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New Portable Floating Dock System Recognized for Exceptional Innovation

Bellingham Marine was presented with an innovation award at the 2016 Progressive® Insurance Miami International Boat Show® for the Company's portable dock system. The new, one-of-a-kind system gives dock buyers a new floating dock option.

Miami, FL, USA – 18 February 2016 – Attendees of the 2016 Progressive® Insurance Miami International Boat Show® had the opportunity to experience firsthand that latest product development from leading marina builder, Bellingham Marine – a portable, floating timber dock system.

The new dock received high praise at the show and was awarded an Innovation Award by the National Marine Manufacture's Association (NMMA) and Boat Writer's International (BWI).

Bellingham's portable dock system includes a number of innovative features that make the docks easy to install, anchor, run utilities through, remove, transport and store.

"Having the new temporary Bellingham docks for our inaugural show at Miami Marine Stadium Park & Basin, added to the enhanced consumer and exhibitor experience we delivered while bringing a clean, easy to install and remove system to our new in-water space," noted Larry Berryman, assistant show manager and sales director for the NMMA. "One of the best features of these docks is that they're 100 percent EPA compliant and completely encapsulated—they not only look good and function perfectly, but they help us ensure we're meeting all environmental requirements—something that's critical to NMMA."

Bellingham Marine worked closely with the NMMA in the development the new dock system. "This portable system is the perfect choice for individuals looking for a temporary /portable system, infrastructure for overwater venues, or a dock system that can be easily removed from the water during the off-season," said Bellingham Marine general manager, Mark Johnson.

- The docks are designed with a high live load capacity and are rated for commercial use.

- The system is designed around five primary components that allow the dock modules to be connected and arranged in an infinite number of configurations much like a set of Legos.
- Movable and flexible anchorage points allow the docks to be anchored by pile or a chain system in a variety of locations.
- Purposeful use and placement of cleats, lifting hardware, and other components make the docks easy to install, remove, and stack for storage.

“It is an honor to be presented with this prestigious award,” said Bellingham Marine President and CEO, Everett Babbitt. “A great deal of effort by some extraordinary individuals on both the Bellingham and the NMMA side went into the development of this innovative product. Thanks to all involved – great people build great products.”

The Miami International Boat Show Innovation Award was developed in partnership by the NMMA and [BWI](#) to recognize exceptionally innovative new consumer marine products. The judging committee is comprised of BWI members who perform product testing throughout the year and who have specific expertise in marine products and equipment. 77 products were entered; 17 winners were selected in 16 categories.

As the world's leading marina design-build construction company, Bellingham Marine specializes in floating dock, floating platform and floating wave attenuation systems for marinas worldwide. The company also produces dry storage systems for the upland storage of boats.

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