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| ENVIRONMENTAL ALERT | |
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| ALERT NUMBER: 002/2024 | ISSUE DATE: 06 December 2024 |
| INCIDENT / ALERT DETAILS: <p>The Radio Navigation Warnings (RNW) team at the UK Hydrographic Office (UKHO), on behalf of the MCA, is responsible for issuing a weekly NAVAREA I Navigation Warning containing offshore installation positions and movements (RIGLIST).</p> <p>Recently the MCA and the RNW team have identified a significant reduction in move notifications from operators. RNW are instead being informed by 3rd parties or by searching AIS, resulting in inaccurate or out of date warnings that RNW are required to issue as part of the UKs obligations under the International Convention for the Safety of Life at Sea, 1974, as amended.</p> <p>It should also be noted that Consent to Locates issued by OPRED have obligations requiring that UKHO and MCA be informed at least 48 hours in advance of the commencement of installations arriving on location.</p> | |
| INITIAL/ALERT FINDINGS: <p>Operators are reminded to comply with their Consent to Locate conditions pertaining to the movement of installations.</p> <p>Moreover Operators are reminded of the Reporting of Offshore Installation Movements Guidance issued by OMAR which can be found here;</p> <p>https://www.hse.gov.uk/omar/assets/docs/ops-notice6-reporting-offshore-installation-movements.pdf</p> <p>https://www.hse.gov.uk/offshore/notices/index.htm</p> | |
| Further Information <p>The UKHO request that notifications be sent to them in advance of all movements within NAVAREA I (48 hour, 24 hour, departure and arrivals).</p> <p>RNW can be contacted at: navwarnings@ukho.gov.uk</p> | |