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SUBSEA 7 AWARDED US\$135M SHELL FRAM CONTRACT

Subsea 7, a global leader in seabed-to-surface engineering, construction and services to the offshore energy industry, has been awarded a contract worth a total of approximately US\$135 million from Shell U.K. Ltd for work on the Shell operated Fram oil and gas development in the Central North Sea.

The contract scope encompasses the engineering, procurement, fabrication and installation of a 4.5km in-field pipeline bundle of approximately 44-inch diameter, with integrated manifolds and tie-in structures.

Project management and engineering work will commence immediately and will be managed from Subsea 7's offices in Aberdeen, with bundle fabrication taking place at Subsea 7's Wester site fabrication yard in Wick. Offshore activities utilising a variety of Subsea 7 vessels are scheduled to commence and be completed in 2014.

Steph McNeill, Subsea 7 Vice President UK and Canada, said: "We are extremely pleased to have been awarded this significant project from Shell for their Fram field development in the UK. At peak this project will secure work for more than 300 personnel in the North East of Scotland as well as providing employment for numerous other supporting companies in the area.

"Subsea 7 has a well-established track record of safe and successful bundle design, fabrication and installation, with over 70 bundles produced since our first bundle in 1980."

Subsea 7's unique bundle product provides a cost effective field development solution for operators. All the required flow lines, water injection lines, gas lift lines, control systems and valves are integrated in a single composite bundle. The bundle

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is tested onshore and then towed out and installed in a single operation. This allows for an optimised offshore installation programme.

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Notes to editors:

- Subsea 7 S.A. is a seabed-to-surface engineering, construction and services contractor to the offshore energy industry worldwide. We provide integrated services, and we plan, design and deliver complex projects in harsh and challenging environments.
- 2. Shell is operator of the Fram field with a direct equity stake of 32%; Esso Exploration and Production UK Ltd. owns the remaining 68%.
- 3. The Fram field is licenced to Shell (operator) and ExxonMobil is located 220km East of Aberdeen, 50km west of the UK/Norway median line and in a water depth of approximately 100metres.
- 4. The development plan contains eight production wells, one production water re-injection (PWRI) well, two subsea drill centres (East and West) and a subsea flowline bundle all producing to an FPSO vessel.
- 5. The oil will be exported via tanker and (rich wet) gas will be exported via the existing Shell-Esso Fulmar Gas Line (FGL) (18km away) and the Shell-Esso Gas and Liquids (SEGAL) system.
- 6. The Fram field is Shell's biggest UKCS project in terms of production and capital expenditure since the Goldeneye Gas Platform which began production in 2004
- 7. For further information visit www.subsea7.com

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