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Venture Award SLP Southern Sector North Sea Platform Agreement

In November 2006 SLP were invited by Venture Production (North Sea Developments) Limited to participate in an intensive selection process. The purpose was to find a suitable "partner" for the supply of Jacket and Topside services to suit the demands of their business. The main focus for SLP is the Southern North Sea, Holland and the UK.

The selection process was completed on 11th December 2006 when

SLP were given the opportunity to present to the Venture management team in a three hour presentation / interview, explaining why SLP were the right partner to help develop their business.

On the 12th December 2006 SLP were advised that Venture Production had placed the status of 'Preferred Supplier' on SLP. Venture commented that they 'looked forward to developing a long partnership with SLP'. Work is



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currently progressing in concluding the Framework Agreement and assisting Venture in defining the requirements for the first platform development for the North Sea.

New Corporate Website Launched: www.slp-eng.com

After much anticipation the new corporate website was launched on Friday 23rd February. The current website has served us well for the last five years. However, in this ever-changing technical age corporate image is increasingly important. The internet offers us an opportunity to make a lasting first impression on those who wish to view our site. SLP's expanding business demands a website that can truly reflect the company's capabilities and achievements.

The new corporate website draws on SLP's four core business units to present a comprehensive and impressive reflection of SLP as a company.

The Engineering section of the site introduces the company and provides detailed information on the services provided. It also lists our pro-

ject achievements in the form of project datasheets and incorporates downloadable features for the benefit of the viewer.

The Precast, Submat and Colourtone section incorporates a picture gallery which presents current and past projects, as well as providing technical information about the products offered by the company.

The SLP Energy site, launched in late January, has picture galleries, project updates and an educational resource centre. It can be visited at:

www.slp-energy.com

Please check frequently for updates and new features as the website continues to develop to truly reflect our capabilities as a company.



SLP Engineering Homepage



SLP Energy Homepage



SLP Consulting Engineers Homepage



SLP Precast Homepage



SLP Qatar Team Established



Mohammed Khlossy, Guy Woods, Mike Cole, Graham Williams, Chris Horton, Gordon Quenault, Majid Ghazanfari.

Following the announcement of the Maersk contract in December 2006, SLP has placed a team in Qatar to oversee the development of four Jackets, three bridges and the Hook up & Commissioning for the new accommodation platforms,

destined for the offshore Al Shaheen Field, Block 5; Qatar.

The accommodation topsides are to be fabricated at SLP Lowestoft. The fabrication of the jackets and bridges will take place at the Qatar Engineering and Con-

struction (QCon) yard at Me-saieed.

QCon are currently manufacturing temporary jacket supports, and producing shop drawings from layout drawings and design information provided by SLP's New Malden office. QCon are in the process of mobilising the heavy equipment required for construction activities, together with welder training, testing and the recruitment of direct and indirect labour required for the project.

The SLP Qatar site team are mobilised, and with the arrival of the QA/QC co-ordinator, the team is now complete. The project has a challenging schedule with the first two jackets due to be completed,

loaded out and ready for sailaway by 22nd October 2007, and 2nd November 2007 respectively. The second two jackets are due to be completed, loaded out and ready for sailaway by 22nd March 2008 and 30th March 2008 respectively.

6 months after contract award, work is well underway on the accommodation modules at the Lowestoft Yard.



Accommodation Topside on the Lowestoft Yard



Ku-Malooob-Zaap M&S Installed



Chris Sabberton, Graham Blowers, John Cox and the Keppel SLP Team



Ha-Ku-S Installed

The offshore project team, based in the Gulf of Mexico, are currently at work finishing the Hook-up and Commissioning activities on the two Ku-Malooob-Zaap accommodation platforms. Led by Simon Lee, David Patrick, Tony Sheehan and Octavio Gomez, the project is now close to completion with the majority of the platform systems completed on KU-M, and platform systems nearing completion on KU-S.

The remaining work is the close-

out of outstanding punch list work and completion for hand-over to Pemex. Pemex has been in full occupation on KU-M since the middle of January and is using the platform as a base for the completion of the PB-KU-M production platform.

Pemex intended to partially take over the KU-S platform on Wednesday 28th February; the result being that the Keppel SLP team will have more access to the

remaining work. Work remaining in Carmen includes the Project Books and as-builts, these should be completed soon after the offshore phase has ended.

It has been a significant challenge with many problems overcome; following the installation of HA-KU-S Project Manager Chris Sabberton said 'Congratulations to everyone involved and thank you for all of the hard work in achieving this milestone.'



Bluewater (ATP) INDE Project Team

On 27th March 2006 Bluewater industries awarded SLP the Wenlock-Inde Mods EPIC Brownfield project. The brief is to upgrade Perenco's Inde 23A platform to include the reception facilities for ATP's Wenlock development.

The project team operates on a split site basis, with the main project office located at Hamilton Yard. The engineering and design of the projects is being

led from SLP's New Malden offices, where SLP's engineering team is responsible for the complete design of the reception facilities. This includes integration of the process systems, control, ESD and F&G systems for all structural modifications.

During the September 2006 shutdown of 23A, SLP installed five 'heavy lifts' using the Stanislav Yudin. These were the

Piping PAU, the Separator PAU, the Metering Skid, the Workshop and the Sample Test Unit. SLP have been resident on 23A since September 2006, carrying out the upgrade of the platform process and E&I systems in readiness to receive Wenlock gas.

With Wenlock due to come on stream late May early June 2007, there are a busy couple of months ahead.



SLP Colourtone Established



SLP Colourtone has recently been established as a division of SLP Precast Limited. The division produces a unique water reducing, workability enhancing admixture package for superior integrally coloured concrete and mortar. SLP Colourtone Integral Colour is suitable for all types of concrete and mortar and is available in a wide range of colours and textures. It can also be matched to blend in with any colour or setting.

Depending on the requirements of the end user, SLP Colourtone Integral Coloured Concrete can be used

in all forms of concrete construction ranging from flatwork to in-situ and pre-cast. Supplied pre-weighed in water soluble bags packed inside a water resistant outer polypropylene sack, the water soluble bag is discharged into the centre of the mix ensuring the highest degree of accuracy.

All of the materials used to manufacture Colourtone Integral Colour are made to the highest quality standards and are sourced within the EU. All pigments conform to BS EN 12878:1999, are non-fading and are resistant to sunlight and UV.



Colourtone Processing Plant

It is currently being used for the sea defences in Blackpool, making the concrete appear a natural sand colour, helping it to blend into the environment.

SLP at Offshore Russia 2007



In early February SLP took part in the 'Russia Offshore 2007 Conference & Exhibition' in Moscow. This event focuses exclusively on Russian offshore developments located in the Russian sector of the Barents Sea, Caspian Sea and Offshore Sakhalin. This year SLP took

an exhibition stand in order to communicate to the Russian Market SLP's core capabilities in MFP's, Living Quarters and engineering consultancy. Nick Cherbanich was accompanied by Michael Ognev, a Russian Certification and Standards specialist and stand assistant Alexandra

Shipanova.



Nick and Team

SLP Energy Submit Planning Application



SLP Energy's Onshore Wind Farm development team submitted a planning application for two wind turbines just south of Kessingland. One to be situated within the Africa

Alive! Wildlife Park and the other on agricultural land just east of the A12. The two turbines will supply electricity for about 3,340 homes each year. A temporary meteorological mast

was put up at the in October 2006 to measure wind speed and direction in the area.

SLP Energy expects to have a final response from WDC by the end of April 2007.

Safety Presentations

On December 1st 2006 SLP and ConocoPhillips presented local charities and worthy causes with donations to the value of £20,000. At an award ceremony in the presence of ConocoPhillips representatives and SLP staff 8 charities and local worthy causes received cheques varying from £1000 to £5000 each.

The money was made available as a direct result of safe working by all SLP's workforce, staff and contractors employed on the ConocoPhillips Saturn, Munro, Mimas and Tethys projects.

This achievement through a 'job well done' in a safety conscious manner is one the entire workforce of SLP can be proud.



New Head of Human Resources



Chris Gibson has recently joined the company in the new role of Head of Human Resources. He joins us from Cleveland Potash Limited (a mining and chemical engineering company) based in North Yorkshire, where he held the position of HR Director and Assistant General Manager. Prior to that he spent 21 years in the UK coal industry in a variety of positions. He brings with him some 21 years of general HR experience from working in a number of senior HR roles. Chris comments that 'the exciting future for SLP was too good an opportunity to miss [and he] looks forward to helping SLP reach its massive potential'.

SLP Welcomes New Apprentices

SLP is pleased to introduce more new apprentices to the workforce. They are all on a two year training scheme with time split between college courses in Middlesbrough and experience on the SLP Yard at Lowestoft. It is the first time in 10yrs that SLP have recruited these types of trainees. They are (from left to right) Christopher Drake - Rigger, David Calderwood - Scaffolder, Timothy Cox - Scaffolder, Lance Johnson - Rigger, Scott Cole - Scaffolder, Martin Jenner - Rigger Apprentice and Robert Stebbings - Rigger.



Degree Completed

Congratulations to Michael Cole who has completed a BSc in Engineering. He studied for his degree through the Open University whilst working at SLP, and states that this experience has provided him with 'personnel achievement and professional recognition'. He is continuing to study with the ambition of achieving an engineering degree with honours (BEng) followed by a masters degree in Engineering. Michael will also continue to work as an electrical engineer here at SLP.