MINERVA MARINE INC. GOES PAPERLESS WITH TRANSAS ECDIS

Minerva Marine Inc. and Transas Marine International team up towards paperless navigation and a new era in digital services.

On 23rd September it was announced from Greece that Transas Hellas has recently agreed with Minerva Marine Inc. to equip its fleet with ECDIS and official charts aiming to shift within a specified timeframe to paperless navigation. In addition to the premium line of Transas ECDIS and Transas Admiralty Data Service TADS (official ENCs), Minerva Marine has decided to deploy additional back up arrangements both for hardware and software, including Transas TX-97 vector charts.

Five vessels of the fleet have already been commissioned and are currently implementing the transition procedures from paper to paperless navigation.

Minerva Marine Inc. will also implement satellite tracking of the fleet through the Transas FleetManager Online which will enable, at the final stage, continuous monitoring of the status of the fleet charts’ collection in each vessel.

Captain. Dimitrios A. Stamoudis, Safety & Quality Manager commented, “We have decided to move forward despite the slow process of ECDIS implementation in the industry the last few years. We consider that paperless navigation is an enormous Navigational change and therefore we have developed an analytical Management of Change Process which will help our Masters and the Navigation Officers to familiarize themselves with the new requirements and to obtain the equipment’s maximum capabilities before switching to paperless. Our goal is to enhance the Safety of Navigation and to complete the change in the most effective way.”