
UMC International Plc
In water maintenance and through life waterborne support

**COLLABORATION AGREEMENT BETWEEN UMC INTERNATIONAL PLC
AND CATHELCO LIMITED**

UMC International plc and Cathelco Ltd have entered into a collaboration agreement to provide a framework for a working relationship between the two companies. The collaboration agreement will supply underwater engineering and diving services to inspect, repair, install and replace, seawater pipe work antifouling and Impressed Current Cathodic Protection (ICCP) systems fitted to offshore, commercial and naval vessels and platforms.

Cathelco Ltd is the world leader in Seawater Pipework Anti Fouling and Impressed Current Cathodic Protection Systems (ICCP) with more than 20,000 installations of Cathodic Protection and Anti Fouling systems on all types of vessels including container carriers, ferries, cruise ships, tankers, FPSOs, tugs, frigates, destroyers, fast patrol craft, luxury yachts and offshore structures.

UMC, a member of the V.Group, is a worldwide supplier of all forms of underwater engineering and globally works on the underwater hulls of more than 1200 ships each year.

Alan Trevarthen, Managing Director of UMC International said, “The synergy and future objectives between our two companies will provide good opportunities to carry out some stimulating projects together.” He continued, “UMC has been operating worldwide in the military and commercial underwater maintenance and repair arena for more than 30 years and our collaboration with Cathelco is yet another step towards the consolidation of our afloat engineering capability.

Justin Salisbury Group Managing Director of Cathelco said, “Our ICCP and AF brand names are market leaders and are recommended by ship yards, naval architects and procurement departments across the world, and we look forward to seeing collaborated projects under the name of ”Cathelco-UMC Underwater Engineering Services.”

The service will be delivered via the Cathelco’s global network of agents and suppliers and UMC global network of own and partner owned operational bases. Projects are currently being progressed in the UK, West Africa and South America.

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Photo caption: Left to Right:

Alan Trevarthen Managing Director UMC International and Justin Salisbury Group Managing Director of Cathelco

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