

MacGregor wins orders for newly-introduced offshore lattice boom crane

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MacGregor, part of Cargotec, has won contracts for its new lattice boom cranes (LBC) from Merkers Offshore, successfully negotiated and procured through Marine Commerce in Singapore. Four 20015-6045 LBC cranes will be installed on two offshore maintenance liftboats - equipped with 80m jack-up legs - under construction at Jiangsu Dajin Heavy Industries in China. Delivery is scheduled for the third quarter of 2016.

"We secured these orders as a result of MacGregor's extensive offshore knowledge and our reputation for producing robust and reliable offshore equipment," says Mattias Sundström, Sales and Marketing Director for MacGregor's lattice boom cranes. "MacGregor's long-standing relationship with Marine Commerce was also an important factor."

Designed to meet the requirements of API-2C, which governs the design and construction of offshore pedestal mounted cranes installed on fixed or floating platform structures employed in drilling and production operations, each crane will have a SWL of 200 tonnes at 15m outreach, or 60 tonnes at 45m.

MacGregor developed its LBC cranes in response to rising demand in the offshore market. Although designed to target a very specific segment, MacGregor was able to take full advantage of its extensive experience of crane design and construction across the whole organisation during the development phase.

"The cranes will perform well in the harsh, corrosive conditions of the offshore industry," adds Mr Sundström. "Regardless of performance requirements, offshore equipment must, above all, be rugged, safe and reliable, because the offshore industry goes about its business in some very challenging environments."

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