



Technip awarded contract for the Azurite field development in Congo

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Technip has been awarded by Murphy West Africa, Ltd. a contract, worth approximately USD 110 million, for the Azurite field development. The Azurite field is located 80 nautical miles offshore the Republic of the Congo, in block "Mer Profonde Sud", at a water depth of 1,400 meters.

The contract covers the engineering, procurement, fabrication, testing, installation and pre-commissioning of two production and one water injection flexible risers⁽¹⁾, two production jumpers⁽²⁾ and one umbilical⁽³⁾. Technip will also supply ten well jumpers and provide transportation, installation and pre-commissioning for subsea equipment supplied by Murphy West Africa, Ltd.

Technip's operations and engineering center in Paris (France) will execute the contract. The flexible pipes will be manufactured by Flexi France, one of the Group's flexible pipe plants located in Le Trait (France). The umbilical will be manufactured by Duco, Technip's subsidiary based in Newcastle (United Kingdom).

Offshore operations will be carried out using one of the Group's construction vessels during the fourth quarter of 2008.

(1) Riser: a pipe or assembly of pipes used to transfer produced fluids from the seabed to surface facilities, and transfer injection or control fluids from the surface facilities to the seabed.

(2) Jumper: a short pipe laid on the seabed to connect a rigid flowline to a subsea structure or to connect two subsea structures located close to one another.

(3) Umbilical: an assembly of hydraulic hoses which can also include electrical cables or optic fibres used to control subsea structures from a platform or a vessel.

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The Group's main operations and engineering centers and business units are located in France, Italy, Germany, the UK, Norway, Finland, the Netherlands, the USA, Brazil, Abu-Dhabi, China, India, Malaysia and Australia.

In support of its activities, the Group manufactures flexible pipes and umbilicals, and builds offshore platforms in its manufacturing plants and fabrication yards in France, Brazil, the UK, the USA, Finland and Angola, and has a fleet of specialized vessels for pipeline installation and subsea construction.

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