Planning for the Modular Rig-based Well Decommissioning Operations on Cormorant Alpha

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# Introduction

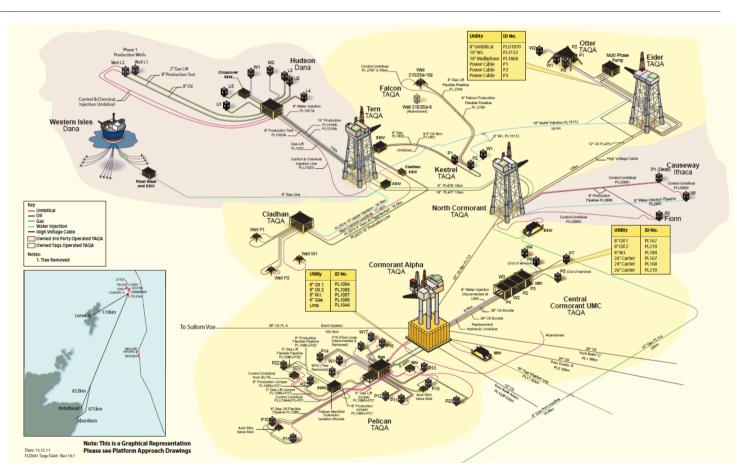
### **Background Information Cormorant Alpha**

• Field Discovery: 1972

Date of Construction: 1978

Last Drilling Activity: 2007

- Planned Activity: Plug and abandonment (P&A) of the Cormorant Alpha platform well stock.
- Cormorant Alpha Well Stock (22 Wells):
- 18 wells require all phase of abandonment.
- 2 wells phase 1 complete.
- 2 wells phase 2 complete.



Rig Re-Activation vs HWU vs MDR



1978



Rig Drilling Package after 43 years





#### **Rig Reactivation:**

- £££m
- Full overhaul required



#### • HWU:

Requirement for potential drilling, workover and abandonment activities



- Modular Drilling Rig:
- Met all tender criteria

### Archer Topaz Modular Drilling Rig

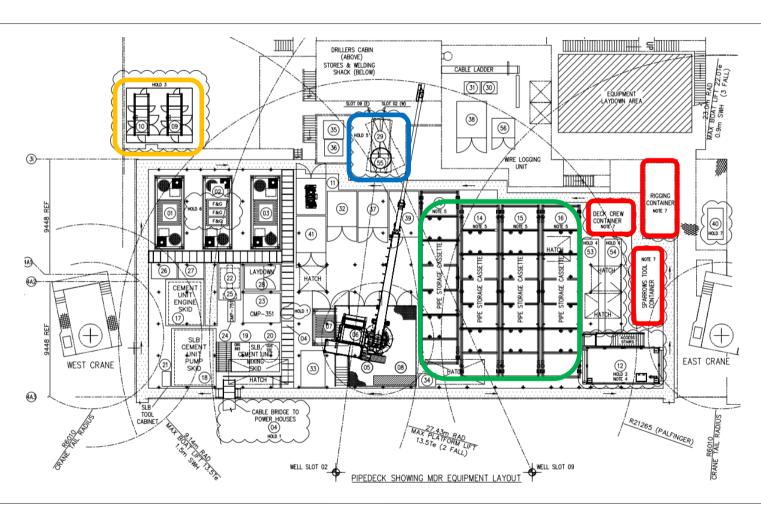
**Summary:** The Archer TOPAZ MDR has been contracted to undertake the well abandonments of the Cormorant Alpha well inventory. It will be modified and adapted to operate on the installation prior to mobilisation. It will be coupled with several existing systems on the Cormorant Alpha to enhance its functionality and to make best use of the existing support infrastructure.





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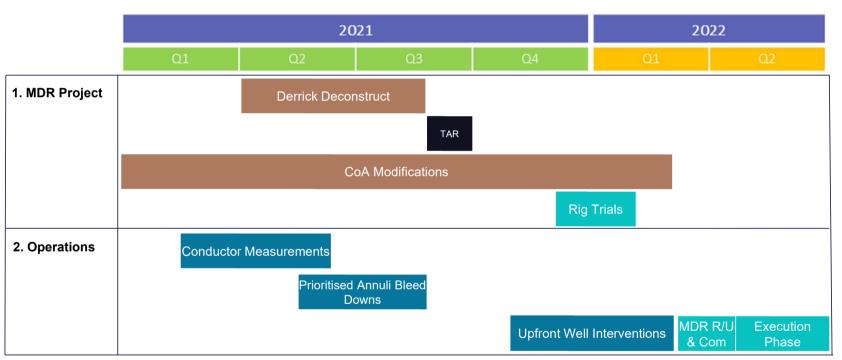
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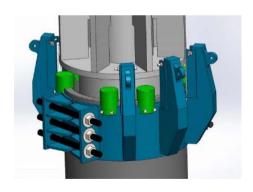
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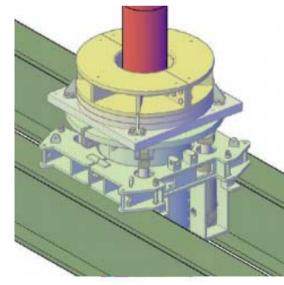
**Surface Casing:** The surface casing is either landed out on the conductor or a clamp will be run to transfer the well load to the conductor.

**Environmental Load Assessment:** Sonomatic tool is being run as a screening tool to identify potential areas of corrosion and areas that may need additional support during well operations

Tension Table: Well load needs to be transferred to East-West skid rails. Commitment required to tension table prior to achieving results.









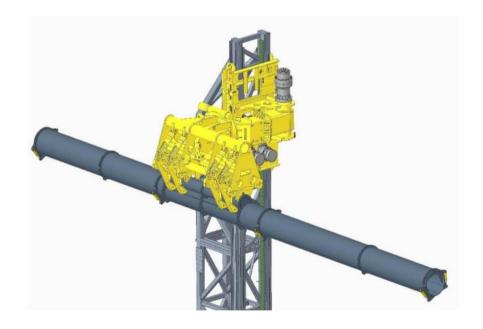
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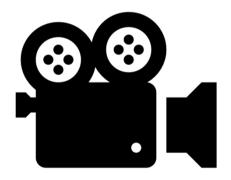
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**Issue:** A technical solution for handling pipe was sought due to concerns relating to structural failure of corroded completion tubulars recovered from the well.

**Solution:** The drilling contractor Archer approached the Original Equipment Manufacturer (OEM) of the MDR, Streicher, to propose an integrated solution that would support the pipe and contain any potential dropped objects.









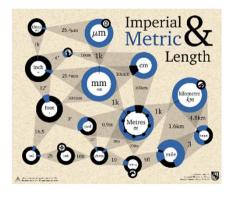
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### **Coiled Tubing**



### Units



### **Annuli Pressures**



**Historic Data** 



#### Well Issues

