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More U.S. Mariners on LNG Tankers With Historic Agreement, Featured on Maritime TV 'Tell America' Webcast

Liquefied Natural Gas (LNG) Tanker Opportunities for U.S. Crews Expand as Industry Unites With Signing of Training Standards Agreement by Administration, Academies, Training Institutions and Industry; Webcast Featured on Maritime TV (www.MaritimeTV.com)

CHANTILLY, VA--(Marketwire - June 6, 2007) - U.S. seafarers will be able to get more jobs in one of the fastest growing segments of the international shipping trade, as a result of a landmark agreement signed June 5 by Maritime Administrator Sean T. Connaughton and other industry representatives to expand opportunities for U.S. mariners on Liquefied Natural Gas (LNG) tankers. A webcast of the historic event is now available as part of Maritime TV's 'Tell America' Internet TV campaign (www.TellAmericaTV.com), which is attracting national attention in response to a groundswell of support from all sectors of the industry to get the word out to Americans on the critical importance of revitalizing the U.S. maritime industry for U.S. economic and security interests. The agreement signed during the event implements a universal set of training standards developed by an industry working group facilitated by the Maritime Administration.

"The worldwide demand for qualified mariners, plus the growth in the LNG industry, provides a unique growth opportunity for U.S. merchant mariners and the U.S. maritime industry," said Connaughton during the webcast event.

"This agreement is historic on many fronts, as it showcases unprecedented industry cooperation and we are pleased to be able to feature this important event as part of our 'Tell America' Campaign Webcast Series on Maritime TV," stated Dave Gardy, CEO of the Maritime TV's parent network, TV Worldwide.

Connaughton also noted that the LNG fleet is expanding rapidly; in January 2006 there were 194 LNG tankers worldwide, and the expected number at the end of 2007 is 373. There have been few opportunities for U.S. mariners to sail on those ships. While several maritime academies offer training for LNG, their training was not standardized, and standardization of training and credentials in an internationally accepted set of competencies will make it easier for U.S. mariners to be employed on the worldwide LNG fleet.

The majority of maritime training facilities, including the U.S. Merchant Marine Academy and some of the State maritime academies, already have programs that train candidates for work on LNG tankers. The standards put forward in the June 5 agreement will be implemented at the maritime academies and at training facilities operated by maritime unions, whose representatives signed the agreement. Signatories include the Seafarers International Union; American Maritime Officers; Marine Engineers Beneficial Association; Masters, Mates, and Pilots; Sailor's Union of the Pacific; the U.S. Merchant Marine Academy; California Maritime Academy; Great Lakes Maritime Academy; Maine Maritime Academy; Massachusetts Maritime Academy; the Maritime College of the State University of New York; and Texas Maritime Academy.

Most recently, activities surrounding the 74th observance of National Maritime Day, May 22nd, 2007 were webcast as part of Maritime TV's 'Tell America' campaign, with representatives from the U.S. government, congress, industry management and labor organizations, united in appealing for what one dignitary termed a "revolution" to address a "looming transportation crisis" in the maritime industry. This and other events are now available for archived viewing at www.maritimeTV.com and www.maritimeTV.com and www.mar

"We've been overwhelmed with support for our 'Tell America' campaign effort as we launch a full schedule of upcoming webcast events," stated Gardy. "The 'Tell America' webcast campaign will extend through the summer and beyond, depending on sponsor support, with compelling live and interactive programming for audiences ranging from school students to government and industry professionals."

The next 'Tell America' event will be a live webcast of the Keynote Address of Senator John McCain at U.S. Merchant Marine Academy 2007 Commencement Exercise, Monday, June 18, 2007 beginning at 12:30 PM ET. Participants should have the free Windows Media Player installed prior to viewing the event. Questions can be directed to 703-961-9250, ext. 235.

About TV Worldwide and Maritime TV

As a pioneering global Internet broadcasting and streaming media company, TV Worldwide (www.tvworldwide.com) developed the first Internet TV network of community-based Internet TV channels, including Maritime TV (www.MaritimeTV.com). Each channel serves targeted, special interest demographic audiences worldwide, ranging from the community of people with disabilities to the Homeland Defense industry. Fortune 500 companies, 15 federal government agencies including the Department of Homeland Security, and numerous International Associations, including the National Association of Broadcasters, use TV Worldwide's live and archived state-of-the art video streaming content applications and Internet TV channels. In recognition of the company's unique achievements in new media, TV Worldwide was selected by the National Academy of Television Arts and Sciences (NATAS) to webcast the 58th annual Emmy awards for Technology and Engineering in December of 2006. TV Worldwide has been named one of the streaming video industry's "Hottest Streaming Companies" by Streaming Magazine and CEO Dave Gardy was honored by the magazine as one of the 50 Most Influential People in Streaming Media. Mr. Gardy also currently serves as the President of the International Webcasting Association (IWA) (www.webcasters.org)

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