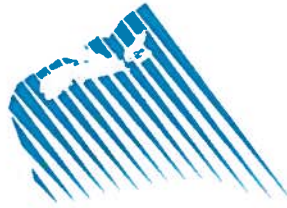


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Chief Safety Officer Decision

Decision Date: 16 June 2015
Applicant: Stena Drilling Ltd.
Reference: RQ-64, Height Off-Deck for Ladder Back Scratchers
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 210.07(1)
Regulation: Canada-Nova Scotia Offshore Marine Installations and Structures Occupational Health and Safety Transitional Regulations, Section 10(1)

Decision:

Stena Drilling Ltd. has requested a deviation from Section 10(1), relating to ladder back scratchers for the Stena IceMAX that stop 2.3 m above the deck rather than 2.0 m above the deck as required. The rationale for such a deviation is:

- The installation is designed and constructed in accordance with DNV Class Rules, 1989 MODU Code with Amendments 2001, and Flag State Requirements (UK).
- The current arrangements consider fall protection as well as use of ladders for emergency team and rescue purposes.

The workforce has been consulted and considers Stena's request acceptable. No concerns were identified during the public comment period.

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

The Chief Safety Officer is satisfied that the protection of the health and safety of employees is not diminished by these arrangements, and hereby grants a deviation from Section 10(1) of the Regulations.

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Chief Safety Officer