Chief Safety Officer Decision

Decision Date: 08 January 2020
Applicant: Noble Drilling Services (Canada) Corporation
Reference: NRA-DP-RQ-029 Rev. 2 - TP 4414 - Alternate Standards
Project: Deep Panuke
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 5(1)

Decision:

Noble Drilling Services (Canada) Corporation has requested a deviation from Section 5(1) which requires helidecks on an installation to conform to Transport Canada TP 4414, Guidelines Respecting Helicopter Facilities on Ships.

Acceptance of the deviation is based on the rationale that the helideck on the Noble Regina Allen is designed, constructed, and maintained in accordance with UK CAP 437, Standards for Offshore Helicopter Landing Areas and the 2009 IMO MODU Code.

Acceptance of the deviation is also conditional upon the completion of the friction testing to be conducted on the Noble Regina Allen helideck during the harbor program, a copy of the results are to be provided to the CNSOPB.

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 5(1) of the Installation Regulations, 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