

Achievement Brings Second Crane Vessel

Seaway Heavy Lifting is a constant commercial success in spite of the fluctuations in the offshore market. Every financial year is closed with a profit. That success is a considerable achievement when looking at the results of other industry players! The need to continue Seaway Heavy Lifting's commercial success and the ambition of the company to expand and to undertake innovative plans and different projects lead in 2004 to the first plans for a second, bigger and faster crane vessel.

Deliberations on the capacity of the new vessel and hull depth and additional functions such as laying pipelines follow. An investment of this size, after all, has to be profitable for decades.



During the next 2 years, MSC Gusto Engineering draws up a draft study and design of the vessel and the crane, which is based on Seaway Heavy Lifting's concept description/design. On August 24 2009, the Oleg Strashnov, built by IHC Merwede, is launched. At the beginning of 2011, it is ready for sailing. During the first project, the crane vessel installs 66 foundation piles and 2 substation topsides in the southern North Sea for the Sheringham Shoal wind farm on the East coast of England for Statoil.

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