

# Helicopter Operations Safety Committee (HOSC) Minutes of Meeting – Wednesday, June 10, 2015

---

## Location:

Husky Energy – 351 Water Street (11<sup>th</sup> Floor)

## Committee Attendees:

Ray Dalton (Suncor Energy – Operator Rep – HOSC Chair)  
Corey Goyman (HMDC – Operator Rep)  
Justin Meaney (SeaRose FPSO – Workforce Rep)  
Garry Ralph (West Hercules – Workforce Rep)  
Craig Williams (Terra Nova FPSO – Workforce Rep)  
Andrea Gruchy (Husky Energy – Operator Administrator)  
Dave Beazley (Hibernia – Workforce Rep)  
Mark Williams (Chevron – Operator Rep)  
Peter McKeage (C-NLOPB) – *via teleconference*

## Guests:

Colin Moores – Statoil (Sr. HSE Advisor)

---

## Decisions and Actions are in bold type

### 1. Safety Moment

Both Ray and Andrea presented safety moments at the meeting.

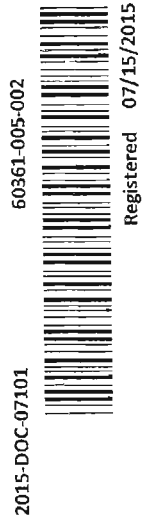
Andrea's presentation focused on unsecure loads in vehicles. Several examples were shown of inadequate storage and transportation methods. Andrea reiterated the importance of using the proper materials (straps, tarps, etc.) to ensure all loads are secure. This has become a major problem in the St. John's area, especially on the Outer Ring Road.

Ray presented on the signs of drowning, which are quite different than what you would expect. Very little splashing, yelling or waving occurs when an individual is in distress. As quoted on the website that Ray referenced, "except in rare circumstances, drowning people are physiologically unable to call out for help. The respiratory system was designed for breathing. Speed is the secondary or overlaid function". Many people drown because onlookers are unaware of what is happening. Further information can be found on the website: [www.mariovittone.com/2010/05/154/](http://www.mariovittone.com/2010/05/154/).

### 2. HOSC Member Update

A new member is still required from the West Aquarius. **Corey is still recruiting a representative and will provide an update at the next meeting.**

Matthew Hawco is no longer with the C-NLOPB; a new observer is required. The committee would like to thank Matthew for his contributions and wish him well on future endeavours. **Ray will discuss with the C-NLOPB if anyone is available to be appointed to this role.**



**Helicopter Operations Safety Committee (HOSC)**  
Minutes of Meeting – Wednesday, June 10, 2015

---

**3. Cougar Helicopters Update**

Steve was unable to attend the meeting but provided an update for the committee to review. **It was asked that Steve review these Customer Flight Notifications again at the next meeting and provide updates. As well, Andrea will forward Steve's presentation to all HOSC members.**

**4. CHC Helicopters Canada Update**

Lesley was also unable to attend the meeting but provided an update. There were 3 Customer Flight Notifications since the last meeting (all manifest discrepancies).

**5. Recommendations 13/14 Review**

The committee started a review of [Recommendations 13/14](#). Ray asked that all committee members review the Recommendations prior to the next meeting. To assist in the review, Ray will acquire a copy of Dr. Coleshaw's report from the C-NLOPB as the report is now available.

A brief discussion occurred regarding medicals. **Ray will check to see what changes have been made to CAPP medicals prior to the next meeting.**

**6. C-NLOPB Aviation Advisor Update**

Progress is ongoing regarding 30 minute run dry. Peter is participating in the Helicopter Safety Research Management Committee (HSRMC) meetings in July where a viewing of a helicopter side flotation kit will occur. He will discuss further at the next meeting in September.

Work is also commencing on the notice of proposed amendments, especially regarding the wording of how to certify beyond 30 minutes. The C-NLOPB has had a major influence on this particular topic.

**7. Action Log**

The action log was not reviewed during this meeting.

**8. New Business**

An annual review of the HOSC Charter will occur in September; **Andrea will forward to all committee members for review.**

Dave wanted to discuss a few items at the end of the meeting with attendees. The first item involved overboard venting/discharging while a helicopter is on approach. Dave asked that all operators review their policies/procedures and report back at the next meeting.

As well, Dave asked about the status of on-route wave measurements and forecasting for sea states. Ray mentioned that the HF Radar Technology Report was presented to Operators in 2013 but it was decided at that time to pursue other technology.

**Helicopter Operations Safety Committee (HOSC)**  
Minutes of Meeting – Wednesday, June 10, 2015

---

**9. Next Meeting**

Summer break for the committee has commenced; the next scheduled meeting will take place on September 2<sup>nd</sup> with location TBD. It was suggested that Survitec attend the meeting to provide an update to the committee. **Andrea will check their availability. Committee members would like to discuss marine certification of HPTSS suits if representatives are available to attend.**