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Chief Safety Officer Decision

Decision Date: 24 January 2020
Applicant: Noble Drilling Services (Canada) Corporation
Reference: NRA-DP-RQ-024 Static Electricity Technical Specification
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 129

Decision:

Noble Drilling Services (Canada) Corporation has requested a deviation from Section 129 which requires control of static electricity in accordance with a specified National Fire Prevention Association reference document where a hazard of ignition by static electricity may occur.

Acceptance of the deviation is based on the rationale that the Noble Regina Allen is designed and constructed in accordance with ABS Rules and IMO MODU Code which address control of static electricity and electrical bonding. Additional considerations include specified references within the safety management system for the installation relevant to the control of static electricity.

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 Section 129 of the OHST Regulations, and is satisfied that these arrangements provide an equivalent level of safety to that provided by the Regulations.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'RWN', is positioned above the printed name of the Chief Safety Officer.

Robert Normore, B.Tech., CRSP
Chief Safety Officer