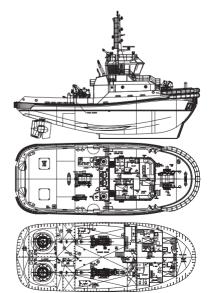


Completed in August, Cheoy Lee yard numbers 5105 to 5107 made their way in convoy from the Pearl River delta in China, under the command of their delivery crews from IMS, to Cape Preston in North West Australia. The vessels entered into service in the busy iron ore mining port soon after arrival.

The vessels are named after the varieties of sea turtles that inhabit the waters of North West Australia, and are familiar sights to the crews that operate in the area.

The RAmparts 3200CL was developed by Robert Allan Ltd. specifically for Cheoy Lee in 2008. These three tugs were from a batch of four sisterships that Cheoy Lee was building on spec. Purchased in January 2016, the foreshortened delivery time enabled the buyer to receive the three tugs, with their own specified deck machinery and other features, within six months of ordering them.



The three tugs are fitted with twin Caterpillar 3516C diesels each delivering 2.000kW, coupled to Schottel SRP1515FP fixed pitch ASD units. Bollard pull exceeds 70 tonnes and the vessels have a free running speed of over 13 knots. All vessels in the series are built to Lloyd's class with the notation +100A1 Tug, Fire Fighting Ship 1, +LMC, UMS, IWS Unrestricted Service. The addition of Jebsen and Jessen deck machinery including the render recovery winch forward also qualified these three tugs for Escort Tug notation.

Electrical power is from two three-phase Perkins 1006TWGM generators each delivering 112kW.

The vessels are designed with accommodation for up to 10 crew. On the forward lower deck there are three twoman crew rooms with a laundry, washroom facilities and a provision store. Aft of the crew sleeping quarters, through a watertight bulkhead, can be found the control room overlooking the engine room. The master and chief engineer each have their cabins on the main deck level to starboard along with their heads, the galley and mess room to port. A single 2,740m3/hour fire pump, driven off the starboard main engine, supplies two FFS fire monitors mounted atop the wheelhouse. Seven thousand litres each of foam and dispersant are carried aboard and can be deployed as required.

The wheelhouse features the usual tall windows and eyebrow portals that are hallmarks of Robert Allan Ltd.-designed tugs. An extensive range of navigation equipment is fitted, primarily from Furuno and includes radar, autopilot, echo sounder, GPS, Inmarsat-C, SSB, VHF, Navtex, AIS and BNWAS.

Classification: LR +100A1 Escort Tug, +LMC, +UMS, *IWS,

unrestricted service

Port of registry: Singapore

Owner: Loreto Maritime, Singapore Designer: Robert Allan Ltd., Canada

Builder: Cheoy Lee Shipyards/Hin

Lee (Zhuhai) Shipyard Co.

Construction material: Steel

Length overall: 32 metres

Length waterline: 30.8 metres Beam: 12.4 metres

Draught: 5 metres

Depth: 5.4 metres

Displacement: 553 tonnes (full load)

Tonnage: 447 GRT; 137NRT

Main engines: 2 x Caterpillar 3516C diesels, each 2,000kW

Propellers: 2 x Schottel SRP1515FP

ASD units

Generators: 2 x Perkins diesels, each 112ekW

Maximum speed: 13.5 knots

Bollard pull: 71 tonnes

Electronics supplied by: Imtech Marine China Depth sounders: Furuno FCV-627

Radars: Furuno FAR-2117

Radios: Furuno FS-1575 and NBPP;

2 x Furuno 8900S VHF

Weatherfax: Furuno NX-700B Navtex

Autopilot: Anschuetz NP60

Compasses: Koden KGC-1 (satellite), Saura 5 binnacle

GMDSS: Furuno Felcom-18

GPS: Furuno GP-32

A.I.S: Furuno FA-150

PA System: SEA 857

Winches: Jebsen & Jessen

Cranes: Palfinger PK11001M

foldable knuckle boom

Alarm systems: Furuno BR-500 Paints/coatings: International Paint

Liferafts: 2 x 10-man

Fuel capacity: 200,000 litres

Fuel consumption: 467 litres/hour (per engine)

Freshwater capacity: 50,000 litres

Range: 2,800nm (at full power)