

*MP-1* is similar in handling/use to 100% polyester tails, with important benefits. *MP-1*'s construction leads to decreased water retention, resulting in lower in-use weight for deck hands. Overall, strength and cost-per-moor beat 100% polyester in lab and field testing:

# MP-1 FIELD TRIALS BACKGROUND

- Common issue with pulled yarns and snags with
- 100% polyester line
- Used ropes take on a "wet dog" appearance
- Average historical 100% polyester line residual strength at 18 months retirement is 58% of minimum break strength

## TRIAL ROPES

- Four 100% polyester tails per vessel
- Four MP-1 tails per vessel

#### **TESTING PLAN STARTED SEPT./OCT. 2015**

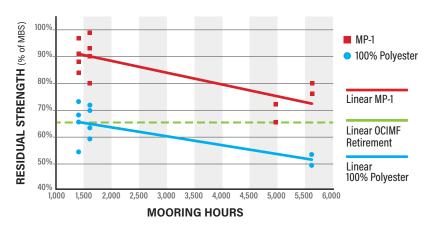
- Remove two 100% polyester tails and two MP-1 tails at 6 months AND 18+ months use
- Inspect and test for residual strength

### LAB EVALUATION

 Dock-side abrasion testing showed, after 42 miles of wear (simulated), MP-1 had 89% residual strength, vs 73% held by 100% polyester line

## **FIELD TRIALS**

- 6-month on-vessel testing showed MP-1 with 90–91% of residual strength, while 100% polyester had 65% residual strength
- 18+ month on-vessel testing showed MP-1 with 68-78% of residual strength, while 100% polyester had only 51-54%



MP-1 exceeds OCIMF recommended residual strength at retirement. 100% polyester lines fall below OCIMF recommended residual strength at only 8 months.

COST PER MOOR	MP-1	100% POLYESTER
DIAMETER STRENGTH (pounds)	3 INCH DIAMETER <b>208,000</b> LB MBS	2-3/8 INCH DIAMETER <b>208,000</b> LB MBS
TAIL SPECS (meters)	22 meter over all length 1m eye & 2m eye (CCEEE)	22 meter over all length 1m eye & 2m eye (CCEEE)
LIST PRICE	\$1,604	\$1,533
MOORING HOURS (To OCIMF Retirement)	65% MBS <b>8,900</b> HOURS	65% MBS <b>4,000</b> HOURS
COST PER MOOR	<b>\$0.18</b> /HOUR	<b>\$0.38</b> /HOUR

