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## **Recent Contract Awards**

### **Buoy South African Marine Solutions Provider**

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Two recent milestone contract awards to African Marine Solutions Group (AMSOL) have further supported the company's growth strategy, following the acquisition of SMIT Amandla Marine in December 2016.

AMSOL has been awarded a five-year contract by the South African Department of Transport to operate the standby tug utilised as part of State driven proactive marine pollution prevention measures. And in another exciting development, AMSOL has been appointed by the Sunrise Energy Liquefied Petroleum Gas (LPG) Import Terminal as the preferred marine contractor to fulfill their Marine Operations and Multi Buoy Mooring surface and subsea maintenance requirements in Saldanha Bay, South Africa.

#### **Proactive Pollution Prevention**

AMSOL's Managing Director Paul Maclons says the award by the Department of Transport is a testament to the experience and professionalism of seafarers and shore based support personnel involved in the contract, who are now focused on continuing to deliver safe and sustainable solutions to international standards, ensuring that the Department of Transport's objectives are met:

"We will provide experienced Masters, Officers and Crew, a purpose-designed high speed tug and the support services required to safeguard South Africa's marine environment and ensure proactive protection from the impact of pollution caused by incidents at sea, in partnership with the Department of Transport and the South African Maritime Safety Authority."

The standby tug is available 24/7/365 on the South African coast to respond to marine emergencies and has the ability and inherent power to deal with the biggest sea going vessels. She was purpose designed to operate successfully on the South African coast, where characteristic weather and sea conditions often prove challenging to passing shipping traffic. The tug is an important platform for the training and development of South African seafarers and will continue to provide the vital link to seagoing experience for mariners entering the profession.

#### **Expanded Marine Solution Offering**

As the owner of the new LPG import facility based in Saldanha Bay, Sunrise Energy's shareholders include MOGS (Mining, Oil & Gas Services), Industrial Development Corporation and Ilitha. In expanding AMSOL's subsea solution offering into the region and driving sustainable growth, the opportunity to partner with Sunrise Energy and ensure efficiency in their supply chain builds on AMSOL's solid track record in offshore terminal management and the provision of underwater solutions.

Paul Maclons says the team is now focused on delivering safe and sustainable solutions to international standards into the project in Saldanha Bay, ensuring that project objectives are met:

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"We will provide specialised marine resources and diving specialists to assist Sunrise Energy with the safe and timeous turnaround of LPG tankers discharging at the Multi Buoy Mooring. Our solution is focused on ensuring environmental protection and we are an IMCA Member, as well as ISO 9001 and ISO 14001 certified."

AMSOL is a majority black owned company serving clients in the Energy, Ports, Mining and Maritime sectors in the region. Employees and management own more than 30% of the business, and together drive professional service delivery to international standards. AMSOL is owned by a consortium representing management, employees, Pan-African Capital Holdings, the Mineworkers Investment Company and RMB Ventures.

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#### **About AMSOL:**

African Marine Solutions Group (AMSOL) is a specialist solutions provider and partner to clients who operate in marine environments. As a South African owned market leader, AMSOL is the only marine solutions provider in the region that is employee and management owned, and is a catalyst for economic empowerment and shared value creation. AMSOL provides safe and sustainable marine solutions to clients on the African continent and in the Indian Ocean Island region. The company delivers marine solutions to high international standards and is ISO 9001 and ISO 14001 certified by DNV-GL, holds IMCA Member status and is a member of the International Salvage Union.

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