Hepworth Newsletter February 2022

"Our thoughts and support are with the people in Ukraine. It is good to see the World is coming together as one to put an end to this war".

1. Marine

At the present moment Hepworth Marine conduct no business in Russia or Ukraine therefore our business has not been affected. The new orders this month have been abundant like the previous months and there are a lot more orders and quotes in the pipeline.

Wynn Marine won 42 new ship build orders. Subsequently, the order intake for Wynn is 5% up compared to the previous financial year. Furthermore, Hepworth Marine order intake is the same compared to the previous financial year.

2. Rail

The enquiries for new rail projects have been on the rise. There is more growth to be expected in the new financial year with more quotes being made daily.

3. Fort Lauderdale

Huntington Ingalls Industries has successfully completed acceptance sea trials in February from the amphibious transport dock Fort Lauderdale.

The San Antonio-class ship, built at HII's Ingalls Shipbuilding division, spent several days with the U.S. Navy's Board of Inspection and Survey. Ingalls' shipbuilders will now complete final finish work on the ship in preparation for delivery this quarter.

The ship is equipped with 17 Type C Straight Line Wipers with special bulkhead mounting and 1000 Series Controllers.

4. Kiwirail Ferries

Kiwirail has awarded a contract for two Super Large replacement ferries to be built in South Korea. We are hopeful that they will adopt Wynn Wipers based on the long years during which all earlier ferries were Wynn Wiper equipped and considering Marinair proved history of service back up.

The ferries will provide service between New Zealand's North and South Islands divided by a rough Cook Straight.

a) MV Aratere

Built in Spain in 1998 and lengthened in 2011, the MV Aratere is a 150 meter long 17816tT RoRo Rail and Vehicular ferry with 600pax accommodation.

The ferry was originally fitted with Type C Straight Line Wipers. In 2016 Marinair Technology in New Zealand replaced the Type C Straight Line Wipers with four twin and six single Type D Straight Line Wipers.

b) MV Kaitaki

This is the largest in the Interislander Fleet at 22365T, with capacity for 1350 Pax and 600 Cars. The ship is built in 1995 at Van der Giessen de Nord Shipyard. The previous operated names are Isle of Innisfree, Pride of Cherbourg and Stena Challenger.

The Ferry was later bought by Kiwirail in May 2007 and named Kaitaki. It was originally equipped with 80Nm Pantograph Wipers and Marinair have replaced the majority of the wipers and installed two twin, six single and two double Type D Straight Line Wipers in 2013.

c) MV Kaiarahi

Built 1998 as Dawn Merchant, the ferry was chartered by Interislander in 2014 as Stena Alegra, then on long term as Kaiarahai.

The Boat is 22152T, 590ft with 550Pax capacity as a RORO. It is presently fitted with Type 80Nm Pantograph wipers.

5. John Scheuerman

Bollinger Shipyards LLC and the U.S. Coast Guard officially commissioned a new Sentinel-class fast response cutter John Scheuerman.

The cutter is the fifth of six FRCs to be homeported in Manama, Bahrain, which will replace the aging 110' Island-class patrol boats built by Bollinger 30 years ago, supporting the Patrol Forces Southwest Asia (PATFORSWA), the Coast Guard's largest overseas presence outside the U.S.

Inmar Systems have provided the ship with one triple and two twin Type C Wynn Straight Line Wiper Systems.

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