Chief Safety Officer Decision

Decision Date: 1 September 2020
Applicant: DOF Subsea Canada Corp
Reference: RQ DOF 002 Rev 1 – Skandi Neptune - Cranes
Project: Deep Panuke (Ovintiv)
Installation Name: Skandi Neptune
Authority: Canada-Nova Scotia Offshore Petroleum Resources Accord Implementation Act (Federal version), Section 210.07(1).
Regulation: Canada-Nova Scotia Offshore Marine Installations and Structures Occupational Health and Safety Transitional Regulations (TOHS Regulations), Sections: 209(2) and 231(2)

Decision:

DOF Subsea Canada Corp (DOF) has requested a deviation from Sections 209(2) and 231(2) requiring offshore cranes to meet specified American Petroleum Institute (API) standards. The request is supported by Ovintiv, the Operator of the Deep Panuke Project.

Acceptance of the deviation is based on the rationale that the Skandi Neptune cranes are operated and maintained in accordance with the OEM manuals and certified under classification society rules. Additional considerations include the commitment to follow the Atlantic Canada Offshore Petroleum Industry: Safe Lifting Practice which includes relevant practices for subsea cranes. The acceptance is also conditional on the satisfactory closure of crane-related audit findings.

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

The Chief Safety Officer hereby grants a deviation from the Nova Scotia Offshore Marine Installations and Structures Occupational Health and Safety Transitional Regulations (OHST), Sections 209(2) and 231(2), and is satisfied that these arrangements provide an equivalent level of safety to that provided by the Regulations.

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