



# GULF COAST O&G VESSEL ASSETS & THE FIRST U.S. OFFSHORE WIND PROJECT

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OFFSHORE

## PRESENTATION AGENDA

- **Montco Corporate Overview & Evolution to Wind**
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# INTRODUCTION TO MONTCO FAMILY OF COMPANIES

## Montco Family of Companies (150 Employees)

### Montco Offshore Liftboats

6 US-Flagged Liftboats in GOM O&G Theater  
30 Office Employees & 120 Offshore Mariners  
Primarily Based in Galliano, Louisiana

### Montco Oilfield Solutions

Mobile Generators that range from  
60kW to 300kW  
30 Employees: Managers & Field-Technicians  
Primarily Based in Midland, Texas



Montco Offshore Liftboats



Montco Oilfield Solutions

First Serving the O&G Industry in 1948 -- Over 30-Years of Liftboat Experience in the Gulf of Mexico

# HISTORY OF MONTCO OFFSHORE

## Montco Timeline/Evolution

### 1960's – 1980's

#### Crewboats

Originally based on Navy PT-Boats designs  
Fast Transport of personnel & light supplies

### 1970's – 1990's

#### OSVs (Offshore Supply Vessels)

Forward Cab & large back cargo deck  
Under-Deck Tanks to supply fuel & water

### 1980's – 2000's

#### Offshore Tugs & Material Barges

Tremendous Bollard-Pull Capacity  
Large Deck Area to Load Foundation Components

### 1980's – TODAY

#### Offshore Liftboats

Self-Propelled, Elevating Stable Work Platforms  
Heavy-Lift Cranes & Worker Accommodations  
Oilfield Support, Scientific-Coring, Wind-Farms



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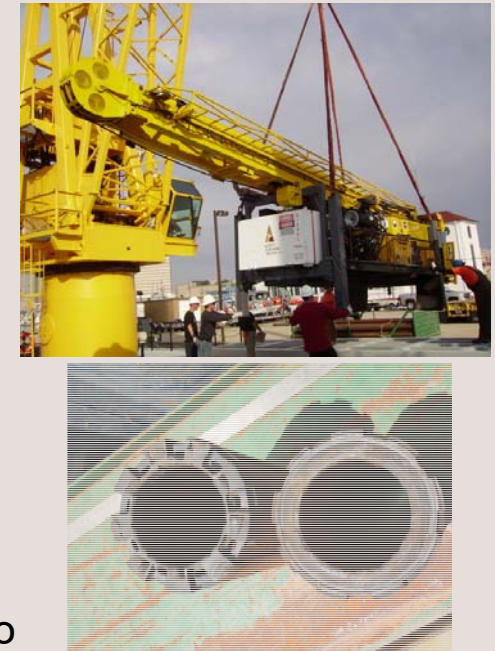
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## 5 WAYS LIFTBOATS (& SUPPORTING GOM VESSELS) CAN WORK IN OFFSHORE WIND

- 1. Geotechnical** – Performing Site-Specific Coring for Foundation Engineering  
ECORD [Exp.313](#) NJ-Shallow Shelf in **2009** (...& [Exp.364](#) Chicxulub K-Pg Crater in 2016)
- 2. Direct Installations** -- Met-Towers, Foundations/Assist, Towers-Nacelles-Blades  
Assisted by performing jacket pin-pile install & hammering, and upper-deck install in **2015**
- 3. Feeder-Barge Installations** – Ferrying WTG components to Installation Vessels ....in a Jones-Act compliant manner. Performed in **2016** for 5 WTGs for BIWF
- 4. Operational Maintenance & Repair** -- Blade or gearbox repair/replacements, electrical switch-gear upgrade, array / export cable repair, AND foundation repair & maintenance.
- 5. Decommissioning** – End of Life Removals, 25-years down the road.



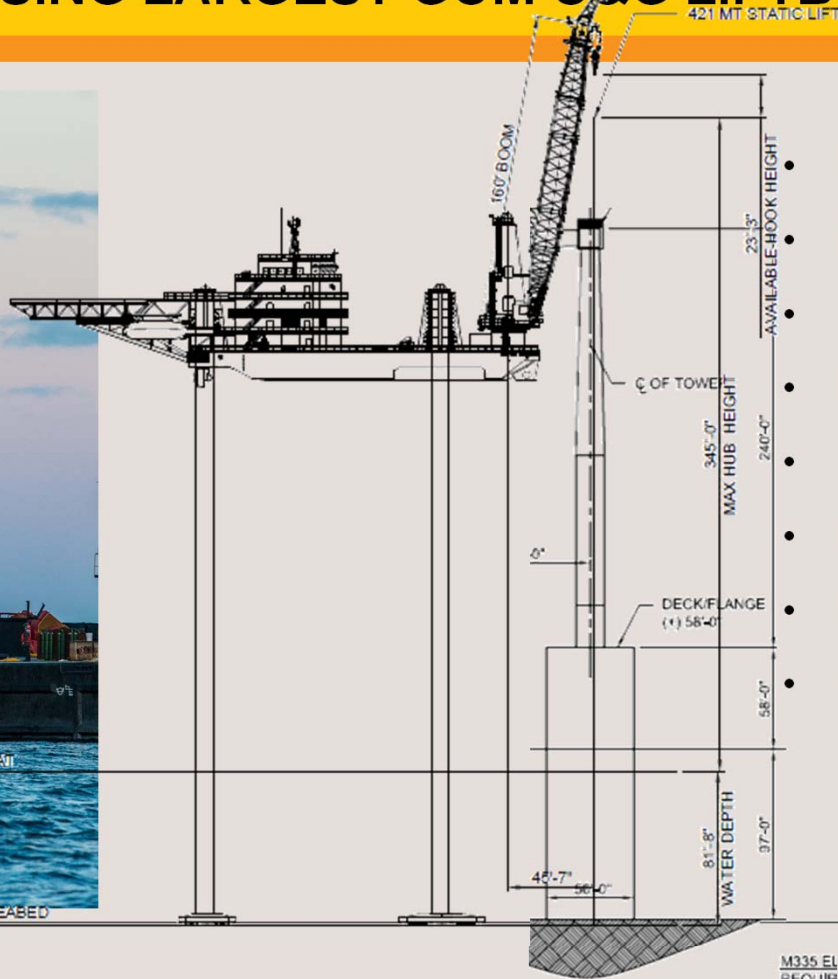
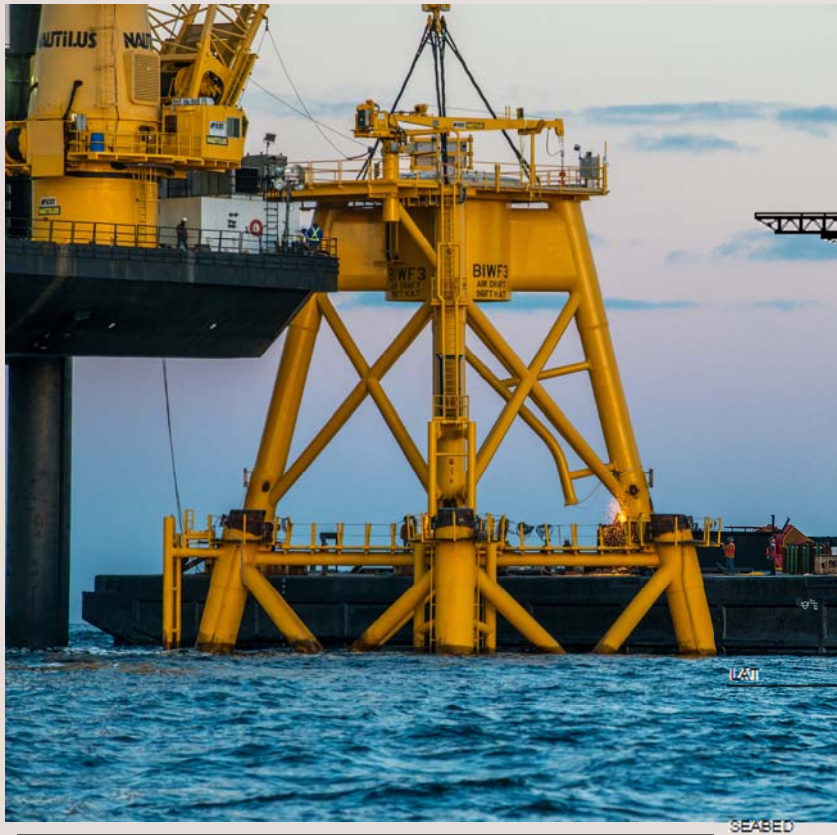
# GEOTECHNICAL – SITE-SPECIFIC CORES FOR FOUNDATION ENGINEERING



Summer of 2009, Montco's *L/B Kayd* traveled to Atlantic City, NJ for a scientific-coring expedition. When completed, hired by Deepwater Wind to drill the site-specific cores for the Block Island Project.

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# DIRECT INSTALLATIONS – USING LARGEST GOM O&G LIFTBOATS



- Foundation Setting
- Pile Hammering
- Transition / Guide Install
- Levelling / Grouting
- Towers Segments
- Nacelles
- Blades
- Commissioning

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## FEEDER-BARGE INSTALLATIONS – FERRYING WTG COMPONENTS



- Utilizing two(2) liftboats to transport WTG components (in a Jones-Act compliant manner) from the [shore-based dock](#) out to wind turbine installation vessel.
- Provided stable (non-heaving) platform for potentially larger (static) lifts.
- Kept WTIV [optimally utilized](#) & completed install ahead of schedule (even with a few Wx delays.)

[MiNO Video](#)

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## OPERATIONAL MAINTENANCE & REPAIRS



**If and when maintenance to a WTG (such as a blade replacement) is required, (appropriately-sized) GOM O&G Liftboats could be utilized.**

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## DECOMMISSIONING – END OF LIFE REMOVALS, 25-YEARS DOWN THE ROAD



The five wind turbines of [Vattenfall's Yttre Stengrund](#) offshore wind farm in Kalmar Sound in Sweden have been decommissioned and the rotors, nacelles, masts and foundations were dismantled November 2015-January 2016 - the first project of its kind.

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# DOCK AND HARBOR CONSIDERATIONS WHEN USING GOM O&G VESSELS

- Docks & Ports in the GOM O&G Arena have evolved to meet the needs of these vessel-types.
- On the east-coast, early adopter vessel operators (like Montco) are learning of the below items.

## Navigational Dimensions

- Horizontal Widths
  - Hurricane Gates
  - Channel Width
- Vertical Clearance
  - Bridges
  - Powerlines
- Water Depth / Draft
  - 20ft / 6m

## Dock / Facility Services

- Docks w/Large Cranes
  - Hi.Load Bearing
- Fresh Water Supply Large Rate/Volume
- Diesel (Low Sulphur) Tank-Pumped vs. Trucked-In
- Electrical Shore Power
- Noise-Control / Trash

## Bottom Conditions

- Inshore at Docks
  - Shallower than expected
  - Organic Muck Bottoms
- Offshore at Worksites
  - Water Depths < 100' / 30m
  - ALWAYS Firm!

## Operational Wind & Sea Limitations

### Mobilizing & Transitioning

- Max Seas of 6' / 1.8m
- Max Winds ~30mph / 13.5m/s

### Elevated Operations

- Max Seas of 15' / 4.5m
- Max Winds 30mph / 13.5m/s (Crane-Operations Limits)



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- **GOM O&G Offshore Assets Available and Ready**
  - Vessel Operators w/ Experienced Mariners, Knowledgeable in Safe Offshore Operations, Ready to Work
- **Non-GOM / East-Coast Docks and Shore Side Infrastructure Improvements Required (& Underway)**
  - Bad-News: Currently Not Always Easy to Find Suitable Docks and Expected Facilities for GOM Vessels
  - Good News: Offshore Wind Industry is Changing That ...For The Better (New Bedford, MA -- Good Example)
- **Assets Can Be Used Through the Entire Life-Cycle of Offshore Wind Farms**
  - GOM O&G Vessel Assets Can Contribute to Every Part of the Offshore Wind Life-Cycle; Geotech-Installation-O&M-Decom
- **Future Will Provide A Better Vessel Pipeline To Accommodate Construction of US Offshore Windfarms**
  - Purpose-Built US-Flagged WTIVs to Install Commercial Grade Wind Farms (...including future/larger WTGs).  
Conversion of existing barge asset to include large-crane and jacking system to perform installs  
'Expanded Block-Island' feeder-model utilizing existing Jones-Act Compliant vessels.



**Thank You** for your  
time & attention!

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