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OFFSHORE PETROLEUM BOARD

Chief Safety Officer Decision

Decision Date: 19 December 19
Applicant: Noble Drilling Services (Canada) Corporation
Reference: NRA-DP-RQ-032 Rescue Boat - Alternate Arrangements
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 22(1)(f)(i)

Decision:

Noble Drilling Services (Canada) Corporation has requested a deviation from Section 22(1)(f)(i) which requires manned installations to be provided with a motor-propelled rescue boat.

Acceptance of the deviation is based on the rationale that while the Noble Regina Allen will not have an installed rescue boat, during operations it will rely on rescue boat arrangements provided by their standby vessel.

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 Noble Regina Allen complying with the relevant Flag State exemption certificate and the standby vessel having a valid Atlantic Canada Standby Vessel (AC-SBV) Document of Compliance (DOC).

The Chief Safety Officer hereby grants a deviation from Section 22(1)(f)(i) of the Installation 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