

PRESS RELEASE**-OPENS-****BAE SYSTEMS CONTRACTS BURGESS MARINE**

Burgess Marine Limited and BAE Systems, the operator of HM Naval Base Portsmouth, is pleased to announce that they have jointly entered into a Long Term Purchase Agreement in relation to onsite support of the company's Commercial and Naval Support business units.

The agreement is structured specifically to increase productivity, inter-company commercial support and communication, and to assist in improving both Health and Safety standards, and the measurable quality of work delivered.

Nicholas Warren, Burgess Marine's Managing Director comments: "as a long-term strategic partner of BAE Systems this agreement is great news. BAE Systems have been instrumental in the growth of our business; the Health, Safety, Quality and Environmental support that they've provided to us as a small business has been phenomenal. We're extremely grateful for their continued support, and the fact that we're entering into this long term agreement is hugely reassuring for the future of our partnership and the continued success of our business".

Chris Hutchings, Procurement Manager for BAE Systems confirms that a long term purchasing agreement has been signed to commence on the 30th March 2012 for an initial period of one year. He commented: "Burgess Marine have been a supplier into the Naval Base since 2006 and we were keen to facilitate a closer working relationship by signing this agreement. The two companies have committed to develop and maintain an improved supplier relationship, which is already bringing benefits in the form of working efficiencies and service response time to the end Customer.

"BAE Systems looks forward to the continued success of our agreement with one of our preferred suppliers Burgess Marine for Engineering Services and Maintenance."

Burgess Marine is one of BAE Systems preferred suppliers to support commercial dockings and repair works, and extensively supports the Royal Navy via BAE Systems. The company has recently completed works onboard HMS Westminster, HMS Diamond, HMS Dauntless, and the three new Offshore Patrol Vessel's.

Burgess Marine, with facilities in Dover, Portsmouth, Southampton and Poole, operates International mobile ship-care teams, is available 24/7, 365 days of the year, and is ISO9001/2008 BSI accredited, and a DNV approved service supplier.

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