

## News Release

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### **SEA LAUNCHES RECYCLING INITIATIVE FOR LEGACY EQUIPMENT**

Cohort plc company SEA is addressing the demands of sustainability and cost effectiveness with a brokerage service that will enable the offshore industry to re-use higher value legacy equipment.

Branded Legacy Locker, the service comprises a repository of new and refurbished equipment that can be purchased, rented or merely used to ensure operators maintain production.

Equipment is either owned by Aberdeen-based SEA or its clients, with much of it procured from client spares stock or de-commissioned facilities, and subsequently tested, refurbished, re-certified or reverse-engineered by SEA's subsea engineering experts.

SEA Subsea Engineering Director Matt Blair explained: "As the decommissioning of infrastructure on existing fields in the North Sea continues and the industry re-evaluates its stockpiles, large quantities of functioning equipment are being scrapped, rather than being refurbished and reused.

"Our Legacy Locker service helps operators to overcome the obsolescence, interface, supply and support problems that have challenged the industry over many years."

The circular economy business model promotes recycling over disposal, supporting the Scottish Government's Zero Waste Scotland initiative and other low carbon and resource efficiency policies.

In refurbishing equipments, SEA can also overcome obstacles such as those arising from obsolescence, legacy interfaces, proprietary protocols and old specifications.

"Creating alternative and innovative solutions, tailored to the challenges that the North Sea Industry is facing, is an integral part of what we do at SEA. The release of Legacy Locker gives a name to a service we have been providing for a number of years and is the portal for our partners to create greater economic growth through reuse, re-manufacturing and recycling of subsea equipment," added SEA's Subsea Engineering Director.

SEA also plans to expand the reach of the equipment store beyond the North Sea as part of a move to mitigate the continued downturn in the offshore market.

*SEA will be exhibiting at Offshore Europe in the Scottish Pavilion on Stand 2C59.*

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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, dismantled 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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