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Unknown tug seen on 2 November 2023 in Taichung (TWN) by Jan Plug.



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



TIDAL PIONEER Canada

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AUSTRALIA

Transactions:

Tug *Laurie M* (2012 – 9633800) owned and operated by Broadsword Marine Contractors has been sold in 2023 to new owner and operator Bhagwan Marine, Perth. The name remains the same.

OSV *Tek-Ocean Spirit*, ex *Edda Frende '09*, *Edda Sprint '14* (1991 – 9000637) owned by Gippsland Maritime Holdings, operated by Tek-Ocean Energy Services has been sold in 2024 to new owner and operator Atlantic Oceanic (UK) Ltd., Chichester (GBR) and has been renamed *Atlantic Spirit*.

BAHRAIN

Newbuilding:

Tug *Svitzer Santo Niño* (2024 – 9965904). Yard: Eregli Gemi Insa Sanayi, ynr. 122. 434 GT. Dim. 26,27 x 13,00 x 4,63 mtr. Total: 4.200 bhp. Owner and operator: Svitzer Bahrain WLL.

BANGLADESH

Newbuildings:

Tugs *Joymoni* (2024 – 9967392) and *Neel Komol* (2024 – 9967380). Ramparts 3200-CL design. Yard: Cheoy Lee Shipyards, Hong Kong, ynr. resp. 5257 and 5256. 492 GT. Dim. 30,32 x 12,41 x 4,19 mtr. Engines: 2x Caterpillar, 3516-C, total: 6.865 bhp. Bollardpull: 82 tonnes, speed: 13 kn. Owner and operator: Mongla Port Authority, Mongla.

BRASIL

Transactions:

OSV *Astro Tamoio* (2016 – 9635523) owned and operated by Astromaritima Navegacao Ltd. has been renamed *Astro Mero* in 2023.

AHTS *Far Santana* (2000 – 9196747) owned by Solstad Rederi AS, operated by Solstad Offshore Ltda. has been sold in 2023 to new owner and operator JD-Contractors A/S, Holstebro (DNK) and has been renamed *Explorer*.

Newbuildings:

Tug *Svitzer Rocha Pedro* (2024 – 9997402).

Ramparts 2300 design. Yard: Estaleiro Rio Maguari, ynr. 2136. 298 GT. Dim. 23,20 x 11,40 x 5,50 mtr. Engines: 2x MTU, 16V4000M63. Bollardpull: 71 tonnes, speed: 13 kn. Owner and operator: Svitzer Brasil, Rio de Janeiro.

Tug *WS Dorado* (2024 – 9929742). RSD 2513 design. Yard: Wilson Sons Shipyard. 327 GT. Dim. 27,73 x 13,13 x 4,95 mtr. Engines: 2x Caterpillar, 3516-C TA HD/D, total: 6.772 bhp. Bollardpull: 91 tonnes, speed: 12,6 kn. Emission Standard: Tier III. Owner and operator: Wilson Sons Agencia Maritima, Rio de Janeiro.

CANADA

Transaction:

Utility *Tidal Pioneer* (2021 – 9928425) owned and operated by Sustainable Marine Energy Canada Ltd. has been sold in 2024 to new owner and operator Leask Marine Ltd., Kirkwall (GBR) and has been renamed *C-Horizon*.

CHINA

Transactions:

AHTS *Chu Xin 11*, ex *Bourbon Liberty 224 '22* (2010 – 9394636) owned and operated by Telasea Logistics Co. Ltd. has been sold in 2023 to Olhai Marine Services



NORTHERN VICTORIA Denmark

photo: Paul Gowen

Co. Ltd. as *Achiever*, but after one month she was resold to new owner Pegasus PSD CX11 Ltd., operated by Petro Services Ship Management, Monte Carlo (MCO) and she retained her old name *Chu Xin 11*.

OSV *Chuan Bai*, ex *Bourbon Hestia* '22 (2006 – 9331294) owned and operated by Seawork Management Co. Ltd. has been sold in 2023 to new owner and operator Shanghai Sino Shipping Co. Ltd., Shanghai and has been renamed *Zhong You Hai 798*.

OSV *Feng Shou Chun Xiao*, ex *Bourbon Explorer 520* '23 (2014 – 9654359) owned and operated by Jiangnan Tianjin Shipping Ltd. has been sold in 2023 to new owner Hong Kong He Shun Shipping Ltd., Hong Kong and has been renamed *BGP Victor*.

AHTS *Go Pegasus*, ex *Deep Sea 3* '13, *Go Pegasus* '19, *Boka Pegasus* '22 (2012 – 9495210) owned and operated by Guangzhou Salvage Bureau, Guangdong has been renamed *De Hou* in 2023.

OSV *Guo Hai Min Qiang* (2020 – 9725756) owned and operated by Tianjin CSSC Jianxin No. 11 has been transferred to new operator Go Offshore Pty. Ltd., Perth (AUS) and has been renamed *Go Australis*. The sale which was reported in nr. 2021-06 was not effected.

AHTS *Hao Yi 16*, ex *VOS Helios* '20 (2009 – 9529085) owned by Hung Hai Nguyen Co. Ltd., operated by undisclosed interest has been sold in 2023 to new owner and operator Hung Hai Nguyen Co. Ltd., Ho Chi Min City (VNM) and has been renamed *ZD Aquarius*.

AHTS *Hao Yi 18*, ex *VOS Hermes* '20 (2009 – 9529059) owned and operated by Shanghai Haoyi Offshore has been sold in 2023 to undisclosed interest and has been renamed *Ming De 5003*.

AHTS *Oceanwind Pegasus*, ex *Olympic Pegasus* '22, *Oceanrich No. 1* '22, *Olympic Pegasus* '22 (2002 – 9257929) owned and operated by Oceanwind International Project has been sold in 2023 to Haifu Hongkun Offshore Eng., Yangpu and has been renamed *Hai Fu Tian Ma Zuo*.

OSV *Zhong Shang 3*, ex *Vega Inez* '20 (2018 – 9754537) owned and operated by Fujian Funing Shipbuilding Co. has been sold in 2023 to new owner and operator CCCC



SPM NEEL PRATAP 180 Denmark

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NOORMAN Germany

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Haifeng Wind Power, Shanghai and has been renamed *Hai Feng 3001*.

Newbuildings:

Search & Rescue vessel *Nan Hai Jiu 103* (2023 – 9926867). Yard: China Merchants Heavy Industry Co., Shenzhen, ynr. CMHI-231. 14.449 GT. Dim. 136,90 x 26,70 x 6,80 mtr. Total: 19.034 bhp. Bollardpull: 350 tonnes, speed: 17,5 kn. Owner: Chinese Government, operator: Nanhai Rescue Bureau, Guangdong.

Tug *Proteus* (2023 – 1013195), Yard: Norse Tersanecilik San ve Tic, Basiskale, ynr. 25. 396 GT. Dim. 30,87 x 11,20 x 5,52 mtr. No further details available. Owner and operator: Celestia Co. Ltd., Hong Kong.

Tugs *Trestan* (2023 – 1044302) and *Tor* (2023 – 1044314). Yard: Norse Tersanecilik San ve Tic, Basiskale, ynr. resp. 26 and 28. 108 GT. Dim. 17,35 x 8,00 x 4,00 mtr. No further details available. Owner and operator: Celestia Co. Ltd., Hong Kong.





BVT FORMIDABLE Germany

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OSV *Yick Quan* (2023 – 9986893). Yard: Jiangsu Zhenjiang Shipyard, ynr. VZJ950-2201. 2.525 GT. Dim. 75,00 x 19,00 x 5,50 mtr. No further details available. Owner and operator: Yick Fung Shipping & Ent., Hong Kong.
Tug *Yick Tug 105* (2023 – 9987017). Yard: Jiangsu Zhenjiang Shipyard, ynr. VZJ2015-2201. 495 GT. Dim. 37,00 x 10,20 x 4,50 mtr. No further details available. Owner and operator: Yick Fung Shipping & Ent., Hong Kong.

CROATIA

Newbuilding:

Tug *Gea* (2024 – 9957139). Yard: Med Marine. Ramparts 2500-W design. 363 GT. Dim. 25,20 x 12,00 x 5,75 mtr. Total: 4.815 bhp. Bollardpull: 70 tonnes, speed: 12 kn. Owner: Scafi Navigazione SpA., operator: Jadranski Pomorski Servis DD, Rijeka.

CYPRUS

Transaction:

AHTS *Ossoy* (2015 – 9701102) owned by Crown Libra 3 Ltd., operated by Genmarca Shipping Ltd. has been transferred in 2024 to new operator ABC Maritime AG, Nyon (CHE) and has been renamed *Spec Tina*. Owner remains the same.

Newbuilding:

Tug *EDT Aether* (2024 – 9977505). ASD 2813 design. Yard: Damen Shipyards B.V., ynr. 513341. 388 GT. Dim. 27,59 x 12,93 x 5,20 mtr. Engines: 2x Caterpillar, 3516-C HD/D, total: 6.772 bhp. Bollardpull: 85 tonnes, speed: 13 kn. Owner and operator: EDT Shipmanagement, Limassol.

DENMARK

Transactions:

OSV *Freja*, ex *Grampian Surveyor* '16

(2003 – 9258533) owned and operated by NCT Offshore *AVS* has been sold in 2024 to new owner and operator Northern Surevy Aps., Hadsten and has been renamed *Northern Victoria*.

AHTS *Maersk Tracer* (2009 – 9388613) owned and operated by Maersk Supply Service has been sold in 2024 to new owner and operator SPM Neel Pratap 180 Ltd. (Hermes Maritime), Mumbai (IND) and has been renamed *SPM Neel Pratap 180*.

Other news:

Maersk looks to be continuing the strategy established to run Denmark's largest shipping company under a single brand for global container logistics. Over the past years, Maersk has offloaded a number of divisions and consolidated shipping brands under one roof as part of its integrated logistics strategy. The latest move will see the Danish liner

giant separate itself from its towage business, Svitzer. The Svitzer news comes as Maersk unveiled its Q4 results, showing a \$456m loss, a massive drop from a profit of nearly \$5bn in the same period of 2022.

EGYPT

Scrapped:

OSV *Tim Sumed*, ex *Wimbrown Three* '77 (1966 – 6609171) owned and operated by Timsah Shipbuilding Co., Ismailia has been scrapped in June 2023 at local breakers.

ESTONIA

Scrapped:

AHTS *Hermes*, ex *Trinity Bay* '87, *Maersk Trinity* '87, *Maersk Server* '99, *Maersk Helper* '02, *Maersk Mahone* '08 (1983 – 8211576) owned and operated by Alfons Hakans, Tallinn has been sold for scrap in February 2024 to Liepaja.

FIJI ISLANDS

Transaction:

Tug *CV Ocean*, ex *Tensho Maru No. 8* '77, *Hyundai HT-112* '20 (1974 – 7375911) owned and operated by Chacal Maritime Engineering has been sold in 2023 to new owner Mega Logistics Pte. Ltd., operated by Gold Rock Investments, Suva and has been renamed *Gold Rock 28*.

FRANCE

Transaction:

AHTS *Bourbon Liberty 201* (2009 – 9394545) owned and operated by Bourbon Offshore Surf SAS has been sold in 2023 to new owner and operator Ships & Boats Oil Services, Alexandria (EGY) and has been renamed *Sea Sky*.



ATLANTIC DISCOVERY Gibraltar

photo: George Saunders



GERMANY

Transactions:

Tug *Noorman*, ex *Bugsier 31 '91*, *Mirfak '91*, *Auke '08* (1965 – 6609705) owned and operated by Bitunamel Feldmann GmbH has been sold in 2023 to new owner and operator Leaseforce AG, München and has been renamed *Seeloewe*.

Tug *RT Innovation* (1998 – 9190626) owned by Boluda Shipping, operated by Boluda Deutschland GmbH. has been renamed *VB Innovation* in 2024.

Newbuilding:

Tug *Käthe Wessels* (2024 – 9976276). ASD 2111 design. Yard: Damen Shipyards, Changde, ynr. 510402. 198 GT. Dim.

21,02 x 11,13 x 4,90 mtr. Engines: 2x Caterpillar, 3512-C HD TAVC, total: 3.702 bhp. Bollardpull: 50 tonnes, speed: 10,7 kn. Emission Standard: Tier III. Owner and operator: Emdor Schlepp Betrieb, Emden.

Scrapped:

Tug *BVT Formidable*, ex *Formidable '01*, *Eurosund '12*, *Mignon '13*, *Hamal '16*, *Formidable '20* (1979 – 7719698) owned and operated by RHR Heinrich Ronner,

Bremerhaven has been sold for scrap in January 2024 to Esbjerg (DNK).

GIBRALTAR

Transaction:

OSV *Atlantic Discovery*, ex *Finn Carrier '91*, *Far Server '05*, *Acadian Sea '12*, *FS Taurus '18* (1991 – 8912364) owned by Atlantic Discovery Holdings, operated by Castle Ship Management Ltd. has been sold in 2023 to new owner Anangel Marine Ltd., operated by CSM Energy Ltd., Limassol (CYP) and has been renamed *Ocean Installer*.

Other news:

Boluda Towage has announced that it had acquired Resolve Salvage and Fire (Gibraltar) Ltd.

GREECE

Transactions:

Tug *Annie*, ex *Dogancay 18 '09*, *C.M. Annie '22* (2008 – 9429510) owned by Capella Offshore Shipping Ltd., operated by CM Offshore Marine Ltd. has been sold in 2024 to new owner Seven Mile Shipping, operated by Somara, Forth-de-France (MTQ) and has been renamed *Maori*.

AHTS *Vasileios P*, ex *Vega Juniz '16*, *Jubilee '21* (2012 – 9651307) owned by Bond Shipmanagement Inc., operated by Green Seas Maritime Inc. has been sold in 2023 to new owner Tranship Netherlands B.V., operated by Tranship Transportes Maritimes, San Goncalo (BRA) and has been renamed *Beta Juniz*.

Newbuildings:

Tug *Star Z* (2023 – 9825348). Yard: Uzmar Gemi Insa Sanayi ve Ticaret, ynr. 117. 297 GT. Dim. 23,20 x 11,40 x 4,96 mtr. Engines: 2x Mitsubishi, total: 4.376 bhp. Speed: 11,8 kn. Owner and operator: Kerveros Zoros Maritime Co., Athens. Launched as *Uzmar 6*.

Tug *Svitzer Orfeas* (2023 – 9965899). Yard: Eregli Gemi Insa Sanayi Ve Ticaret. 434 GT. Dim. 22,20 x 13,00 x 5,63 mtr. Total: 4.200 bhp. Owner and operator: Svitzer Hellas Maritime Co., Piraeus.

Scrapped:

Yacht/ex AHTS *Afthonia V*, ex *Smit-Lloyd 112 '89*, *Riverton '14*, *Black Diamond '18* (1975 – 7402465) owned by Sea Fleurs Ltd., operated by SSH Maritime Management Ltd., Athens has been sold for scrap and was beached on 5 February 2024 at Aliaga.

OSV *Agios Dimitrios*, ex *Strait Shore '80*, *Strait Service '87*, *Strait I '88*, *Alfa Force '94* (1970 – 703617) and tug *Agia Eleni*, ex *Johann Wessels '76*, *Victory '77*, *Liberty '79*, *Vernicos Nena '94* (1942 – 5172731) both owned and operated by MED Tugs, Piraeus have been beached in January 2024 at Aliaga (TUR).

ICELAND

Other news:

Iceland's company Icetugs and Dutch company Martrade, started EasyTug, a Netherlands-bases joint-venture, they will provide tugs for towage work, starting with two former Smit Lamnalco tugs built by Damen Shipyards as resp. *Lamnalco Puffin* and *Lamnalco Pelican*. They operate as *Grettir Sterki* (1998 – 9171993) and *Herkules* (1998 – 9171979) and operate under the Faroe Islands flag.

INDIA

Transactions:

AHTS *Lady Sandra* (1998 – 9172284) owned and operated by Hind Offshore Pvt. Ltd. has been sold in 2023 to new owner Capri Shipping Ltd., operated by Hermes Maritime Services Pvt., Mumbai and has been renamed *Dark Knight*.

AHTS *Mirjana K*, ex *Canmar Supplier II '97*, *Supplier II '98*, *Rem Supporter '05*, *Thor Supplier '12*, *Atlantic Birch II '136*, *Atlantic Tern '21* (1975 – 7420742) owned by Boyul



AFTHIONIA V Greece

photo: George Givisis



AGIA ELINI and AGIOS DIMITRIOS Greece

photo: Hans Hoffmann



Endustriyel, operated by Hermes Maritime Services Pvt. has been sold in 2023 to new owner and operator Northern Alliance LLC, St. Petersburg (RUS) and has been renamed *Ajax*.

Scrapped:

Tug *Kalinga* (1999 – 9217058) owned and operated by Deendayal Port Trust, Gujarat has been scrapped in December 2023 at Sachana. Pushertug *Sambong 1*, ex *KPL No. 101 '05*, *101 Sambong '23* (1996 – 9162710) owned and operated by Future Projects Inc., Mumbai has been sold for scrap and was beached on 31 January 2024 on Chittagong beach (BGD). Tug *Singhpur*, ex *Alliance '08*, *Ocean Alliance '24* (1996 – 9087130) owned and operated by Ocean Sparkle Ltd., Hyderabad has been sold for scrap and was beached on 26 January 2024 on Chittagong beach (BGD).

INDONESIA

Transactions:

Tug *Bina Marine 87* (2011 – 9627227) owned and operated by Bina Buana Raya PT has been sold in 2022 to new owner and operator Cipta Mandiri Investama, Jakarta and has been renamed *Cipta 1201*. Tugs *Capricorn 70* (2012 – 9675107) and *Capricorn 72* (2013 – 9678692) both owned and operated by Jasa Samudera Shipping have been sold in 2022 to new owner and operator Usda Seroja Jaya PT, Pekanbaru and have been renamed resp. *Bintang Mutiara X* and *Bintang Mutiara XI*. Tug *Persada XXI* (2013 – 9660671) owned and operated by Persada Lines PT has been sold in 2022 to new owner and operator Jasa Samudera Shipping, Pekanbaru and has been renamed *Capricorn-98*. OSV *Sotra*, ex *Skandi Sotra '22* (2003 – 9276391) owned and operated by Ketrosden Trasmitra PT has been renamed *Bentang Sahari* in 2022.

Newbuildings:

Tugs *Biak 32* (2022 – 9964259) and *Biak 33* (2022 – 9976236). Yard: Titian Kaltim, Samarinda. 236 GT. Dim. 29,00 x 10,00 x ? mtr. No further details available. Owner and operator: Titian Mahakam Line, Samarinda. Tug *Bluefin VIII* (2022 – 9969780). Yard: Suryanusa. 210 GT. No further details available. Owner and operator: Tanjung Harapan Selatan PT, Samarinda. Tug *Cahaya Raja 02* (2022 – 9975105). Yard: Allvina Prima PT, Samarinda, ynr. SMD/VI/2022. 238 GT. No further details available. Owner and operator: Raja Anugrah Bersaudara, Samarinda. Tugs *Danny 98* (2022 – 9968968), *Danny 100* (2022 – 9977438) and *Danny 106*



SPINOLA Malta

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BOURBON LIBERTY 232 Mauritius

photo: Piet Sinke

(2022 – 9977440). Yard: Trans Mulia Raya, Samarinda, ynr. resp. H05, H08 and H09. 271/257 GT. No further details available. Owner and operator: Danny Samudera Raya Line, Samarinda. Tug *Delta Ayu 618* (2022 – 9973781). Yard: Cahaya Ayu, ynr. 52. 217 GT. No further details available. Owner and operator: Ayu PT, Samarinda. Tug *Karya Star 55* (2022 – 9968657). Yard: Karya Docking, ynr. SMD/III/2022. 232 GT. No further details available. Owner and operator: Karya Bintang Timur, Samarinda. Tugs *KSA 126* (2022 – 9969003), *KSA 127* (2022 – 9969235), *KSA 128* (2022 – 9975911), *KSA 129* (2022 – 9977139) and *KSA 130* (2022 – 9977141). Yard: Pendingin, Pt Dok, Samarinda. 233 GT. No further details available. Owner and operator: Kartikasamudra Adijaya PT, Jakarta. Tugs *Liberty 8* (2022 – 9969247) and *Liberty 9* (2022 – 9849447). Yard: Internusa Abadi. 255 GT. No further details available. Owner and operator: Energi Samudra Logistics PT, Jakarta. Tug *Maitreya 1* (2022 – 9961958). Yard: PT Karya Teknik Utama, ynr. KTU-1330. 207 GT. No further details available. Owner and operator: Sinar Varuna Sentosa, Pontianak.

Tug *Marina 2239* (2022 – 9963683), *Marina 2240* (2022 – 9965916) and *Marina 2241* (2022 – 9969273). Yard: Bahtera Bahari, ynr. resp. T-537, T-538 and T-539. 244 GT. No further details available. Owner and operator: Bahtera Bestari Shipping PT, Tanjungpinang. Tug *Max 05* (2022 – 9966518). Yard: Karyasindo Samudra, ynr. 310. 190 GT. Dim. 26,00 x 8,00 x ? mtr. No further details available. Owner and operator: Trans Maritima Pratama, Jakarta. Tug *Michelle X* (2022 – 9974711) Yard: Kalimas PT Galangan, Balikpapan. 178 GT. No further details available. Owner and operator: Andalan Lancar Niaga, Balikpapan. Tug *Prasetya 18* (2021 – 9948982). Yard: PT Niaga Baru Galangang, Samarinda. 221 GT. No further details available. Owner and operator: Prima Sarana Lestan, Samarinda. Tug *Puma 26* (2022 – 9967067). Yard: Karya Tekhnik, ynr. KT-020. 148 GT. Dim. 22,00 x 7,00 x ? mtr. No further details available. Owner and operator: Putra Utama Mandiri Lines PT, Surabaya. Tug *Rizky 36* (2022 – 9969883). Yard: Karya Lestan. 204 GT. No further details available. Owner and operator: Glory Ocean Lines, Medan.





KAILASH The Netherlands

photo: Patrick Hill

Tug *Sinar Surya 212* (2022 – 9972098).
Yard: Karya Lestari. 204 GT. No further
details available. Owner and operator:
undisclosed interest.

Tugs *TD Irau* (2023 – MMSI 525114119),
TD Ranai (2023 – MMSI 525114124) and
TD Umsini (2023 – MMSI 525114120).

Yard: PT Noahtu Shipyard, Jakarta. No
further details available. Owner and
operator: Indonesian Navy.

Tug *WGM 209* (2022 – 9981099). Yard:
Tanoto Shipyard Pte. Ltd. No further details
available. Owner and operator: WHS Global
Mandiri PT, Jakarta.



MTS VALOUR The Netherlands

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IRELAND

Transaction:

Tug *AMS Retriever*, ex *Elizabeth 4 '02*, *DMS Falcon '10*, *Marineco Akela '13*, *C.M. Kurik '19* (1997 – 8944381) owned and operated by Alpha Marine Ltd. has been sold in 2023 to new owner BdB Overige Materieel B.V., operated by Baggerbedrijf De Boer, Sliedrecht (NLD) and has been renamed *Rayador*.

ISRAEL

Transaction:

OSV *Mariner*, ex *North Mariner '21* (2002 – 9244609) owned and operated by Interglobal Shipping 3001 Ltd. has been sold in 2024 to new owner Arctic Supply & Renewables AS, operated by Goyland Offshore AS, Steinsland (NOR) and has been renamed *Sar Mariner*.

ITALY

Transaction:

OSV *levoli Sapphire*, ex *Rem Supplier '09*, *Normand Trym '23* (2005 – 9342724) owned by Unicore Shipping Pte. Ltd., operated by Phoenix Offshore SrL. has been sold in 2023 to new owner Sea Energy AS, operated by Sea Shipping AS, Aalesund (NOR) and has been renamed *Trym*.

JAPAN

Transactions:

Tug *Kamui*, ex *Anglian Monarch '13*, *Resolve Monarch '19*, *Hulk '21* (1999 – 9190925) owned and operated by Shibuta Kaiun KK has been sold in 2023 to new owner Winning Logistics Africa Pte., operated by Qingdao Yuantong Int't Shipping, Qingdao (CHN) and has been renamed *Winning Harmony*.

Tug *Kyuei 18*, ex *Kyuei Maru No. 18 '22* (2000 – 8961834) owned and operated by Orient Star Lingyun SA has been sold in 2023 to undisclosed interest and has been renamed *Yekta 7*.

Tug *Sea Force 3*, ex *Kaisei Maru '21* (2010 – 9580170) owned by Far East Towing Co. Ltd.,

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operated by Fukushima Kisen KK has been sold in 2022 to new owner and operator Long Beach Marine Salvage, Vung Tau (VNM) and has been renamed *Sky 1*.

AHTS *Sky No. 1*, ex *Tourmaline '21* (2006 – 9363742) owned and operated by undisclosed interest has been sold in 2023 to new owner Aussie Offshore Services, operated by Tan Cang Offshore Services JSC, Ho Chi Minh City (VNM) and has been renamed *TC Sky*.

Newbuildings:

Tug *Eitai* (2023 – 1035648). Yard: Odo Shipbuilding & Engineering Co. Ltd., Shimoniseki. 273 GT. No further details available. Owner and operator: Hitachi Futo KK, Ibaraki.

Tug *Erimo* (2023 – 9992373). Yard: Kanagawa Zosen KK, Kobe, ynr. 779. 199 GT. No further details available. Owner: Eikichi/Kitanihon/Nippon Eisen, operator: Eikichi Kaiun KK, Okayama.

Tug *Fuji Maru* (2023 – 1035624). Yard: Daizo Corp., Osaka. 199 GT. No further details available. Owner and operator: Shibaura Tsusen KK, Tokyo.

Tug *Fukuyama* (2023 – 9990143). Yard: Odo Shipbuilding & Engineering Co., Shimonoseki, ynr. 653. 197 GT. No further details available. Owner and operator: Fukuyama Port Services, Hiroshima.

Tugs *Hayama Maru* (2023 – 9992309) and *Shounan Maru* (2023 – 9992385). Yard: Kanagawa Zosen KK, Kobe, ynr. resp. 773 and 780. 199 GT. No further details available. Owner and operator: Tokyo Kisen KK, Yokohama.

Tug *Kumano* (2023 – 9992311). Yard:

Kanagawa Zosen KK, Kobe, ynr. 772. 198 GT. No further details available. Owner and operator: Nihon Tug-Boat Co. Ltd., Kobe. Tug *Kurogane* (2023 – 1038573). Yard: Hanasaki Zosensho KK, Yokosuka, ynr. 320. 26 GT. No further details available. Owner and operator: Daito Corp. KK, Tokyo.

Tug *Matsu Shima* (2023 – 9943140). Yard: Kanagawa Zosen KK, Kobe, ynr. 768. 260 GT. No further details available. Owner and operator: Miyagi Marine Service. Miyagi. Tug *Mitake* (2023 – 9942677). Yard:

Hongawara Zosen KK, Fukuyama, ynr. 808. 167 GT. No further details available. Owner: Japan Govt. Min. Of Economy, operator: Shibushi Oil Storage, Tokyo.

Tug *Myoko Maru* (2023 – 1035612). Yard: Daizo Corp., Osaka. 190 GT. No further details available. Owner and operator: Nipponkai Eisen KK, Niigata.

Tug *Nichiho Maru* (2023 – 9992347). Yard:

Kanagawa Zosen KK, Kobe, ynr. 777. 198 GT. No further details available. Owner and operator: Nitto Tugboat KK, Okayama. Tug *Soryu Maru* (2023 – 9992323). Yard: Kanagawa Zosen KK, Kobe, ynr. 774. 230 GT. No further details available. Owner and operator: Hayakoma Unyu KK, Kobe.

LEBANON

Transaction:

AHTS *Ansar 19* (2007 – 9405409) owned by Bihar International Co. Ltd., operated by Phoenicia Marine LLC SA has been sold in 2022 to new owner Albooshi Maih, Beirut and has been renamed *Hirab*. Operator remains the same.

LIBERIA

Transaction:

OSV *Euphrates*, ex *OOB Badger '11*, *OOB Panther '11* (2011 – 9513866) owned



WULF 2 The Netherlands

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BOS PATIENCE The Netherlands

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AMBER-G The Netherlands

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and operated by Euphrates Shipping Ltd. has been sold in 2023 to new owner and operator Royal Marine LLC, Baku (AZE) and has been renamed *Stingray*.

LITHOUEN

Transaction:

Tug *Tak-5*, ex *Bugsier 2 '97, Jan '99* (1980 – 7237262) owned and operated by Boskalis Offshore has been sold in 2022 to new owner and operator Towmar Baltic, Klaipeda. The name remains the same.

MALAYSIA

Transactions:

Tug *Badang Tiga* (1975 – 7425962) owned and operated by Malaysia Towage & Transport has been sold in 2023 to new owner and operator Masindra Shipping M Sdn. Bhd., Selangor and has been renamed *Masindra 3*.

Tug *Bera* (2002 – 9253973) owned and operated by Kuantan Port Consortium Sdn. has been sold in 2022 to new owner and operator TM Global Marine Sdn. Bhd., Johor and has been renamed *TM Global 58*.

Tug *Bersama Abadi*, ex *Kawan Dua '04* (1998 – 8979219) owned and operated by undisclosed interest has been sold in 2023 to new owner and operator SD Warisan Sdn. Bhd., Kota Kinabalu and has been renamed *Warisan 11*.

Tug *Bumi Indah*, ex *Hoko Maru '95* (1974 – 7353042) owned and operated by undisclosed interest has been sold in 2023 to new owner and operator Jicore Group Inc. M. Sdn. Bhd. and has been renamed *Jicore 7*.
AHTS *Hai Duong 58*, ex *VOS Achilles '21* (2011 – 9552161) owned by Haduco, operated by RMS Synergy Sdn. Bhd. has been sold in 2023 to Haduco RMS Sdn. Bhd.

and has been renamed *HD Wira*. Operator remains the same.

Tug *Hywind 1* (2013 – 9689017) owned and operated by Teck Sing Hing Shipping has been sold in 2023 to undisclosed interest and has been renamed *Ever Ocean Silk*.

Tug *Ramai 103*, ex *Kemajuan VII '99, Dijacor 9 '05, Ajang Syabil '09* (1991 – 9050436) owned and operated by Ajang Shipping Sdn. Bhd. has been sold in 2023 to new owner and operator TW Shipping Sdn. Bhd., Sarawak. Name remains the same.

AHTS *Setia Wangsa* (2007 – 9425588) owned and operated by Alam Maritim M Sdn. Bhd. has been sold in 2023 to new owner and operator Ruhm Mau Sdn. Bhd., Kuala Lumpur and has been renamed *Bridgewater 68*.

AHTS *Teknik Alpha*, ex *Britoil 32 '04, Oilsolve Alpha '10* (1998 – 9199983) owned and operated by Sapura Oilsolve Sdn. Bhd.

has been sold in 2023 to new owner and operator Perfect Sunlink Sdn. Bhd, Singapore (SGP) and has been renamed *Easyline 3*.

AHTS *Time Rina*, ex *Intrepid Sentinel '13* (2013 – 9680231) owned and operated by Time Marine Services Sdn. Bhd., has been sold in 2022 to new owner SK Pride Ltd., operated by SKOSV Sdn. Bhd., Kuala Lumpur and has been renamed *SK Pristine*.

Casualty:

OSV *Bos Azlina* (2014 – 9708019) owned and operated by Bahtera Offshore M Sdn. Bhd. Selangor capsized off Bintulu in calm water on 14 February 2024.

MALTA

Transaction:

Tug *Spinola* (2009 – 9495258) owned and operated by Tug Malta Ltd. has been sold in 2024 to new owner and operator Boluda Towage, Valencia (ESP) and has been renamed *VB Bucéfalo*.

MAURITIUS

Transactions:

OSV *Bourbon Liberty 151* (2013 – 9630145) owned by Bourbon Offshore Gulf WLL, operated by Bourbon Offshore Greenmar Ltd. has been sold in 2023 to new owner Sea River Marine Inc., operated by Southport Maritime SA. Athens (GRC) and has been renamed *Triton P*.

AHTS *Bourbon Liberty 232* (2010 – 9579597) owned by Bourbon Liberty 232 SNC, operated by Bourbon Offshore Greenmar Ltd. has been sold in 2023 to new owner and operator Ships & Oil Services, Alexandria (EGY) and has been renamed *Sea Shark*.



ALP DEFENDER The Netherlands

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EDDA FJORD Norway

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MEXICO

Transaction:

OSV *Bourbon Explorer 509* (2014 – 9653965) owned by Marina Flax Shipping Ltd., operated by Bourbon Tamaulipas SA de CV has been sold in 2023 to new owner Bourbon Tamaulipas SA de CV, Tampico and has been renamed *Concordia*. Operator remains the same.

MOROCCO

Newbuilding:

Tug *Hafid* (2023 – 9981867). Yard: Sanmar Denizcilik Makina ve Ticaret. 458 GT. Dim. 28,20 x 12,60 x 5,40 mtr. Engines: 2x Caterpillar, total: 5.168 bhp. Speed: 12 kn. Owner and operator: Offshore Maroc SA, Casablanca. Launched as *Sanmar Terminal XXXVII*.

THE NETHERLANDS

Transactions:

Tug *Daisy*, ex *Dintelstroom '09*, *Dintel '20* (1982 – ENI 27.16666) owned and operated by J.K. Koehoorn has been sold in 2024 to new unknown owners in Bremen (DEU).
 OSV *Kailash* (2006 – 9374193) owned by Kailash SarL., operated by Global Offshore Services B.V. has been sold in 2024 to new owner and operator Hoyland Offshore AS, Steinsland (NOR) and has been renamed *Sar Balder*. (In cold lay-up since 2015).
 Tug *MTS Valour*, ex *DMS Heron '06* (2006 – 9407299) owned and operated by Seacontractors B.V. has been sold in 2024 to new owner and operator Thamescraft Maritime Contractors, London (GBR) without change of name.

OSV *Pool Express* (2008 – 9378034) owned by Pool Express B.V., operated by Vroon Offshore Services B.V. has been sold in 2023 to new owner Clacton Shipping, operated by Britoil Offshore Services, Singapore and has been renamed *BOS Pool*.

Tug *Rondo* (2021 – 9899935) owned by Damen Shipyards has been sold in 2024 to new owner and operator Otto Wulf GmbH & Co. KG, Cuxhaven (DEU) and has been renamed *Wulf 2*. In number 2023-23 the sale of this tug to German owner and operator Harren & Partners was reported, but in fact this sale has been cancelled.

AHTSs *VOS Ares* (2011 – 9552197) owned by Livestock Carrier 9 Pte. Ltd., *VOS Athena* (2012- 9552214) and *VOS Atlanta* (2012

– 9609768), both owned by Offshore Support Vessels 14 B.V. *VOS Challenge* (2016 – 9749623) and *VOS Champion* (2016 – 9749635) both owned by Offshore Support Vessels 10 B.V., all operated by Vroon Offshore Services B.V. have been sold in 2023 to new owner Clacton Shipping, operated by Britoil Offshore Services, Singapore. The prefix 'VOS' in the name has been replaced by 'BOS'.
 AHTSs *VOS Aphrodite* (2011 – 9552173), *VOS Apollo* (2011 – 9552185), *VOS Athos* (2012 – 96097546) all owned by Westerschelde Shipping B.V., *VOS Chablis* (2015 – 9697105) and *VOS Champagne* (2015 – 9697715) both owned by Offshore Support Vessels 23 B.V., *VOS Hestia* (2009 – 9529061), *VOS Thalassa* (2012 – 9606106)



BB ELECTRA Norway

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KATUN Russia

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and *VOS Thetys* (2010 – 9552630) all owned by Offshore Support Vessels 24 B.V., all operated by Vroon Offshore Services B.V. have been sold in 2023 to new owner Hillcrest Pte. Ltd., operated by Britoil Offshore Services SrL., Genoa (ITA). The prefix 'VOS' in the name has been replaced by 'BOS'. OSVs *VOS Base*, ex *Base Express '13* (2008 – 9378046) owned by Base Express B.V., *VOS Patience* (2016 – 9742089) owned by Offshore Support Vessels 1 B.V., *VOS Precious* (2010 – 9444338) owned by PSV Express I B.V., *VOS Prime* (2015 – 9689213) owned by PSV Express VII B.V., *VOS Principle* (2016 – 9720744) owned by PSV Express VI B.V., *VOS Prudence* (2013 – 9664213) and *VOS Purpose* (2013 – 9664225) both owned by PSV Express VIII B.V., all operated by Vroon Offshore Services B.V. have been sold in 2023 to new

owner Hillcrest Pte. Ltd., operated by Britoil Offshore Services SrL., Genoa. The prefix 'VOS' in the name has been replaced by 'BOS'.

Newbuildings:

OSV *Amber-G* (2024 – 9731274). Yard: De Hoop, Foxhol, ynr. 456. 493 GT. Dim. 55,17 x 9,00 x 4,50 mtr. Engines: 2x Caterpillar, 3516-C, total: 6.434 bhp. Speed: 20 kn. Owner and operator: Rederij Groen B.V., 's Gravenhage. This 'Fast Supply Intervention Vessel' was built in 2014 as *Marla* for Oceanografia, Ciudad del Carmen (MEX), but in fact never was delivered. Tug *VB Ahmose* (2024 – 9998195). Ramparts 2500-W design. Yard: Med Marine, ynr. ER119. 363 GT. Dim. 25,20 x 12,00 x 5,75 mtr. Engines: 2x Caterpillar, 3616-C, total: 5.710 bhp. Bollardpull: 75 tonnes, speed: 12 kn. Owned by Smit Lamnalco Singapore

Pte., operated by Boluda Middle East B.V., Rotterdam. She will be deployed in Egypt in the port of Abu Qir, together with *VB Amon* and *VB Horus*.

Other news:

Boskalis will take over the eight-vessel fleet of ALP Maritime, which is controlled by a subsidiary of Altera. CADE (= Administrative Council for Economic Defense) approved the acquisition, by Boskalis, of 100% of the shares of ALP Maritime. ALP Maritime's shares are held by Altera Infrastructure FFTA Holdings Limited, which in turn is indirectly controlled by Altera (a company ultimately owned by global asset manager Brookfield Corporation). ALP has a global fleet of eight AHT/AHTS vessels, while Boskalis has a portfolio of around 600 vessels and auxiliary equipment.

NIGERIA

Transactions:

OSV *Helios 289*, ex *Bourbon Helios '22* (2005 – 9307463) owned by Caracal Oil & Gas Services 186, operated by Caracal Oil & Gas Services Ltd., Lagos has been renamed *Caracal 289* in 2023.

AHTS *IPL Rabiati*, ex *Jaya Conqueror '12*, *MDPL Conqueror '18* (2010 – 9527453) owned by Incar Petroleum Ltd., operated by Aquawave Oil & Marine Services has been sold in 2023 to new owner and operator Strides Energy & Maritime Ltd., Port Harcourt and has been renamed *Ella Conqueror*.

Scrapped:

AHTS *SPSL Typhoon Service*, ex *Suffolk Princess '90*, *Malaviya Eight '95*, *Oil Typhoon '13* (1982 – 8119209) owned and operated by Adamac Marine Services Ltd., Port Harcourt has been scrapped in Januari 2024 at local breakers.

NORWAY

Transactions:

OSV *Edda Fjord* (2002 – 9246114) owned by West Supply VIII AS, operated by Øststensjø Rederi AS has been sold in 2024 to new operator Petrorio Luxembourg Holding, operated by CMM Offshore Brasil Ltda., Rio de Janeiro (BRA) and has been renamed *Genesis I*.

OSV *Marsol Dragon*, ex *Island Dragon '20* (2014 – 9645968) owned by Island Offshore X KS, operated by Island Offshore Management AS has been sold in 2023 to new owner Green Island Dragon AS, Ulsteinvik and has been renamed *Island Dragon*. Operator remains the same.

OSV *Normand Skimmer*, ex *Far Skimmer '19* (2012 – 9609988) owned by Solstad



Rederi AS, operated by Solstad Shipping AS has been sold in 2023 to new owner TDW Vessels International and has been renamed *Skimmer Tide*. Operator remains the same. SCV *Ocean Intervention III*, ex *Island Ranger '07* (2005 – 9249477) owned by Green Island OI III AS, operated by Island Offshore Management AS has been sold in 2024 to undisclosed interest.

MPSV *Skandi Neptune* (2001 – 9205720) owned by DOF Subsea Rederi III AS, operated by DOF Management AS has been sold in 2021 to new owner and operator China Comservice Marine Tech, Shanghai (CHN). Name remains the same.

OSV *Vestland Artemis*, ex *Troms Artemis '11*, *Vestland Insula '17* (2011 – 9544516) owned by GSE Shipping I KS, operated by Vestland Management AS has been sold in 2023 to new owner Denson Shipping Corp. Operator remains the same.

Newbuilding:

Tug *BB Electra* (2024 – 9953731). ElectRA 2200-SX design. Yard: Sanmar Denizcilik Makina ve Ticaret. Dim. 22,20 x 10,84 x 4,40 mtr. Engines: 2x Caterpillar, C32 + 2.245 bhp battery power. Bollardpull: 45 tonnes, speed: 11,8 kn. Emission Standard: Tier III. Owner and operator: Bugsér of Berging, Stavanger.

PANAMA

Casualty:

AHTS *Ocean Foxtrot*, ex *Polar Shore '77*, *Canmar Supplier VII '95* (1971 – 7101619) owned and operated by Dock Sail SA, Panama City became total loss on 21 July 2023.



ERRIE Singapore

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PHILIPPINES

Newbuildings:

Tugs *Action* (2023 – 9984948) and *Active* (2023 – 9984950). Yard: Fijian New Shenghai Shipbuilding, ynr. resp. NSS2021007 and NSS2021008. 426 GT. Dim. 33,63 x 10,20 x 4,70 mtr. Engines: 2x Zichai Machines Co., total: 3.994 bhp. Speed: 12,5 kn. Owner and operator: Asian Shipping Corp., Manila.

POLAND

Transaction:

Tug *Felis*, ex *Albert '99*, *Mouriscas '03*, *Barra de Aveiro '07*, *Barra de Viana '08* (1972 – 7208613) owned by Catharina Shipping Ltd., operated by Westcoasting Towage Services

has been sold in 2023 to new owner and operator Sovlot, Zwijndrecht (NLD) and has been renamed *Felis S*.

PORTUGAL

Newbuilding:

Tug *VB Lusitania* (2024 – 9998200). Ramparts 2500-W design. Yard: Eregli Shipyard, ynr. 141. 359 GT. Dim. 25,20 x 12,00 x 4,60 mtr. Engines: 2x Caterpillar, 3516-E, total: 5.710 bhp. Bollardpull: 75 tonnes. Owner and operator: Boluda Towage Portugal.

ROMANIA

Transactions:

Tug *BSV Malta*, ex *Liesti 1 '12* (1979 –



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SAN VITALE Turkey

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8742616) owned and operated by Black Sea Service, Constanta has been sold in 2022 to undisclosed interest and has been renamed *Malta*.

OSV *GSP Perseu*, ex *Caledonia Victory '21* (2005 – 9329942) owned by Forasol SrL, operated by GSP Offshore SrL. has been sold in 2023 to new owner and operator Posidonia Shipping & Trading, Rio de Janeiro (BRA) and has been renamed *Mestre dos Mares*.

RUSSIA

Transactions:

Tug *BSFS Ruby*, ex *Ro 3200 '17*, *Miclyn Ruby '14* (2006 – 9398838) owned and operated by Black Sea Ferries Shipping Ltd. has been sold in 2023 to new owner and operator Tayga Energy LLC, Moscow. Name remains the same.

AHTS *Katun* (2016 – 9701126) owned by Crown Libra 5 Ltd., operated by Femco-Management Ltd. has been sold in 2024 to new owner Spec 3 Ltd., operated by ABC Maritime AG, Nyon (CHE) and has been renamed *Spec Nichole*.

Tug *Meteor*, ex *Drado '09*, *Rado '14*, *Ureka 7 '15* (1976 – 7514189) owned

and operated by Lukoil-Nizhbevolzhskneft has been sold in 2022 to new owner and operator Societe de Genie Civil, Casablanca (MOR) and has been renamed *Ureka VII*. In 2023 renamed *Reka VII*.

OSV *Northern Wave*, ex *Stril Supplier '07*, *Siem Supplier '17*, *Karadeniz Powership Sir Patrick '17*, *Notus Express '20*, *Wilson Arctic '21* (1999 – 9255141) owned by Berezia Management Ltd., operated by Transport Freight Agency JSC, Murmansk has been renamed *Notus* in 2023.

AHTS *Vladislav Strizhov* (2006 – 9310018) owned by Koksokhimtrans LLC, operated by Mortransservice LLC has been sold in 2022 to new owner and operator Ardal JSC, St. Petersburg and has been renamed *Antey*.

Scrapped:

AHTS *Agat*, ex *Neftegaz-54 '89*, *Radon '98* (1987 – 8418447) owned by the Russian Government, operated by Marine Rescue Service, Moscow has been scrapped in 2021.

SAUDI ARABIA

Transactions:

AHTSs *Courtney Tide* (2010 – 9582192) and *Domingue Tide* (2011 – 9625164) owned by

resp. Silver Fleet Ltd. and Orange Fleet Ltd., both operated by Tidewater Al-Rushaid Co. Ltd. have been sold to new owner VTG Ships Ltd., Al-Khobar. Name and operator remains the same.

SINGAPORE

Transactions:

Tugs *ALM Buffalo* (2007 – 9399698) and *ALM Elephant* (2006 – 9381471) both owned by K Shipping Investment Ltd., operated by LD Ports & Logistics Pte. Ltd. have been sold in 2023 to new owner Winning Panafrica Logistics, operated by Winning Allianca S Pte. Ltd. and have been renamed *Winning Harmony 12* and *Winning Harmony 13*. OSV *ASL Harmony* (2014 – 9647801) owned by Harmony PSV Pte. Ltd., operated by ASL Offshore & Marine Pte. Ltd. has been transferred in 2023 to new operator MMA Offshore Asia Pte. Ltd., Singapore and has been renamed *MMA Harmony*. Owner remains the same.

AHTS *Errie*, ex *Sanko Birdie '12* (2010 – 9474462) owned by Intan OSV Pte. Ltd., operated by ASL Offshore & Marine Pte. Ltd. has been sold in 2023 to new owner and

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operator SPM Neel Pratap 150 Ltd. (Hermes Maritime), Mumbai (IND) and has been renamed *SPM Neel Pratap 150*.

AHTSs *Far Scimitar* (2008 – 9409651) and *Far Sound* (2007 – 9348259) both owned by Solstad Rederi AS, operated by Solstad Offshore Asia Pacific have been sold in 2024 to new owner Oceanica Netherlands, operated by Oceanica Engenharia, Rio de Janeiro (BRA). New names are not yet known. OSV *Pearl Ark 2*, ex *Toisa Sonata* '19 (2009 – 9366665) owned and operated by Pan Union Shipping Pte. Ltd. has been sold in 2023 to new owner and operator Baru Offshore Navegacao Ltda., Rio de Janeiro (BRA) and has been renamed *Baru Sierra Nevada*. AHTS *Posh Hermosa*, ex *Posh Vantage* '12, *Caballo Grano de Oro* '14 (2008 – 9489883) owned by Maritime Echo Pte. Ltd., operated by Posh Fleet Services Pte. Ltd. has been sold in 2023 to new owner Bless Maritime Inc., operated by Hermes Maritime Services Pvt., Mumbai (IND) and has been renamed *NBA Bless*.

Tug *Velocity 2411* (2009 – 9506966) owned and operated by Topniche Marine Pte. Ltd. has been sold in 2022 to new owner Ega Overseas Investments LLC, operated by Rocktree Logistics Pte., Ltd., Singapore and has been renamed *Fie*.

AHTSs *VOS Theia* (2011 – 9585742) and *VOS Triton* (2011 – 9585766) owned by resp. Offshore Support Vessels 10 Pte. Ltd. and Offshore Support Vessels 11 Pte. Ltd., both operated by Vroon Offshore Services Pte. Ltd. have been sold in 2023 to new owner Hillcrest Pte. Ltd., operated by Britoil Offshore Services Srl. Genoa (ITA) and have been renamed resp. *BOS Theia* and *BOS Triton*.

Newbuildings:

AHTS *Vallianz Titan* (2023 – 9728617). Yard: Muhibbah Marine Engineering Sdn. Bhd. Dim. 73,00 x 18,20 x 7,50 mtr. Engines: 2x

Caterpillar, total: 10.870 bhp. Speed: 13 kn. Owner: builders account, operator: Vallianz Offshore Marine Pte., Singapore. Launched as *MM Tegap*.

Tug *Winning Harmony 7* (2023 – 9979539). Yard: Tang Tiew Hee & Sons, Sibiu, nr. 91. 319 GT. No further details available. Owner and operator: Winning Atlantic Logistics Pte., Singapore.

SOUTH KOREA

Transaction:

Tug *309 Choyang*, ex *Tetra V* '19, *JTN 36* '19, *Komas 1* '19 (2007 – 9412153) owned and operated by Choyang Shipping Co. Ltd. has been sold in 2023 to new owner and operator TNS Oceantowing Co. Ltd., Busan and has been renamed *TNS Catcher*.

Newbuilding:

Tug *Se Jin No. 101*. (2023 – 1034802). Yard: Namyang Shipbuilding Co., Yeosu, ynr. 1200. 364 GT. No further details available. Owner and operator: Se Jin Tugboat Co. Ltd., Jeollanam.

SPAIN

Transactions:

Tug *Ernesto S* (2020 – MMSI 701001032)



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owned and operated by Boluda Towage has been renamed *VB Filfa* in 2024.

Tug *Navia* (1998 – 9184471) owned and operated by Remolques Gijoneses has been sold in 2023 to the Spanish Navy and has been renamed *Y-127*.

AHTS *Open Arms Uno*, ex *Havila Star* '07, *Ocean Spey* '22 (2001 – 9224817) owned by Anchoita Oceanica Espana SL, operated by Pro-Active Open Arms has been sold in 2023 to new owner and operator Anchoita Oceanica SA, Montevideo (URY) and has been renamed *Thebacklash*.

Newbuilding:

Tug *Trheintaydos* (2023 – 9995301). Yard: Astilleros Armon, Navia, ynr. C-785. 490 GT. Dim. 32,00 x 11,70 x ? mtr. Total: 6.868 bhp. Owner: Remolques Unidos SL, Santander. She will be deployed by the Spanish Navy with number *Y-129*.

Casualty:

Tug *Picacho* (1966 – MMSI 224091140) has sunk on 13 March 2024 in the port of Las Palmas.

SWEDEN

Casualty:

Tug *Pampus* (1958 - 5269431), owned and operated by Kalmar Harbour, ran aground outside Norrbysskär on 12 February 2024 while assisting a sistership and a barge. The tug was so heavily listed that she was filled with water and penetrated the living quarters and engine room.

Other news:

Viking Supply Ships has terminated its management agreement and executed a put option in relation to two PSVs - the *Cooper Viking* and *Coey Viking* - in which Viking holds a 30% ownership stake in partnership with funds that are managed by Borealis Maritime.

TURKEY

Transaction:



Tugs *Bogacay LX* (2023 – 9981881) and *Bogacay LXIV* (2024 – 9995026) both owned and operated by Sanmar Denizcilik Makina ve Ticaret have been sold in 2024 to new owner and operator Rimorchiatori Mediterranei Group, Augusta (ITA) and have been renamed resp. *Ortigia* and *San Vitale*.

Tug *Bogacay XLVII* (2022 – 9931446) owner and operated by Sanmar Denizcilik Makina ve Ticaret has been sold in 2024 to new owner and operator Boluda Towage Germany (DEU) and has been renamed *VB Tragen*.

Newbuildings:

Tug *Bogacay LX* (2023 – 9981881). Yard: Sanmar Denizcilik Makina ve Ticaret, Altinova, ynr. 328. Dim. 23,07 x 12,00 x 4,48 mtr. Total: 3.802 bhp. Owner and operator: builders account.

Tugs *Kurtarma-17* (2023 – 9942990) and *Kurtarma-18* (2023 – 9974890). Rastar 2900-SX design. Yard: Sanmar Denizcilik Makina ve Ticaret, Yalova. 496 GT. Dim. 29,40 x 13,30 x 5,75 mtr. Engines: 2x Caterpillar, 3516-C. Bollardpull: 82 tonnes, speed: 12,9 kn. Owner and operator: Turkiye Govt. Kiyi Emniyeti, Istanbul. Launched as resp. *Bigacay XIII* and *Bigacay X*.

Tug *MIP-5* (2023 – 9974797). Ramparts 2400-SX MK II design. Yard: Sanmar Denizcilik Makina ve Ticaret. 328 GT. Dim. 24,40 x 12,00 x 4,48 mtr. Total: 5.982 bhp. Bollardpull: 75 tonnes. Emission Standard: Tier III. Owner and operator: Mersin International Port, Mersin. Built as *Bogacay LIX*.

Tugs *Uzmar 2* (2022 – 9825324) and *Uzmar 4* (2023 – 9825336). Yard: Uzmar Gemi Insa Sanayi ve Ticaret. 297 GT. Dim. 23,20 x 11,40 x 4,96 mtr. Engines: 2x Mitsubishi, total: 4.376 bhp. Speed: 11,8 kn. Owner and operator: Uzmar-Uzmanlar Denizcilik, Izmir.



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UKRAINE

Scrapped:

OSV *Don* (1980 – 7819890) owned and operated by Chornomornaftogaz, Kiev has been scrapped in 2021.

UNITED ARAB EMIRATES

Transactions:

AHTS *AMS Onyx*, ex *Dea Hercules '09*, *VOS Hercules '18* (2006 – 9401702) owned by Al Hail Marine Services, operated by Atlas Marine Shipping LLC, has been sold in 2023 to new owner Onyx Offshore Investment Inc., operated by Al Hail Marine Services LLC, Abu Dhabi. Name remains the same.

Tug *Atena 10*, ex *Tiger B '19* (2006 – 9413092) owned and operated by Alsarroud General Trading LLC has been sold in 2023 to undisclosed interest and has been renamed *Radman 3*.

AHTS *IL 205*, ex *Bourbon Liberty 205 '22* (2009 – 9513517) owned and operated by

Inox Marine FZ LLC has been sold in 2023 to new owner Mark Marine Investment, operated by Proactive Ship Management Pvt., Mumbai (IND) and has been renamed *MM 205*.

Newbuildings:

Utility *Al Aliah* (2024 – 9928956). Multi Cat 3013 design. Yard: Damen Shipyards B.V., ynr. 571822. 273 GT. Dim. 30,15 x 13,40 x 3,80 mtr. Engines: 2x Caterpillar, C32 TTA Acert, total: 3.042 bhp. Bollardpull: 35 tonnes, speed: 10 kn. Owner and operator: National Marine Dredging Company (NMDC), Abu Dhabi.

OSV *GMS Aura* (2023 – 9737993). Yard: Fujian Mawei Shipbuilding, ynr. MW629-9. 3.120 GT. Dim. 75,00 x 22,00 x 7,80 mtr. No further details available. Owner: EMCA2 LLC, operator: Allianz Marine Services LLC, Dubai. Launched in 2015.

OSV *Mutawa 17* (2023 – 9823675). Yard: Guangzhou Shunhai Shipyards. 1.501 GT. No further details available. Owner and operator: Al Mutawa Marine Works LLC, Abu Dhabi.

Scrapped:

Tug *SAS 4*, ex *Al Hawtah '22* (1991 – 8921016) owned and operated by SAS Middle East General has been scrapped in December 2023 at Alang (IND).

UNITED KINGDOM

Transactions:

OSVs *FS Abergeldie*, ex *E.R. Tromsøe '16* (2008 – 9409845), *FS Braemar*, ex *Island Express '17* (2007 – 9385104), *FS Crathes*, ex *E.R. Trondheim '18* (2008 – 9395458) and *FS Kristiansand*, ex *Ocean Endurance '05*, *Centaurus '07*, *E.R. Kristiansand '16* (2005 – 9350240) all owned by Standard Supply/Northern Supply AS, operated by Fletcher Supply Vessels Ltd. have been sold in 2023 to new owners resp. Perseas Shipping SA, Ceasar Shipping SA, Rigas Shipping SA and



VOS PRINCE United Kingdom

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Fineas Shipping SA. All names and operator remains the same.

OSV *Highland Eagle* (2003 – 9249465) owned and operated by Tidewater Marine UK Ltd. has been sold in 2024 to new owner Eagle Offshore AS, operated by Moreld Ross Offshore AS, Trondheim (NOR) and has been renamed *Ross Eagle*. She will be converted into geotechnical asset.

Tug *Roseberry Cross* (1989 – 8812590) owned and operated by Svitzer Marine Ltd. has been sold in 2024 to broker Dick van der Kamp Shippers B.V., Zuidland (NLD) and has been renamed *Berry C*. The tug is for sale. OSVs *Standard Defender*, ex *Defender '19*, *Island Defender '22* (2019 – 9741279) and *Standard Viking*, ex *Arctic Viking '07*, *Volstad Viking '17* (2007 – 9363728) owned by resp. Standard Defender AS and Standard Supply have been sold to new owner resp. Orfeas Shipping SA and Nireas Shipping SA. Names and operator remains the same.

Utility *Viking Energy* (2019 – 9868510) owned and operated by Stewart Marine Ltd. has been sold in 2024 to new owner and operator Ports of Jersey (GBR). Name remains the same.

OSV *VOS Prince* (2016 – 9697521) owned by PSV Express VII B.V., operated by Vroon Offshore Services Ltd. has been sold in 2024 to new owner Hillcrest Pte. Ltd., operated by Britoil Offshore Services Srl, Genoa (ITA) and has been renamed *BOS Prince*.

Newbuilding:

Tug *CMS Thunderer* (2023 – 9980928). ASD 2312 design. Yard: Damen Shipyards, ynr. 513623. 263 GT. Dim. 22,80 x 12,00 x 5,60 mtr. Engines: 2x Caterpillar, 3512-C TA, total: 5.172 bhp. Bollardpull: 68 tonnes, speed: 13,1 kn. Owner and operator: Clyde Marine Services Ltd., Greenock.

Scrapped:

Work/repairvessel *Diligence*, ex *Stena Inspector '84* (1981 – 7814448) owned and operated by the Royal Navy Fleet Auxiliary has been sold for scrap in 2024 to Aliaga (TUR).

Other news:

Cyan Renewables, a Singapore-based company, had acquired a 75% stake in Sentinel Marine Ltd., the owner of the youngest fleet of ERRVs in the United Kingdom.

UNITED STATES

Transactions:

Tug *Boca Grande*, ex *E.N. Belcher Jr. '90*, *Coastal Boca Grande '08* (1973 – 7395387) owned and operated by Kirby Inland Marine LP has been sold in 2023 to new owner and operator Louisiana Scrap Metals, Lake Charles, LA and has been renamed *LASM-22*.



CMS THUNDERER United Kingdom

photo: Huib Trommel

Tug *Dames Pointer III* (1987 – USCG 1300316) owned and operated by Dames Point Workboats LLC has been sold in 2023 to new owner and operator P and L Towing and Transportation Inc., Miami, FL and has been renamed *Ralphus*.

Pushertug *Escort* (1983 – 8203062) owned and operated by Northstar Marine Inc. has been renamed *Northstar Innovator* in 2023. Art.pushertug *Frederick E. Bouchard* (2016 – 9794692) owned by JMB Shipholding, operated by Centerline Logistics Corp. has been sold in 2023 to new owner JMB Shipping ATB 205 LLC, Seattle, WA and has been renamed *Fendi D*. Operator remains the same.

Tug *Georgia*, ex *America '82*, *Midway '82*, *Wisconsin '21* (1897 – USCG 107302) owned and operated by Great Lakes Towing Company has been renamed *America* in 2023.

OSVs *HOS Lode Star* (2008 – 9472440), *HOS North Star* (2008 – 9472438) and *HOS Shooting Star* (2008 – 9472426) all owned and operated by Hornbeck Offshore Services LLC have been sold in 2023 to new owner Woods Hole / Martas Vineyard / Nantucket Steamship Authority, Woods Hole, MA and have been renamed resp. *Aquinnah*, *Barnstable* and *Monomoy*. They will be converted for ferry use.

Tug *Lotus V*, ex *Stalwart '21*, *Stalwart II '21* (1976 – 7507382) owned and operated by Marine Service International Inc. has been sold in 2023 to new owner and operator Curtin Maritime Company, Long Beach, CA and has been renamed *Lindsay C*.

Tug *Noelani*, ex *YTB-785 – Winnemucca '06* (1965 – 9089231) owned and operated by Coos Bay Tugboat Company has been sold in 2023 to new owner and operator 41 North

Offshore LLC, New Bedford, MA and has been renamed *Nanook*.

Towboat *SCF Explorer* (1950 – 8992493) owned and operated by Waxler has been sold in 2023 to new owner and operator Deep South Vessel Three and has been renamed *Victoria Baker*.

Tugs *Scorpius*, ex *Paris Theriot '70*, *Barbara R. McAllister '90*, *Kekoa '98* (1966 – 7210783) and *Taurus*, ex *Miss Nicole Rene '98*, *Casey Marie '04* (1978 – 7819498) both owned and operated by Curtin Maritime Company Inc., Long Beach, CA have been renamed resp. *Kimberly C* and *Collette C* in 2023.

Towboat *Stardust* (2013 – USCG 1247507) owned and operated by Centerline Logistics Corporation has been renamed *Eva Luz* in 2023.

Tug *Tira Lani* (1999 – 8972962) owned and operated by Sause Brothers Ocean Towing has been sold in 2023 to new owner and operator Moran Towing Corporation, New Canaan, CT and has been renamed *Cape Lookout*.

Newbuildings:

Tug *e-Wolf* (2024 – 9992206). Yard: Master Boat Builders, Coden, AL. Dim. 24,99 x 12,19 x 5,46 mtr. Engines/propulsion: all electric 6.2 MWh Orca battery storage. Total: 5.710 bhp. Bollardpull: 70 tonnes, speed: 12 kn. Owned and operated by Crowley Marine Services Inc., San Francisco, CA. First all-electric harbour tug in the USA.

Towboat *Jennifer Lee* (2023 – USCG 1340406). Yard: C&C Marine and Repair LLC, Belle Chase, LA. 365 GT. Dim. 24,57 x 10,36 x 3,35 mtr. Engines: 2x Cummins, QSK38-M1, total: 2.600 bhp. Emission Standard: Tier III. Owner and operator: Maritime Partners, Metairie, LA.



Tug *Mr. Brian* (2024 – 1018559). Yard: Main Iron Works. 362 GT. Engines: 2x Caterpillar, 3516-E, total: 5.000 bhp. Bollardpull: 66 tonnes. Emission Standard: Tier IV. Owner and operator: Bisso Towboat Co. Inc., Luling, LA.

Scrapped:

Tug *Brendan Turecamo*, ex *Kathryne E. McAllister '79*, *Exxon Granite State '89*, *Kathryne E. McAllister '91* (1975 – 7420431) owned and operated by Moran Towing Corporation, New York, NY has been scrapped in 2023 at Norfolk, VA.

Art.pushertug *Jimmy Smith* (1976 – 7502409) owned by Discount Marine Suppliers LLC, operated by Kirby Offshore Marine LLC has been scrapped at Port Melon in June 2023.

Tug *Krista S*, ex *Sea Traveller '87*, *Sea Wolf '01*, *Jimmy Wray '08* (1954 – USCG 268022) owned and operated by Luedtke Engineering Company, Frankfort, MI has been scrapped in 2023 at local breakers.

Other news:

Marine Towing of Tampa, LLC (MTOT) and E.N. Bisso and Son, Inc. announced that they have executed and closed on an Asset Purchase Agreement to which Marine Towing of Port Canaveral LLC (MTPC), acquired the Port Canaveral operations and assets associated with Bisso's acquisition of Seabulk Towing Holdings, Inc. ship assist operations in Florida.

VIETNAM

Transactions:

AHTS *Chen Yang 9*, ex *Armada Tuah 9 '12*, *Tan Cang 63 '21* (2002 – 9282352) owned and operated by Tan Cang Offshore Services JSC has been sold in 2021 to new owner and operator Ningbo Chenyang Maritime, Ningbo (CHN) and has been renamed *Ming Yang 13*. AHTS *Hai Duong 16*, ex *Rogelio Tide '18* (2018 – 9563378) owned and operated by Haduco has been transferred to new operator Seagate Marine Pte. Ltd., Vung Tau and has been renamed *SC Pioneer*, later *Hai Duong 108*.

AHTS *TC Pacific*, ex *Borcoss Thahirah 2 '20* (2012 – 9559042) owned by Aussie Offshore Services Ltd., operated by Tan Cang Offshore Services JSC has been transferred to new operator Two Offshore Marine Sdn. Bhd., Kuala Lumpur (MYS) and has been renamed *Two Pacific*. Owner remains the same.

AHTS *TC Queen*, ex *Toisa Daring* (2007 – 9307310) owned by Seahorse Marine & Engineering, operated by Tan Cang Offshore Services JSC has been sold in 2023 to new owner Asineran Ltd., operated by Seahorse Marine & Engineering, Vung Tau and has been renamed *Geo Supporter*.



BRENDAN TURECAMO United States

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GRACE MORAN United States

photo: Marc Piché

Additions to previous editions:

2022-16 United States

Tugs *Eugenia Moran* (1966 – 6727832) and *Grace Moran* (1967 – 6727868) both owned and operated by Moran Towing Corporation reported as being scrapped in fact have been sold to undisclosed interest and have been renamed resp. *Norseman* and *Grace*.

2024-23 Norway

Tug *Fastnet Nore*, ex *Eston Cross '94*, *Stackgarth '10* (1985 – 8410225) owned and operated by Stadt Sjøtransport AS, Florø has been scrapped in 2022 at local breakers. The name as mentioned "Fastnet Shore" is incorrect. Sorry for the inconvenience.

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

2023-23 Norway

AHTS *Nor Spring*, ex *Nor Spring '13*, *Bibby Spring '15* (2008 – 9390757) owned by Solstad Rederi AS, operated by Solstad Shipping AS has been sold in 2023 to new owner and operator Offshore 360 SA de CV, Mexico City (MEX) and has been renamed *Spring 360*.

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