## **SMIT INTERNATIONALE (GABON) S.A.**

Part 2



Left: The 1975 build **Makokou** seen here departing from Port Gentil.

The **Makokou** measures 22,1 mtr in length and have a beam of 6.8 mtr.

The vessel is powered by 2 GM 12V149 diesels which develop a total power of 1350 hp, this is good for a free running speed of 10 knots.

The vessel measures a BRT of 94 tons and is under class by BV as + I 3/3 E Service cotier.

At the TOTAL FINA ELF terminal at Cape Lopez several larger tugs are operating, The **ANNELIES** which is build during 1994 by Richard Dunston in Hull (U.K) has a power of 3500 BHP, the vessel is powered by 2 Caterpillar engines and is equipped with a bowthruster of 300 kW, the length is 41.3 mtr and the beam is 9.8 mtr, the summer draft is 4.5 mtr, with a GRT of 487 ton.





Another tug which is operating at the terminal is the **HUBERTA**, this vessel is a STAN TUG 3509 design and was build during 1997 and flies the Panamanian flag.

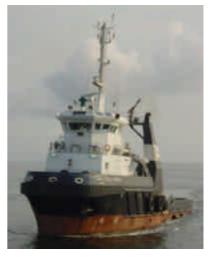
The 374 GRT vessel has a length of 35 mtrs and a beam of 9,25 mtrs with a draft of 3.6 mtr, the 66 ton bollard pull is delivered by 2 Caterpillar engines of 2550 kW each, the vessel is further equipped with fire fighting equipment.

Recently the **IEVOLI GREEN** joined the fleet of SMIT Gabon, this new vessel is bare boat chartered by SMIT from Marnavi S.P.A.for about 2 years.





Loa	36 mt
Beam	10.2 mt
Max Draught	4.0 mt
Grt	489
Rec - Oil	70 cubm
Bollard Pull	66 Ton
Main Engines	4600 HP
Clear working deck space	18 x 10 M
Deck Cargo	200 Ton





One of the older tugs of SMIT Gabon is the **COLBERT**, this tug is build during 1971 and is rated: BV +13/3 E Deep Sea Tug, the vessel has a length of 38.5 mtr and a beam of 10.55 mtr, the draft is 4.5 mtr, the vessel is powered by 1 Crepelle 12 V engine with a power of 2100 hp which gives the tug a bollard pull of 32 tons. Further the 370 BRT vessel is equipped with Fire Fighting equipment and operates with a crew of 8.

At the picture left the COLBERT is leaving from Port Gentil with a barge for Cameroon.



The tug **COURBET** was build during 1983 and has a power of 3100 hp, she measures 40.2 mtr x 10.5 mtr with a GRT of 494 ton.







**Top**: the **RENOVATION** after having been sold is getting painted in the colours of the new owner.

Besides the several tugs SMIT Gabon operates 7 flat top barges which all measures 45 x 12 mtrs and 2 LCT  $\hat{s}$ , the  $3^{rd}$  LCT 1981 build, named **RENOVATION** was recently sold to SATRAM Maritime in Port Gentil.

The other 2 LCT's operated by SMIT Gabon are named **MITZIC** and **SALLY BELL**, these vessels are build during 1989 and are 50 mtr long and 12 mtr width.

During my visit to Port Gentil, Gabon the **PENTOW SALVOR** came in to offload and load some materials.



The PENTOW SALVOR which was build as ROCK FISH by Pattje in Waterhuizen (The Netherlands) during 1982 under yard number 349 is powered by 2 A/S Winchman engines with a maximum of 4000 bhp which give the vessel a bollard pull of 50 tons, the length of the vessel is 53.5 mtrs, width is 11.7 mtr, the maximum draft is 4.5 mtrs and the GRT is 851 tons.

The **Pentow Salvor** is owned by SMIT Int Shipping investment and flies the Saint Vincent and the Grenadine's flag.





Another old lady which operates from Port Gentil is the **SMIT CURACAO**, this vessel which started her life as the **SMIT LLOYD 108** is at present operated by SMIT South Africa and the crew onboard is Ukrainian.



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