

SUMMER 2017 UPDATE

The pace has not slacked since our last update. The planned drydocking of both the GRAND CANYON STATE and GOPHER STATE were carried out, as well as the follow-on sea trials with the GOPHER transitioning directly from sea trial to mission activation under MSC Op Con. At the same time, the FLICKERTAIL STATE was also activated by MSC with both vessels performing well on their respective missions. Shortly thereafter, the GEM STATE answered the call as she was also activated for a mission under MSC's Op Con.

While all of the hustle and bustle of three simultaneous mission activations was going on, PGM took over operation of the commercial M/V SEATTLE. After the transition of management, the SEATTLE was laid up for repairs in the Norfolk area. The shipboard management team, along with the support of PGM Staff and local contractors, took advantage of the extended lay-period to prepare the SEATTLE for her next employment. In early July, the vessel completed repairs and inspection by USCG, ABS, and DNV-GL. The MV SEATTLE was immediately ordered to get underway from Norfolk to commence a period time charter with MSC.

With ongoing maintenance projects, scheduled crew training, and the preparation for two shipyard periods rapidly approaching, the second half of 2017 will be busy for all at PGM.