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WFS delivers wireless capability to Beerenberg's subsea Conductor Cutting Tool (CCT)

Livingston, Scotland, UK (22 April, 2010) WFS Energy & Environment, a division of WFS Technologies is proud to announce successful delivery of its Seatooth® wireless broadband radio modem and wireless power transfer technology to Beerenberg Corp AS.

WFS Technologies is the world's leading developer of wireless radio frequency (RF) technology for communication, navigation and power transfer and the delivery for Beerenberg Corp will deploy this technology to support disconnection and decommissioning of subsea conductors.

Beerenberg has delivered this unique and complex tool for Caldiva for use in Gulf of Mexico decommissioning projects, enabled by the integration of WFS wireless technology. The cutting tool comprises two "rings" around the conductor: one ring is fixed on the conductor, and the other ring containing the cutting tool sits above it. The top section rotates and severs the conductor ready for removal from the well. The upper and lower parts of the tool exchange data wirelessly throughout the operation using the WFS Seatooth® broadband radio link, to ensure the task is completed accurately, whilst at the same time the static part of the tool transfers power to the rotating part using WFS Wireless Power Transfer technology.

A conventional tool for disconnecting subsea pipes and conductor would require an umbilical to deliver power and data from a vessel on the surface. Snagging and tangling of wires is often seen with subsea cabling, but with cables attached to a rotating unit those issues would increase. By allowing the two units to communicate and recharge wirelessly using WFS technology, downtime of equipment is minimized and overall operational performance is improved.

Ian Crowther, General Manager for WFS Energy and Environment comments:

"WFS is pleased to have been able to provide specialist systems and support for this complex and mission-critical operation. As the world's only provider of subsea wireless connectors incorporating data and power transfer, I am confident that the success of this project will lead to many more similar applications in the oil and gas sector"

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About WFS

WFS Technologies is the world's leading developer of through-water and through-ground wireless radio frequency (RF) technology for communication, navigation and power transfer. With over 90 patent applications filed in Europe and North America, our revolutionary wireless connectivity products and services deliver cost savings and new capabilities to the Energy, Environmental, Homeland Security and Defense industries.

WFS's disruptive communications and sensing products extend the reach of conventional communications, telemetry, control systems and sensor networks providing cost savings, improvements in operational performance and flexibility. Headquartered near Edinburgh in the UK, WFS has research facilities in Belfast, Northern Ireland, and U.S. offices in Washington and Houston.

For more information about WFS and its products, visit the company's website at:

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About Beerenberg

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R&D OFA is the Beerenberg innovation department located at Gjøvik Norway. R&D OFA works closely with the market to identify the need for environmentally friendly, cost efficient and safe methods. R&D OFA covers all phases in the oil field abandonment market from study to operation, from bottom of the seafloor to the surgical deconstruction of top-side.

R & D OFA develops and builds customized cutting tools and machinery for onshore and offshore / subsea use and one of their special competences are Remote Operated Tools (ROT).

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