

Maritime Partners LLC, New Orleans announced in the last week of August its acquisition of **Centerline Logistics Corp.**, Seattle. Privately-held Maritime Partners provides maritime financing solutions for vessels used in the Jones Act trade, with a managed fleet of more than 1.900 vessels, including towboats, barges and oceangoing vessels available for charter.

## Corrections: 2025-33

## **UNITED KINGDOM**

Tug *Duke of Normandy* has not been sold yet to Lead Marine Contractors, but has been



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chartered for two years before a final sale 'at a market price'.

SSV *Putford Ajax* is still going strong and has not been scrapped. Sorry for the inconvenience.

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