Exposed Cable Sections – SHEFA – 2 Segment 9

The Shefa-2 Segment 9, running between Manse bay, Orkney and Banff, Scotland has suffered from several cable breaks since deployment in 2008. Shefa are now pleased to advise that re-deployment was completed successfully late in 2014 and that majority of exposed areas are now buried.

However, Shefa urgently has to stress that a further few areas of the Shefa-2 segment 7, 8 & 9 are unburied and therefore exposed. Especially we need to highlight a limited exposed area between the following positions:

- 58°47.208'N 002°46.617'W and 58°47.300'N 002°46.763'W

These areas represent a hazard to fishing and should be avoided at all times.

Shefa are in the process of commissioning a new awareness flyer. In the meantime, the latest route of the cable may be seen on the KIS-ORCA Fishing Plotter CDs for January 2015, which are available now and being distributed in the next fortnight.

For a copy of the Kingfisher Awareness Flyer, showing the exposed sections of SHEFA, please contact the undersigned. Alternatively, click on the link below, or visit www.kingfishercharts.org

Kingfisher Awareness Flyer: SHEFA Exposed Sections (December 2013)

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Cable Repair – Circe North (North Sea South) (COMPLETE)

Please be advised that the cable repair detailed below is now complete.

The repair will be undertaken by the cable repair vessel CS Wave Sentinel (Call Sign MZBC8, V Sat: +44 2070 99 7190, Sat B: +871 323 26121 and will take approximately 5 days to complete.

Approximate work area: 52°26.855’N 003°19.761’E

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Fishing Hazard – Vulnerable Subsea Cable, Concerto North

Please be advised that, following four repairs in two locations within a four and a half mile section of this cable around this area of the Concerto North cable. Although the repairs have been buried the seabed is known to be soft and mobile.

Please exercise extreme caution whilst fishing in this area.

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Cable Repair – Ingrid Subsea Cable (Channel Islands) (COMPLETE)

Please be advised that the cable repair detailed below is now complete.

Due to unavoidable circumstances the repair will remain unburied until these issues can be resolved. Please ensure that you give these cables a wide berth when working in the area indicated.

Unburied area – start: 49°26.962’N 002°31.408’W
Unburied area – end: 49°26.631’N 002°31.181’W

The repair will be undertaken by the cable repair vessel Ndurance (Call Sign 5BVH3, V Sat: +870 773 167 594, Mobile: +31 10 713 548 (Bridge) and will take approximately 20-30 days to complete.

Coordinates of work area:

1. 49°22.731’N 002°29.279’W
2. 49°22.772’N 002°29.222’W
3. 49°22.365’N 002°28.433’W
4. 49°22.323’N 002°28.489’W
5. 49°22.642’N 002°29.109’W
6. 49°22.573’N 002°29.430’W
7. 49°22.624’N 002°29.465’W
8. 49°22.697’N 002°29.208’W

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Exposed Cable Section – FLAG Atlantic Subsea Cable

Please be advised that there is a section of the FLAG Atlantic Subsea cable that is unburied. This area represents a hazard to fishing and skippers should exercise caution whilst fishing in the vicinity. The coordinates below highlight the exposed area and the cable splices, which also pose a hazard to fishing.

1. 48°49.407’N 002°35.545’W Start of exposed section
2. 48°49.333’N 002°35.417’W Splice
3. 48°47.988’N 002°35.137’W Splice
4. 48°47.725’N 002°35.088’W Splice
5. 48°47.567’N 002°34.976’W Splice
6. 48°46.878’N 002°35.083’W Splice
7. 48°46.702’N 002°35.077’W Splice
8. 48°46.564’N 002°35.187’W Splice
9. 48°45.380’N 002°35.083’W End of exposed section

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Western HVDC Link Power Cable – Exposed Cable & Survey

Survey
A detailed geophysical survey will be carried out along the Western HVDC Link cable route (within a corridor extending 30m either side of the cable route) in the Beaufort Dyke area of the cable route. This survey will be carried out using an ROV on the seabed and also sonar equipment operated from the survey vessel. The survey vessel undertaking the work is the Stril Explorer (call sign 2EB19).

Cable laying schedule
Installation of the Western Link cable started in the shallow waters at the southern end of the route in October 2014. The main cable installation campaigns are due to be completed by February 2016.

Temporary concrete mattressing
The expected burial depth was achieved along the route, apart from four locations involving short stretches of cable. Concrete mattresses have been placed over the cable at these locations:

- KP35.353–KP35.359 (6m of cable, 1 mattress) 53°31.708'N 03°33.318’W to 53°31.706’N 03°33.323’W
- KP35.330–KP35.332 (2m of cable, 1 mattress) 53°31.713’N 03°33.303’W to 53°31.715’N 03°33.328’W
- KP35.338–KP35.343 (5m of cable, 1 mattress) 53°31.712’N 03°33.305’W to 53°31.710’N 03°33.309’W
- KP35.447–KP35.455 (2 mattresses) 53°31.684’N 03°33.389’W to 53°31.680’N 03°33.397’W

The concrete mattresses may stand up to 15cm (6”) above the seabed. They do not present a hazard to navigation in the area. They have not been tested to determine that they are over-trawlable.

Trial length of cable on the seabed
A 200m length of cable has been placed on the seabed close to the exclusion zone around the Douglas oil platform. Each cable end is moored by a 100m steel wire with a clump weight. This length of cable will be removed when the project is complete.

The location is between subsea buoys:- 53°32.659’N 03°36.769’W to 53°32.475’N 03°36.581’W

Mariners are advised that the length of cable will not present any hazard to vessels on passage. It is not designed to be over-trawlable.

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Cable Landfall – Hunterston - Kintyre Subsea Cable

Mariners are advised that on the 9 February 2015, a long plastic pipe (500m long and 560mm in diameter) is due to be towed from Hunterston to Ardneil Bay.

This pipe will then be pulled ashore through a hole that has been bored by horizontal directional drilling beneath the golf course, and emerging on the seabed. Installation of this pipe is expected to take 3 days. A second pipe is due to be installed later in February (currently scheduled for the 22nd February, conditions permitting).

Prior to the transfer of the pipes from Hunterston a multicat work boat, the MCS Anneke, will be mobilised and anchored in Ardneil Bay. The location of the MCS Anneke during the installation work will be: 55°41.917’N 004°53.833’W.

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Fishing Hazard – Exposed Subsea Cable, Beam Trawl and Wire

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Please be advised that, following entanglement with a subsea cable, a beam trawl and scallop gear have been discarded at the position below. The fishing gear is entangled with the subsea cable and poses a significant hazard to fishing (L: 10m x H: 2m). There is also over 80m of exposed cable in the vicinity, due to the trawl dragging the cable from its original position. Please exercise extreme caution whilst fishing in this area.

An incident of a fishing vessel snagging his gear on a subsea cable (Hibernia Atlantic) approximately ten nautical miles off the Northern Ireland coast.

The position is: 55°22.915’N 06°35.917’W

It was advised that the fishermen cut away both sides of his fishing gear and up to 200 fathoms of wire rope.

An awareness chart of the area is available from: Steven Bennett, Global Marine, email: Steven.bennett@globalmarinesystems.com

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Cable Repairs – TAT 14 (Segment K)

During the last three years there have been several repairs to the TAT 14 segment K cable North of Scotland from the Fair Isle Channel to the Continental Shelf edge and slope. For all details on the current status of the cable please see the up to date Kingfisher Awareness Flyers. These may be obtained by clicking on the links below, or by visiting www.kingfishercharts.org

Please note that the following charts have also been updated.

Kingfisher Flyer: Sprint 2013 - ENGLISH
Kingfisher Flyer: Sprint 2013 - FRENCH
Kingfisher Flyer: Sprint 2013 - FAROESE
Kingfisher Flyer: Sprint 2013 - RUSSIAN

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