



Helix Announces Construction of Q7000 Newbuild Semisubmersible Well Intervention Vessel

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HOUSTON--(BUSINESS WIRE)--Jul. 30, 2013-- Helix Energy Solutions Group, Inc. (NYSE: HLX) announced today that it is proceeding with the construction of a second newbuild semisubmersible well intervention vessel, to be named the *Q7000*. Owen Kratz, Helix's President and CEO, stated, "Based on strong market demand and our proven success for delivering specialized deepwater well intervention services, we are moving forward with the *Q7000*, which is consistent with our strategy of expanding our well intervention fleet around the world."

About Helix

Helix Energy Solutions Group, headquartered in Houston, Texas, is an international offshore energy company that provides key life of field services to the energy market. For more information about Helix, please visit our website at www.HelixESG.com.

Forward-Looking Statements

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