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## SVITZER SIGNS CONTRACT WITH SANMAR TO BUILD SIX TUGS

**26 August 2015** – Svitzer has signed a newbuilding contract with Sanmar Shipyard in Turkey for the construction of six vessels, with delivery of the first one to be expected in Q4 2016. The vessels are being built to fulfil for Svitzer’s commitment to current and upcoming new contracts in various terminal towage markets.

The new fleet will be 70 Tonne bollard pull RAstar 2800-E Class ASD tugs, which are terminal tugs with escort capability and accommodation space for eight crew members. The tugs are equipped with double drum DMT render winch, 2000 KW MTU 16V4000M63 engines, Schottel SRP 1515 thrusters and central cooling system. They are purpose-built for hot climates and are fully prepared for FiFi1 notation with water spray.

“We have placed an order for six ASD tugs to fulfil Svitzer’s current and upcoming new contracts. These new tugs are key elements in fulfilling our profitable growth strategy”, says Kristian Brauner, Chief Technical Officer of Svitzer. He continues, “Sanmar was selected due to their outstanding safety performance and construction quality, and a competitive price. We are very much looking forward to the tugs being completed and deployed in our fleet.”

“The vessels will support our ambitious growth strategy by delivering versatile, quality tugs that will give us an edge when competing for contracts particularly in the growth markets where we have several opportunities in the pipeline”, says Kasper Friis Nilaus, Chief Commercial Officer of Svitzer.

“We are proud to be the winner of this tender which required hard work, commitment and dedication of all our team. We are very much looking forward to utilising Sanmar’s expertise with Svitzer’s experience. This project is a good example of building and delivering high quality tugs with top level health and safety standards but with competitive prices; but still built in Europe.” says Ali Gürün, Member of Board of Sanmar.

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## **ABOUT SVITZER**

Since 1833, Svitzer has provided safety and support at sea. With 4,000 employees, a fleet of more than 430 vessels and operations all over the world, we are the global market leader within towage and emergency response.

## **ABOUT SANMAR**

Sanmar Shipyards is one of the leading tugbuilders in the world with a production capacity of 25 tugboats per year at its two state of the art shipyards. The whole tugbuilding process is completed indoor, totally independent of atmospheric conditions. Sanmar is the proud builder of the world's first LNG fuelled tugboats. Sanmar Shipyards is specialised in high technology vessels especially escort tugs for LNG terminals.