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## **Roll out of 3 “game-changing” crane designs from Steelhead**

VANCOUVER, BC, CANADA (2/18/09) -- Three new large rescue cranes are now being rolled out from Canadian yacht crane manufacturer Steelhead. An innovative rescue crane design using standardized components and the same engineering and control system forms the foundation for this new line of high performance cranes. They are sized in 3 rescue crane designs of 1,000 kg, 2,000 kg and 3,000 kg. The MED-approved designs were created to reduce the normal production lead time by 50%. This adds to Steelhead's normal standards of 30% lighter and 30% stronger than comparable crane designs.

For a shipyard in France 60m yacht project, a 2,000 kg rescue crane is commissioning this week. For a Dubai shipyard 50m yacht project, a 10,000 lb cargo crane (based on the 3,000 kg rescue crane design) will arrive this month. For a Vancouver, BC shipyard 92m yacht project, an LDC 3800 rescue crane (a variation of the 2,000 kg rescue crane) undergoes MED testing requirements on March 4 before commissioning.

"This is a game-changing design for large rescue cranes that gives shipyards a real-time advantage," says Dan Thain, Steelhead president. "Frankly, customers are a bit stunned that they can get high end cranes at this level so quickly. Now shipyards are able to get MED-approved cranes in one-half the usual time. They're thrilled that it's so time efficient for them!"

### **About Steelhead Marine**

Steelhead builds the world's lightest and strongest high-performance davits and yacht cranes for the global market. The company, which is based in Mission, British Columbia, builds a series of over 30 different models from 600lb davits up to 10,000lb cranes, including MED and SOLAS rated multi-function rescue cranes.

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