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Chief Safety Officer Decision

Decision Date: 31 August 2018
Applicant: SBM Nova Scotia Contractors Inc.
Reference: RQ-075, Rev 2 - Ice Fall Protection Removal
Project: Encana - Deep Panuke
Installation Name: Production Field Centre
Authority: Canada-Nova Scotia Offshore Petroleum Resources Accord Implementation Act (Federal version), Section 155(1)(a)
Regulation: Nova Scotia Offshore Petroleum Installations Regulations, Section 8(2)

Decision:

SBM Nova Scotia Contractors Inc. has requested a deviation to Section 8(2), intended to prevent unprotected open flames or ignition sources within 50 meters of a well or other source of ignitable vapour.

The requested deviation is to allow hot work (grinding) to remove icefall protection and base welds on the Commissioning Generator container.

Acceptance of this deviation is based on the rationale that gas production and processing has ceased, the facility has been blown down, and process systems have been depressurized. Additional mitigations include a fire barrier, gas monitoring, and fire watch.

The Certifying Authority concurs that the proposal meets the requirements of Certificate of Fitness Regulations Section 4(2)(a)(ii).

The following condition must be met:

- Grinding operations to be conducted in accordance with the controls identified by the Certifying Authority (letter dated August 28, 2018, Ref: ECA/DP/RQF/075 Rev 2).

The Chief Safety Officer hereby grants a deviation from the Nova Scotia Offshore Petroleum Installations Regulations, Section 8(2), 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