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Chief Safety Officer Decision

Decision Date: 08 January 2020
Applicant: Noble Drilling Services (Canada) Corporation
Reference: NRA-DP-RQ-035 - Air Gap Determination Standard
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 50(1)

Decision:

Noble Drilling Services (Canada) Corporation has requested a deviation from Section 50(1), requiring the air gap for an installation to be determined in accordance with a specified CSA standard.

Acceptance of the deviation is based on the rationale that air gap for the Noble Regina Allen was determined using a specified ISO standard, and in accordance with 2008 ABS MODU Rules and 2009 IMO MODU Code.

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, Section 50(1), 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