

# Subsea Chemical Storage and Injection collaboration project

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### Agenda

- 1. SCS&I What is it?
- 2. Project justification
- 3. Scope of work and project schedule
- 4. Examples of key challenges
- 5. Conclusion



# 1. Subsea Chemical Storage & Injection

#### Background

Separately studied by TOTAL and TechnipFMC prior to entering the development contract

#### Main project objective

To develop and qualify an SCS&I station to be ready for industrial piloting in 2020-2021

#### What is it?

Complete system for seabed storing and pumping all required injection chemicals

- Retrievable and refillable storage tanks
- Retrievable pump modules
- Distribution system for chemicals
- Power transmission and distribution
- Control system



### **Application areas**

#### **All-Electric**

 All-electric field developments where the functionality of the umbilical is reduced as much as possible with respects to fluids

#### Long tie-backs

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- Field developments with long tiebacks to land, platform, or FPSO
- In fields where local content is excessively driving cost, especially for umbilical

#### New tie-backs to existing HOSTs

 New field developments with tiebacks to existing host with capacity constrains or other owners

#### SCS&I Technology



#### Mature Field Developments

- Field extensions and add-ons
- Marginal pockets and satellite well developments

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- Existing Fields which needs additional chemicals due to change in production premises
- Testing of production chemicals

#### Troubleshooting

- Operational premises have changed over time
- Testing of new inhibitors
- Hydrate remediation

# 2. Project justification – value proposition

Improved HSE at the topside facility – eliminate storage of chemicals and high pressure pumps

**Project economics – increased production** 

All-electric and all-subsea – enabler

LoF benefit – change or add new chemicals

Less elements in the umbilical - reduced size and weight

**Smaller topside facility – space and weight savings** 

Less maintenance work at offshore facility – moved to shore base





## 3. Scope of work

#### Complete system approach required to reach a cost effective solution

### <u>Tanks</u>

Technology and materials Manufacturing Transport and handling **Pumps** Technology

Sizing

### Power system

Transmission Motor operation

### **Control system**

TechnipFMC

System integrity Component integrity



#### **Structures**

Light and robust Installation Suitable for all WDs Chemical density Retrievability **LoF operations** Tank re-filling Pump maintenance **HSE** Water ingress

Chemical release

# Project design premises

Water depth:	3000m
Design pressure:	690bar
Wells:	4 oil producers
Storage:	6 months consumption

Chemicals	Volumes (m <sup>3</sup> )	Type of injection	Injection location
Corrosion Inhibitor	58	Continuous	Christmas Tree
Demulsifier	18	Continuous	Manifold
Scale Inhibitor	23	Continuous	Christmas Tree
Biocide	27	Batch	Manifold
LDHI (low dosage inhibitor)	32	Intermittent (Start-up)	Manifold
Methanol	56	Intermittent (Start-up and Shutdown)	Christmas Tree
Total volume	214		



### Project schedule

2018 - Q1 2019

**Concept definition** 



# 4. Technical challenges

#### 1. HSE

Safety barriers

#### 2. Operations

Tank re-filling

# **3. Power System** Motor operation



#### Each topic can't be addressed alone - A complete system approach is required



### Safety barriers

#### Potential for both burst and collapse

Tank volumes are prohibitive for a high pressure design – wall thickness and weight!

#### Pressure compensated to ambient pressure

#### Design the system to manage;

- Potential over-pressure caused by backflow of hydrocarbons
- Potential under-pressure caused by pump suction

### A full HIPPS per chemical would be a show-stopper Need;

- Pressure monitoring and control
- Highly reliable barriers
- Precise monitoring of;
  - Chemical consumption
  - Seawater content in the chemicals



## **Operations**

#### Tanks are refilled onshore

Module weight within vessel capacity Target weight <70tons

#### Safe handling of tank modules

Chemical dependent

Filling

Transport

Installation

Retrieval

### **Frequently operated connection points**

Wear of coupler seals - replaceable





### Motor operation

#### High volume batch injected chemicals – several volumetric pumps in parallel

Scaleable concept

Same design for multiple chemicals

### 3-phase motor – 15kW and 55kW pumps

#### Several concepts for motor operation evaluated;

Hardware requirements (switches, penetrators etc)

TRL - general

TRL – subsea

#### **Alternatives**

Direct online start

Y-D start

Soft starter

Auto-transfer

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Variable Speed Drive - selected for pump qualification



### 5. Conclusion

#### New technology - still safe and reliable

#### Designed for subsea application to ensure a cost effective solution

No show-stoppers

**Next step: Qualifications** 

#### **Collaboration with the operator**

- 1. Establishes ownership and committment
- 2. Enables bolder, disruptive thinking
- 3. Complimentary competencies ensures a technical solution which is robust, reliable, and cost effective



