

**Chief Safety Officer Decision (Regulatory Equivalence)**

**Date:** 25 August 2016

**C-NLOPB Reference:** 2016-RQ-0162

**Applicant:** Hibernia Management and Development Company

**Applicant Reference:** RQF 469

**Installation Name:** Hibernia

**Authority:** *Canada-Newfoundland Atlantic Accord Implementation Act, subsection 151(1)*  
  
*Canada-Newfoundland and Labrador Atlantic Accord Implementation Newfoundland and Labrador Act, subsection 146(1)*

**Regulation:** *Installation Regulations Sub-section 8(2)*

**Decision:**

The Chief Safety Officer accepts the Applicant's, the operator of the Hibernia Installation, proposal to conduct hot work on the Pipe Handling Machine/Fingerboards, provided all risk reduction measures outlined in the Application are followed. The Application is approved subject to the following conditions:

1. Drilling operations are shut-down during hotwork repair.
2. All hazards and risks associated with repair work are to be identified, risk assessed and mitigated to ALARP.
3. The safety systems, including fire suppression systems and fire/gas detection systems, are fully functional at all times during hot work.
4. Environmental conditions such as wind speed and wind conditions must be considered each time hotwork is to take place such that gas does not migrate towards hotwork area in the event of a gas release.
5. All expectations addressed in C-NLOPB Hot Work Interpretation Note 14-01 apply to this RQF decision

  
Chief Safety Officer