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PROFESSIONAL MARINER'S SAMUEL PLIMSOLL AWARD
TO BE PRESENTED AT NATIONAL MARITIME SALVAGE
CONFERENCE, NOVEMBER 2, 2005

Washington, DC - The editors of *Professional Mariner* magazine have announced that the 2005 Samuel Plimsoll Award, given for outstanding service by individuals and organizations in promoting marine safety and safe ship and port operations, will be presented at the National Maritime Salvage Conference, on November 2, 2005. Sponsored by American Salvage Association (ASA), the conference will be held at the Hyatt Regency Superdome in New Orleans, LA, November 1-3, 2005.

Information on the Plimsoll Safety Awards and the process to nominate individuals and organizations for the awards can be found at www.professionalmariner.com.

“We are very pleased that the National Maritime Salvage Conference has been chosen as the venue at which this important safety award is bestowed,” said Richard Fairbanks, President of ASA. “As we continually look at issues of maritime security and industry safety, the Plimsoll Award is a reminder that we must recognize and honor those who have made a difference,” he continued.

Conference speakers include RADM Thomas Gilmour, USCG; Joseph Cox, Chamber of Shipping of America; CAPT Jim Wilkins, USN; RADM Craig Bone, USCG; Gary LaGrange, Port of New Orleans; Hans van Rooij, International Salvage Union, among others.

For a complete schedule of conference topics, and to register on-line, visit www.americansalvage.org.

The American Salvage Association is a trade association promoting professionalism and improving marine casualty response in American coastal and inland waters.