Deepwater Subsea Waterjet Impact on HSE

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DEEPWATER SUBSEA WATERJET

Impact on HSE
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Increasing Water Depths (3,000 msw+)

Conventional Methods

Deepwater Subsea Waterjet

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CONVENTIONAL SUBSEA OPERATIONS

Surface-based Waterjet

- UHP
- Depth
- Entanglement
- Deck spread
- Response

Mechanical and Thermal

- Fire and explosion
- Entrapment
- Excavation
- Ancillary damage
## COMPARISON OF CUTTING PROCESSES

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MECHANICAL AND THERMAL TECHNIQUES
Health, Safety, Environment

- Fire
- Explosion
- Entrapment

- Excavation
- Ancillary damage
SURFACE-BASED WATERJET
Health, Safety, Environment

- Ultra-high pressure (UHP)
- Depth
- Entanglement

- Deck spread
- Response

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DEEPWATER SUBSEA WATERJET
Health & Safety Solutions

- Ultra-high pressure (UHP)
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- Clean footprint
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DEEPWATER SUBSEA WATERJET
Opportunities

- Response
- Diver/asset

- Dual-use
APPLICATION SCENARIOS

- Scenario: Explosion and intense fire claim lives and burn platform. Subsea wellhead and risers damaged.
- Response:
  - Deploy hard tools (saw, wire, shear) to prepare wellhead for capping. Operations damage the wellhead and cap cannot be properly attached.
  - Oil flows for 87 days, 4.9 million bbl
  - Cleanup cost 40 billion USD +

Macondo 2010
Without Deepwater Subsea Waterjet
APPLICATION SCENARIOS

- Scenario: Explosion and intense fire claim lives and burn platform. Subsea wellhead and risers damaged.
- Response:
  - Deploy subsea waterjet to cut wellhead in preparation for capping. Cap is attached.
  - Oil flows for 48 days, 2.7 million barrels. Cleanup cost 22 billion USD+
  - 2.2 million less bbl oil to the environment
  - Cleanup cost 22 billion USD

Macondo 2010
Projection with Deepwater Subsea Waterjet
APPLICATION SCENARIOS

- Scenario: Fire-damaged platform leans dangerously. Oil is leaking from damaged production tree.
- Response:
  - Work-generated spark causes fire to break out and delay further operations.
  - Oil and gas flows from partially closed valves.
  - Approximately 13,000 bbl of oil into the environment.
  - Cleanup approximately $55K USD

KAB-101 2007
Without Deepwater Subsea Waterjet
APPLICATION SCENARIOS

- Scenario: Fire-damaged platform leans dangerously. Oil is leaking from damaged production tree.
- Response:
  - Subsea waterjet system is used to safely cut in gaseous atmosphere.
  - Personnel work safely and without delay to repair valves and close off the wellhead.
  - Oil into the environment reduced by approximately 5,850 bbl.
  - Cleanup approximately $28K USD

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Projection with Deepwater Subsea Waterjet
APPLICATION SCENARIOS
Emergency Response with Subsea Waterjet
APPLICATION SCENARIOS
Possible Users
Thank you!