



Marine Jet Power awarded repeat order for Korean Navy

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Marine Jet Power has been awarded a repeat order to supply waterjets to another 3 units Patrol Killer Experimental (PKX-B) fast attack craft for the Korean Navy. Last year, South Korean shipbuilder Hanjin Heavy Industries and Construction (HHIC) launched the first unit which is currently undergoing sea trials.

The propulsion system comprises a MJP 950 single drive and MJP 650 double drive waterjet installation. Powered by General Electric's 12 000 hp LM 500 gas-turbine engines and Caterpillar Marine's 1 900 hp CAT C32 diesel engines in a combined diesel and gas turbine configuration, the top speed is 40 knots.

The 275-tonne platform has an overall length of 44 m, an overall beam of 7 m, and can accommodate a crew of 20. The PKX-B is lighter and faster than the previous generation of PKX-A guided-missile patrol boats. A total of 16 vessels are planned with an option for another 18 vessels.

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