

An aerial photograph of a large cargo ship with a colorful deck, surrounded by smaller tugboats in the blue ocean.

# THE RESPONDER

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## WELCOME MESSAGE

### Preparedness For Emergency Response

Global marine response and readiness is the foundation of Resolve Marine's business, and being prepared is critical to our success. There are two sides to being prepared: the first is what we do as a company to be prepared; and the second, how we work with our clients so that they are prepared.

To ensure continuous readiness, Resolve Marine maintains strategically positioned salvage crews and facilities with salvage equipment across the Americas, Europe, and Asia, ready to respond 24/7, 365 days a year. Our field operations teams undergo continuous training, and our response equipment is meticulously maintained, packed and ready for deployment. Through ongoing investments in people, equipment, and assets, we proudly uphold our commitment to readiness for our clients.

Central to our approach is Resolve Marine's Global Partnership Agreement, which names Resolve Marine as the designated responder in the event of a marine emergency worldwide. A key ingredient of this concept is integrating our response capabilities with a client's systems and processes, fostering a cohesive emergency preparedness framework by conducting emergency training drills and developing robust contingency plans, which we call 'Preparedness for Emergency Response'. By doing so, the reaction time for any given emergency response is reduced dramatically both from the side of the ship owner/manager and from the responder, providing better, timely and cost-effective results. Many of our clients use the partnership agreement as proof to charterers, insurers and other stakeholders that they are taking proactive measures when it comes to emergency response.

With four decades of experience, a highly skilled workforce and a fleet of in-house maintained floating assets and equipment, Resolve Marine is capable and available to provide emergency response solutions globally. And by establishing emergency response partnerships proactively, we can optimize resource allocation and enhance your preparedness. If you are interested in our Global Partnership, please contact [opacompliance@resolvemarine.com](mailto:opacompliance@resolvemarine.com) for more details.

Think of the MV Dali incident taking place at a port outside of the United States and being confident, ahead of time, that you have a trusted maritime emergency responder, prepared and ready to respond.

**Dimitris Theodorou**  
Director, Emergency Response





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## SUSTAINABILITY

### INAUGURAL 2023 SUSTAINABILITY REPORT PUBLISHED

Just published, Resolve Marine's 2023 Sustainability Report outlines our ESG platform and identifies key stakeholders and UN SDG commitments. Environmental reporting includes tonnes of debris recovered over five years and in 2023. Social reporting includes organizational metrics, an overview of select health, safety, environmental and quality programs and ISO certifications, community engagement programs and information about our philanthropic arm, Misson Resolve Foundation. Governance reporting covers our whistleblowing and code of conduct policies.

We welcome the opportunity to continue an ESG conversation with our clients. For more information, contact Daniel Dettor, General Manager, Europe at [ddettor@resolvemarine.com](mailto:ddettor@resolvemarine.com) or Jennifer Schlueter, Brand, Marketing & Communications at [jschlueter@resolvemarine.com](mailto:jschlueter@resolvemarine.com).

To read the full report, go to the Sustainability section in About Us on [resolvemarine.com](http://resolvemarine.com).



## PROJECT HIGHLIGHTS



### MARINE FIREFIGHTING, RED SEA AND CANADA

2024 has been busy for Resolve Marine's firefighting experts. In January, we assisted an oil tanker that was hit by a missile in the Red Sea. Our firefighting team provided remote advice to the crew of the vessel who, together with the support of the patrolling naval vessels, successfully extinguished the blaze. In Canada, Resolve mobilized a firefighting team to assist a containership which had experienced an engine room fire in the St. Lawrence River. Boundary cooling and other measures were taken to help extinguish the fire and, after presenting a plan to the Canadian authorities, the vessel proceeded to safe anchorage.



## PROJECT HIGHLIGHTS (CONTINUED)



### SPILL RESPONSE, ALASKA

The USCG Sector Anchorage asked Resolve Marine to respond to a 9,000-gallon diesel fuel spill in a remote Alaskan village. Accessible only by air or water, approximately 300 Yupiit natives live in Kwigillingok. A short gravel runway limited the size and type of equipment that could be delivered to the site and our Pilatus PC-12 aircraft was used to shuttle gear to Bethel, where it was transferred onto smaller chartered planes for delivery. Spill response equipment included skimmers, shore-seal boom, pumps, and collapsible fuel storage tanks. Due to the village’s dependence on local wildlife for food, extra care was put into wildlife deterrence around the spill. Extreme arctic conditions—temperatures were as low as -30° to -34° Celsius—our team, together with the assistance of village residents, worked to control the spill.

### HUMANITARIAN AID, GAZA

Providing disaster relief and humanitarian aid is part of the Resolve Marine’s DNA, evidenced by our commitment to support the UN Sustainable Development Goals, notably Number 11, Sustainable Cities and Communities. When World Central Kitchen (WCK) sought assistance for the provision of food supplies to Gaza, we were ready to assist. Resolve Marine’s crane barge RMG 280 was mobilized from Gibraltar to Cyprus to increase aid being delivered through the maritime corridor from Cyprus to Gaza. Tragically, the fatal attacks on WCK volunteers in Gaza hampered efforts to further assist.



### LITHIUM-ION BATTERY CARGO FIRE, ALASKA

On Christmas morning 2023, cargo in a general cargo vessel shifted resulting in a thermal runaway from the Lithium-ion batteries in cargo hold 1. The ship’s crew discharged the fixed CO<sub>2</sub> system and the fire appeared to abate. While enroute to Dutch Harbor to engage with our firefighting team—Resolve Marine was initially tasked to provide a crew and firefighting equipment to ensure the fire onboard was extinguished and create safe conditions for the ship to continue its voyage—another thermal runaway event occurred in cargo hold 2. Our salvors and firefighting teams arrived on the scene and conducted detailed atmospheric monitoring along with thermal imaging analyses. On site for more than a month, the Resolve Pioneer provided offshore accommodations and served as a work platform to support operations, all while under extreme weather conditions and unpredictable satellite communications. After the USCG Unified Command approved a plan to bring the vessel to a berthing dock to resecure all cargo, damaged cargo was placed into overpack drums with heat-reactive granular material to prevent any further fires. Once the undamaged cargo was resecured, the vessel continued to San Diego, California.





# TRAINING, DRILLS & EXERCISES



## FIRST HALF 2024 ENGAGEMENT

Resolve Marine’s compliance teams have been actively participating in drills, exercises, and area committee meetings designed to enhance emergency preparedness and response knowledge. Participation from key stakeholders included the USCG, QIs, and clients, with each meeting an opportunity to convene and create a ‘real-life incident,’ cement relationships, and work through scenarios that ask the question: “What would you do if this happened?”

In addition to regular drills and exercises, our compliance teams attended a client’s vessel orientation with local fire department. This hands-on approach reaffirms our commitment to clients and response awareness and provided valuable insight into an LNG barge transfer operation, happening in our backyard in Port Everglades.

## 2024 VTTX SCHEDULE

As part of your ongoing salvage and marine firefighting (SMFF) OPA 90 compliance, an SMFF virtual tabletop exercise (VTTX) must be completed annually. Our 2024 schedule is below.

This year’s scenario involves a containership, the “RESOLVE PRESIDENTE”, transiting westbound through the Santa Barbara Channel, about 17 miles southwest of Santa Barbara, California, when the vessel experienced an engine room fire. As a result of the engine room fire, the vessel lost propulsion and begins drifting towards shore. The master of the vessel activates his Vessel Response Plan (VRP) while crews attempt to extinguish the fire in the engine room.

VTTX reviews how Resolve Marine would respond to the incident and meet each of the of the 19 SMFF response services required by the USCG.

Date	Start Time (EST)	End Time (EST)
July 10, 2024 *	21:00 EST	23:30 EST
August 14, 2024	09:00 EST	11:30 EST
September 11, 2024	14:00 EST	16:30 EST
October 9, 2024	21:00 EST	23:30 EST
November 13, 2024	09:00 EST	11:30 EST
December 11, 2024	21:00 EST	23:30 EST

\*English and Chinese presentation material available



# OUT & ABOUT



## CLIENT MEETING IN NEW YORK CITY

Resolve Marine representatives, alongside McGill & Partners, had the pleasure of hosting a reception at the New York Athletic Club. The event kicked off with an insightful presentation featuring updates on Resolve Marine, exciting ESG initiatives, recent case studies, and discussions highlighting our growth, investments, and unique capabilities.

Government Relations, Christine Curran from the Client Services team, Jennifer Schlueter, Marketing and Communications and Mara DuVernois, Naval Architect. Our team members attended an Intertanko event, a WISTA reception, a panel discussion on OPA 90 and the Commadore’s Debate. It was great to see and connect with clients, partners, and soon-to-be graduates of Massachusetts Maritime Academy.

## SAFETY DAY IN TACOMA, WASHINGTON USA

From our new Tacoma facility in Washington, USA, Resolve Marine spoke at Maritime Safety Day hosted by Washington State Governor’s Industrial Safety and Health Advisory Board and the Washington State Department of Labor & Industries.

Along with team members, Chad Kasin, Facility Manager for the Pacific Northwest, provided commercial diving safety tips to industry colleagues.



## CMA RECAP

Leaders and representatives from some of the world’s most prominent shipping companies gathered at the Connecticut Maritime Association Conference in Stamford, CT USA in March. Attending from Resolve Marine were Gregg Baumann,





## OUT & ABOUT (CONTINUED)



### POSIDONIA RECAP

We extend our gratitude to the U.S. Embassy in Greece for their support during Posidonia 2024. We also want to express our appreciation to clients, friends, and industry partners for joining us at the event. Posidonia serves as a cornerstone for maritime professionals worldwide, fostering collaboration, innovation, and exchange of knowledge.

This year’s conference attracted 40,000+ industry professionals. Across hundreds of conversations, we shared insights about Resolve Marine’s OPA 90 SMFF capabilities and solutions—both in U.S. and non-U.S. waters—the expansion of Resolve Academy and the skills and expertise of our global multi-disciplined naval architect and marine engineering teams.

## IN THE NEWS

Press releases can be found in the News section of [resolvemarine.com](http://resolvemarine.com).



### RESOLVE MARINE ADDS ISO 14001 AND ISO 45001 CERTIFICATIONS

Resolve Marine was certified to ISO 14001, environmental management, and ISO 45001, occupational health and safety, adding to our ISO 9001 certification. ISO 14001 acknowledges efforts to minimize our global environmental footprint and set goals for greener practices. ISO 45001 acknowledges our actions to keep workers safe from accidents and illnesses both on and offshore. ISO certifications are based on our global integrated management system.



### TODD DUKE FEATURED IN FISHERMEN'S NEWS ARTICLE

In the May edition of *Fishermen's News* magazine, reporter and author Norris Comer writes on "The State of Spill Response: On-Scene Perspectives." Todd Duke, General Manager of Compliance Services, discusses how tactics such as boom deployment and using state of the art skimmers are the standard in oil and pollutant spill response. He also explains source control, calls for further research and development to create response equipment for IMO 2020-compliant fuels, discusses the challenges of working in arctic conditions and gives a shout out to the Vessel of Opportunity program.



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## **IN THE NEWS** (CONTINUED)

### **Alaska Business**

#### **RESOLVE MARINE'S U.S. WEST COAST OPERATIONS FEATURED IN ALASKA BUSINESS MAGAZINE**

The June edition of *Alaska Business Magazine*, Resolve Marine's expansion in the Pacific Northwest and complex environmental mitigation efforts in Alaska are highlighted. A.W. McAfee, West Coast Regional Manager, explains how crews transported equipment to a remote diesel fuel spill in the coastal village of Kwigillingok. McAfee also details response procedures for stranded vessels, including crew rescue and environmental mitigation, utilizing a fleet of marine assets and specialized equipment. Jennifer Schlueter, Senior Manager, Brand, Marketing and Communications, speaks about the versatility of our employees and highlights how salvage masters, naval architects and marine engineers are multi-disciplined and adaptable, crucial in handling unique and emergency situations effectively.

## **UPCOMING EVENTS**

#### **OFFSHORE TECHNOLOGY CONFERENCE**

Houston, Texas May 5-9

#### **INTERNATIONAL OIL SPILL CONFERENCE**

New Orleans May 13-15

#### **WISTA AGM**

San Diego, California May 15-17

#### **MARINE INSURANCE**

Athens, Greece May 30

#### **POSIDONIA**

Athens, Greece June 3-7

#### **GOLDEN COMPASS GALA**

Fort Lauderdale, FL September 23





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