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Signet Shipbuilding Delivers New 140’ x 40’ Heavy Deck Barge

31 December 2012, Pascagoula, Mississippi: In May of 2012, Signet Maritime Corporation commenced construction of a new-build 140’ x 40’ deck barge, SIGNET 141, at its Signet Shipbuilding & Repair division. The barge, designed by Farrell and Norton Naval Architects of Newcastle, Maine, will provide an additional asset to assist customers in the growing Port of Pascagoula, where it will be based for charter throughout ports in the US Gulf.

The barge has an LOA of 140’, beam of 40’, molded depth of 9’, a light draft of 1’5” and will handle 800 long tons of cargo with deck strength of 2,000 lbs/sq. ft. This improved design will afford Signet the opportunity to assist with movement of cargo in the Port and surrounding areas.

The SIGNET 141 was christened on December 20, 2012 and represents a continuation of added strength designs built at the Signet Shipbuilding & Repair Pascagoula facility.

“We are pleased to have committed this contract to our shipyard facility in Pascagoula and they have once again proven their reliability and quality construction practices in building superior marine vessels,” says J. Barry Snyder, Signet’s President. “I was in the shipyard almost every day during construction and I can report first-hand that the attention to detail and adherence to strict quality procedures is the key reason for Signet’s confidence in our facility.”

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