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Fincantieri Marine Group Receives Four National Shipbuilders Safety Awards

Washington, D.C. - Fincantieri Marine Group (FMG) announced that all three of its US shipyards – Fincantieri Marinette Marine, Fincantieri Bay Shipbuilding, and Fincantieri ACE Marine, have received the annual “Excellence in Safety” award presented by the Shipbuilders Council of America (SCA). Fincantieri ACE Marine also received the “Improvement in Safety” award.

“In a shipyard environment, with complex machinery and systems, safety is paramount,” **said Matthew Paxton, President of the SCA.** “The awards SCA presents recognize the stellar safety performance of the leadership of these shipyards and their commitment to safety is proven in the data. We are thrilled to recognize these companies and the hard-working men and women who reflect the shipyard industry’s culture of safety year after year.”

Fincantieri acquired the three Wisconsin shipyards in 2008, and since, has invested over \$100M to build a flexible, lean network of facilities that offer government and commercial services in new construction of steel and aluminum, design, and repair. These safety awards are especially significant to the company because all three shipyards are considered in the top tier for safety in the country. This enhanced awareness translates into a standard of excellence for not only safety, but also quality and efficiency.

“Safety is a key tenet of FMG culture and a primary mission. In our approach to manufacturing, we expect full commitment and proactive participation of all management and employees in promoting a culture of shared responsibility for safety, and the wellbeing of our employees is taken very seriously at the highest levels within the company. This is the third consecutive year that we have received an award for our commitment to safety, and I’m proud that each member of FMG – Fincantieri Marinette Marine, Fincantieri ACE Marine, and Fincantieri Bay Shipbuilding- was named a recipient of the ‘Excellence in Safety Award’. This is a true testament to the company’s overall culture,” said Francesco Valente, President and CEO of Fincantieri Marine Group.

Fincantieri Marinette Marine, Fincantieri Bay Shipbuilding and Fincantieri ACE Marine are three of 12 SCA member companies to receive awards for their continued advancement of employee safety in the shipyard industry. The Council represents 40 companies that own and operate over 82 shipyards across the country, and an additional 87 partner members that provide goods, services and engineering to the shipyard industry.

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About Fincantieri Marine Group

Fincantieri is one of the world's largest shipbuilding groups and number one by diversification and innovation. It is leader in cruise ship design and construction and a reference player in all high-tech shipbuilding industry's sectors, from naval to offshore vessels, from high-complexity special vessels and ferries to mega-yachts, ship repairs and conversions, systems and components production and after-sales services.

Headquartered in Trieste (Italy), the Group has built more than 7,000 vessels in over 230 years of maritime history. With almost 20,000 employees, of whom approximately 7,700 in Italy, 21 shipyards in 4 continents, today Fincantieri is the leading Western shipbuilder. It has among its clients the major cruise operators, the Italian and the U.S. Navy, in addition to several foreign navies, and it is partner of some of the main European defense companies within supranational programs.

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Fincantieri operates in the United States through its subsidiary **Fincantieri Marine Group** (FMG). This company, which serves government customers, including the U.S. Navy and Coast Guard, has three shipyards (Fincantieri Marinette Marine, Fincantieri Bay Shipbuilding, and Fincantieri ACE Marine), all located in the Great Lakes region.

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