



U.S. Coast Guard History Program

Bedloe, 1946

WPC-121
ex-USS PCE(R)-860

Builder: Pullman Standard Car Manufacturing Company, Chicago, Illinois

Commissioned: 1945 (USN); 18 September 1946 (USCG)

Decommissioned: 17 July 1947

Length: 184' 6"

Beam: 34'

Draft: 9' 6"

Displacement: 870-tons

Propulsion: 2 General Motors Mod 12-278A diesel engines; 200 BHP

Performance:

Max: 14.5 knots; 2,200 mile range

Economic: 9 knots

Complement: 59

Armament: 1 x single 3"/50 gun mount; 2 x single 20mm gun mounts; 2 depth charge tracks; 4 depth charge projectors; 1 depth charge projector (hedgehog).

Electronics: SF-1 radar

History:

The USS PCE-860 was a PCE-842-class Patrol Craft Escort. She was laid down on 25 January 1944 at the Pullman Standard Car Manufacturing Company in Chicago, Illinois. She was

commissioned on 31 March 1945. She was decommissioned and transferred on loan to the Coast Guard and was commissioned as USCGC *Bedloe* on 18 September 1946. She was acquired, along with the PCE(R)-858, to replace the 125-foot cutters *Jackson* and *Bedloe* which were lost in the Hurricane of 1944. Both of the new cutters remained berthed at Curtis Bay, Maryland due to a lack of personnel. *Bedloe* was decommissioned on 17 July 1947 and was sold on 23 December 1947.

SOURCES:

Cutter History File. USCG Historian's Office, USCG HQ, Washington, D.C.

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