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Drydocks World – Dubai wins Lloyd’s List Shipbuilding/Shiprepair Award 2009

Yard’s excellence hailed as MD Nawal Saigal is named Personality of the Year

Dubai, UAE, November 18, 2009: Drydocks World - Dubai, the region’s premier ship repair, conversion and new building yard and flagship company of Drydocks World, reaffirmed its position in the marine industry when it won the prestigious Shipbuilding/Shiprepair Award at the Lloyd’s List Middle East and Indian Subcontinent Awards 2009 for the fifth consecutive year.

The honour is in recognition of the consistent results Drydocks World - Dubai has delivered despite the global economic downturn, while maintaining the highest standards of safety and quality within the yard.

In addition, Nawal Saigal, Managing Director, Drydocks World - Dubai, was named “Personality of the Year” for his strategic positioning of the shipyard, advocating investment and seizing opportunity in the downturn. The Awards committee, comprising marine industry veterans, highlighted that these factors have helped Drydocks World - Dubai achieve a consistent performance and have boosted the morale of the marine industry in the UAE.

Ravi Senaratne, Commercial Director, Drydocks World - Dubai, received the Shipbuilding/Shiprepair Award on behalf of the yard, at a glittering presentation ceremony held at Madinat Jumeirah in Dubai, on Sunday, November 8th, which was attended by various leaders from the industry.

Ravi Senaratne said: "This prestigious award has reiterated Drydocks World - Dubai's status as the shipyard of choice because of our expertise, experience and stringent adherence to safety and quality standards. We will continue our efforts towards achieving higher standards of excellence and strengthen Dubai's position as the maritime hub of the region."

The recognition is the latest in a series of high profile, international awards Drydocks World - Dubai has won over the years. The yard has won the Lloyd's List Shipyard of the Year award for four consecutive years, from 2005 to 2008.

The annual Lloyd's List Awards, established by the internationally acclaimed trade publication group, are considered to be benchmarks for excellence in the industry.

The Dubai yard has recently expanded its repair and conversion facilities in terms of space and equipment, increasing its capacity for major projects involving highly complex, technical operations.

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About Drydocks World

Drydocks World, a Dubai World company, is one of the most prominent names in the maritime industry. Over the past 26 years, Drydocks World has established itself as a leading, and fast growing international player in ship repair, shipbuilding, rig building, FPSO conversion, offshore fabrication and fleet operations with facilities in the Middle East and Southeast Asia.

The company's flagship yard, Drydocks World - Dubai is the largest and most modern facility between Europe and the Far East. This has recently been supplemented with the acquisition of four fully operational facilities; one in Singapore and three on Batam Island, Indonesia. Drydocks World - Singapore is a repair, conversion, and shipbuilding yard, while Batam Island consists of Drydocks World – Graha, a dedicated rig building and offshore yard, Drydocks World – Nanindah a shipbuilding yard and Drydocks World – Pertama, also a repair, conversion and shipbuilding yard. Each yard uses advanced technologies in well-equipped workshops with a strong, consistent focus on safety and quality.

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