

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

Date: 27 March 2018

C-NLOPB Reference: 2018-RQ-0001

Applicant: ExxonMobil Canada Properties

Applicant Reference: RQF-HEB-073

Installation Name: Hebron Platform

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

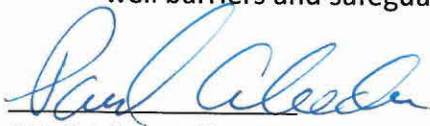
Canada-Newfoundland and Labrador Atlantic Accord Implementation Newfoundland and Labrador Act, subsection 146(1) and section 201.66

Regulation: *Newfoundland Offshore Petroleum Drilling and Production Regulations Section 36 (1)*

Decision:
The Chief Safety Officer authorizes the Applicant to discontinue the use of the drilling diverter system on the Hebron platform as required by the *Newfoundland Offshore Petroleum Drilling and Production Regulations* subject to the following conditions:

1. Adhere to the conditions that were issued by the Certifying Authority on “CRS number HEB-RQF073-PMT-001-R002”.
2. In the event of any sustained 508mm x 340mm casing annulus pressure deemed to be indicative of a shallow hazard of any offset well, the continued use of drilling surface hole sections without a diverter will be assessed in consultation with the C-NLOPB.
3. A Shallow Gas Drill will be conducted with ALL applicable crews prior to top hole drilling execution.
4. The hard installed diverter lines and equipment are not to be removed from the Platform and are to be maintained as a Safety Critical Element.
5. Reference to “Diverter” as a Safety Critical Element is to remain consistent within the Basis of Safe Operation to capture situations where a Diverter is required.

6. During the planning stage of the well where the collision avoidance criteria falls in the “major risk zone” while drilling the top hole section, the continued drilling of the surface hole section without a diverter will be assessed in consultation with the C-NLOPB.
7. During the operations stage of the well where the collision avoidance criteria falls in the “major risk zone” while drilling the top hole section, operations are to be halted. The continuation of operations will then need to be assessed in consultation with the C-NLOPB based on adjacent well barriers and safeguards.

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Chief Safety Officer