

# The Shipbuilder

July 10, 2007

## Hull 006 Timeline:

Start of production	11/28/2005
Keel laying	5/15/2006
Float out	3/18/2007
Sea trials	6/5/2007
Naming ceremony	6/16/2007
Delivery	6/26/2007
Departure	6/29/2007

## Hull 006 Delivered Following Sea Trials and Naming Ceremony

On Tuesday, June 26th, the second MT 46 Veteran Class product tanker in Aker Philadelphia Shipyard's build program and the second vessel owned by American Shipping Corporation was delivered to Overseas Shipholding Group (OSG). Three days later, the ship set forth from the yard to begin her service to BP Shipping, under that company's time charter with OSG.



The Overseas Long Beach commencing sea trials

The weeks leading up to delivery of the ship were eventful, with successful sea trials taking place as well as a Naming Ceremony in which the ship was officially named the *Overseas Long Beach*.

Departing the yard on the morning of Tuesday, June 5th, sea trials for the vessel commenced with the ship

leaving the yard and heading down the Delaware River. Once the system and performance tests began, the ship performed admirably, accomplishing a "clean sweep" of the required tests, fully demonstrating all systems and achieving all specified performance measures. The vessel returned to the yard on sched-

ule in the early hours of Saturday, June 9th.

A week later, a ceremony was held at the yard and attended by hundreds of invited guests, Aker employees and their families. The vessel's sponsor, Governor Ruth Ann Minner of Delaware, blessed the vessel and those that are to sail upon her, while formally bestowing the name *Overseas Long Beach*.

After receiving certification from the US Coast Guard and ABS on the morning of the 26th, a flag ceremony was conducted on board the vessel, and Hull 006 was formally delivered on charter to OSG.



Naming ceremony for the Overseas Long Beach

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The *Overseas Long Beach* accomplished a "clean sweep" of the tests performed during sea trials.

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## Building the Future

### Safety Update

In addition to the many achievements made on Hull 006 during late June, the last week of the month was significant for another considerable accomplishment: no recordable safety incidents involving Aker Philadelphia Shipyard employees occurred. Please continue to do your part to help extend this positive streak.

Safe practices shouldn't begin and end at the entrance to the yard, though, and the summer season brings with it a host of home safety considerations, including:

**Sun safety** - The first, and best, line of defense against the sun is covering up. For exposed skin, apply sunscreen as least 30 minutes before going outside, and use sunscreen with a minimum of SPF15 even on cloudy days.

**Pool safety** - Never leave children alone in or near a pool, even for a moment. Keep rescue equipment, including a long pole with a hook on the end and a life preserver near the pool at all times.

**Lawn mower safety** - Use a

mower with a control that stops the mower from moving if the handle is let go, and wear sturdy shoes as well as hearing and eye protection when mowing.

**Travel safety** - Seat belts should be worn by all passengers during every trip you make in your vehicle - even quick drives. If boating, both children and adults should wear life jackets at all times, while blow-up water wings, toys, rafts and air mattresses should never be used as life jackets or life preservers.

### Investing in the yard

In order to improve efficiency and keep the yard safe, a number of noteworthy investments in the yard's infrastructure will be made this year.

First, the extension of the crane rails underneath the Building Dock's east luffing crane is nearly complete. This \$1.5 million investment will result in improved ac-

cess for the crane, with reach now extending to the north end of the dock as well as the entire K0 building area.

Second, additional working space has been gained with the recent demolition of Fort Dinger, a former Navy Yard structure which had stood near the south east corner of the Building Dock.

Additionally, the dock gate at the entrance to the Building Dock will be substantially refurbished after launch of Hull 007, providing for continued safe and reliable operation of this critical yard asset.

These investments are in addition to the ongoing investments in tools and welding equipment.

### Status of Hulls 007 / 008 / 009

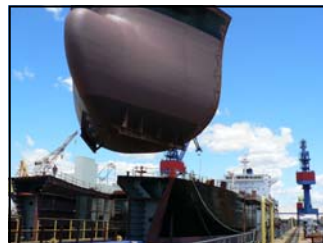
The steel structure of Hull 007, the third tanker in the yard's build program, is nearly complete in the Building Dock, with the lower bow section (GB 1F11) having been set in place on Monday, July 2nd. The vessel is expected to be floated out of the dock at the end of next month.

Meanwhile, progress on

Hull 008 advances at the north end of the dock, just behind Hull 007, with the vessel now nearly 50%

complete and the ship's cargo holds clearly taking shape.

Assembly of double-bottom and engine room sections continues on Hull 009. Keel laying for the vessel will take place early this fall, once its two predecessors have vacated their current positions in the Building Dock.



GB 1F11 is set in the dock