

SSAB wins major Dutch order

SSAB, the leading global supplier of high strength steels, has obtained the largest order ever for its wear plate, Hardox HiTuf. The order was placed by the Dutch company Geha BV, which specialises in wear components. The order is worth EUR 2.12 million.

Hardox is SSAB's world-leading wear plate which, thanks to its characteristics, creates lighter products with greater durability. Hardox HiTuf has been developed especially for wear applications with extremely rigorous demands as regards cracking resistance and toughness.

Geha BV manufactures wear components for the Allseas Group for maritime use. Allseas' fleet of vessels is used, among other things, for offshore pipeline installation and hoisting decommissioned oil platforms. Hardox HiTuf will be used in rails on which the vessel's hoisting machinery will slide.

"It's extremely pleasing to have won this order. Thanks to HardoxHiTuf's unique strength and toughness, the steel will withstand the extreme strains to which the machinery will be exposed," says Chris Van Beurden, Vice President Sales, SSAB EMEA.

Geha BV is a member of Hardox Wearparts. Hardox Wearparts is an international network of companies that manufacture high quality wear parts. The members use Hardox and share SSAB's goal of providing the best wear parts and the best conceivable service.

"This transaction is an example of how we are working closely with our customers to further develop their steel products and processes. Geha BV is extremely skilled in processing our material, and the knowledge they possess is crucial for retaining the characteristics of the steel in advanced designs," concludes Chris Van Beurden.

For more information about Hardox, visit www.ssab.com/en/Brands/Hardox

For more information about Allseas, visit www.allseas.com

For more information about Geha, visit <http://www.hardoxwearparts.com/geha>

For further information, please contact

Ulrika Lilja, Director, External Communications, SSAB
Anders Sörman, Project Manager Marketing

+46 72-209 31 54
+46 70-221 93 26

SSAB is a global leader in value added, high strength steel. SSAB offers products developed in close cooperation with its customers to create a stronger, lighter and more sustainable world. SSAB has employees in over 45 countries and operates production facilities in Sweden and the US. SSAB is listed on the NASDAQ OMX Nordic Exchange, Stockholm. www.ssab.com.