Chief Safety Officer Decision

Decision Date: 24 January 2020
Applicant: Noble Drilling Services (Canada) Corporation
Reference: NRA-DP-RQ-027 Man-lifts, Manriders, and Elevators Certification
Project: Deep Panuke
Installation Name: Noble Regina Allen
Authority: Canada-Nova Scotia Offshore Petroleum Resources Accord Implementation Act (Federal version), Section 210.07(1).
Regulation: Nova Scotia Offshore Marine Installations and Structures Occupational Health and Safety Transitional Regulations (OHST), Section 34

Decision:

Noble Drilling Services (Canada) Corporation has requested a deviation from Section 34, which requires elevating devices and attached safety devices to be in accordance with specified standards.

Acceptance of the deviation is based on the rationale that the Noble Regina Allen was designed and constructed in accordance with 2009 IMO MODU Code and 2008 ABS MODU Rules, and installed elevating devices were also reviewed to relevant reference documents, including 2010 ABS Steel Vessel Rules, ABS Guide for Lifting Appliances, and the ABS Guide for Classification of Drilling Equipment. Additional considerations include Class, OEM and Noble maintenance requirements being integrated into the planned maintenance system for the elevating devices, and that applicable devices meet the design and certification requirements of the Atlantic Canada Offshore Petroleum Industry Safe Lifting Practice.

The workforce has been consulted. No concerns were identified during the public comment period.

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 34 of the OHST 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