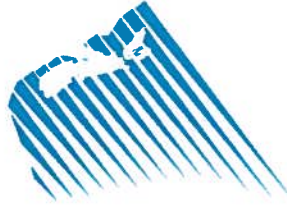


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Chief Safety Officer Decision

Decision Date: 28 May 2015
Applicant: Stena Drilling Ltd.
Reference: RQ-57, Structural Steel Standard
Project: Shell Canada - Shelburne Basin Venture Exploration Drilling Project
Installation Name: Stena IceMAX
Authority: Canada-Nova Scotia Offshore Petroleum Resources Accord Implementation Act (Federal version), Section 155(1)(b).
Regulation: Nova Scotia Offshore Petroleum Installations Regulations, Section 49(6)
Decision:

Stena Drilling Ltd. has requested an exemption from the requirement of Section 49(6), that structural steel used for the installation be in accordance with *CAN/CSA S473-92, Structural Steel, Offshore Structures*. The rationale for such an exemption includes:

- the Stena IceMAX is designed and constructed in accordance with DNV Class Rules, 1989 MODU Code, and Flag State Requirements (UK).
- structural steel used in the IceMAX construction is tested and certified to DNV Offshore Standards.

The Certifying Authority concurs that the proposal meets the requirements of Certificate of Fitness Regulations Section 4(2)(a)(ii).

The Chief Safety Officer hereby grants an exemption from Installation Regulations, Section 49(6), and is satisfied that this arrangement provides an equivalent level of safety to that provided by the Regulations.

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Chief Safety Officer