

Quad 204 Deepsea Aberdeen: New 6<sup>th</sup> Gen' semi – dual derrick



Quad 204 New FPSO, Glen Lyon: biggest in N hemi-sphere



# Quad 204 – Schiehallion Field – Restarting a brownfield subsea development





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# Schiehallion and Loyal: Introduction



- The Schiehallion and Loyal fields
  - Located 175km to the West of the Shetland Isles in
    >350m water depth
- BP operate both fields
  - Schiehallion: BP 33.35%, Shell 44.896%, Siccar Point Energy 11.754% and Chrysaor 10%. Loyal: BP 50% and Shell 50%
- Discovered 1993, production start-up 1998
  - >2 bbn bbls in place
  - Oil is ~26API; GOR 350 scf/stb; 4cp
  - Stacked Palaeocene turbidites at ~2000m TVDSS
- Sub-sea tie-back to FPSO
  - Developed under waterflood
  - 50+ wells drilled to date tied back through 5 production/injection manifolds
  - ~400 mmboe produced via the original Schiehallion FPSO with watercuts of ~50% in 2013 at field suspension
  - Field was suspended due to inadequate capacity, operating life and operating efficiency





# The QUAD 204 project: Addressing cut-offs & Improving sweep



#### Our Investment

#### Vessel

Subsea



- A further 20 years of vessel life
- Enhanced operational efficiency
- 320mbd total liquids capacity (130mbd oil)
- 220mmscf/d gas capacity
- 380mbd water injection capacity

#### Wells



- Replace aging trees
- Commitment to long term safety and well integrity through interventions



Re-use existing hardware. Install new flowlines, umbilicals, risers , manifolds.

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- conformance

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#### Infills

- A further 20 infill wells drilled from the new Deep Sea Aberdeen rig
- 6<sup>th</sup> Gen semi-sub
- Long term rig commitment

Surveillance

Seismic

#### Wellwork



 Rate/reserves adding wellwork jobs such as water shut-offs

**Appraisal** 

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**PLTs** 

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### Start-up context



### Subsea facilities... World's largest subsea production system 15 flow lines • 5 drill centres 2 dynamic and 5 static umbilicals Over 50 wells Largest ever riser bend stiffeners 21 new flexible risers & 20 mooring lines FLEXIBLE RISERS 86 riser and mooring piles 73 large and small structures Extensive upgrade to control distribution network SUBSEA THEE CONTROLS UMBHICALS PRODUCTION MANIFELDS CONTROLS DISTRIBUTION ASSEMBLIES



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#### **Oil Production**





- No significant issues encountered with producers during start-up
  - 2 wells experienced comms issues which have since been resolved
- Majority of injectors brought online without issue
  - a small number of wells had washed out chokes, requiring choke change-outs
- Start-up presented a unique opportunity for interference testing

# Start-up surveillance: Interference testing overview





# Start-up surveillance: Well performance



- With the test separator initially unavailable, estimates were made on individual well performance using:
  - riser samples
  - wellbore fluid gradients
  - previous test data
- Reduction in water cut observed in several wells a result of gravity segregation; with water slumping away from the producers
- PBU/PFO data is also being analysed and compared to data collected on shut-in to identify any changes in well KH or skin





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#### Summary



#### Field suspension

- Good field management prior to shutdown reduced risk of damage to wells and made infill drilling easier and more predictable
- Collection of baseline well performance (well tests, PBU/PFO data) was crucial for optimisation of start-up sequence and identification of any issues

#### What happened during shut-in period?

- Invested time in tools and process to develop our opportunity hopper
- 13 wells drilled to date, 11 better than prognosis

#### What happened during start-up?

- Sequencing of well start-up offered a unique opportunity for interference testing; tailored to answer key questions and help inform infill decisions
- Well performance since start-up has been good, with no issues as a result of an extended shut-in and lower initial water cuts than previously

#### What's next?

- Ongoing optimisation of field
- Continuing to invest beyond Quad 204 via wellwork, new wells and near-field tie-backs

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