Tugs to Be Equipped for Dredging and Surveying Roles





Baggerbedrijf De Boer B.V. (Dutch Dredging B.V.) has ordered two custom-made, special-purpose tugs to be built at Damen Shipyards Hardinxveld in The Netherlands through the subsidiary De Boer Remorquage SARL. The larger of the two, the WID 2915, will be configured for a variety of roles including

dredging using the Air and Water Injection Dredging (AIRSET) method. The smaller ASD 2310 SD (Shallow Draught) tug will be fitted out to operate the equipment needed for bed-levelling and will also carry out surveying activities.

The tugs are for a 10-year contract with Grand Port Maritime de Guyane in the ports of Cayenne and Kourou in French Guyana. Their primary functions will be assisting vessels entering and leaving port, and rendering help in the event of emergencies including fire-fighting. An important secondary role for both vessels will be assisting with maintenance dredging operations in both ports.

As these two tugs will be the only support vessels available to either port they can also be used for the transportation of equipment and cargo, up to container-sized loads.

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