

## Caterpillar 3606 Diesel Engine

Sustainable Maritime Transportation and Exploitation of Sea Resources covers the most updated aspects of maritime transports and of coastal and sea resources exploitation, with a focus on (but not limited to) the Mediterranean area. Vessels for transportation are analysed from the viewpoint of ship design in terms of hydrodynamic, structural and plant optimisation, as well as from the perspective of construction, maintenance, operation and logistics. The exploitation of marine and coastal resources is covered in terms of fishing, aquaculture and renewable energy production as well as of subsea resources extraction. The characterisation of the marine environment is seen under the twofold perspective of providing reference loads and conditions for the design of means for the resources exploitation, but also of setting limits to the design in order to preserve the natural ambient and minimise the impact of anthropogenic activities related to both transportation and exploitation. Efficiency, reliability, safety and sustainability of sea- and Mediterranean-related human activities are the focus throughout the book. Sustainable Maritime Transportation and Exploitation of Sea Resources will be of interest to technical operators in the various areas involved (shipbuilding and ship-owner companies, research organisations, universities, certifying bodies), but will also serve as an updated reference work for government agencies and other institutional and educational bodies.

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To get a personal look at what it is like to work on the Ohio River, newspaperman James E. Casto spent eight days aboard the Blazer as it traveled the Ohio from Huntington, West Virginia, to Pittsburgh, up the Allegheny and the Mongahela, and then back to Huntington. The Paul G. Blazer, a gleaming white towboat owned and operated by Ashland Oil, pushes a group -- or "tow," as the rivermen call it -- of nine barges on this trip. Along the way, Casto introduces us to Captain Ronnie Davis, pilot Ronnie Burge, engineer Steve Bellomy, the mates, the deckhands, and the cook, as well as the river itself, the life and the beauty that are the Ohio. Interwoven with the narrative of the trip upriver and back is the history of commerce on the Ohio -- of how the flatboats and keelboats gave way to the steamboats and how, in turn, the steamboats were replaced by today's powerful, diesel-powered boats such as the Blazer. Mark Twain wrote that the Mississippi had a new story to tell every day. The same can be said of the Ohio. As engaging as it is informative, Towboat on the Ohio tells one of the many stories of the busy, hardworking Ohio River.

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