

arises, utilizing a load cell will add efficiency and safety to any scenario where we need to calculate force on lines, anchors, cables or other maritime equipment.”

Mullard added: “The application shows how the RLP is well suited to any form of weighing, tension measuring and monitoring applications, combining simple operation and strong wireless connection. Waterproofing wasn’t an issue as the RLP stayed clear of the water but it could have been left permanently rigged with no problems.”

The new anchors and chains were manufactured in France before being shipped to Corsica, a mountainous French island that is actually close to the west coast of Italy. The job-site was off the coast of Solenzara on the island’s east.

Iroise Mer, founded in 2002, has been part of the Thomas Services Maritimes (TSM) group since 2013. Iroise has a fleet of six vessels, ranging from 10m to 41m in length, all of which boast cranes, winches and shallow drafts, suiting them to lifting and towing projects. TSM has a fleet of 20 additional vessels, predominantly tug boats for harbour towing operations.

Two vessels, TSM Molène and TSM Penzer, were used for the Corsica project, which are 21m and 27m in length respectively. Tension was applied via the vessels’ thrusters. Recoules led a 10-person team, who completed the work inside a calendar month.

Straightpoint serves the French marketplace through its local distributor Traction Levage ([www.traclev.com](http://www.traclev.com)), which has six facilities across the country.

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## **CRANE Coalition: Joint Statement on Tax Reform highlights cost recovery to drive economic growth**

Kevin Dempsey, Senior Vice President for Public Policy at the American Iron and Steel Institute and spokesman for the CRANE Coalition, issued the following statement about the joint tax reform announcement made by House Speaker Paul Ryan (R-WI), Senate Majority Leader Mitch McConnell (R-KY), Treasury Secretary Steven Mnuchin, National Economic Council Director Gary Cohn, Senate Finance Committee Chairman Orrin Hatch (R-UT), and House Ways and Means Committee Chairman Kevin Brady (R-TX):

“[The] Joint Statement on Tax Reform significantly moves forward the process for reforming the tax code to promote capital investment, job creation and economic growth here at home.

“The shared tax reform principles of the House, Senate, Treasury Department and White House demonstrate the critical role that rapid cost recovery plays in promoting domestic investment. This public commitment also highlights the recognition that reducing or eliminating this powerful pro-growth tool, as some had previously proposed, would have been a short-sighted and ineffective effort to raise revenue.

“The CRANE coalition looks forward to working with the Trump Administration and Members of the House and Senate on both sides of the aisle who share this commitment to use rapid cost recovery in tax reform to create jobs by promoting domestic investment that grows our economy.”

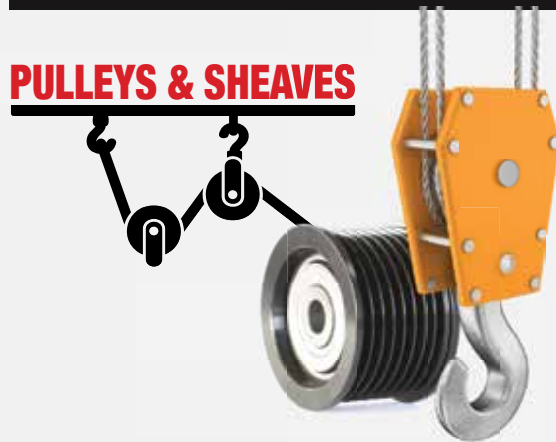
## **Straightpoint to debut at Offshore Europe**

Straightpoint will exhibit at SPE Offshore Europe 2017, which takes place at the Aberdeen Exhibition & Conference Centre in Scotland on September 5-8.

This is the first time the force measurement, load monitoring and suspended weighing load cell equipment manufacturer will take exhibition space at the biennial show, having launched a *continued on next page*

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