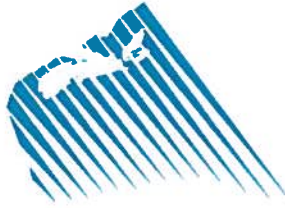


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Chief Safety Officer Decision

Decision Date: 27 April 2015
Applicant: Stena Drilling Ltd.
Reference: RQ-31, Fire Hose
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)(a).
Regulation: Nova Scotia Offshore Petroleum Installations Regulations, Section 24(4)(a & c)

Decision:

Stena Drilling Ltd. has requested a deviation from the requirement that the Stena IceMAX be provided with fire hose no more than 18m in length that meets NFPA 1961. 15m and 20m fire hose is installed.

The rationale for the hose length deviation is that the installation's fire hose meets DnV Rules, the 1989 MODU Code, and flag state requirements. DnV has confirmed that any single hose from any two separate hydrants can reach any location on the installation.

The rationale for the deviation from NFPA 1961 is that the fire hose meets the analogous DnV and SOLAS rules and 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 a deviation from the Installation Regulations, Section 24(4)(a & c), and is satisfied that this arrangement provides an equivalent level of safety to that provided by the Regulations.



Keith Landra, P. Eng., CRSP
Chief Safety Officer