In-service Riser Inspection System (IRIS)



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Agenda

Inspection technologies applied to flexible pipe

- Manufacturing inspection technologies
- In-service inspection technologies

IRIS

- Electromagnetic Testing (ET)
- Ultrasonic Testing (UT)
- X-Ray Computed Tomography (X-Ray CT)
- Development strategy





Integrity & Inspection



Assets Integrity Management





TECHNIP- Manufacturing inspection technologies

- Certifies that manufactured product is conform to Client specification and
- TECHNIP Manufacturing Quality Standards
- Certifies that all non conformances have been closed out in accordance with
 - our standards and Client requirement



Diameters at all manufacturing steps





- Metal chip detection on plastic sheath (spark tester)
- X-ray for smooth bore tubes
- Pitch on carcass, zeta and flat wire spiral and armouring

Thickness on plastic sheath (using ultrasonic technic)

Dye penetrant or Magnetic Particle Inspection on welds (wires and steel strip)



TECHNIP- Manufacturing inspection technologies



Eddy current & Magnetic particle on welds



TECHNIP- Manufacturing inspection technologies

In-house development of dedicated inspection devices





OPUS- On-line Phased-Array Ultrasonic System



In-service Inspection technologies applied to Flexible pipes

- The complex structure of flexible pipes
 - Fit for purpose design
 - Multilayer structure design (thermoplastic, steel, insulation)
 - Various materials, profiles and thicknesses in a single product



Develop a dedicated inspection strategy for each flexible pipe

Operate in parallel multiple non destructive testing technologies (UT, ET, X-Ray CT)



IRIS: In-service Riser Inspection System & Services

Versatile inspection tool - Underwater NDT laboratory







Detection objectives:

- 1. Annulus flooding detection
- 2. Detection of defects in armour layers (transversal breaks and corrosion)
- **3.** Armour wire layers disarray
 - Magnetic Flux Leakage, Eddy Current, Pulsed Eddy Current









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Ultrasonic Testing

Detection objectives:

- If coupling conditions are satisfied
- 1. Detection of defects in armour layers (transversal breaks, corrosion)
- 2. Armour wire layers disarray















X-Ray Computed Tomography

Detection objectives:

- 1. Annulus flooding detection
- 2. Detection of defects in armour layers (corrosion, transversal breaks)
- 3. Armour wire layers disarray
- 4. Detection of defects in pressure vault layer (longitudinal cracks and transversal break)
- **5.** Defect in Pressure sheath



Development strategy

• The tool has been developed primarily for complex flexible pipe and umbilical structures...



• ... It is also suitable for inspection of umbilical, rigid pipe and pipe-in-pipe.



IRIS: Versatile inspection tool

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Main functions of IRIS

- Operated by Technip
- Deployed from a support vessel
- Hang up onto the riser (OD range 7" to 18")
- Move along the riser independently (crawler function)
- Carry and implement several inspection technologies (UT, ET and X-Ray CT)
- Perform NDT scans along a generatrix
- Perform NDT scans of areas on 360 °
- High resolution video system to monitor 360 degrees
- Operational depth range: from +20m above sea surface, down to -200m
- Clean the pipe

This new "Underwater nondestructive testing laboratory" allows to inspect risers without stopping the production in the splash zone and in its aerial part.













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