# UNOLS Wire Pool 2017 Update

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### **Topics to be Discussed**

- Wire Pool Database New Features
- Efforts to Extend the Life Span of UNOLS Wire
- Update on the Evaluation of Synthetic Rope as a potential alternative to wire rope.

#### Wire Pool Database - New Features

- \*Improved speed \*Read-only option
  - \*Pull down menu on Ship Report page
    - Lubrication (tracks date of last lubrication)
    - Cut back/re-termination
    - End for end wire
    - Split reel
    - Update wire status
    - Upload documents

			10	Wires Assigne	d to this Vess	el		
Wire size and type	Manu.Reel No.	NSF Reel No.	Date distributed to this institution		Last lubrication (see Policy)	Wire Status	Action	,
0.322 EM	Q7705-C2	NSF-12-C161-A	Dec 2012	9,578	Oct-28-2016	In use or onboard vessel	Select	*
0.681 PowerOptic	Q6685-C1	NSF-09-F07	Dec 2012	9,154	Sep-29-2015	In use or onboard vessel	Select	*
3/8 3x19	428-360077-1	NSF-12-H46	Dec 2012	9,868	Oct-1-2015	In use or onboard vessel	Select	۲
9/16 3x19	BBS1148-03	NSF-07-T38	Dec 2012	9,309	Sep-28-2015	In use or onboard vessel	Select	

## Efforts to Extend the Life Span of UNOLS Wire

Evaluation of "Used" Wire that has potential for additional use.

**Evaluation of conductors** 

End for end evaluation and measurement

Break, e-kink, mandrel testing

Lubrication

Ready for distribution or loan

#### Distribution vs. Loan of Wire

#### Distribution

Wire to be wound on to a UNOLS vessel's winch as a permanent installation.

Vessel is responsible for the wire

Making sure it is properly maintained and lubricated

Testing is kept up to date

#### Loan

Appropriate for single, short term operation

Wire is loaned with the expectation that it will be returned to the Wire Pool

Wire pool maintains wire (testing, lubrication)

## **Synthetic Evaluation Update**



# Initial Synthetic Evaluation April 2016

Heavy Lift tests conducted using 2 Synthetic Ropes

- Phillystran PST 9/16" diameter Technora Aramid Fiber
- Samson DM 20 9/16" diameter Dyneema DM-20 Fiber

Included lifting 5,000, 10,000, 15,000 lbs. using traction winch on R/V Endeavor

Gravity Coring Cruise on R/V Endeavor, April 2016, utilizing the both ropes as tension members.

Heavy lift tests on a 3<sup>rd</sup> sample, following the Endeavor cruise:

Cortland B-O-B 5/8" diameter

Lifting 25,000 lbs. using traction winch on R/V Endeavor

# Additional Synthetic Evaluation 2016/2017

- More Traction Winch Tests
- In House Laboratory Testing

# Additional Synthetic Evaluation 2016/2017

#### **Traction Winch Tests**

Repeat of lift tests using the traction winch of R/V Neil Armstrong

- 5/8" Cortland B-O-B
- 9/16" Samson Product with DM-20 fiber
- 9/16" Cortland Plasma® HiCo



20,000 lbs. lift on R/V Neil Armstrong using Synthetic Rope

# Additional Synthetic Evaluation 2016/2017

#### **In House Laboratory Testing**

Thousand Cycle Load Level Determination for 4 Rope Samples

- 5/8" Cortland B-O-B
- 9/16" Samson Product with DM-20 fiber
- 9/16" Phillystran PST w/ Multiplex jacket
- 9/16" Cortland Plasma® HiCo

### **Thousand Cycle Load Level**

Theoretical Load Level at which failure would occur at 1,000 cycles Expressed as a % of the manufacturer's minimum breaking strength

- 1,000 cycles @ 50% of breaking strength, if it survives
- 1,000 cycles @ 60%, if sample survives
- 1,000 cycles @ 70%, if sample survives
- 2,000 cycles @ 80%

#### **Using Predetermined Equivalents:**

- 1,000 cycles @ 50% = 251 cycles @ 60%
- 1,000 cycles @ 50% + 1,000 cycles @ 60% = 215 cycles @ 70%
- 1,000 cycles @ 50% + 1,000 cycles @ 60% + 1,000 cycles @ 70% = 113 cycles @ 80%

CTF= Number of Cycles to Failure
TLL = Test Load Level at which CTF occurred

TCLL can be calculated: TCLL = 100% - ((6.91 (100% - TLL))/Ln CTF)

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## Thousand Cycle Load Level Test Results

Manufacturer	<u>Product</u>	<u>TCLL</u>	
		[% MBS]	
Cortland	B-O-B	71.4	
Phillystran	PST	79.4	
Samson	DM-20	81.9*	
Cortland	Plasma® HiCo	81.9	

<sup>\*</sup> Used an estimated minimum breaking strength

### **Now Hear This!**

