

Newsletter July 2021

"If opportunity doesn't knock, build a door".

- Milton Birle

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1. Wynn Marine

In July Wynn has received orders for 46 new build vessels, ranging from workboats, cruise vessels, ferries, cargo vessels, and navy vessels. It is always great to see our Straight Line wipers on course to delivering the highest level of wiper performance on new vessels.

2. Rail

In July Hepworth Rail have won two projects with Stadler, a Swiss manufacturer of Railway rolling stock.

Project Augsburg

Hepworth Rail will provide a pantograph wiper system with heated wash jets to the Stadler TRAMLINK vehicles for project Augsburg.



The seven-part unidirectional trains enter into service on the lines of Bavaria's second largest tram system from 2022 onwards. The fully low-floor accessible and barrier-free vehicles are 42 meters long and can

accommodate 231 passengers, of which 86 are seated.

Project Bern

Another pantograph wiper system will be provided by Hepworth Rail to the Stadler TRAMLINK vehicles for project Bern. Between 2023 and 2025, these TRAMLINK vehicles will replace the 12 Vevey and 9 RBS trams which will have reached the end of their service life. The trams for the extension of line 9 to Kleinwabern and more frequent services on line 9 will also form part of this delivery.



Bernmobil can subsequently place a call-off order for additional vehicles from the tender option for the expansion of the tram fleet for Tram Bern Ostermundigen as well as any further expansion of services from 2027 onwards.

All the new trams for Bern are 42.5 metres long and have 52 seats in the bidirectional vehicles and 68 seats in the unidirectional vehicles. The first new tram is expected to be put into operation at the beginning of 2023, while the last of the 27 trams from the first tranche is scheduled to arrive in the summer of 2025.

New Project RFQs

In addition to the projects won, Hepworth have received requests for quotation from eight different projects.

3. Emlen Tunnell

Bollinger Shipyards LLC, Lockport, La., has delivered the 154'x25' Emlen Tunnell to the U.S. Coast Guard in Key West, Fla. This is the 168th vessel Bollinger has delivered to the U.S. Coast Guard over a 35-year period and the 45th Fast Response Cutter ("FRC") delivered under the current program.



On board are one triple and two double Type C Straight Line Wipers, supplied by Inmar Systems.

4. Texas Transporter and Houston Honor

In late May, Bayou La Batre, Ala.-based Steiner Construction Company delivered a pair of new-built towboats to American Commercial Barge Line (ACBL), with both vessels joining ACBL's operations in the Houston area.



The towboats, named the mv. Texas Transporter and the mv. Houston Honor, replaced the mvs. Colt and Mike Charlieville, respectively, two older vessels in ACBL's fleet. The Texas Transporter and the Houston Honor, which both feature Veth Z-drives from Sewart Supply, represent a significant and ongoing

investment by ACBL in its operations along the Gulf Coast.



There is one Type D and a 1000 series controller on each of the towboats, provided by our friends at Inmar Systems.

5. John Lewis

The Lewis-class will replace the Avondale-built Henry J. Kaiser-class, which first entered service in 1986. 12 out of the 15 Kaiser-class oilers are single-hulled tankers, and they would not comply with OPA-90 if they were in commercial maritime service; the new Lewis-class will all be double-hulled.



Provided by Inmar Systems, on board are 21 Type D Straight Line wipers and 100 series controllers. The Lewis-class will be able to carry 160,000 barrels of fuel to support carrier strike group operations. Like the Kaiser-class, the Lewis-class oilers have fine lines for tank vessels, and they will be capable of making up to 20 knots.

6. Gerald Ford

USS Gerald Ford, that has 34 Type D Wynn Straight Line Wipers supplied by Inmar Systems. She has completed the second shock trial, marking the midpoint in the explosive test regime the Navy uses to prove survivability in the event of a near miss.



U.S. Coast Guard Commandant Adm. Karl Schultz said during the ceremony.



For the second time, the service detonated a 40,000 pound bomb near Ford's hull at a position off the coast of Florida, and she came out of the experience well, according to her commanding officer.

All three boats have one triple and two double Type C wipers on board that are supplied by Inmar Systems.

7. Myrtle Hazard, Oliver Henry, and Frederick Hatch

The three FRCs build out and strengthen the United States' strategic presence in the Indo-Pacific and are there "as a response to coercive and antagonistic behaviours from China,"



The homeporting of the three cutters in Guam is part of the Coast Guard's "doubling down on Oceania," allowing more frequent and longer patrols in an area where the service has increased its presence over the past two years and is aligned with the U.S. position on maritime security in the Indo-Pacific.

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