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USA. United States Marine's enhanced Mark V Patrol Boat passes acceptance trails

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United States Marine, Inc. (USMI), designs and builds fast patrol craft for the U.S. military and other navies, has successfully performed sea trials on its enhanced 90 foot composite Mark V Patrol Boat (MKV-PB(C)) special operations craft constructed using advanced composite building materials. USMI enhanced this craft using their original designed 82' Mark V SOC interdiction craft, which is currently in use with US Special Operations Command. The MKV-PB(C) provides the users with a galley and accommodations for a crew of 12, including three separate staterooms for officers.

"Both the customer and USMI are thrilled with the performance of the craft during these trials. The craft reached speeds of over 50 kts, which exceeds the contract requirement of 45 kts." stated Barry Dreyfus, Jr., USMI's CEO.

This variant design originally began through the insight and perseverance of USMI's founder, the late Tom Dreyfus in 2001, "My father designed the first generation of this craft known as the MKV. All through the design process of this enhanced version he would tell anyone who would listen that this craft was going to run like a scalded dog and would exceed the requirement of 45 kts. I just wish he could be here today to see his hard work come to fruition, but I know he is with our late USMI president Larry Ellis and both are very proud of what we have accomplished in their absence", Barry Dreyfus proudly stated.

USMI is the premier builder of high-performance, special mission capable boats for military and other agency use. The company also produces the Special Operations Craft Riverine (SOC-R) and the Naval Special Warfare Rigid Inflatable Boats (NSWRIB's) that have seen extensive use by the U.S. special operations forces in the Global War on Terrorism.

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