



BOLLINGER DELIVERS THE 33rd FAST RESPONSE CUTTER, USCGC JOSEPH DOYLE TO THE U.S. COAST GUARD

LOCKPORT, La., Bollinger Shipyards has delivered the USCGC JOSEPH DOYLE, the 33rd Fast Response Cutter (FRC) to the U.S. Coast Guard. The Coast Guard took delivery on the 21st of March, 2019 in Key West, Florida.

Bollinger President & C.E.O. Ben Bordelon said, "We are very pleased to announce the latest FRC delivery, the USCGC JOSEPH DOYLE. This will be the seventh cutter stationed in San Juan, Puerto Rico. The vessel's commissioning is scheduled for June, 2019. Previous cutters have been stationed around the nation including Alaska and Hawaii. FRCs already in commission have protected our country by seizing multiple tons of narcotics, interdicted thousands of illegal aliens and saved hundreds of lives. The FRC program is a model program for government acquisition and has surpassed all historical quality benchmarks for vessels of this type and complexity. The results are the delivery of truly extraordinary Coast Guard cutters that will serve our Nation for decades to come. We are extremely proud that the Fast Response Cutters built by Louisiana craftsmen here at Bollinger Shipyards are having such a major impact on our country's safety and security."

The 154-foot Sentinel-class Fast Response Cutter has a flank speed over 28 knots, state of the art command, control, communications and computer technology, and a stern launch system for the vessel's 26-foot cutter boat. The FRC has been described as an operational "game changer," by senior Coast Guard officials. Recently, the Coast Guard deployed the FRC 1124, OLIVER BERRY from Hawaii across the Pacific to the Republic of the Marshall Islands. The 4,400 nautical mile trip marked the furthest deployment of an FRC to date. This trip showcases the hugely expanded operational reach and capability that the FRC provides. Each FRC is named for an enlisted Coast Guard hero who distinguished him or herself in the line of duty. This vessel is named after Coast Guard Hero Joseph Doyle. Doyle was appointed keeper of the Charlotte, New York Life-Saving Station in July, 1878. As keeper, he became known as one of the most distinguished surfmen of the U.S. Life-Saving Service. During 1878 with great skill and bravery, he achieved two impressive rescues. For his heroic actions during both rescues, Doyle was awarded the Gold Lifesaving Medal on August 2, 1879.

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