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EnQuest recognises vessel's safety milestone with award

A supply vessel chartered by the largest UK independent oil producer in the UK North Sea, EnQuest, has reached a major landmark after operating for five years without a lost time incident (LTI).

EnQuest recognised the significant achievement by presenting an award to the master and crew of the Sea Trout, which is owned by global-leading shipping operator, Deep Sea Supply.

Over the past five years, the vessel has consistently transported cargo to EnQuest's North Sea assets - Thistle, Heather and the Northern Producer - and to mobile drilling units working on behalf of EnQuest in an extensive area ranging from the Central North Sea to the East of Shetland basin.

Colin Smith, marine coordinator at EnQuest said: "The importance of supply vessels should never be underestimated – they carry essential goods and equipment to our assets that allow us to continue to operate safely and efficiently and the skill, expertise and local knowledge of the captains and crews is vital to ensuring safe operations. Without the right goods and equipment in the right place at the right time, our offshore operations would be unable to function effectively."

Ali Talpur, supply chain manager at EnQuest, attributed the Sea Trout's LTI achievement to commitment from leadership, a focus on safety, planning and teamwork and excellence in execution. He presented the award to the master and crew at EnQuest's marine logistics base in Peterhead while the Sea Trout was berthed at the town's harbour port following a regular offshore trip.

He also commended the work that the team has done in not only operating safely but also efficiently meeting the demands of fixed assets and mobile drilling units through expected turnarounds for load outs especially in the challenging North Sea weather conditions.

Mr Talpur said: "Safety is at the heart of everything we do at EnQuest and for the Sea Trout to achieve five years without an LTI is a significant achievement. We wanted to show our appreciation and extend our thanks to the vessel masters and crews for their dedication and hard work. Together, we make a winning team."

Finn Amund Norbye, chief executive officer at Deep Sea Supply, said: “A goal like this is not easily achieved and it requires a constant, daily focus on safety. Throughout the five years that the Sea Trout has been operating for EnQuest, the vessel and crew have been challenged on a daily basis by the harsh environment of the North Sea. It is of utmost importance that we remain focused on safety and continue to provide quality in the operation of our vessels, in order to maintain the high standards we have set to date.”

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