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Chief Safety Officer Decision

Decision Date: 17 December 2019
Applicant: Noble Drilling Services (Canada) Corporation
Reference: NRA-DP-RQ-015 - Water Mist System - Equivalent to Water Spray 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, Sections 28(1), 28(2), and 28(4)

Decision:

Noble Drilling Services (Canada) Corporation has requested a deviation from Sections 28(1), 28(2), and 28(4) which requires certain storage and equipment spaces and compartments on an installation to be protected by a fixed fire-extinguishing system meeting the requirements of a specified National Fire Protection Association standard.

Acceptance of the deviation is based on the rationale that the required spaces and compartments 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 the Installation Regulations, Sections 28(1), 28(2), and 28(4), and is satisfied that these arrangements provide an equivalent level of safety to that provided by the Regulations.

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