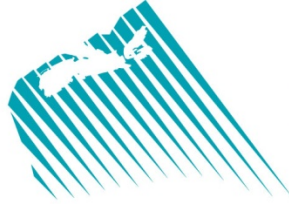


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## Chief Safety Officer Decision

Decision Date: 11 February 2020  
Applicant: Noble Drilling Services (Canada) Corporation  
Reference: NRA-DP-RQ-031 Rev.3 - Maintenance Regime  
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 Drilling & Production Regulations, Section 25(b)

### Decision:

Noble Drilling Services (Canada) Corporation has requested a deviation from Section 25(b) requiring maintenance on critical drilling equipment at an interval to ensure safe operation of the equipment and the installation, and at least once per five-year period.

Acceptance of the deviation is based on the rationale that the certificates of service for the specified drilling equipment will ensure safe operation of the equipment and the installation in accordance with recommended practices for scheduled maintenance based on operating hours. Considerations include the overall age and operating hours of the equipment, along with current condition of the equipment and assessments by engineering specialists and original equipment manufacturer.

The Certifying Authority concurs that the proposal meets the requirements of Certificate of Fitness Regulations Section 4(2)(a)(ii).

Acceptance of the deviation is also conditional on the ongoing validity of the certificates of service and their acceptance by the Certifying Authority.

The Chief Safety Officer hereby grants a deviation from Section 25(b) of the Drilling and Production 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