

REAL RESULTS

Automated Side Door Elevator Enhances Safety by Eliminating Manual Work in the Rig-Floor Danger Zone



The remotely operated Weatherford ASD elevator with BX interface enhances worker safety. The elevator system picks up heavy conductor strings to eliminate manual handling on the rig floor.

Client Statoil

Location Western Barents Sea, Norway

Rig Name West Hercules

Well Name Skavl

Well Type Offshore, oil

Rig Type Semisubmersible drilling unit

Casing Size and Type 36-in. conductor string

Products/Services

- Tubular running services
- ASD elevator

Objectives

• Run 36-in. conductor string without the use of manual pipe-handling equipment.

Results

- Weatherford deployed the automated side door (ASD) elevator with a BX interface to connect the elevator to the top drive for remote operation of the ASD system.
- The ASD elevator provided hands-free running during three conductor-string jobs, eliminating the manual handling of heavy elevator doors and the risk of pinched fingers or other rig-floor injuries.
- The elevator performed for the entire operation with no issues or nonproductive time.

Value to Client

• Using the Weatherford ASD elevator with BX interface eliminated the need for manual operation of pipe-handling equipment and removed personnel from the danger zone on the rig floor, thus enhancing safety.

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