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BOLUDA FRANCE entrusts PIRIOU with the construction of a new series of tugs



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BOLUDA FRANCE, subsidiary of BOLUDA CORPORACION MARITIMA –the second largest towage operator worldwide, has just ordered a new series of tugs from PIRIOU shipyard. Delivery of the first two units is scheduled for 2019.

Built by PIRIOU Vietnam with a standard PIRIOU design which meets BOLUDA FRANCE's specific requirements, this new series of tugs, with a bollard pull of 77 tons and measuring 30.30 meters in length, will be put to service in French harbours.

This order comes after a first series of eight 70-ton bollard pull tugs built by PIRIOU for BOLUDA FRANCE between 2007 and 2009 and a second series of six tugs delivered between 2015 and 2017.

Vincent FAUJOUR, PIRIOU General Manager declares: ***'Following the construction of over 15 tugs in Concarneau since 1998, our Vietnamese shipyard has been able to maintain the confidence of a longstanding and major customer for our group. With this new order, we are continuing the strategic partnership we initiated with BOLUDA FRANCE 20 years ago and we are very proud of it'***.

Denis MONSERAND, BOLUDA FRANCE CEO says: ***'Once more, we renew our confidence in PIRIOU shipyard which design and build high quality tugs that perfectly meet our customers' requirements. This new series will feature higher bollard pull than previous generations –up to 77 tons, enabling our crews to service vessels of ever-increasing size in the best conditions.'***

Multipurpose harbour and coastal ASD tugs with Escort class

These units will be built on the OST 30' (Omni Stern Tug) model, issued from the range of tugs designed by PIRIOU.

The 'OST 30' is a multipurpose tug developed for 'push pull' type towage and harbour assistance operations as well as deep sea operations. With a hull length of 30.30 meters, it is also fitted to bring assistance to vessels in access channels.

This tug is equipped with two aft azimuth propellers (Azimuth Stern Drive), driven by two marine medium-speed turbocharged four-stroke diesel engines, fresh-water cooled with box cooler refrigerants.

At the bridge, the ergonomics of the single-command control station and the high visibility over the entire working area and its surroundings allow the captain to manoeuvre his tug alone.

In order to answer the operating conditions required by BOLUDA FRANCE, these tugs are equipped with several options including:

- Fi-Fi 1 equipment for fire fighting
- Aft sea towing winch and tugger winch for deep sea towage
- Double drum fore winch with Escort function

The OST 30 is designed to be maintained every five years with special antifouling and ICAF system. Accommodation is in accordance with ILO 2006 requirements and special attention is paid to noise reduction.

Main characteristics

Length overall	30.3 m	Fuel capacity	85 m ³
Breadth moulded	10.4 m	Fresh water capacity	16 m ³
Depth at main deck	4.45 m	Speed	13 kn
Max. draught	5.3 m	Propulsion	2 x 2240 kW
Bollard pull @ 100 % MCR	77 t	Crew	6
		Hull/superstructure	steel

A full range of tugs providing solutions for harbour operators

With over twenty years' experience in tug construction, PIRIOU has developed a complete range of compact and versatile tugs, from 24 to 32 meters in length and providing bollard pulls of 30 to 95 tons:

- A tugboat for harbour assistance: OST 24W
- Versatile tugboats for harbour and coastal service: OST 24, OST 28, OST 30, OST 32
- A tugboat for escort and terminal services: OST 32E



About PIRIOU

Involved in shipbuilding, repair, naval engineering and services since 1965, PIRIOU specializes in producing vessels up to 120m with high added value through a combination of high-performance engineering and a global network of industrial sites in Europe, Africa and Asia.

With over 450 ships built and delivered worldwide, PIRIOU provides bespoke solutions as well as a complete range of standardized or customized vessels that satisfy the requirements of international shipowners, whether they be private or public, civilian or military.

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About BOLUDA

Established in Le Havre in 1864, BOLUDA FRANCE is, since 2007, a subsidiary of BOLUDA CORPORACION MARITIMA –the second largest towage operator worldwide. BOLUDA FRANCE operates a fleet of 75 tugs and 30 service vessels in 15 harbours and terminals in France, Africa and the Indian Ocean. BOLUDA FRANCE offers specialized maritime services such as harbour and terminal towage, deep sea towage, piloting, mooring and offshore crew transfer. With the considerable maritime expertise of our 1200 employees, we offer solutions adapted to our customers' specific requirements.

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