

Harley Marine Services Christens the EARL W REDD

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On Friday, February 10th Harley Marine Services christened the EARL W REDD, officially welcoming her to the fleet. The christening was held at the Harley and Lela Franco Maritime Center in Seattle, Washington.

Harley Franco, Chairman and CEO welcomed our guests, explaining the company's vision in building the cleanest, most environmentally efficient vessel in the world. The EARL W REDD is equipped with Caterpillar's Tier 4 emissions technology and will exceed the toughest marine emission standards. Joshua Berger from the Department of Commerce and Captain Linda Sturgis from the United States Coast Guard attested to Harley Marine's green initiatives and our commitment to operating a clean fleet and making a lasting impression in our ports.

Representing Caterpillar Marine, Brent Nelson thanked Harley Marine for the continued partnership in developing and improving the latest marine technologies. The first U.S. EPA Tier 4 vessel contains the latest, state-of-the-art emission reduction technology.

Deacon Sam Basta from the Seattle Seafarers Center blessed the vessel, asking for safety of the crew, fair winds and following seas. Christened by Earl's son, Kurt Redd smashed the bottle of champagne over the bow of the tug, which was preceded by a water display from the Seattle Fire Department fireboat, LESCHI. The local Olympic Tug & Barge fleet welcomed the EARL W REDD with a tug parade leading back to our home dock.

The christening was followed by lunch and guests were welcomed to tour the tug.

"The EARL is truly capable to answer any call, anywhere in the world, she is ready for whatever comes her way," Sven Christensen, General Manager of Olympic Tug & Barge.

EARL W REDD sets a new standard for the maritime industry, proving environmental consciousness is more than just words, it's our business philosophy.