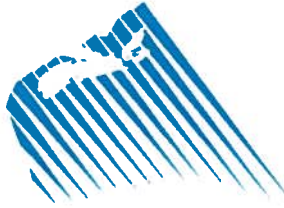


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Chief Safety Officer Decision

Decision Date: September 15, 2017
Applicant: SBM Nova Scotia Contractors Inc.
Reference: RQ-075, Rev. 1 - Handrail Welding
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.

Acceptance of this deviation is based on the rationale that the installation will suspend gas production and processing, and process systems on the installation will be depressurized and purged with nitrogen during the period of the repair. The welding activity is necessary to make repairs to an external handrail, and additional mitigation has been identified to further reduce risks associated with the repair.

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:

- Activity is to be conducted in accordance with mitigation identified by the Certifying Authority.

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