

# Helicopter Operations Safety Committee

16-Feb- 2022  
Meeting Minutes

CVA-MUL-AR-MOM-00004

## Location:

### Teams Meeting

## Meeting Attendees:

Dan Chicoyne (CNLOPB)  
Sherry Rex (CNLOPB)  
Will Jacobs (Cougar Helicopters)  
Zach Dalley (Equinor-Operator Rep)  
Mike Whittle (Suncor -Operator Rep-Chair)  
Justin Meaney (Searose Workforce Rep)  
Dave Hancock (ExxonMobil Operator Rep, Co-Chair)  
Karl Holmes (Husky energy Operator Rep - Administrator)  
Robert Normore (CNSOPB)  
Craig Williams (Terra Nova FPSO- Workforce Rep)

## Absent:

Paul Carter (Cougar Helicopters)  
ExxonMobil workforce representatives

## Introduction of Newest HOSC member, Dave Hancock.

## Safety Moment

Will Jacobs

### Importance of Safety Moments and Committees such as the HOSC

Discussed the importance with a focus on The Ocean Ranger, CGR 491 and the recent sinking of a Spanish fishing trawler, the Villa de Pitanxo

- safety moments thrive when there is a personal attachment to Lessons- Learned.
- many Lessons-Learned through Ocean Ranger & Cougar 491 have been shared across the global offshore community.
- In the roles that we have, we want to be seen as Good Safety Leaders.
- Is it worth the effort? – if you are doing it right you may never find out.

## Previous Minutes Items

Reviewed

No comments

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## Aviation safety alerts and awareness

- CHI (Cougar Helicopters) Customer Flight Notifications
  - 1 CFN related to heater hose. CFN– YYT-000225
    - Occurred after takeoff from HIB. Crew elected to return to HIB
    - Similar to CFN– YYT-000224 which occurred after takeoff from YYT
    - Same aircraft DKN
  - Operator has been replacing hoses since previous.
  - There are some supply chain issues with availability
  - Operator does not regard this as a safety of flight issue.
    - However, at any time when there is a smell or haze it will not be ignored.
  
- Info Shares (CHI)
  - S-92A Ruptured Heater Hose - CHI Info Share SQF-023
    - Updated information following a repeat occurrence
    - Added 2 new items to the infoshare
      1. Questions were posed by the workforce and responses provided in the Infoshare
      2. Emergency Response procedures. Alert levels
        - These are published, CHI crews and onshore support are well versed with regards to the levels.
          - Crews judgment will not be questioned.
            - OCC, Dedicated SAR and Emergency response center for CHI (response center take the questions and communication items to alleviate the task load for the front line)
      3. The infoshare was well received by offshore workforce

**ACTION:** CHI brief HOSC on the process for SAR at upcoming meeting.

## Offshore Helicopter Safety Inquiry (OHSI) review

Conducted reviews of

- OHSI Recommendation 5
  - Worker Familiarization – review of current video required to determine current applicability and value
- OHSI Recommendation 6
  - Personal Accountability – further review required
- OHSI Recommendation 7
  - Communication of Incident Reports, etc.
  - Ongoing HOSC item

**ACTION:** Review process with HOSC subgroup

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## COVID-19

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- Discussed current process at Heliport
  - Started in March 750 days ago
  - Was fairly stable early on
  - Now with new variant there are changes often once a week and several times a week
  - Cooperation and good discipline, planning and communication are effective.
  - Testing going on at the heliport, hotel, covid protocol transfer of flights, ways to decontaminate aircraft and suits
- Operator Specific
  - Cenovus, rapid testing prior to flight, PCR testing, rapid testing days 3-5
  - ExxonMobil PCR testing, rapid testing days
    - Have dedicated 2 flights a week for presumptive positives.
    - Have some trailers back at the heliport now
      - to assist with testing, flights held pending weather, or coming back from a covid transfer gives them an opportunity to DOF suit etc.
  - 3<sup>rd</sup> party will come in to decontaminate the trailers.
- In addition to individual or joint operator processes CHI must continue to follow Transport Canada requirements

## Extended flight day

- Parked for now. No change
- Slides were created for HIB from the worker's side
- Still interest from workers on Hebron
- Cenovus and Suncor workplace reps have no workforce updates
- The has not been engaged to move forward as of this meeting
- It remains with the Operators to discuss next steps, and CNLOPB engagement.
  - Doesn't not require all operators at the same time, however it would be best if they come together as a group

## Class D fire extinguishers

- To manage a combustible metal fire
- Item brought to attention by the CNLOPB
  - Safety officers are sending this out their operator contacts
- Some installations have them onboard
- There was committee agreement that there should be a standard. Do we need it or do we not need it?
- Discussion held with the Helicopter OEM, Sikorsky
  - There is support for the Class D
- CHI has had communication with one operator on how the requirement could be formed
- This is not a CAP437 item. This is above and beyond.

**Action:** Discuss among group to determine if this is an item that HOSC will make a recommendation

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## HOSC Committee membership

- Membership update
  - Vacant positions filled
    - Administrator Karl Holmes & Co-Chair Dave Hancock
  - ExxonMobil Workplace representatives required

**Next meeting 11-May-2022**

**09:30 NL**

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