



TRELLEBORG FACILITATES ACCOMMODATION OF CRUISE SHIPS AT PUERTO COSTA MAYA

One of Mexico's most popular tourist destinations, Puerto Costa Maya, has upgraded its port to simultaneously accommodate four cruise vessels – one more than previously, including two Oasis-class cruise ships. As part of the project, Trelleborg's marine and infrastructure operation supplied the port with its SeaGuard foam fenders and MSB-150 bollards, which were added to both sides of the pier.

Berths three and four at Puerto Costa Maya were extended by 140 meters and, as an open-water port, it is subject to harsh weather including heavy waves and extreme wind. Thus, its pier required fenders that could withstand the port's adverse weather conditions.

Therefore, the port specified the installation of Trelleborg's SeaGuard foam fenders, which have an unsinkable cell polyethylene foam core and an outer skin that is able to absorb impact and, is highly resistant to wear and tear. Trelleborg provided a unique core design for superior performance to address the challenging environment along with a thicker, more robust fender skin.

Otto Edwin Quevedo, Port Manager at Puerto Costa Maya, said: "The port has attracted more than 1.5 million passengers this year, so it was vital that we partnered with Trelleborg to guarantee the delivery of reliable foam fenders that would perform consistently. We also required a solution that was easy to install to minimize downtime.

"Trelleborg's unrivaled reputation and design capabilities meant the company was a natural choice to supply the project. Trelleborg's SeaGuard foam fenders and MSB-150 bollards provided the perfect solution and are performing as promised. We look forward to further strengthening our relationship in the future."

The fenders' low hull pressures protect soft-skinned ships and combine a durable, non-marking finish with low maintenance. SeaGuard foam fenders can be deployed floated or suspended, against a quay wall or for ship-to-ship operations. Trelleborg's SeaGuard foam fenders also work equally well in harbors or between vessels.

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