



**Chief Safety Officer Decision**  
**(Application for Substitution, Equivalency, or Exemption)**

**Date:** 2 June 2017

**C-NLOPB Reference:** 2017-RQ-0090

**Applicant:** Electromagnetic Geoservices (EMGS) Canada

**Applicant Reference:** RQ-EMGS-AG004

**Installation Name:** M/V Atlantic Guardian

**Authority:** *Canada-Newfoundland and Labrador Atlantic Accord Implementation Act, subsection 151(1) & section 205.069*  
*Canada-Newfoundland and Labrador Atlantic Accord Implementation Newfoundland and Labrador Act, subsection 146(1) and section 201.66*

**Regulation:** Section 2 of the *Canada-Newfoundland and Labrador Offshore Marine Installations and Structures Transitional Regulations*

**Decision:**

The Chief Safety Officer authorizes the applicant, the owner of the *M/V Atlantic Guardian*, to use immersion suits which conform to the International Convention for the Safety of Life at Sea (SOLAS), 1974, in lieu of the *Canada-Newfoundland and Labrador Offshore Marine Installations and Structures Transitional Regulations* requirement to use immersion suits which conform to the National Standard of Canada CAN/CGSB-65.16-M89, *Marine Abandonment Immersion Suit Systems* on condition that the immersion suits also meet the requirements of Transport Canada for immersion suits on Canadian Flagged vessels as detailed in *TP 13585E "Acceptance of SOLAS Immersion Suits Until the Proposed Vessel Construction and Equipment Regulations are Completed"*

Approval is subject to the following condition:

- Test and service records for all immersion suits to be used during the program must be submitted to the satisfaction of the Chief Safety Officer prior to program start.

This substitution is effective from the date herein until the *Canada-Newfoundland and Labrador Offshore Marine Installations and Structures Transitional Regulations* are repealed or that any representations made in the application for substitution has changed, whichever is earlier. For greater certainty, exemptions from Part III.1 Regulations made pursuant to the *Accords Acts* will no longer be granted after December 31, 2019.

  
Chief Safety Officer