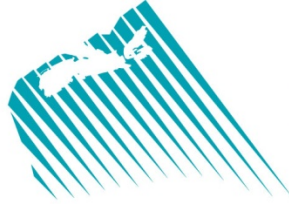


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Chief Safety Officer Decision

Decision Date: 21 February 2018
Applicant: Seadrill Canada Ltd.
Reference: WAQ-NS-RQ06 (Rev 0) - Collision Regulations
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)(b).
Regulation: Nova Scotia Offshore Petroleum Installations Regulations, Section 21(a)

Decision:

Seadrill Canada Ltd. has requested a deviation from the requirement of Section 21(a), that the installation be equipped with navigation lights in accordance with the Collision Regulations as if it were a Canadian vessel.

The rationale for acceptance of such a deviation includes that the West Aquarius is designed and constructed in accordance with IMO MODU Code, DNV Class Rules and Flag State (Panama) Requirements. The Flag State has issued an exemption based on allowable geometry for the configuration of the lights on this type of semi-submersible rig design. Additional considerations include that while drilling, a safety zone has been established and a standby vessel will be on location.

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 an exemption from Installation Regulations, Section 21(a), and is satisfied that this arrangement provides an equivalent level of safety to that provided by the Regulations.

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