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Crowley, ESVAGT to Build and Operate Service Operations Vessel for Siemens Gamesa at Coastal Virginia Offshore Wind Project

(JACKSONVILLE, Fla.; Jan. 17, 2023) Crowley and Danish offshore maritime leader ESVAGT will jointly build and operate a service operations vessel (SOV) under a long-term charter with Siemens Gamesa Renewable Energy, enhancing a service crucial for the U.S. clean wind energy market.

Under the new contract, U.S.-based Crowley will manage and crew the SOV to support Siemens Gamesa's service operations on the Dominion Energy Coastal Virginia Offshore Wind project. ESVAGT, based in Denmark, will support Crowley with design, construction, crew training and operation services as part of the two companies' joint venture, CREST Wind, created in 2021 to deliver the best of both worlds: combining European designs and operating practices with the safety and operational expertise of the premier U.S. vessel operator.

The 289-foot vessel will feature state-of-the-art technologies to augment safety, workability and comfort to support the O&M activities of the wind farm project. It will have modern accommodations for 80 crew and technicians. Consistent with federal law, the vessel will be U.S. built when it enters service in 2026.

"This vessel marks another significant milestone in our overarching, combined capabilities to help develop, construct and serve the U.S. offshore wind market and America's clean, renewable energy needs," said Bob Karl, senior vice president and general manager, Crowley Wind Services. *"We appreciate Siemens Gamesa's trust in our capabilities, and we look forward to continuing our work to develop state-of-the-art, purpose-built vessels to meet sustainable energy demands in the U.S."*

Recognized as the largest operator of SOVs in Europe, ESVAGT has established its industry leadership in SOV concept and innovation development that provides efficient operations with safety and support for personnel at offshore wind projects.

"This first contract in the U.S. is a landmark event for ESVAGT in our quest to help drive the green transition as a global leader of SOV services," said Chief Strategy and Commercial Officer Soren Karas of ESVAGT.

"We are excited to bring our decades of offshore wind experience to bear in a new market through our CREST JV with the premier Jones Act operator, Crowley. Together, we can offer an unparalleled solution to the wind industry and are delighted that Siemens Gamesa have recognized this."

Dominion Energy plans to construct 176 14.7 MW Siemens Gamesa wind turbines and three offshore substations, generating enough clean, renewable energy to power up to 660,000 homes. It would avoid 5 million tons per year of carbon emissions compared with fossil fuel usage for power.

“This is an important step in the development of a skilled offshore workforce in America,” said David Hickey, CEO, Service Americas for Siemens Gamesa. “This charter will enable us to provide top-tier service for the Coastal Virginia Offshore Wind project with a U.S.-built vessel.”

The SOV advances Crowley’s full spectrum of solutions for offshore wind. The company is developing offshore wind terminals in California and Massachusetts. Crowley also offers feedering vessels, supply chain management solutions and workforce development programming built on more than 130 years of marine solutions.

SOV FACTS:

Servicing an offshore wind farm is demanding labor handled by a highly specialized team of service technicians who are often offshore for weeks. During their stay offshore, the technicians live on a service operation vessel (SOV), which also hosts an on-board workshop and much of the equipment and spare parts needed to service an offshore wind farm.

The state-of-the-art SOV will incorporate the newest technologies with a highly trained crew aided by digital tools that leverage their efficiency, safety and productivity. The SOV is designed for comfort and high workability, providing a highly efficient workspace and safe transfer of technicians at the windfarm via a motion-compensated gangway and transfer boats. It will also offer recreational activities for the onboard crew and technicians, including fitness facilities, a game room, a cinema and individual accommodations.

- Length overall: 88.0 m (288.7 ft)
- Breadth: 17.6 m (57.7 ft)
- Maximum draught: 6.2 m (20.3 ft)
- Accommodations: 80 personnel

About Crowley

Crowley is a privately held, U.S.-owned and -operated maritime, energy and logistics solutions company serving commercial and government sectors with more than \$3.2 billion in annual revenues, over 170 vessels mostly in the Jones Act fleet and approximately 7,000 employees around the world – employing more U.S. mariners than any other company. The Crowley enterprise has invested more than \$3.2 billion in maritime transport, which is the backbone of global trade and the global economy. As a global ship owner-operator and services provider with more than 130 years of innovation

and a commitment to sustainability, the company serves customers in 36 nations and island territories through five business units: [Crowley Logistics](#), [Crowley Shipping](#), [Crowley Solutions](#), [Crowley Wind Services](#) and [Crowley Fuels](#). Additional information about Crowley, its business units and subsidiaries can be found at www.crowley.com.

About ESVAGT

ESVAGT is a dedicated provider of safety and support services for the offshore energy industry. ESVAGT was founded in 1981 and has a fleet of more than 40 vessels and approximately 1200 employees offshore and onshore. ESVAGT pioneered the SOV concept with its clients in 2010 and is today the largest operator of state-of-the-art SOVs and associated services – a backbone for the offshore wind industry. ESVAGT continues to develop the most innovative, safe, and efficient solutions and is a committed enabler of the green transition. Additional information about ESVAGT, its business units and subsidiaries can be found at www.esvagt.com.

About Siemens Gamesa Renewable Energy

Siemens Gamesa unlocks the power of wind. For more than 40 years, we have been a pioneer and leader of the wind industry, and today our team of more than 27,000 colleagues work at the center of the global energy revolution to tackle the most significant challenge of our generation – the climate crisis. With a leading position in onshore, offshore, and service, we engineer, build and deliver powerful and reliable wind energy solutions in strong partnership with our customers. A global business with local impact, we have installed more than 127 GW and provide access to clean, affordable and sustainable energy that keeps the lights on across the world. To find out more, visit www.siemensgamesa.com and connect with us on social media.

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ESVAGT is a dedicated provider of safety and support at sea and services both the offshore wind industry as well as the oil & gas industry.

We service offshore wind farms and have a fleet of dedicated Service Operation Vessels (SOV), which ESVAGT pioneered in 2010. The SOVs provide accommodation for technicians, welfare facilities, offices and conference rooms, storage for turbine parts, workshops, etc. The SOV offers flexible personnel and equipment transfer capabilities by either Walk-to-Work

gangway system or Safe Transfer Boats.

We support the offshore Oil & Gas industries with a wide range of specialized services: Standby, Emergency Response and Rescue Vessels (ERRV), Oil spill response, Firefighting, Tanker assists, Rig moves, Supply services and Interfield transfer of cargo and personnel.

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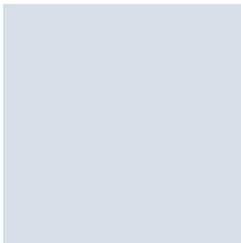
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