



## TUG ASSIST TO BULK CARRIER THROUGH THE TORRES STRAIT

### ► Scope of work

Client: China Navigation Company

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North Marine provides a tug assist charter to a 180-meter, 25,000 gross-ton bulk carrier, the 'M.V. Funing' through the Torres Strait.

North Marine's tugboat 'Gulf Explorer' mobilised to the Torres Strait from the Port of Cairns, QLD. She took up the stern tow position as the bulk carrier's tug escort, while another tug took the forward tow position. The charter involved transiting through the narrow Prince of Wales Channel on the Great Barrier Reef, commencing at Bligh Entrance, near Bramble Cay. The tug's role was to hold the ship straight, limiting yawning during the narrow reef ocean crossing.



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bulk-carrier tug assist  
in the Torres Strait, QLD

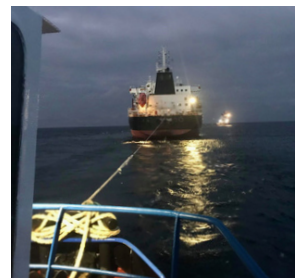


### ► Discriminators

- Extensive track record of tug charter contracting
- Adept at delivering logistically complex & remote projects
- Established working with border force & customs
- Environmentally & socially aware company
- Able to deliver project objectives with value for money
- Fleet of suitable charter vessels to perform works
- Local SME business using a Queensland workforce
- ISO Accredited, with experienced Key Personnel

### ► Outcome

The bulk carrier made the reef crossing safely and on schedule, with no delays. All charter objectives were delivered in full, on time and within budget.



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