

Chief Safety Officer Decision (Regulatory Exemption)

Date: MAY 28, 2015

C-NLOPB Reference: 2015-RQ-0027 (Rev 1)

Applicant: Seadrill Canada Ltd.

Applicant Reference: WA-DP-31 (Rev 1)

Installation Name: West Aquarius

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: Paragraph 25(b) of the Newfoundland Offshore Petroleum Drilling

and Production Regulations

Decision:

The Chief Safety Officer concurs with the Applicant's, the owner of the West Aquarius, proposal for a temporary exemption from the *Newfoundland Offshore Petroleum Drilling and Production Regulations* Paragraph 25(b) five-year comprehensive inspection requirement for Diesel Generators (DGs) with the following conditions:

- 1. This exemption approves the temporary operation of DG#2 beyond the five-year maximum period between comprehensive inspections. This approval is only valid until 30 June 2015 or until the DG#2 reaches 24,000 operating hours (Original Equipment Manufacturer (OEM) maximum operating hours before overhaul), whichever comes first. The Applicant is to maintain permanent OEM (Wartsila) presence onboard the West Aquarius to monitor DG#2 until it is either overhauled or reaches 24,000 hours, whichever comes first.
- Each of the three DGs (DG4, DG5 and DG7) which are currently in non-compliance with regulation five-year inspection requirement and also in non-compliance with OEM major

- overhaul/inspection requirements are not to be operated until such time as the "comprehensive inspection / 24,000 hour OEM overhaul" has been completed in accordance with the submitted plan which to occur by no later than 30 September 2015.
- 3. If at any time there are less than five fully serviceable and operational DGs, operations will cease until such time as five DGs are available and operational.

Chief Safety Officer