



# PRESS RELEASE

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## **SMIT completes acquisition Minette Bay Ship Docking Ltd in Canada**

This morning Smit Internationale NV announces that it has completed the acquisition of all shares of Minette Bay Ship Docking Ltd. in Prince Rupert, Canada.

Minette Bay is active in the port of Prince Rupert with three ASD tugs. Minette Bay honorably performed the shipdocking services for Ridley Island Coal Terminal for 25 years. This acquisition enhances SMIT Marine Canada's current harbour towage operations on the West Coast of Canada.

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### **Company profile**

SMIT has a proud tradition of nearly 170 years of service in the maritime sector. The company has earned an excellent reputation by combining expertise and experience with high-quality materials and equipment in the nearly 50 locations around the world where SMIT is active. SMIT aims to provide its worldwide services in the main to shipping companies, producers in the oil and LNG industries, (offshore) construction companies, insurers, governments and shipyards. SMIT maintains the highest standards in respect of Safety, Health, the protection of the Environment and Quality.

SMIT's services are organised into four Divisions:

- **Harbour Towage:** harbour towage services and related maritime services.
- **Terminals:** towage services and related maritime and management services to offshore and onshore terminals.
- **Salvage:** salvage, wreck removal, environmental protection and consultancy.
- **Transport & Heavy Lift:** chartering, barge rental & transport, ocean, coastal and river towage, heavy lifting and marine support to a variety of civil and offshore projects and subsea services.