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The *Carnival Dream* in GBSL

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## GBSL:

Grand Bahamas Shipyard Ltd (GBSL) has reported that it has won contracts for 10 of the 23 cruise vessels owned and/or operated by the major players in the industry planned for drydocking in the first quarter of 2017.

The first to enter drydock in January 2017 was Cruise Management International (CMI) managed 47,262 gt **Grand Celebration** for a brief refit and upgrade to prior to her busy West Palm Beach to Freeport season.

Carnival Cruise Line will have drydocked four of the seven vessels scheduled for drydock in early 2017. The 70,367 gt **Carnival Ecstasy** in January followed by her sistership **Carnival Sensation** in February received the same major work which included complete

hull treatment, major steel and pipe replacement throughout multiple vessel systems, as well as thruster and stabiliser overhauls. February welcomed **Carnival Sensation** to Dry Dock 2 with work including ABB/Carnival co-op project to cycle-converter supported by GBSL, and the use of the Manitowoc 18000 to lift the new ADG module for installation while alongside on the North Beach Wharf.

The 128,000 gt **Carnival Dream** while in Dry Dock 2 received new sea chest for the scrubbers, thrusters and stabiliser overhauls. GBSL supported the Carnival Hotel Refurbishment Team with interior structural modification works. The Manitowoc 18000 was used to lift the new ADG module for installation while alongside on the North Beach Wharf. The 110,000 gt **Carnival Glory** visited Dry Dock 2 in February, and underwent modifications to the scrubbers, sea chest, new installation of an ADG module and the relevant structural reinforcements to support the new ADG module and complete hull treatment. GBSL provided support to Carnival with structural modifications to the pump room to include extensive steel work and GF+ pipe supply and installation for the addition of the Water Works water park project, and finally a module lift of the new water park to be placed on Deck 10. Future works include the 130,000 gt **Carnival Breeze** in April, the 70,367 gt **Carnival Elation** in August, and the 110,000 gt **Carnival Conquest** in October.

Princess Cruise Lines booked three vessels in 2017. During late March GBSL will welcome the 112,894 gt **Caribbean Princess** in Dock 2 with a plan to paint the Princess logo 'The Livery' on the bow of the vessel. Other future bookings include the 30,277 gt Pacific Princess in May and 91,627 gt **Island Princess** in November.

Royal Caribbean Cruise Line will drydock three vessels in 2017. April will welcome the 73,817 gt **Grandeur of the Seas** to Dock 3 followed by the 90,090 gt **Serenade of the Seas** and the 82,910 gt Enchantment of the Seas, both booked in November 2017.

Norwegian Cruise Lines (NCL) drydocked four of the five ships planned for 2017 within the first quarter. In January NCL's 30,277 gt **Oceania Insignia** visited Dock 1 for a quick inspection, followed by the 77,104 gt **Norwegian Sky** on Dock 3, work including UTM on pools structures, replacement of bakery equipment, and GBSL support to Rolls-Royce on overhaul of CPP and replacement of side thrusters. GBSL also constructed and maintained a complex scaffold for the Atrium upgrades. The **Norwegian Pearl** spent a significant amount of time in Dry Dock 3 for extensive works in February to include complete hull treatment, the installation of new BWT system pipe line,; the overhaul to thrusters, stabilisers and azipods along with the replacement of the propeller blades. Future works to NCL vessels include the **Norwegian Jade**, to undergo an extensive drydock period on Dock 3 and the **Seven Seas Mariner**, both scheduled in April.

The *Norwegian Sky* in GBSL

Disney Cruise Lines will drydock the 129,750 gt **Disney Fantasy** in April on Dock 2 for an extensive repair project, and Holland America Line (HAL) will bring three ships to GBSL in the fourth quarter. Those ships are the 81,769 gt **Zuiderdam**, the 61,849 gt **Rotterdam** and the 86,700 gt **Nieuw Amsterdam**.

GBSL is known for delivering both cruise and commercial vessels on time, and often ahead of schedule. "To meet the needs of our customers, we are dedicated to continual upgrades to our yard, and our services," says GBSL VP Sales and Marketing, Graham Couser. "Last year significant investments included facility upgrades and purchasing of new machinery and tooling adding to our workshops' capabilities. We further expanded our facility with capital improvements to the North Beach Wharf. Work is in progress to extend our South Beach and East Beach areas."