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Chief Safety Officer Decision

Decision Date: January 13, 2018
Applicant: Seadrill Canada Ltd.
Reference: WAQ-NS-RQ01 (Rev 1) - General
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, Sections 4, 15(1), (2a), 38(a,c), 39(c), 40(2)(a,b), 40(3)(a), 44, 49, 50(1), 58(4), and 62(1)(a)

Decision:

Seadrill Canada Ltd. has requested a deviation from the above Sections of the Installations Regulations, which require the design, construction, commissioning and related analyses for an installation to be conducted in accordance with specified Canadian Standards Association (CSA) reference documents, and which include considerations for design elements and material selection for an installation.

Acceptance of the deviation is based on the rationale that the Seadrill West Aquarius is designed in accordance with IMO MODU Code and DNV Rules. The alternate arrangements described for the design, construction, commissioning and related analyses for the Seadrill West Aquarius are intended for worldwide service, and include class notations appropriate for the NS offshore area in accordance with the proposed activity.

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, Sections 4, 15(1), (2a), 38(a,c), 39(c), 40(2)(a,b), 40(3)(a), 44, 49, 50(1), 58(4), and 62(1)(a), and is satisfied that these arrangements provide an equivalent level of safety to that provided by the Regulations.

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