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## Silver Ships Delivers Four of Seven Coastal Fast Response Boats

Deliveries support NATO Navy

Mobile, Ala. (May 14, 2024) – <u>Silver Ships</u> has completed the construction and delivery of the first four coastal fast response boats (CFRB) under a contract award worth \$6.12 million from the Naval Sea Systems Command. The vessels were designed and constructed as a part of the U.S. Navy Foreign Military Sale (FMS) program and will benefit the NATO Navy, while the other three boats support a Central American Navy upon delivery. Each CFRB was inspected in Alabama and accepted by the Navy.

The seven custom-designed military CRFBs feature specialized communication and navigation equipment. These durable, 46-foot deep-vee hull vessels feature a cabin and WING collar system. They are powered by twin Caterpillar C7 500hp inboard diesel engines and Hamilton HJX-29 waterjets. The waterjets enable the vessels to continuously operate in shallow and coastal areas where outboards would typically be less effective.

The CFRB will be used for coastal and harbor patrol and as law enforcement interceptor vessels. The CFRB series is versatile and can be tailored to specific mission needs. The CFRB was developed in response to the U.S. Navy's workboat program requirements. The large, fast cabin vessel amplifies the features of Silver Ships' popular Endeavor and Ambar series vessels. As the design of this series evolved, Silver Ships' leadership deemed it worthy of series implementation. Currently, Silver Ships has a CFRB fire boat variant in production.

"This is a special category of boat that incorporates some of the best features of our proven Endeavor (propulsion plant, hull form and push knees on bow) and Ambar (collar, cabin) designs. It is uniquely suited as a military, law enforcement, fire or dive platform with more endurance and a cuddy cabin that can support offshore missions of up to several days' duration," said Shawn Lobree, Silver Ships Director of Federal Programs.

For more than 35 years Silver Ships has worked with the U.S. Military in creating mission-specific boats. <u>Silver Ships</u> takes pride in our support of the U.S. Military and remains dedicated to meeting all operational needs while offering maximum crew safety and outstanding performance.

## **About Silver Ships**

Silver Ships, Inc. produces high-quality aluminum boats for military, federal, state and municipal government as well as commercial applications through collaboration with highly skilled design, engineering and production resources. With corporate headquarters located in Theodore, Ala., Silver Ships' production facilities are situated on a 25-acre plant site and utilize state-of-the-art boatbuilding equipment. The company's vision is to provide customers with a boat designed, built, outfitted and best suited to meet their operational needs while offering the maximum in crew safety and outstanding performance. Learn more at silverships.com.

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