

**ENG****Pella Shipyard delivers tug project 16609.**

On 13 August 2011 the ASD-tug (building number 620) project 16609 was launched. During current year the tug will be delivered to the Port of Riga. The azimuth tug of 16609 design is intended for harbor, coastal and offshore towing and berthing operations as well as for firefighting operations and oil spill removal. Classification: KM Ice2-Arc4 R2 AUT1 FF3 WS-FF2 WS Tug. (Russian Maritime Register of Shipping) Technical data: length 28,5 meters; width 9,5 meters; draught 3,5 meters; speed 12 knots. She is powered by two Caterpillar 3512 main engines of 1.500 bhp each. The tug delivers a bollard pull of 47 tons. She will join Santa and Stella from the Rigas Brivostas flote.

**Tug project PE-65 completes trials.**

On 7 July 2011 the Pella Shipyard successfully finished a full-scale trials on the tug project PE-65 to ascertain the escort parameters of the vessel. The maximum retention intensity for escort operations is as follows; at speed of 8 knots is 79,2 tons, at speed of 10 knots is 81,4 tons. The results, approved by the Russian maritime register of shipping, exceeded the estimate design parameters, confirming the wide range of using multifunction escort tug project PE- 65 for escort and towing of heavy-tonnage vessels as well as vessel's high stability and maneuverability. Technical data: length 33,5 meters, width 12,1 meters, draught 4,4 meters, speed 13 knots, bollard pull 63 tons.