

## **New Tug and Barge Design Contracts for Bristol Harbor Group, Inc.**

Bristol, RI -- October 22, 2008 -- Bristol Harbor Group, Inc. (BHGI) was recently awarded two substantial design jobs for two separate repeat clients from Puerto Rico.

Harbor Bunkering Corporation has commissioned BHGI to design another double hull oil tank barge. BHGI has designed two barges for the San Juan bunkering business in the past. "Bristol Harbor has been so responsive and has shown such attention to detail," says Eric J. Rivera, Harbor Bunkering Corporation's Operations Manager, "the barges they have designed have really been just what we needed." In 2004, BHGI designed the 30,000 BBLS double hull oil barge *ENTERPRISE* for Harbor Bunkering Corporation, and in 2005 they designed a 60,000 BBLS barge that is still to be built.



The new barge for Harbor Bunkering is to be another 30,000 BBLS barge, based on the *ENTERPRISE* but with only ten tanks, corrugated bulkheads, and several other improvements. The builder is yet to be determined for this barge, and Harbor Bunkering Corporation is considering both Jones Act and non-Jones Act builders.

The other significant design contract recently signed is a 4,300 bhp Z-drive tug for South Puerto Rico Towing of Guayanilla, Puerto Rico. The vessel will serve primarily as a ship docking vessel, but will be outfitted with FiFi 1 capabilities, and will be capable of towing with a winch and pin system. BHGI has previously provided consulting services to South Puerto Rico Towing, and is excited about the opportunity to design their next vessel.

Bristol Harbor Group provides naval architecture, marine engineering and construction oversight services to a wide variety of customers. Their commercial work includes small passenger vessels, oil and deck barges, tugboats, patrol vessels and offshore supply boats. Recreational vessel work includes mega yachts as well as powerboats and sailboats.

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