

Chief Safety Officer Decision

Decision Date: 06 November 2017

Applicant: Noble Drilling Services (Canada) Corporation

Reference: NRA-2017-ST-001, Stability Calculations to Include Ice/Snow Loading

Project: Sable Offshore Energy Project

Installation Name: Noble Regina Allen

Authority: Canada-Nova Scotia Offshore Petroleum Resources Accord Implementation

Act (Federal version), Section 155(1)(a).

Regulation: Nova Scotia Offshore Petroleum Installations Regulations, Section 44

Decision:

Noble Drilling Services (Canada) Corporation has requested a deviation from Section 44 which requires the determination of environmental criteria and loads on an installation to be made in accordance with specified Canadian Standards Association (CSA) reference documents.

Acceptance of the deviation is based on the rationale that the Noble Regina Allen is designed in accordance with 2009 IMO MODU Code and 2008 ABS MODU Rules, with consideration of ISO 19906 snow and ice estimation techniques, and snow and ice practices described in the installations Operations Manual. A condition has been included to confirm that the onboard loading computer for weight management and stability analysis has been approved by Class and accepted by the Certifying Authority.

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 Section 44 of the Installation Regulations, and is satisfied that these arrangements provide an equivalent level of safety to that provided by the Regulations.

Robert Normore, B.Tech., CRSP Chief Safety Officer

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