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Press Release**DESMI has Ballast Water Treatment under Control**

DESMI A/S and DESMI Ocean Guard A/S have entered into a co-operation agreement on the sale of ballast water treatment systems.

"Considering that DESMI A/S has a wide and well rooted sales network to potential customers for the ballast water treatment systems, we will have a good basis for quickly spreading the knowledge of our ballast water treatment concept," says Christian Ingvorsen at DESMI Ocean Guard A/S.

DESMI Ocean Guard A/S is well under way with the testing of a 400 m³/h system, which is to go through some very demanding tests at the recently finished DHI test facilities for ballast water treatment systems. The facilities are situated in the harbour of Hundested, Denmark, and are state-of-the-art when it comes to testing these systems.

It is estimated that approx. 50,000 ships will have to install ballast water treatment systems and that each ship will have two systems installed, one for each ballast pump. It is anticipated that the so-called retro-fit installation on board existing ships will be made in the period 2012 – 2019. After that ballast water treatment systems will primarily be installed in new-buildings.

DESMI A/S will introduce the system at the SMM marine exhibition in Hamburg and expects to deliver the first systems in 2011.

"We are looking forward to introducing the system and its many advantages to our customers. There is a huge potential and having an approved and unique system we can only have a positive view of the future," says Henrik Mørkholt, Sales Director at DESMI A/S.

DESMI A/S already produces ballast pumps, cooling water pumps and other pump solutions for the marine industry and is especially known for delivering very energy-efficient pump systems. Furthermore, DESMI has a wide knowledge of general energy optimisation of cooling water systems, which can save the ship-owners more than 50% of the energy costs.

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