

**Fairfield Energy Limited**

**Greater Dunlin Area Decommissioning Project**

**Collaboration & Innovation in Decommissioning  
Session**

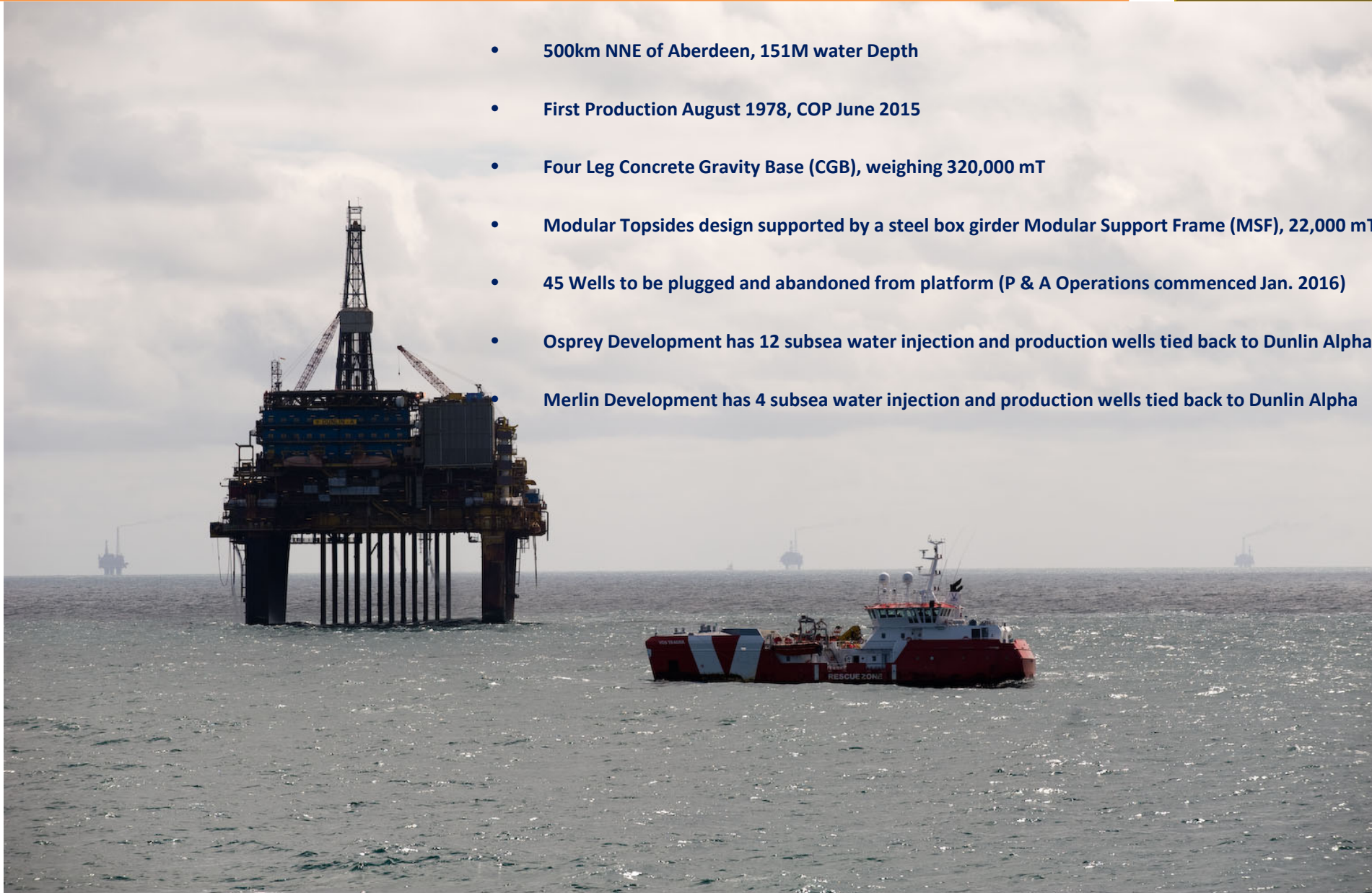
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# Fairfield Energy – Greater Dunlin Area Decommissioning Project



- 500km NNE of Aberdeen, 151M water Depth
- First Production August 1978, COP June 2015
- Four Leg Concrete Gravity Base (CGB), weighing 320,000 mT
- Modular Topsides design supported by a steel box girder Modular Support Frame (MSF), 22,000 mT
- 45 Wells to be plugged and abandoned from platform (P & A Operations commenced Jan. 2016)
- Osprey Development has 12 subsea water injection and production wells tied back to Dunlin Alpha
- Merlin Development has 4 subsea water injection and production wells tied back to Dunlin Alpha



# Challenge 1. Dunlin Alpha Conductor Removal

- Originally 48 Slots
  - 45 Well Conductors (DA-11 now removed)

LAT EL (+)0m

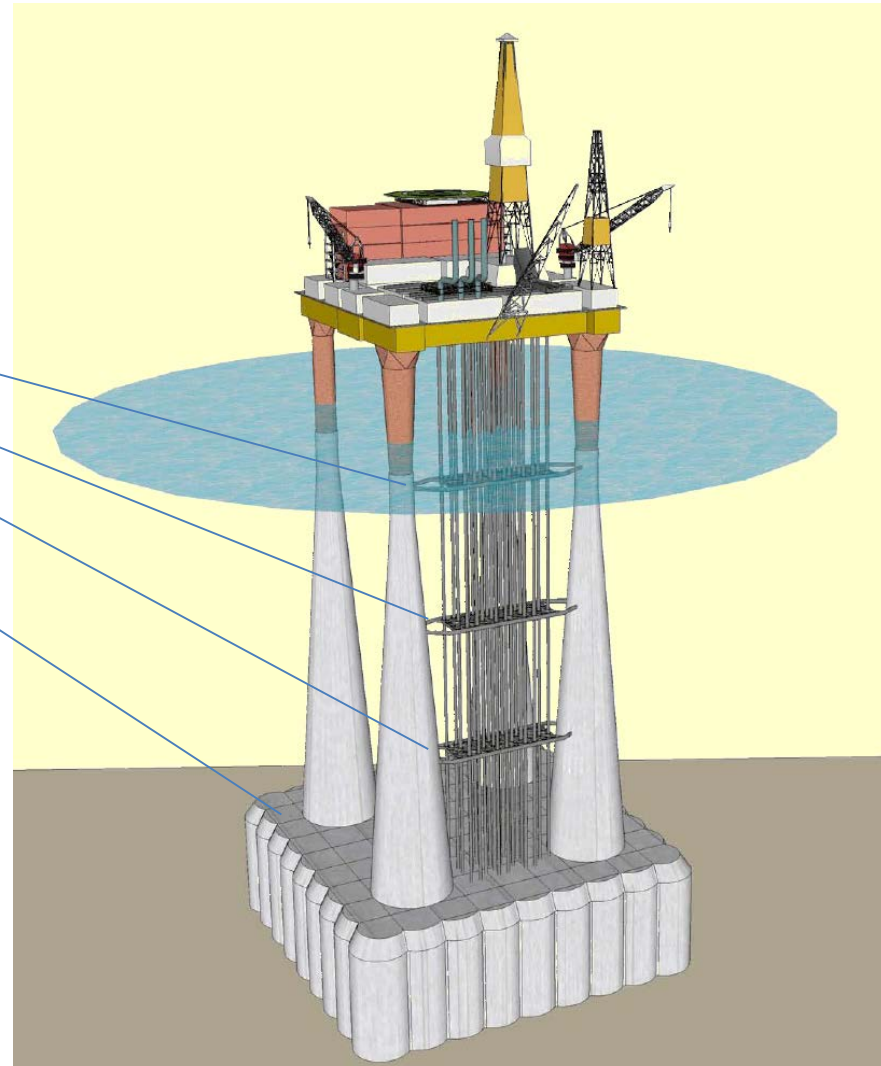
Conductor Guide Frame 1 EL (-)10m

Conductor Guide Frame 2 EL (-)40m

Conductor Guide Frame 3 EL (-)76m

CGBS Top of Base EL(-)119m

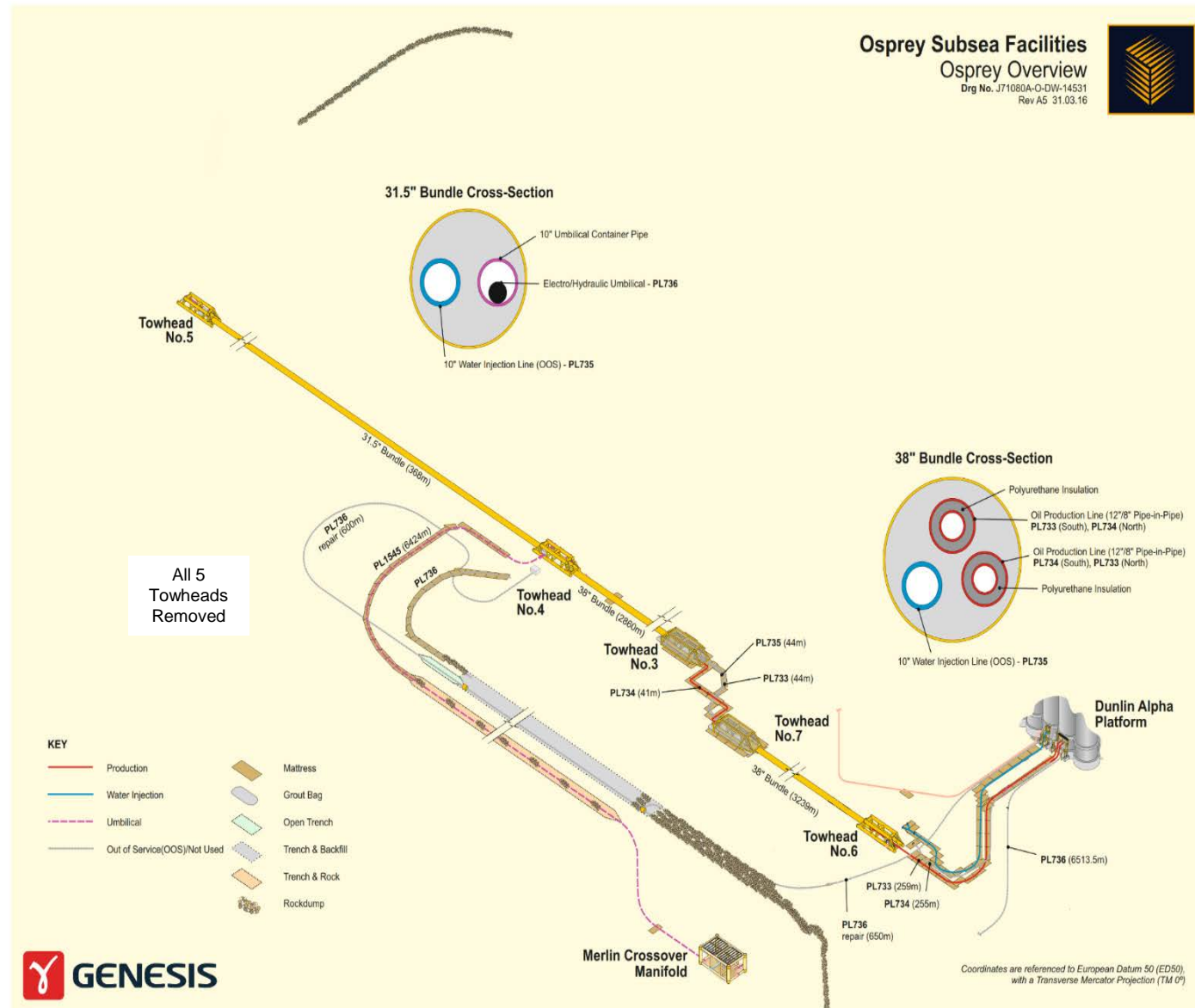
- RIS system currently working along side RIG
- Oil and Gas Technology Centre looking at recovery to sea
- No “Golden Bullet” Solutions yet
- Half Shell Handling difficult “Quick Deck” has been installed along with underdeck steel handling rails
- Conductor section cutting and drilling tools slow
- Recovery to sea options to be further explored



# Challenge 2. Osprey Bundle Removal

Osprey bundle ends to be rock-dumped to provide an over-trawlable profile as part of the approved Decommissioning Programme (DP) scope of work.

- Leaving bundles results in liability in perpetuity (further survey and Rock Dump requirements)
- Cutting up is vessel and diver intensive and creates significant disturbance
- Re-burial can result in less coverage than already exists (stiff clay soils).
- Bundles not designed to be re-floated.
- New concepts welcome !



# Challenge 3. More Effective Re-Use of Inventory

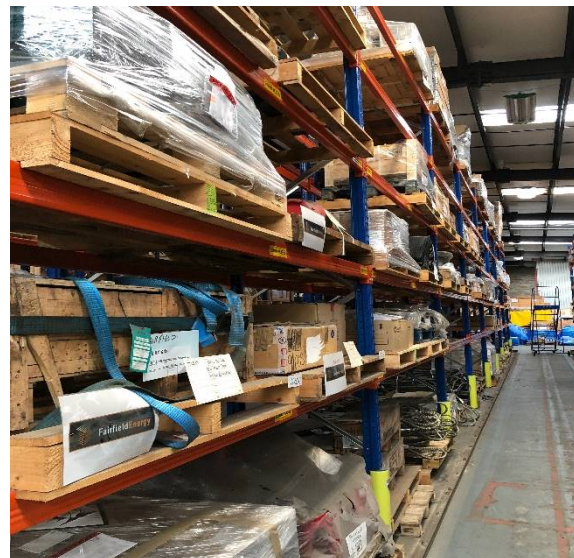
## Three ESP Control Units



## Mitsubishi Offshore Specification Diesel Engine



## All The Rest !



- Decommissioning releases a lot of inventory
- re-sale value of inventory is generally negligible
- We would be happy to give some equipment away
- Each Operator has their own computerised purchasing and stock management/warehousing systems which are incompatible with each other.
- Re-use opportunities are being missed.
- No Operator has the time, resources or inclination to standardise their inventory coding and material management, (see point 2.)

**Could industry “mine” Operators data with AI Algorithms to match up “Like for Like” inventory and find Operators that have similar equipment.**

## Inventory Successes

- Recovered Osprey Subsea Xmas Tree sold to Anasuria Operating Company
- Three Platform Xmas Trees sold to Taqa
- All our recovered well casing is being purchased by RAM tubulars for re-use in the Civils construction industry
- Entire subsea controls inventory sold to Anasuria Operating company

**There must be more of these opportunities ? Perhaps data matching is the key ?**