

A new milestone to become a strong local partner

DEEP SEA MOORING OPENS NEW DEEP-WATER QUAYSIDE FACILITY IN ABERDEEN

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Aberdeen, September 13th, 2018: This year the UK-office of Deep Sea Mooring (DSM) - a Vryhof company - has considerably strengthened its presence in the offshore energy hub Aberdeen, Scotland, with the opening of a strategically extremely convenient deep water quayside facility. This follows the opening of the UK office in April 2017.

The Port of Aberdeen is an economic driver for the whole region. As a global leader in providing secure, innovative and high quality mooring solutions to mainly E&P (exploration and production) companies and drilling operators, DSM's aim is to become a strong local partner for its international clients in that area, by delivering excellence in the broadest sense of the word. The office is headed by UK Managing Director Mo Tafazzoly and was established more than a year ago in response to growing demand for DSM's services and solutions, across the North Sea.

*"We started our search for a suitable base in the middle of last year and are very pleased to have found this unique facility with indoor and outdoor storage areas," said **Mo Tafazzoly**. "There is minimal impact in terms of tidal dependency. As a consequence, an offshore support vessel such as an AHV does not have to wait for hours before she can berth or leave for sea again. Other operators in nearby ports have problems because of draft restrictions. This saves a lot of valuable time for our clients. Another advantage is that the maintenance shed for storing, handling and maintaining mooring equipment on the premises is only 30 metres from the quayside, considerably reducing the time of loading/offloading operations. We can mobilise our equipment almost immediately."*

At the start of Q2, DSM had already received two large shipments of mooring equipment and the majority of this equipment has already been deployed offshore in support of one of DSM's clients' semi-submersible rigs in the UKSC, with another major mobilisation in progress.

Mo Tafazzoly added, *"We have already recruited around 10 very experienced local personnel over the past few months, including a base manager, marine manager, mooring technicians, naval architects, a draughtsman and a logistic lead. It is exciting to see them using all their experience combined with our full range of capabilities to support clients who are looking for the most cost-efficient mooring solutions. Given the many leads we are following up right now, we certainly expect to double this number of employees in 2019. There are exciting times ahead for us. Although DSM's main clients are rig owners and oil companies, the floating offshore wind sector is also becoming more and more important."*

Note to Editors – About Vryhof

Vryhof

Vryhof is a trusted partner to many of the offshore industry's leading companies, delivering innovative and customer-focused anchoring and mooring solutions. We are committed to the highest standards of safety and integrity and are proud of our legacy and impeccable track record, delivering value in everything we do. Our 50-year history of setting standards and leading the way in the offshore sector makes us unique in terms of our expertise and breadth of services.

In recent years, Vryhof and its installation partners have taken full scope permanent mooring projects for offshore oil & gas and renewables applications by offering innovative and cost effective solutions including design, procurement, installation, life extension and decommissioning. Vryhof consists of: Deep Sea Mooring, MoorLink and Vryhof Anchors.

Deep Sea Mooring

Deep Sea Mooring is the trusted choice for E&P (exploration and production) companies and drilling operators that demand the best in safe, innovative and optimum quality mooring solutions. We understand the needs of customers looking for complete peace of mind when operating in the harshest of natural environments. Our aim is to meet individual customer demand and outperform expectations right around the world. With this in mind, we offer a comprehensive portfolio of services, including advanced risk assessment studies, marine engineering, the rental of cutting edge mooring equipment, chain inspection services, complete pre-lay and rig move solutions, and a broad range of ancillary services.

MoorLink

MoorLink and its mooring solutions meet the most extreme needs of the demanding offshore industry. MoorLink designs, produces and installs certified swivel links, connections and wire clamps for use on any chain, wire or rope, and regularly responds to requests for customized components. With our expertise and know-how, we provide safe and flexible mooring solutions that can be adapted to your specific requirements and deliver substantial savings.

Vryhof Anchors

Vryhof Anchors designs and provides drag embedment anchors, chain shortening clutches, such as the STEVTENSIONER®, and related mooring equipment for larger floating structures in the offshore energy industries, including FSRUs, FPSOs, FSOs and large-scale wind applications, as well as for offshore civil applications. Since the foundation of the company in the early 1970's, our proven and trusted anchor designs have become the industry standard, regarded as being best in both performance and handling. With over 10,000 anchors in operation, our primary focus is customer satisfaction.

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