## USMI to Build Special Operations Combatant Craft

ARLINGTON, Va. — United States Marine Inc. (USMI) has been awarded a \$108 million contract to build combatant craft for the U.S. Special Operations Command, the Defense Department said in a release.

The \$108 million maximum indefinite-delivery/indefinite-quantity delivery order contract with a five-year ordering period calls for combatant craft assault vessels to support Special Operations Command (USSODOM) missions around the world, the release said. USSOCOM operates a fleet of coastal and riverine craft in support of those operations.

USMI CEO Barry Dreyfus Jr. said the contract would allow the company to retain and possibly expand its workforce, according to another release from the office of Sen. Roger Wicker (R-Miss.). USMI is based in Wicker's state in Gulfport.

"USMI looks forward to continuing our work on behalf of the warfighter, and we appreciate the confidence [USSOCOM] continues to have in us," Dreyfus said.

The sole source contract is expected to be completed by April 2025.