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## Chief Safety Officer Decision

Decision Date: 17 December 2019  
Applicant: Noble Drilling Services (Canada) Corporation  
Reference: NRA-DP-RQ-014 - Water Mist System - Equivalent to Sprinkler System  
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 27  
Decision:

Noble Drilling Services (Canada) Corporation has requested a deviation from Section 27 which requires accommodations areas on a manned installation protected by a water sprinkler system with specified requirements, including that the system be installed, tested and maintained in accordance with specified National Fire Protection Association reference documents.

Acceptance of the deviation is based on the rationale that the accommodations areas on the Noble Regina Allen are protected by a water mist system designed and installed in accordance with ABS Rules, the IMO MODU Code and the International Code for Fire Safety Systems (under SOLAS). The water mist system is included in Nobel's inspection, testing and maintenance arrangements, and is subject to verification by the Certifying Authority.

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 27 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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