PELAGIC ODYSSEUS 6K CONTINUES TITAN RECOVERY MISSION

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Under unified command of Transportation Safety Board of Canada and US Coast Guard, assisted by the US National Transportation Safety Board, Pelagic Research Services (PRS) continues its role as the ROV in service for the Titan recovery mission.

Currently, the Odysseus 6K is on the seafloor in its fourth dive since arriving at the Titan rescue site.

“We continue to work tirelessly in our support role of this mission, alongside the incredible crew of Horizon Arctic, led by Cpt. Adam Myers,” says Ed Cassano, Project Manager for Subsea Assets aboard the Horizon Arctic and CEO of Pelagic Research Services.

Odysseus was the subsea asset that located the debris field first referenced by the U.S. Coast Guard on Thursday, June 22nd. That initial dive, immediately upon arrival at the Titan site, was deemed within the viability window for an effective rescue.

Subsequent dives have supported the continued investigation and recovery mission under onboard unified command, led by the U.S. Coast Guard and U.S. Navy Supervisor of Salvage and Diving (SUPSALV) and their contractor Phoenix International Holdings, Inc.

“We have been successful in investigating identified objects of interest as instructed by onboard incident command personnel,” Cassano continues.

Odysseus’ heavy lift capabilities have been utilized and continue to be utilized in this recovery mission.

“This recovery phase is a remarkably difficult and risky operation, especially at this depth,” says PRS spokesperson, Jeff Mahoney.

“Given its continuous operation under the incredible atmospheric pressures, temperatures, and environmental stresses, it’s a testament to the skill of the team and the engineering of Odysseus,” Mahoney continues. “We are very proud to have the ability to perform a complete array of tasks as this investigation evolves.”

The PRS-designed Odysseus was built by MPH Engineering and began service in July 2016.
“This incredible team effort continues under the solemnity and respect for the crew of the Titan and their loved ones of this tragedy,” says Cassano. “The initial rescue response by industry, governments, air forces, navies, and coast guards all working together for one mission should be recognized as one of the best examples of true humanity.”

The USCG is handling all media inquiries related to this investigation.

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We will notify the news media once anyone from PRS on-board operations is in a position for interviews. Please refer any specific recovery questions to the U.S. Coast Guard.

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