Volvo Ocean Race: Mastervolt becomes a team supplier to Camper with Team New Zealand

Mastervolt, the Dutch-based manufacturer of premium electrical systems, is delighted to announce an exciting new partnership with Team New Zealand (with Enertec Marine Systems), one of the strongest sailing teams in the world. Mastervolt has been appointed as Exclusive Team Supplier of batteries for the CAMPER project for the 2011-2012 Volvo Ocean Race.

Since the America’s Cup in 2007, Team New Zealand has been running three exciting projects to keep the team active and diversified. The team campaigned a TP52 in the 2009 and 2010 Audi MedCup Series, winning the season championship in both years.

The Louis Vuitton Pacific Series was created by the team in 2009, a match race event, which proved so popular it was expanded to four events as the Louis Vuitton Trophy. Team New Zealand won the 2009 regatta and three of the four LVT events. Most recently, the team partnered with Camper, a Spanish international footwear brand, to design, build and campaign an entry in the Volvo Ocean Race, which starts in late October.

As part of its investment, Mastervolt will be supplying a range of its technical products for the race team, including Mastervolt Li-Ion 24/160 batteries, MasterShunt 500, MasterView Monitor, a ChargeMaster 24/30 battery charger and Alpha Pro 24V regulator, amongst other alternator controllers and other system components. All these items will be on board the Camper Volvo Ocean Racing Boat.

Team New Zealand Managing Director Grant Dalton said he is pleased to welcome Mastervolt to the team. “The partnership brings together Team New Zealand and Mastervolt, an acknowledged world leader in research, design and production of high quality onboard electrical systems.”

Marketing Manager of Mastervolt, Marc Persoon, commented, “We have been developing high end low weight onboard systems for tough environments that are encountered in the Volvo Ocean Race, and this partnership offers a great opportunity to have Mastervolt on the water with a fabulous team which are at the absolute pinnacle of performance sailing.”