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SEA DEVELOPS NEW SUBSEA CONTROL MODULE TO EXTEND LIFE OF MARGINAL AND LATE-LIFE FIELDS

Cohort company SEA has developed a new low cost and short lead-time module to extend the life of marginal developments and late-life fields in the oil and gas sector.

The Subsea Control Module (SCM), including a Subsea Electronic Module (SEM) and Master Control Station (MCS), has been developed by SEA's Subsea Engineering team, based in Aberdeen and will be launched at Subsea Expo, which takes place from February 1-3.

It is designed to bring a new dimension to combatting obsolescence as pressure mounts to extract more life from existing equipment, particularly in the reducing North Sea sector.

Further benefits of the SEA system include a high level of configurability while maintaining reduced complexity by using commercial off-the-shelf (COTS) hardware where available. Recent work in decommissioning has also highlighted a need for pre-abandonment monitoring systems.

SEA Subsea Engineering Director Matt Blair said: "The current market makes us all challenge conventional thinking. Our wider experience within the subsea production controls and defence industries allows us to bring novel and innovative solutions to address an increasingly competitive environment.

"The challenges of hardware obsolescence drives our flexible approach to engineering offering solutions designed with maintainability and a circular economy in mind."

- SEA will be exhibiting the new SCM on Stand #89 at Subsea Expo, Aberdeen, from February 1-3.

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Notes to Editors:

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SEA was acquired by Cohort plc in 2007 and today is a major supplier of applied research, technology development, systems integration, specialist electronic systems, engineering and software design services to the defence and security markets. Its engineering and project management skills include naval communications systems, maritime combat systems, through-life support, dismounted soldier systems, subsea engineering and traffic enforcement. Complementing its work for the UK Ministry of Defence, SEA is growing its business overseas and extending its expertise into adjacent markets, including offshore, railways and roads.

SEA employs circa 300 high-calibre staff and has offices in Beckington, Bristol, Barnstaple and Aberdeen.

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