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SKF equips Greek shipping fleet with condition monitoring solutions

SKF's condition monitoring solutions will help Tsakos Columbia Shipmanagement S.A. in preventing unexpected equipment failures and cut costs across its fleet of 70 ships

Gothenburg, 28 September 2015: Tsakos Columbia Shipmanagement S.A. (TCM) will use SKF condition monitoring solutions for its fleet of approximately 70 tanker, container and dry cargo ships.

TCM will be using a customised version of SKF's hand-held Marine Condition Monitoring Kit to monitor critical auxiliary machinery such as cargo pumps, engine room fans, compressors and electric engines. This data can then be integrated into the ships' maintenance management systems and transmitted to TCM's headquarters, to form the basis of a detailed report on the current condition of the machinery in each vessel, helping service engineers to plan and prioritise maintenance work.

Ole Kristian Joedahl, Sales and Marketing Director, Industrial Market, says, "The marine industry is a key segment for us, and one in which we see significant potential. By giving operators access to data that helps them prioritise their maintenance work, our solutions directly support them in preventing unexpected failures and reducing their overall operating costs."

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