

# The Composite Materials Revolt in Shipping

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# Company's Portfolio



The US world leader in Glass Reinforced Epoxy (GRE) piping for Ballast Lines, SOx Scrubbers, Ballast Water Treatment, SW Cooling, SW Fire-Fighting systems, highly-corrosive chemicals etc., making pipe corrosion a thing of the past, certified by all class societies.



ARTA is the expert supplier of modern coupling technology, fluid & gas transfer equipment (e.g. Ship-to-Ship LNG Transfer System Stainless Steel Couplings) using cutting-edge solutions.



The world's leading company for magnetic robot crawlers. From washing cargo holds clean while sailing to grit blasting, abrasive as well as underwater cleaning.



The US top brand name in Fiberglass Composite Phenolic Gratings (FRP) for platforms, passages, walkways, winch stands, deck ladders etc..



The global Leader in Underwater Inspections & Repairs, eliminating the need for drydock. Authorized by all class societies.



The Glassflake Vinyl ester coatings provide life protection against Corrosion & Erosion on Hulls, Scrubber Outlets, Rudders, Ducts & Thrusters.



The Dutch Propeller Repair Specialists, repairing propulsion systems in factory or globally via flying squads. DNV-GL certified for in situ propeller welding.



Singatac is a specialist in ship repairs & retrofits since 1997 in Singapore & Bintan, Indonesia with fully-equipped workshops.



Yard Shiprepair Services in Busan. From EGCS & BWTS Retrofits & Repairs to Dual Fuel LNG conversions and Energy Saving Devices.



Diesel & Gas Engines Spares and Services Machining of Engine Parts Reconditioning of Parts Workshop in Dubai

# COMPOSITES

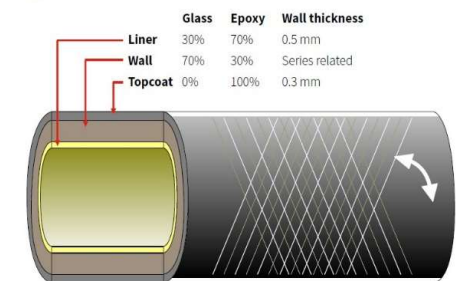
- The very reason for Composite materials existence in ship-board applications is simply that many such applications involve seawater which is a very corrosive fluid. The three most important SW corrosion factors are : Chlorides, O<sub>2</sub> & temperature.
- Composite products such as Glass-Reinforced Epoxy Piping and Fiberglass Phenolic Gratings are gradually replacing steel or other steel-based compounds in areas such as ballast piping, SW cooling, SW Fire Fighting System piping and gratings in passages– center or flying ones-, deck ladders, bridge wings, rails, etc for FRP.



## So, what do we really mean by “Composite Materials” ?

- A composite material is made of two or more constituents with different chemical properties, which, when combined, produce a material with characteristics different from its constituents.
- Shipping’s needs, with **seawater corrosion omnipresent**, are today satisfied by composites like fiberglass (FGS), Fiber-reinforced Polymers (FRP), Glass-reinforced Epoxies (GRE) etc. GRE, for example, is 70% glass & 30% resin. Resin is at appr. 70% made of carbon, so, for example, **a GRE pipe is only by 21% carbon-based, vs steel’s 100%**.
- Due to **huge weight difference** between e.g. GRE pipes vs steel pipes (a ¼ ratio), maintenance-free lifetime, **fire-endurance** (L3, upgradeable to L2), **totally corrosion-resistant nature**, suitability for **low temperatures in LNG transfer issues (leaks, flammable vapour etc)** and an at least equal cost to carbon steel, GRE has become a “standard” in vessel piping (**like ballast lines**) since late '80s.

Pipe Design



GRE Piping wherever there is corrosion risk



**Seawater  
Cooling Piping**



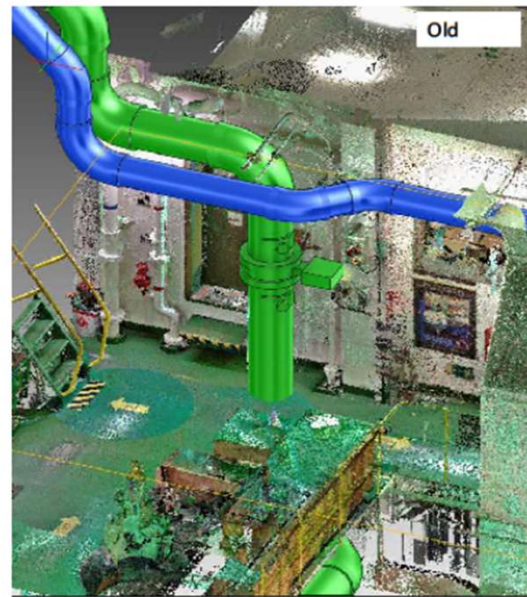
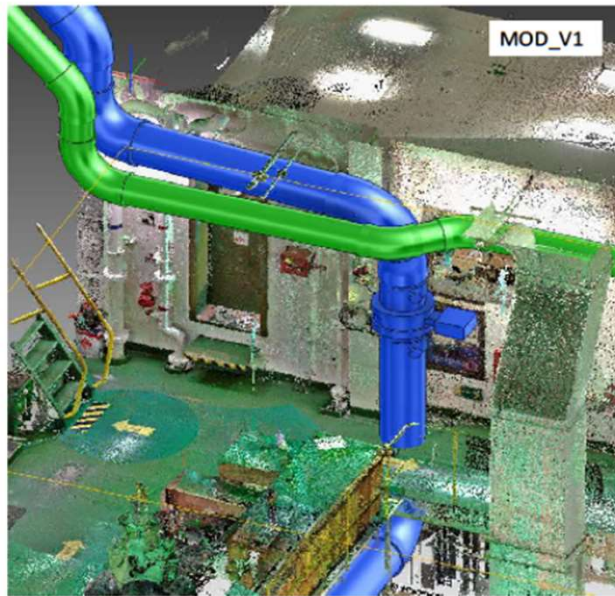
**Ballast Water Piping**

**Jetty Infrastructure**



**Firewater Piping**





## **NOV FGS Glass Reinforced Piping (GRE) in Scrubber Systems**



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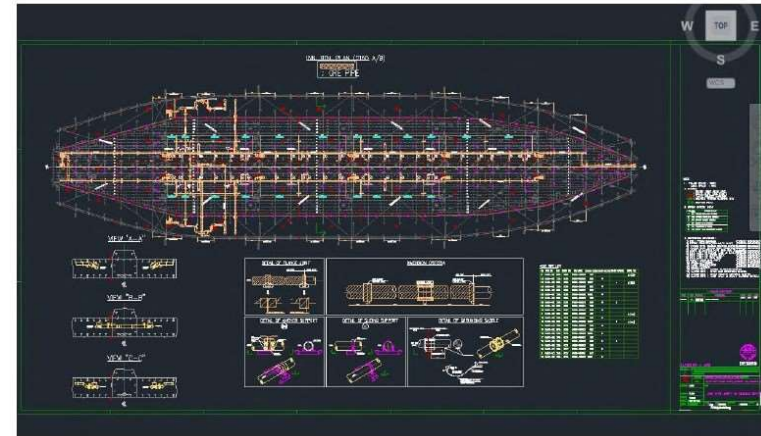
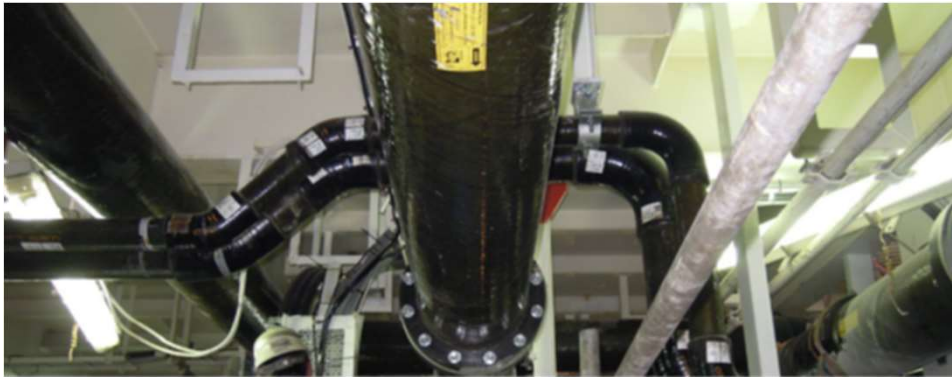
SCRUBBER ORDERS REGISTRY FOR NOV FGS PIPING  
BY GREEK OWNERS – Dec. 2019

1	STARBULK SA / OCEANBULK S.A.
2	TMS BULKERS LTD
3	TMS DRY LTD
4	TMS TANKERS LTD
5	MARAN DRY MANAGEMENT INC (MDM)
6	MARAN TANKERS MANAGEMENT INC (MTM)
7	NEPTUNE LINES SHIPPING & MANAGING
8	TRAFIGURA MARITIME VENTURES LTD
9	NEDA MARITIME TANKERS
10	NEDA MARITIME BULKERS
11	SAFE BULKERS INC
12	ALASSIA NEWSHIPS MANAGEMENT INC
13	SPRINGFIELD SHIPPING CO / OLYMPIC SHIPPING S.A.
14	KYKLADES MARITIME CORP
15	IONIC SHIPPING MANAGEMENT
16	COSTAMARE SHIPPING COMPANY S.A.
17	ALMI TANKERS S.A.
18	MINERVA MARINE INC.
19	MARMARAS NAVIGATION LTD
20	DELTA TANKERS LTD

## Scrubber Retrofits Piping Overview 2018-2022 YTD

- 25 Major Greek owners
- 10 Fleet-wise Agreements
- 360 vessel Scrubber Retrofits
- > 75% of the total Greek market

Greek owners consistently chose NOV FGS  
Glass Reinforced Epoxy piping for their  
Scrubber installations



**BALLAST PIPING :**  
**NOV FGS (Bondstrand Series)** is the globally renowned state-of-the-art GRE piping, with thousands of installations, over 1,000 on Greek-owned vessels of all types & sizes





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Greek-Owned LNG Newbuildings 2014-2021 with NOV FGS Ballast Lines

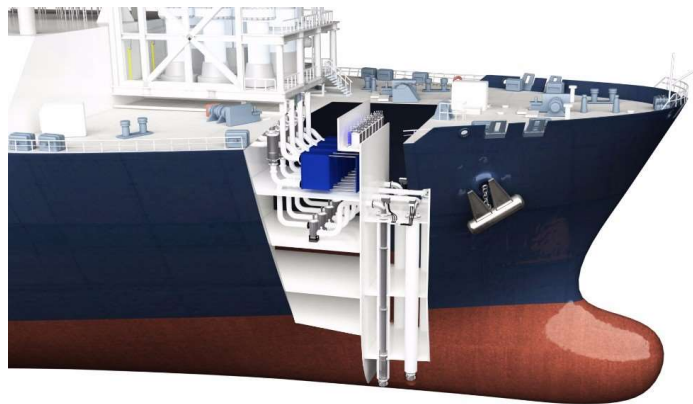
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2	TMS Cardiff Gas		7		4	11
3	Capital Gas		15			15
4	GasLog Ltd				8	8
5	Dynagas	5	6			11
6	Alpha Gas	4				4
7	Latsco (LMM)			6		6
8	Minerva Gas	2				2
9	Chandris	2				2
	<b>TOTALS</b>	41	28	16	16	101

**Typical application : GRE Ballast Lines Reference List of Greek-owned LNGs**  
at Korean Shipyards, built 2014-2021 : NOV FGS has proven to be the primary choice of both owners and shipyards



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### Bondstrand for Ballast & Regas Lines



1000 meters of pipes from 6" to 40" installed on these, and seven other similar REGAS LNG Carriers.

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# FRP

Fiberglass-Reinforced  
Phenolic Gratings





**PROBLEM:**  
Rusting Steel Grating



**SOLUTION: DURAGRID.PHENOLIC**  
Strongwell Fire Integrity Pultruded Grating

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## The two leading GRE piping & FRP gratings producers are :

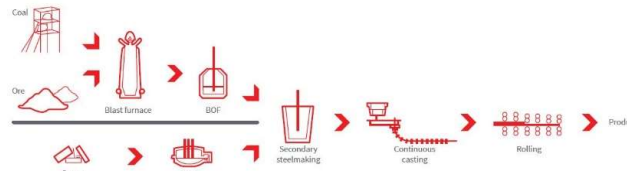
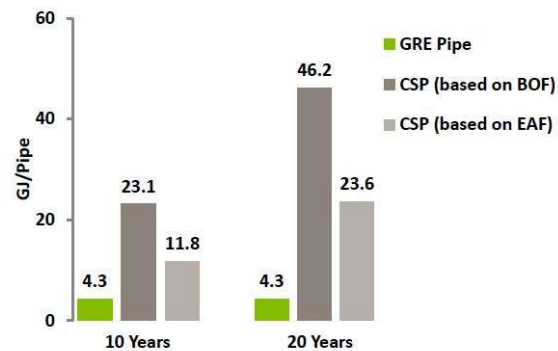
- **NOV FGS (USA)** with Asian Marine HQ in **Singapore**, factories in Senai, **Malaysia** & **Qingdao**, China, **Plymouth** UK and service stations all over the world
- **STRONGWELL (USA)** with HQ in **Virginia**, three factories in the US, stock in **Busan**, Korea & **Plymouth** UK & support at key maritime global locations



Truly Global Technical Support

# Last but not least : the CO2 footprint

Service Life and Energy Input



## 1. Energy use in manufacturing

On a per pipe length basis, GRE piping systems requires 80% less energy to produce than that made from new steel, and 50% less energy to make than that of recycled steel.

## 2. Energy use in operation

GRE can produce 90% energy savings throughout a twenty-year life cycle. This is due to a smoother inner pipe surface which halves the pumping energy required as compared to carbon steel pipe.

## 3. Carbon Sink Effect

The carbon-stored in GRE piping systems prevents the same carbon from entering the atmosphere and causing the green house effect.





- Reliability & Accountability



- Quality of Materials & Services



- Value for Money / Competitive Price



- Strong Global Support Network



- Proven Marine Track Record



- Green Solutions with Quick Payback



- An Honest Partnership Philosophy



# Thank you !