CURRENT SCHEDULE

- CAPE HENLOPEN to be retired from service ~ Oct 1, 2005
 '05 Operational Funding based on 9-month sailing schedule.
- New Vessel delivered to Florida on Oct 15, 2005

 Ship's crew to deliver to Delaware.
- Cross-deck/ final outfitting period November '05 February '06
 Paid for by the University of Delaware.
- New Vessel to begin operations ~ March 2006.

- Shipyard: <u>Dakota Creek Industries</u> (Anacortes, WA)
- Yard selection based on "Best Value" process.
- Contract signed December 2003 followed by Final Design Phase in 2004.
- Delivery to Florida by heavy-lift ship.
- Major sub-contractors include:
 - ASI Robicon (Power System Integration)
 - Schottel (Z-drives and bow thruster)
 - Cummins (generators)
 - Simrad (DP)
 - Dynacon (Load Handling Systems)

Dakota Creek Industries (DCI)

- Both repair and new construction separate sides of yard.
- New construction is all "modular" build.
- Very high quality
- Past experience factory trawlers, Z-drive tugs, ferries.



CURRENT STATUS

- Construction is well underway.
- All major equipment ordered and starting to arrive at yard.
- Preliminary outfitting started.
- "Looking like a ship" in January '05 Major outfitting to begin.
- Dock and Sea Trials Summer of 2005.
- Training of crew now until delivery.



The Big "Jig-Saw Puzzle"



Module "A" - Accommodations



Module "B" - Bow



Module Assembly



Module "E" - Pilothouse



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Yard visits by FIC and Federal Agencies welcome.