

# MARTAC, Mystic Powerboats to Expand Production Capacity for Autonomous USV Deliveries



MARTAC T18 USV

From Tactical Systems Inc.

*Partnership combines autonomous maritime expertise and advanced composite manufacturing to accelerate U.S. and allied defense vessel production*

MELBOURNE, Fla., June 1, 2026 – Maritime Tactical Systems Inc. ([MARTAC](#)), a leading provider of high-performance autonomous unmanned surface vehicles (USVs), and Mystic Powerboats ([Mystic](#)), a leader in high-performance composite vessel construction, today announced a co-production partnership to increase MARTAC's domestic production capacity to meet growing requirements from U.S. and allied customers.

Demand for autonomous maritime systems is accelerating as defense and national security organizations expand their use of autonomous capabilities in distributed maritime operations, maritime domain awareness, logistics support and force protection. MARTAC's family of USVs, including the Devil Ray™ and MANTAS™ platforms, has been operationally proven for over ten years in multiple government programs and exercises. The

company is now positioned to expand current capacity that meets both near-term needs and can scale with the market demands over time.

Mystic Powerboats brings three decades of expertise in advanced carbon-fiber and composite manufacturing, operating from a nearly 100,000-square-foot production facility equipped with the tooling, workforce and processes required to produce high-strength, lightweight hull structures at scale. Mystic's proven capabilities in epoxy resin infusion, carbon-fiber lamination and foam-core construction align directly with the materials and methods used in MARTAC's Devil Ray and MANTAS platforms, making the company an ideal co-production partner for scaling autonomous vessel deliveries.

"Accelerating autonomous maritime capability is imperative as nations place greater emphasis on maintaining maritime awareness, ensuring force protection across distributed maritime operations and protecting critical shipping lanes" said John Cosker, Founder and Chief Executive Officer of Mystic Powerboats. "We are proud to leverage our heritage of applying advanced technology to deliver high-performance, rigorously tested watercraft to now help advance the autonomous capabilities our nation and our allies need."

"The United States is home to exceptional marine manufacturing companies with deep expertise in advanced composites and maritime construction," said "Seamus Flatley, Chief Growth Officer at MARTAC. "Mystic Powerboats is a great example of this 'made in America' ingenuity. They are a world-class builder with the advanced composite manufacturing capabilities and skilled workforce needed to produce the high-performance hull structures our platforms require. Partnering with Mystic is a key step in our strategy to rapidly scale production while ensuring that our systems remain operationally proven and ready to deploy."

MARTAC's partnership with Mystic is the first of several pending domestic co-production partnerships the company is finalizing that will support a significant expansion of its co-production framework. The distributed production model strengthens MARTAC's ability to meet operational demand by increasing surge capacity, diversifying the supply chain, and accelerating delivery timelines.

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## **September 6-9 U.S. Central Command Update**

From U.S. Central Command

**Sept 9, 2024**

TAMPA, Fla. – In the past 24 hours, U.S. Central Command (USCENTCOM) forces successfully destroyed two Iranian-backed Houthi missile systems and one support vehicle in Houthi-controlled areas of Yemen.

Additionally, USCENTCOM forces successfully destroyed one Houthi unmanned aerial vehicle over the Red Sea.

It was determined these systems presented a clear and imminent threat to U.S. and coalition forces, and merchant vessels in the region. These actions were taken to protect freedom of navigation and make international waters safer and more secure for U.S., coalition and merchant vessels.

**Sept 8, 2024**

TAMPA, Fla. – In the past 24 hours, U.S. Central Command

forces successfully destroyed three Iranian-backed Houthi uncrewed aerial vehicles and two missile systems in a Houthi-controlled area of Yemen.

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**Sep. 6, 2024**

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# Flag Officer Announcement



Commander, SEVENTH Fleet Vice Admiral Karl Thomas

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Secretary of Defense Lloyd J. Austin III announced today that the president has made the following nomination:

Navy Vice Adm. Karl O. Thomas for reappointment to the grade of vice admiral, and assignment as deputy chief of naval operations for information warfare, N2/N6, Office of the Chief of Naval Operations; and director of naval intelligence, Washington, D.C. Thomas is currently serving as commander, Seventh Fleet, Yokosuka, Japan.