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MAN Diesel & Turbo to Supply Engines for New Meyer Werft Cruise Ships

MAN engines bound for Norwegian Cruise Line newbuildings

MAN Diesel & Turbo has won the order from Meyer Werft to supply ten V48/60 type engines with diesel-electric propulsion systems for two new cruise vessels operated by US-based cruise liner company Norwegian Cruise Line. The ships will be built at Meyer Werft in Papenburg, northern Germany. Norwegian Cruise Line is a longstanding customer of MAN Diesel & Turbo with the vast majority of its fleet powered by MAN engines from various series, including the world's first common-rail conversion.

The new ships – accorded the project name “Breakaway Plus” – will be completed in October 2015 and spring 2017 and will be the largest in Norwegian's fleet. At 163,000 gross tons and approximately 4,200 passenger berths, the vessels will be larger than the previous 146,000 gross tons Breakaway-class ships “Norwegian Breakaway” and “Norwegian Getaway” ordered at Meyer Werft in 2010. They will be similar in design and innovation to the line's current Breakaway class.

The Breakaway Plus vessels will each be powered by five MAN V48/60CR-type engines capable of delivering 76,800 kW. The five engines will operate with MAN Diesel & Turbo's well-proven, state-of-the-art, common-rail injection system that provides superior performance in terms of fuel consumption and emissions.

The newest member of the Norwegian fleet, “Norwegian Breakaway”, entered service at the end of April 2013 and features four MAN V48/60 engines delivering a total of 62,400 kW. With accommodation for 4,000 passengers and New York as home port, the cruise ship will sail to Bermuda during the summer, and the Bahamas and Caribbean in the winter. Construction of the sister ship “Norwegian Getaway” is well underway with delivery scheduled for January.

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