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Chief Safety Officer Decision

Decision Date: 22 February 2018
Applicant: Seadrill Canada Ltd.
Reference: WAQ-NS-RQ07 (Rev 0) – Arrangement of Materials and Equipment
Project: BP-Offshore Nova Scotia 2018
Installation Name: West Aquarius
Authority: Canada-Nova Scotia Offshore Petroleum Resources Accord Implementation Act (Federal version), Section 155(1)(a).
Regulation: Nova Scotia Offshore Petroleum Installations Regulations, Section 9(4)(a)

Decision:

Seadrill Canada Ltd. has requested a deviation from Section 9(4)(a), which imposes restrictions on direct access and openings between hazardous areas of different ratings on an installation. A number of identified gas-tight doors on the West Aquarius open into the adjacent hazardous area.

The rationale for acceptance of the deviation includes monitoring and alarms to maintain positive pressure in the adjacent non-hazardous areas, and appropriate water tight and weather tight door arrangements with consideration for direction of emergency egress.

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 9(4)(a), and is satisfied that these arrangements provide an equivalent level of safety to that provided by the Regulations.

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Chief Safety Officer