

Press release

## **Good things come in threes: Audubon adds new LR 1700-1.0 to its fleet**

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- **Third Liebherr LR 1700-1.0 crawler crane delivered to US-based field services provider**
- **Audubon relies on Liebherr's reliability and innovative strength**
- **LR 1700-1.0 combines economical transport with high performance**

**For the construction and maintenance of wind turbines, Audubon's field services business has expanded its fleet with an additional LR 1700-1.0. The 700-tonne crane incorporates all the innovations added to Liebherr's crawler crane range in recent years.**

Ehingen (Donau), (Germany), 28 August 2024 – The American EPC, fabrication, and field services provider Audubon Engineering Company LLC, based in Houston (Texas), has ordered a third consecutive LR 1700-1.0 to support its crane solutions for energy and industrial clients. This brings the company's fleet to a total of ten units – including an LTM 1750-9.1. "The LR 1700-1.0 stands out for our business because it can withstand the highest wind speeds and lift the heaviest components," reports Travis Cusimano, Vice President of Audubon's heavy lift business. Audubon uses its Liebherr cranes for the construction and maintenance of wind turbines and petrochemical and refinery facilities supporting the energy and chemical industries.

### **Enormous lifting capacities and robust crawler carriers**

The new LR 1700-1.0 combines the economical transport offered by 600-tonne-class crawler cranes with the performance of lattice boom cranes in the 750-tonne class. It also features all the innovations of Liebherr's crawler crane developments from the last few years. To minimize wear when moving the crawler travel gear, the steel structure of the crawler carriers was made particularly robust, and the track rollers were enlarged. The 4-way drive for the travel gear is standard. The derrick system features V-frame®, VarioTray® and the M-Wagon® modular ballast wagon. "When we're on-site, the functionality and differentiating performance of our cranes is crucial. As excellent as our team's capabilities are, they wouldn't be possible without a powerful crane," says Brandon Caddell, Audubon Director of Operations.

### **Reliability and innovation**

"No matter what project we execute – our goal is always to perform safe, reliable, efficient construction and maintenance work while remaining flexible," explains Caddell. "Therefore, reliability and customer service, as well as Liebherr's reputation and innovative strength, were key purchasing criteria." And

Cusimano concludes: “We’re excited about the newest member of our crane fleet and can’t wait to deploy it to the field.”

## About Audubon

Audubon Engineering Company LLC is a group of affiliate companies providing engineering, procurement, construction (EPC), consulting, fabrication, and technical field services to the energy, power, infrastructure, and industrial markets. With proven industry experience, innovative technologies, and data-driven insight, Audubon delivers sustainable solutions to build a better tomorrow. For more information, visit [www.auduboncompanies.com/](http://www.auduboncompanies.com/).

## About Liebherr-Werk Ehingen GmbH

Liebherr-Werk Ehingen GmbH is a leading manufacturer of mobile and crawler cranes. Its range of mobile cranes extends from 2-axle 35 tonne cranes to heavy duty cranes with a lifting capacity of 1200 tonnes and a 9-axle chassis. Its lattice boom cranes on mobile or crawler travel gear deliver lifting capacities of up to 3000 tonnes. With universal boom systems and extensive additional equipment, they can be seen in action on construction sites throughout the world. The Ehingen site has a workforce of 5,000. An extensive, global service network guarantees the high availability of Liebherr mobile and crawler cranes. In 2023, the Liebherr plant in Ehingen recorded a turnover of 2.81 billion euros.

## About the Liebherr Group – 75 years of moving forward

The Liebherr Group is a family-run technology company with a highly diversified product programme. The company is one of the largest construction equipment manufacturers in the world. It also provides high-quality, user-oriented products and services in a wide range of other areas. The Liebherr Group includes over 150 companies across all continents. In 2023, it employed more than 50,000 staff and achieved combined revenues of over 14 billion euros. Liebherr was founded by Hans Liebherr in 1949 in the southern German town of Kirchdorf an der Iller. Since then, the employees have been pursuing the goal of achieving continuous technological innovation, and bringing industry-leading solutions to its customers. Under the slogan ‘75 years of moving forward’, the Group celebrates its 75th anniversary in 2024.

## Images



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Audubon takes over their third LR 1700-1.0 (from left to right): Pierre Bilgeri and Simon Schuster (Liebherr), Brandon Caddell and Travis Cusimano (Audubon) and Michael Kasowski (Liebherr) at the symbolic handover of the keys during the Liebherr Customer Days in June.

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