

## Press release

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# Royal IHC delivers one of a kind converted J-lay vessel AMAZON to McDermott International

On Wednesday the 31<sup>st</sup> of August 2022, Royal IHC handed over the J-lay vessel AMAZON to McDermott International. After an intensive and successful sea trial program, the conversion project officially comes to an end. Following the signing of the transfer documentation the vessel can now commence its first assignment in West Africa.

For this project, Royal IHC has converted AMAZON into the modern and state of the art J-lay vessel it is today. The patented system, with dynamic top tension capacity of 1.500 tonnes, can handle a variety of pipes including normal flowlines, export lines and pipe-in-pipe configurations, ranging in size from 4.5 to 25 inches in diameter and inline assemblies. Other modifications included highly automated onboard operation processes for optimised safety performance and production efficiency. This also resulted in a reduced number of staff requirements for process supervision.

As McDermott International's only J-lay vessel with holding capacity of 10.000 tonnes of pipe on board, and ability to produce hex joints from single or double joints in the multi-joint facility, McDermott gains a unique key asset to their fleet for ultra-deepwater projects.

Jan-Pieter Klaver, CEO Royal IHC: "Completing the AMAZON conversion has been challenging at times. However, we remain incredibly proud of her and the teams on both sides whose collaboration made this possible. This project compelled us to design a one of a kind system, with specifications that can redefine the pipelaying industry and the worlds understanding of what is possible in ultradeepwater construction. Redelivering the AMAZON is the outcome of dedication, knowledge and passion of all those involved."

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### **Company profile**

Royal IHC is a leading supplier of maritime technology and determined to play a leading role in making the maritime industry more efficient and sustainable.

Anchored in rich Dutch maritime history, Royal IHC sets out to expand its position as a leading supplier of maritime technology and expert craftsmanship. With the right people with the right skill set on board, and driven by innovation, we provide a clear competitive edge to our worldwide customers in the dredging, offshore, mining and defence industries. More than equipment, vessels and services, we deliver reliable, integrated solutions that improve operational efficiency and allow for a more sustainable performance. As we navigate new waters in an ever-changing world, our aim remains finding the smartest and safest way forward for both our customers and our people. Working together, we are creating the maritime future.

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