

Marathon Oil UK LLC 2014

Environmental Performance Report



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1 PREFACE

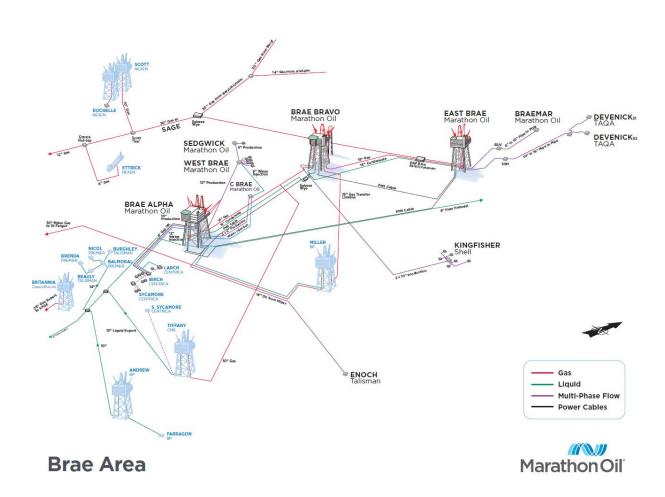
Marathon Oil UK LLC is committed to environmental protection and places significant emphasis and resources on minimising wastes, emissions and other releases through its operations. Environmental performance indicators are a key part of Marathon Oil's corporate and operational performance commitments with targets designed to drive continuous improvement. This report summarises the 2014 environmental performance for Marathon Oil's UK offshore operations.

2 OVERVIEW OF OFFSHORE INSTALLATIONS

Marathon Oil operates three interconnected platforms in the UK sector of the central North Sea - Brae Alpha, Brae Bravo and East Brae. The Brae platforms lie some 220 km from the UK coast and 8 km west of the median line with Norway. These installations act as a regional hub for oil and gas production and export from various Marathon Oil operated and third party operated fields and subsea tiebacks as illustrated in the figure below. Oil (and natural gas liquids) from these fields is exported through the Marathon Oil operated Brae to Forties pipeline and onwards via the Forties Pipeline System to the Kinneil reception terminal on the Firth of Forth. Gas from the Brae area is piped to the St Fergus gas terminal via a tie–in to the Scottish Area Gas Evacuation (SAGE) pipeline system.

Power for the three Brae platforms is distributed via a field ring main and controlled by a Power Management System (PMS). The PMS controls the power generated on the Brae Alpha and Bravo platforms, and enables electricity to be supplied to the East Brae platform which has no main power generation facilities of its own.

Overview of the Brae Area



2.1 BRAE ALPHA

The Brae Alpha platform located in Block 16/7a, is a single, integrated platform consisting of drilling rig, production, utility and accommodation facilities. Production commenced in July 1983. Brae Alpha topside facilities process produced fluids from the Marathon Oil operated South, Central and West Brae (including Sedgewick) Field reservoirs plus fluids from the Birch, Larch and Sycamore (Trees) Field reservoirs which are operated by Centrica. In 2007 Enoch, operated by Talisman, was tied back to the Brae Alpha platform and brought online.

2.2 BRAE BRAVO

The Brae Bravo platform is a single, integrated platform consisting of drilling rig, production, utility and accommodation facilities and is also located in Block 16/7a, 10km north of Brae Alpha. Production from Brae Bravo commenced in April 1988. Brae Bravo topside facilities process produced fluids from the Marathon Oil operated North Brae, Central Brae, Beinn and Bracken Fields plus fluids from the Kingfisher Field which is operated by Shell.

2.3 EAST BRAE

East Brae is a single integrated platform consisting of drilling rig, production, utility and accommodation facilities located in Block 16/3a to the north of Brae Bravo. Production from East Brae commenced in December 1993. East Brae topside facilities process produced fluids from the Marathon Oil operated East Brae and Braemar Field reservoirs. In October 2012 production commenced on the TAQA owned Devenick field subsea tie back to the East Brae platform.

2.4 DRILLING

During 2014 three South Brae side track wells were drilled from the Brae Alpha platform. In addition two West Brae wells were drilled from a semi-submersible rig; one new horizontal producer and one side track of an existing well.

3 ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT AT MARATHON OIL

Marathon Oil UK LLC (MOUK) implements the Marathon Oil Corporation (MOC) Health, Environment, Safety Social and Security Management System, which is referred to as the Global Performance System.

The MOC Global Performance System describes the framework for the management of Health, Environment, Safety, Social and Security issues.

The MOUK Global Performance System is based upon the requirements of internationally accepted standards for HES Management Systems and is structured around 16 core elements that are aligned with the basic continuous improvement cycle of Plan – Do – Check/Correct – Review. This is illustrated below.



GPS Plan-Do-Check/Correct-Review Cycle

The environmental elements of Marathon Oil's UK management system have been externally verified and meet the requirements of the BS EN ISO 14001:2004 standard for environmental management systems. The external verification report was submitted to Department of Energy and Climate Change (DECC) in April 2014.

Overall environmental performance is continuously monitored and is subject to regular review at all levels within the organisation. On the Brae platforms, the responsibility for day to day environmental performance lies with the respective Offshore Installation Managers.

Environmental objectives and targets are developed as part of the annual business review and planning cycle for the Brae Area. Marathon Oil sets key environmental performance indicators at the beginning of each year and progress against these is reviewed regularly, to ensure that no significant deviations from these indicators occur.















Statement of HES&S Beliefs

- We will conduct all aspects of our business in a SAFE, CLEAN, SECURE, RESPONSIBLE and cost effective manner.
- Our ATTITUDE, ACTIONS and EXPECTATIONS will make it obvious that we consider health, safety, security and environmental stewardship first in every operation.
- ALL WORKERS must communicate openly, honestly and often regarding health, environment, safety and security (HES&S) goals, issues and workplace hazards. Every worker has the right and obligation to stop a job if HES&S issues are not addressed.
- 4. MANAGEMENT will support the workers' efforts through their actions and priorities to improve HES&S by providing training, seeking input, assisting in investigations and sharing lessons learned across the organization.
- 5. By PREPARING to WORK SAFELY and in an ENVIRONMENTALLY SOUND MANNER we will reduce the inherent risks in our activities to an acceptable level before an activity is undertaken.
- HES&S SUGGESTIONS will be respectfully and thoughtfully considered and feedback will be returned.
- 7. Incidents and near misses will be REPORTED and INVESTIGATED appropriately to determine cause, effect and preventive measures.
- 8. We will **LEARN** and **IMPROVE** from our observations and mistakes by openly communicating and seeking meaningful changes.
- Working safely and in an environmentally sound manner is an INDIVIDUAL CHOICE that each of us must be committed to make continuously without failure.
- Working safely and in an environmentally sound manner is a CONDITION of EMPLOYMENT.

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Life Critical Expectations

Understanding and applying all Health, Environment, Safety, and Security (HES&S) and Operating Procedures are requirements to work at Marathon locations. While every task must be evaluated to identify hazards and risks, certain tasks performed incorrectly have a higher probability of serious injury or fatality. As employees and contractors of Marathon Oil Company, WE WILL...

WORK SAFELY by planning the work, assessing hazards, minimizing risk and communicating the plan before beginning work.

Obtain and utilize Safe Work PERMITS and Procedures when conducting Hot Work, Confined Space Entry, and all other permit required work activities.

Isolate, de-energize, lock out and tag out all **ENERGY SOURCES** as required when performing work.

Protect ourselves and others by taking effective precautions whenever working from **ELEVATED** locations.

Conduct overhead LIFTING operations according to lifting procedures and industry standards.

Follow safe **DRIVING** practices and avoid distractions while operating any vehicle.

These Life Critical Expectations are in line with our aim of ensuring everyone who works at Marathon goes home safely. Failure to work safely and follow Marathon's procedures in accordance with these minimum expectations will result in disciplinary action.

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4 ENVIRONMENTAL PERFORMANCE

This section summarises Marathon Oil's offshore environmental performance for 2014.

4.1 OIL AND CHEMICAL SPILLS

During 2014 there were six unplanned releases of oil totalling 1.17 tonnes.

- The majority of the 2014 spill quantity was from two separate unplanned releases of diesel on the Brae Bravo platform, totalling 1.13 tonnes. One spill was due to a diesel leg overflowing during bunkering operations, and one was from a small hole on diesel pipework vent line.
- The additional four oil spills totalled 0.04 tonnes.

These incidents were investigated internally by Marathon Oil and appropriate actions taken to prevent recurrence.

These accidental releases did not pose a significant environmental impact.

In addition there were ten unplanned releases of chemicals totalling 8.99 tonnes.

- The majority of the 2014 spill quantity (totalling 8.35 tonnes) was from four unplanned releases of subsea hydraulic fluid (HW443ND) from the Brae Alpha facilities. HW443ND is a water based hydraulic fluid. The cause of these incidents was identified and remedial action has been taken.
- Four spills of subsea hydraulic fluid (HW443ND) took place on the East Brae facilities, totalling 0.48 tonnes. Repairs were carried out to the subsea system to rectify the defect.
- The additional two chemical spills were due to the loss of antifoam chemical during the drain down of the storage tank on the Brae Alpha platform (0.05 tonnes), and the loss of triethylene glycol (TEG) from a leaking flow transmitter flange tapping point on the Brae Bravo platform (0.11 tonnes).

It was considered that these accidental releases did not pose a significant environmental impact.

4.2 PRODUCED WATER

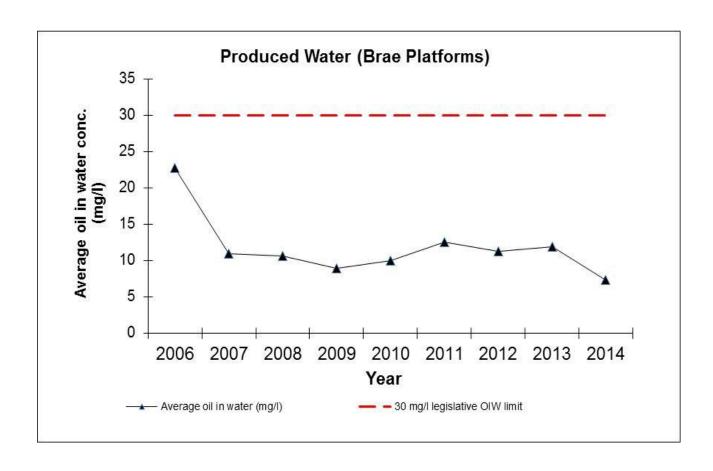
The discharge of produced water in the UK is regulated by the Offshore Petroleum Activities (Oil Pollution Prevention and Control Regulations 2005 (As Amended).

Marathon Oil continues to operate well below the legislative 30mg/l limit for concentration of oil in produced water discharged and has done so throughout the reporting period.

The average mg/l oil in water concentration for the Brae Field in 2014 was 7 mg/l. This represents a substantial reduction from 12 mg/l in 2013, and is Marathon Oil's lowest recorded average annual oil in water concentration to date.

In total, 2,252,600 m3 of produced water and 16.5 tonnes of permitted oil was discharged in 2014, the largest producer being the Brae Alpha platform. This is due to the volume of produced water discharged (75% of overall Brae Field water from Brae Alpha) and the complexity of the produced water processed.

The sharp decrease in oil concentration between 2006 and 2007 was due to the installation of new advanced produced water treatment facilities and a change in the oil in water analysis method prescribed by the regulator (DECC).

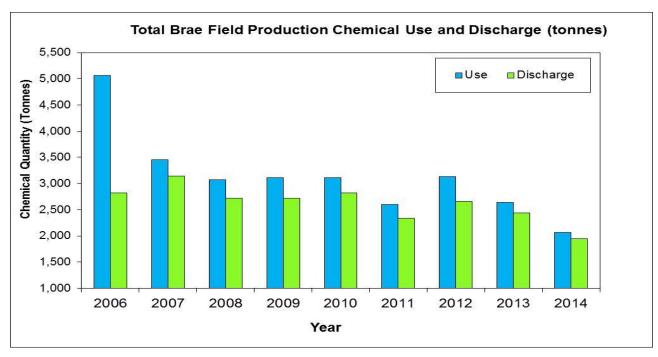


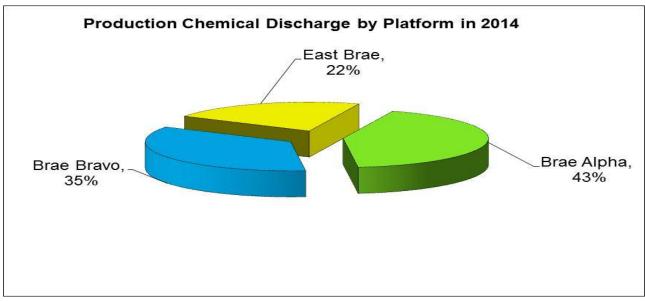
4.3 CHEMICAL USE AND DISCHARGE

The use and discharge of chemicals in the UK is regulated under the Offshore Chemical Regulations 2002 (amended 2011) and enforces a number of OSPAR requirements.

OSPAR recommendations require the phase out of any chemicals which carry substitution warnings, i.e. those chemicals that are considered to be harmful. Marathon Oil is committed to a programme of systematic reduction/removal of all chemicals carrying a substitution warning by the end of 2016 unless their use is required on technical and/or safety grounds. Over the last three years Marathon Oil has removed 16 chemicals carrying a substitution warning from the Brae Field chemical permits. The vast majority of chemicals used and discharged in the Brae Field fall within Offshore Chemical Notification Scheme (OCNS) categories Gold, Silver and E which are least hazardous to the environment. Only 6% of the total quantity of chemicals discharged from the Brae platforms during 2014 carried substitution warnings.

Production chemical discharges in the Brae Field decreased significantly in 2014 compared to 2013, in line with the decrease in cumulative produced water discharged for the year.





4.4 CARBON DIOXIDE EMISSIONS

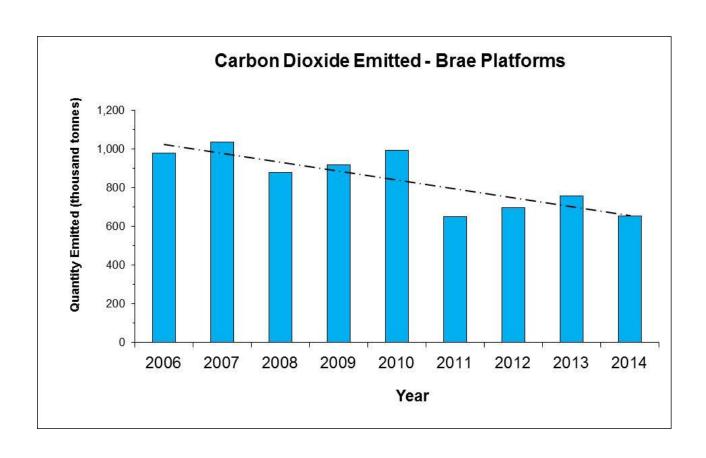
Carbon dioxide (CO₂) is the largest atmospheric emission from the Brae Field, being produced by the combustion of natural gas and diesel and also from process gas flaring for safety purposes. The largest sources of these emissions are the gas turbines followed by the flares and these are regulated under The Greenhouse Gas Emission Trading Scheme Regulations 2012.

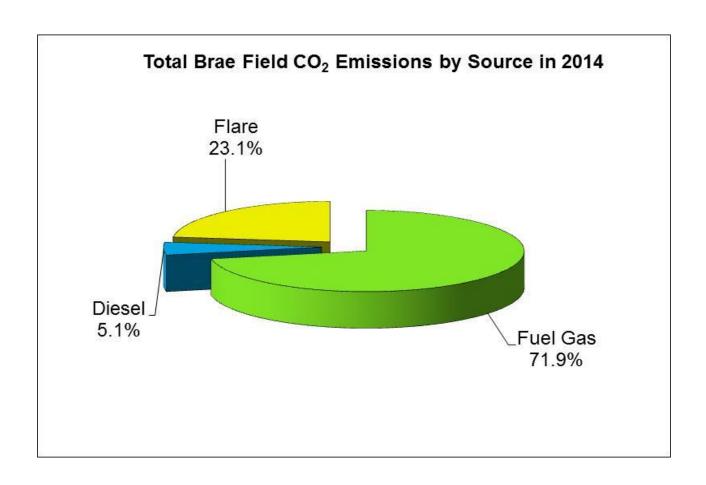
A key energy efficient feature of the Brae Field is the power sharing ring main. Alpha and Bravo supply power to East Brae which allows the installation to have no energy generating facilities of its own thus improving the energy efficiency of the field overall.

In 2014 Marathon Oil continued to operate in an energy efficient manner by consolidating the energy efficient changes from 2009 onwards and by continuing to minimise the power requirements within the Brae Field using the power ringmain between the three platforms.

652,000 tonnes of CO₂ were emitted from the Brae platforms in 2014, compared to 758,000 tonnes CO₂ in 2013, representing a 14% reduction.

The decrease in CO₂ emissions in 2014 compared to 2013 was attributable to a reduction in flaring on the Brae Alpha platform and also reduced fuel gas consumption on the East Brae platform.





4.5 WASTE DISPOSAL

Marathon Oil's aim is to minimise waste produced and reduce dependence on landfill; as such there are robust arrangements in place for the segregation and management of these wastes. Waste is disposed of in line with the waste hierarchy.

Since 2012 waste produced across the Brae Field has remained relatively constant and during 2014 there has been a slight increase in the percentage of waste recycled.

During 2014 Marathon Oil undertook monthly onshore skip audits at the waste management contractor's yard to assess how well offshore personnel segregate waste to be sent to landfill. Overall performance continued to improve with 95% of waste produced being segregated correctly. These audits are useful in identifying the composition of the waste produced and opportunities for minimisation.

