PEGASUS WEST 43/13B-7 SENTINEL WELL MONITORING





PASSIVE TECHNOLOGY



March 2020







PEGASUS WEST 43/13B-7 - LOCATION

- UKCS Block 43/13b
- Southern North Sea (SNS)
- West of the Cavendish Field, East of the Andromeda
- 30km NW of Trent (43/24a)
- 55km West of Cygnus (44/12a)
- Drilled by NJR (B391) Jack Up in 2014







WELL HISTORY AND SUSPENSION STATUS

Well History

- 43/13b-7 drilled by the NJR (B391) in 2014
- Full hole casing design 9 5/8" liner / no tieback
- Well logged & tested 3 separate zones
- Well suspended for future re-entry

Current Status

- 4 1/2" liner perforated across 3 sands
- Hydrocarbon gas across the perforations in 4 $\frac{1}{2}^{\prime\prime}$ liner
- Lower completion tailpipe left in place
- Wireline plug installed in completion tailpipe nipple
- Well displaced to 11.05 ppg CaCl₂ kill weight brine
- 9 5/8" and 13 3/8" bridge plugs set in casing
- 13 3/8" Corrosion cap installed below mudline
- Trash Cap installed on the 30" conductor







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THE CHALLENGE

- Long-term suspended well without active monitoring
- No infrastructure in place
- Bi-annual visual inspection (IRM) only
- Looking for a remote monitoring solution
- Deployment integrated with 'routine' IRM campaign





June 2020 IRM





PEGASUS WEST 43/13B-7 SOLUTION

- Modified 30" Debris Cap (Coral Unit) housing WellSentinel[™] passive monitoring equipment
 - Collects and physically detects gas and /or oil in the subsea environment
 - Technology does not require active electronics for emission detection
 - Passive detection Triggers degraded by natural gas
 - Once exposed an individually coded Alert Beacon is released to surface and communicates via satellite
- 10+ years monitoring with no intervention
- Simple deployment with DSV during existing IRM campaign
- Early alert through existing Iridium satellite network



Modified 30" Debris Cap





CAP MODIFICATION (CORAL UNIT)

• Modify this...



• To this...











MONITORING MODULE

- Sub-assembly houses all the critical monitoring equipment (Triggers, locking mechanism, alert beacon, silo unit, reaction chamber etc.)
- Deployed into top aperture of the modified Debris Cap (Coral Unit)
- Small and lightweight modular design
- Designed for ROV handling

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Monitoring Unit



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PEGASUS WEST WELL OBJECTIVE

- Remove existing Debris Cap from conductor and install replacement Coral Unit fitted with WellSentinel[™] monitoring device
- Provide continuous integrity monitoring of the Pegasus West well





DEPLOYMENT VESSEL

- Subsea IRM and survey vessel
- DP 2
- 60Te active heave compensated crane
- 1 OBS Class ROV (ObsROV)
- 2 Work Class ROV (WROV)
- Deployment part of 3 week IRM campaign

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ARRIVAL, AS-FOUND & PREPARATION

- Conductor and existing cap were found to be in good condition, with no evidence of damage, debris or gas at the wellhead
- Evidence of marine growth was as expected
- Gross marine growth was removed from the existing cap/conductor interface and the lifting points on the top of the cap







EXISTING CAP REMOVAL

- The rigging assembly and sling set installed via WROV onto the cap
- The crane then lifted the existing cap from the wellhead
- The cap was then placed inside a subsea basket for recovery at a later point in the operation
- When the existing cap was removed, gas was observed at the wellhead









CORAL UNIT INSTALLATION

- The Coral Unit was rigged on deck and lowered down by the crane to the conductor
- The cap was aligned with the WROV manoeuvring the Coral Unit into place
- ObsROV was located at the base of the conductor, looking upwards, to assist with the alignment











MONITORING MODULE INSTALLATION

- Prior to installation, a number of pre-launch assembly and systems checks were performed on deck
- Including
 - Activation of Alert Beacon and check of satellite comms
 - Insertion of Triggers
 - Final assembly
- The Monitoring Module was secured to the tool drawer of the WROV







MONITORING MODULE INSTALLATION (CONT..)







BEACON RELEASE

- After installation the system reacted to the gas observed and operated as designed (beacon released, surfaced and sent alert signal via satellite)
- This was not a false alarm:
 - Hyperbaric testing of Trigger material to equivalent of 3,600 m water depth
 - Test tank testing studying flow rates, concentrations, reaction times
 - Heriot-Watt lab testing
 - In-house equipment testing



Monitoring Unit release in test tank





ALERT SIGNAL AND TRACKING

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Alarm Alert - Pegasus (43-13b-7) UKCS



Pegasus (43-13b-7) UKCS

Key	Value
Timestamp	2021-06-17T06:35:05.000Z
Surfaced	true
Alarm	true
Plain Text	Surfaced









LESSONS LEARNED

- Minimise the need for ROV handling/intervention
- Deploy the system with the Monitoring Module pre-installed in the Coral unit.
- Modular Coral design for increased flexibility
 - Short wellheads, PBG, space constraints



Revised WellSentinel™ Coral design





KEY OUTCOMES

- Early adoption of passive monitoring technology by an innovative Operator
- First operational deployment of WellSentinel[™] system
- First operational release of alert beacon











