

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

Date: 5 MARCH 2020

C-NLOPB Reference: 2019-RQ-0072

Applicant: Stena Drilling Ltd.

Applicant Reference: SIM-RQ-019-007

Installation Name: MV-Stena IceMAX

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: *Subsection 9(1),(2)&(3) of the Newfoundland Offshore Petroleum Installations Regulations*

Decision:

The Chief Safety Officer approves the Applicant's, the owner of the *Stena IceMAX*, proposal to permanently lock access to both the shaker operator room and the airlock leading to it during operations in Canada – Newfoundland and Labrador Offshore Region, in lieu of the requirements in Subsection 9(1),(2)&(3) of the *Newfoundland Offshore Petroleum Installations Regulations* which states that gastight doors between a Class 1, Division 1 area and a Class 1, Division 2 area must open into the Class 1, Division 2 area.

This Decision is effective from the date of issuance herein until the earlier of:

- a) the date a Regulation referenced herein is repealed or the date a particular subsection that is the object of a substitution or exemption being granted hereby is amended or replaced, or
- b) the date on which the CSO and /or CCO (as applicable) revokes this Decision as a result of i) any enforcement action by the Board related to this Decision or ii) new information or analysis coming to light challenging the assessment upon which this Decision was based, including but not limited to any changes to commitments made by the Applicant in its application.

For greater certainty, the Chief Safety Officer will no longer have authority under the Accord Acts to grant exemptions for Part III.1 transitional regulations once they are repealed.


Chief Safety Officer