

AMS SIGNS IMPORTANT SUPPLY VESSEL MOU WITH SWISSCO

AUSTRALIA Marine Services Pty Ltd (AMS Tugs & Barges) looks set to shore up its growing share of the supply vessel services market following the signing of a Memorandum of Understanding with Singapore-based offshore support company Swissco International Ltd.

AMS managing director, Alan Yeo, said the agreement with Swissco was signed in October and would result in a consortium bid for an undisclosed major offshore WA oil and gas contract.

"The signing of the Memorandum of Understanding, resulting in AMS working in partnership with Swissco, is a significant achievement for us," Mr Yeo said.

"We expect that there will be additional consortium (AMS-Swissco) bids for other up-coming oil and gas projects in offshore Australia."

Mr Yeo said AMS has grown its business over the past 12 months, with several contracts projected to be secured in the near future due to the Perth-based company's unique partnership with Swissco and the expansion of AMS' fleet

numbers. The company has also secured a contract for the provision of a semi-submersible heavy lift barge in offshore northern Australian waters.

The company is scheduled to take delivery of a new 40 metre Anchor Handling/Supply Vessel in 2009. The vessel is currently under construction in China.

In addition, a new shallow draft multicat vessel "AMS Shine" is currently being built in Malaysia and is targeted for delivery in the second half of 2008.

"She was specially designed to suit Australian harbour work with all conditions and work scope taken into consideration," Mr Yeo said.

"Her capabilities will be one of a kind in this region as there is no other similar vessel. Her pairing with our current multicat "Swissco 188" ("AMS 23") will be perfect for all types of harbour construction projects and dredging support work."

Mr Yeo added that AMS has a private water-front yard based in Singapore and has expanded its services to construction of brand new vessels according to the requirements of its clients, given sufficient time window.

"We are actively seeking to extend our services to the Australia/New Zealand regions in the offshore oil and gas industry, offshore explorations and other marine activities," he added.

AMS' main operations in the region are offering charter/sales of various sizes and specifications of tugs/supply vessels, specialised vessels and barges. ■

TS MARINE SIGNS RUGBY DEAL

INTERNATIONAL offshore support specialist TSMarine has signed a major sponsorship deal with Rugby Western Australia, where the company has an office in Perth.

TS Marine Pty Ltd will be joining the Emirates Western Force as the Foundation Members of RugbyWA's new sponsorship category - The Tight Five. ■



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AMS Tugs & Barges' aims to provide an all round service to our clients, offering charter/sale of various sizes & specifications of tugs/supply vessels and barges.

Current fleet of vessels comprise of Offshore Support Vessels, AHT/S, Barges, Self-propelled accommodation work barge, shallow draft Multi-cats & with new deliveries lineup from now till early 2010.



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