

WORLD CLASS MOORING AND FLUID TRANSFER SYSTEMS

## **Axis Energy Projects**

## Pipeline Decommissioning – The Cost Effective Capture and Disposal of Pipeline Cleaning Fluids

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#### Challenge

How to capture and dispose of the pipeline contents, the cleaning fluids, pipeline effluent, and gels, resulting from pipeline cleaning operations, either by pigging or flushing, in a safe and cost effective manner.



Transfer to Storage Vessel via flexible Hose

Axis Energy Projects can provide fluid transfer systems to evacuate the contents of trunk or in-field pipelines into tanker or other vessels via flexible hose systems.

Our track record includes extended well test export systems - where stabilised crude is transferred via a flexible hose, in many different possible configurations, from a drilling rig or EWT vessel to a tanker and this technology has been adapted for the capture and disposal of fluids produced in cleaning pipelines as part of their decommissioning process.

A connection can be made at any suitable location on a platform, PLEM or production manifold allowing the fluid to be transferred to a tanker or other suitable vessel.

The systems are provided with both passive breakaway connectors and actuated release connectors .



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## **Hose Configuration Examples**

The systems can be configured in a variety of ways to suit the requirements of specific projects.



### BP Foinaven EWT Export System. Midwater Hose to DP Tanker





## BP Schiehallion EWT Export System. Seabed Laid Hose to DP Tanker PROJECTS





#### Seabed Laid Hose to Moored Conventional Tanker





#### Diega Equatorial Guinea EWT Floating Hose





HFRS Based on the Macondo Array Wellstream & Manuli Floating Hose PROJECTS



Helix Fast Response System for Deepwater Oil Spill Containment (HFRS)



#### Fluid Transfer Loading / Offloading





#### Pigging to LWIV from Subsea Launcher





#### System Configurations

A wide variety of hoses and auxiliary equipment is available.

Great flexibility in system configuration is available.

Project specific solutions are achievable.



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## **Vessel Selection**



Fluid Transfer Systems – Tankers & Barges

Tanker Options:

Spot market Aframax tanker capacity c. 100 – 110,000 m3

- DP Tanker
- HiLoad System with Conventional tanker
- Conventional tanker with Bow Mooring System

Barge Options:

- Moored storage barge up to c. 7000m3
- barge HiLoad System with Conventional tanker
- Conventional tanker with Bow Mooring System



## The HiLoad DP concept

A cost effective solution to simplify Shuttle Tanker offtakes

The HiLoad DP attach to any flat bottom tanker in open sea (Hs<4.5 m), takes control over the tanker and station keep the tanker within 2-3 m accuracy in harsh environment.

The HiLoad DP has a high degree of redundancy including a class 2 DP system.



More info available at www.remora.no



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## Fluid Disposal Costs/ Economics Offshore Water Knock Out

The potential to knock much of the water put offshore to reduce onshore fluid disposal costs.



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# **De-watering Package – Challenges**

- The package shall process pipeline cleaning fluids
- The package shall be:
  - Installed on the tanker
  - Compact
  - Simple with minimal facilities
  - Low cost
  - Low maintenance
- The package shall be suitable for separating at least 80% of the water, for varying water cuts ranging from 60% to 100%, and cleaning it to meet an overboard disposal spec. of 20 ppmv.

# **De-watering Package – Processing**

P-100	HC-100	HC-200	V-300	P-300
BOOSTER PUMPS	PRESEPARATION HYDROCYCLONE	DEOILING HYDROCYCLONE	COMPACT FLOTATION UNIT	CFU RECYCLE PUMPS



# De-watering Package – Operating Envelope OPERATING ENVELOPE



- Preseparation Hydrocyclones can only successfully process water continuous streams Water cut must be typically > 60%
- Pipeline cleaning fluids will be fully degassed no requirement for upstream InLine Degasser
- Processing flowrate can be fixed simple control logic
- Demulsifier chemicals may be required depending on the presence of emulsions

# **De-watering Package – ExH2O™**

Notes:

1.CFU in separate skid. 2.Package c/w its own control panel

## **De-watering Package – ExH2O™**





## **Mechanical Separation**

80% of oily water/slops handled at source with no NPT or LTI

Fuel, production, oily water, slops (mud, water), hydraulic oil, BOP, shutdown turnaround, vessel cleaning

- Max Process Rate: 5 to 15m3/hr
- Max Solids Content processed: 18%
- Max Oil Content Processed: 58,000 ppm
- Oil in Water Content at Discharge 2 -15 ppm





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## Equipment



#### Stabilised Crude Fluid Transfer System Equipment



Axis can provide a complete fluid transfer system from stock based on 1,800m of the highest spec riser EC grade Manuli 6" long length hose (300m per reel).

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### Fluid Transfer Equipment

