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MMA Brewster's Darwin Naming Ceremony

A custom-built platform supply vessel constructed by MMA Offshore will be a regular visitor to Darwin Port over the next 10 years, as one of the primary vessels providing drilling, commissioning and operational support to INPEX's offshore facilities in the Ichthys Field.

The vessel was officially named "MMA Brewster" at a ceremony on 6 April 2017.

Mrs Marie Hardy, wife of the Administrator of the Northern Territory His Honour the Honourable John Hardy AO graciously named the vessel.



His Honour, the Honourable John Hardy AO,
Mrs Hardy & Master Rod Kearney

In keeping with maritime tradition, Mrs Hardy undertook the role of Godmother, to advocate for the success and wellbeing of the vessel .

The ceremony was hosted by MMA Offshore and also attended by representatives from INPEX and the NT Government.

MMA Managing Director Jeff Weber said the MMA Brewster was a state-of-the art platform supply vessel, featuring advanced engineering and design.

It had significant specialist capabilities that suited the unique demands of the Ichthys LNG Project offshore facilities.

"The MMA Brewster joins our fleet of more than 40 vessels in Australian and international waters, and will operate from Darwin Port to support and supply INPEX's operations in the Ichthys field, he said.



MMA Brewster alongside Fort Hill Wharf, Darwin

"The vessel showcases our ongoing expertise in delivering specialist vessels that provide vital marine support for the exploration, construction and production phases of the offshore oil and gas industry ."

The naming of the MMA Brewster follows the naming of its sister ship, the MMA Plover, last year. The MMA Plover also provides support to the Ichthys Project's offshore facilities and is currently operating out of Broome.



The ships are named for the two reservoirs that make up the Ichthys field: the Brewster Member, 4km below the seabed, and Plover Foundation, 4.5km below the seabed.

INPEX Project Coordination Director Michitaka Ohta welcomed the official naming of the vessel, noting that it would provide a vital link to the Australian mainland and the offshore platform.

“Through the Ichthys Project we are making a substantial contribution to the Northern Territory and Australia, while enhancing energy security,” he said.

Mr Ohta said INPEX has a long-term commitment to support the Darwin community in which it operates, and is proud of the Company’s strong track record of engaging with and providing opportunities for local workers and businesses.

The safe construction and deployment of the vessel demonstrates the shared commitment of the INPEX-operated Ichthys LNG Project and MMA Offshore to innovation and safety.

“From Darwin, the MMA Brewster will ferry a huge array of materials to maintain the Project’s offshore facilities that will include provisions, chemicals, critical spare parts and tools to ensure the success of the INPEX-led Ichthys LNG Project, he said.

“I am grateful to the entire MMA team for this beautiful vessel and extend my thanks and congratulations.”

The newly-named MMA Brewster will now officially commence operations with INPEX. The Brewster will join MMA’s fleet of over 40 offshore vessels, 13 of which are operating in the Australian offshore industry.



Master Rod Kearney, Chief Engineer Nigel Woolley & Ohta-San INPEX Director of Project Coordination

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