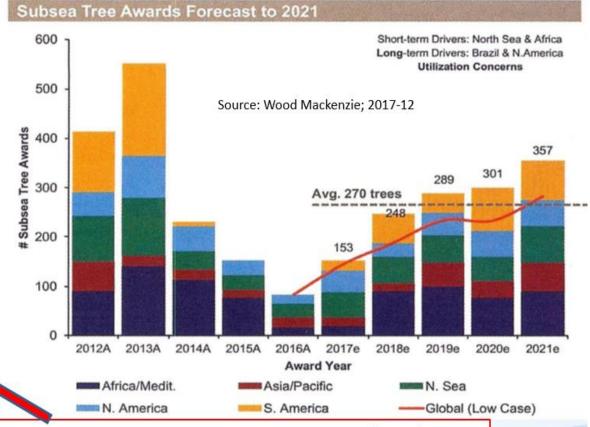


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ENHANCING OFFSHORE RECOVERY BY ENABLING LONGER, SAFER, AND LOWER COST SUBSEA TIEBACKS

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"If we can keep every one of those facilities (hubs) full....

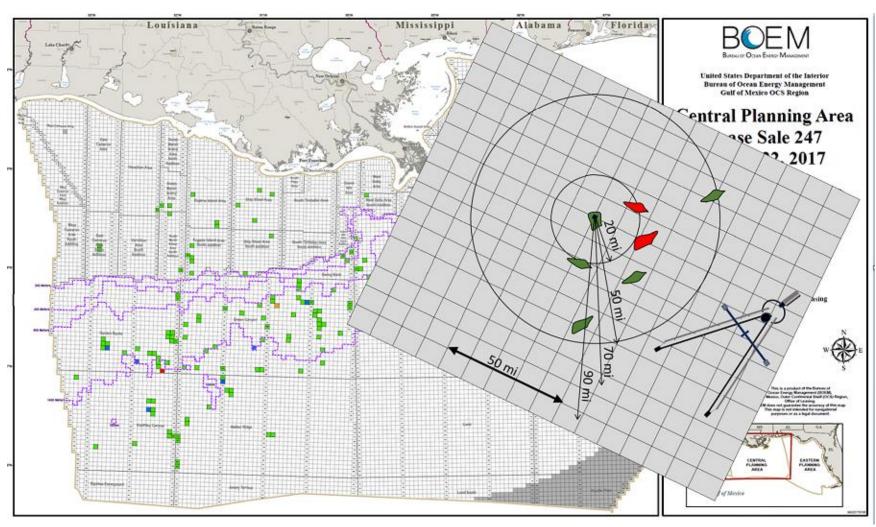
That's our strategy...fast-paced tiebacks fit in really nice."

David O'Conner; BP – Head of Global projects

fill those (hubs) with tie-backs" Starlee Sykes, BP, VP Global projects



### Subsea chemical storage & injection will enable longer tie-backs



How great would it be to 'expand the radius of opportunity' from your existing hub?

And cut up to 80% of costs!



### Advantages of subsea chemical storage & injection

### Old school - umbilical

- Logistical nightmare & high-cost
- Chemical stored on platform (PPE concerns)
- Umbilical tubes subject to plugging, corrosion, etc.
- Recovery costs at end of field life

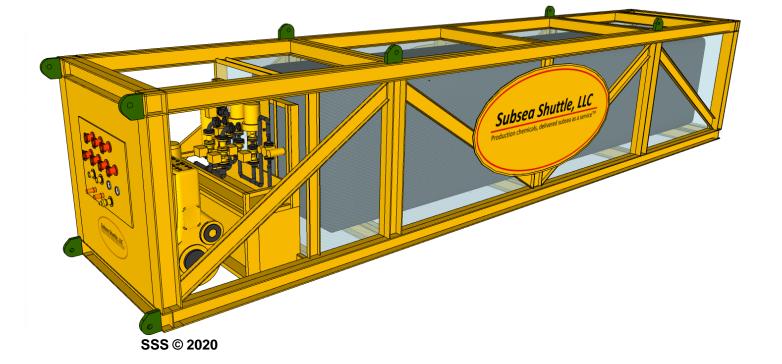
### Subsea storage solution

- Pressure comp'd & dual barrier (pat'd)
- Design & engineer one; build many
- · Eliminate umbilical tubes

- Enables long-distance tie-backs
- Cut significant (80%) costs
- Standard marine operations

Business model: chemical delivery as a service





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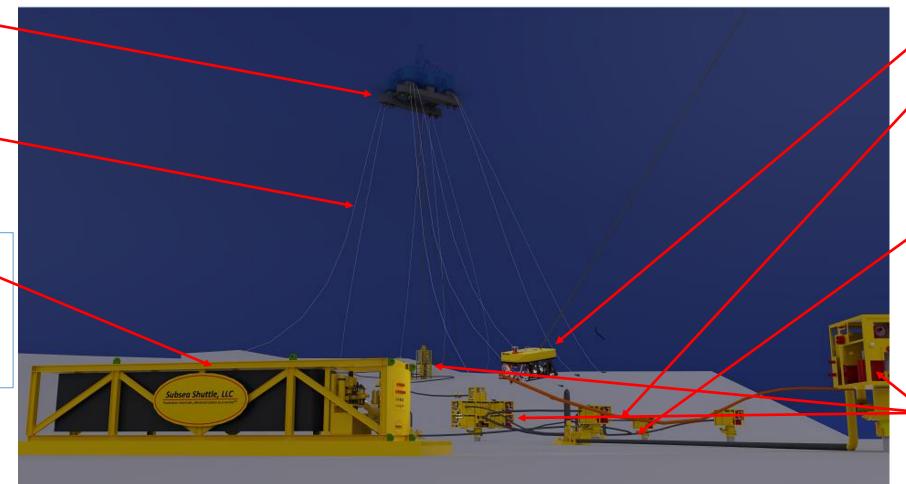


# Subsea landscape

Host facility

Mooring lines & risers

Chemical storage & injection unit (Subsea Shuttle solution)



ROV

**Flowlines** 

### Umbilical

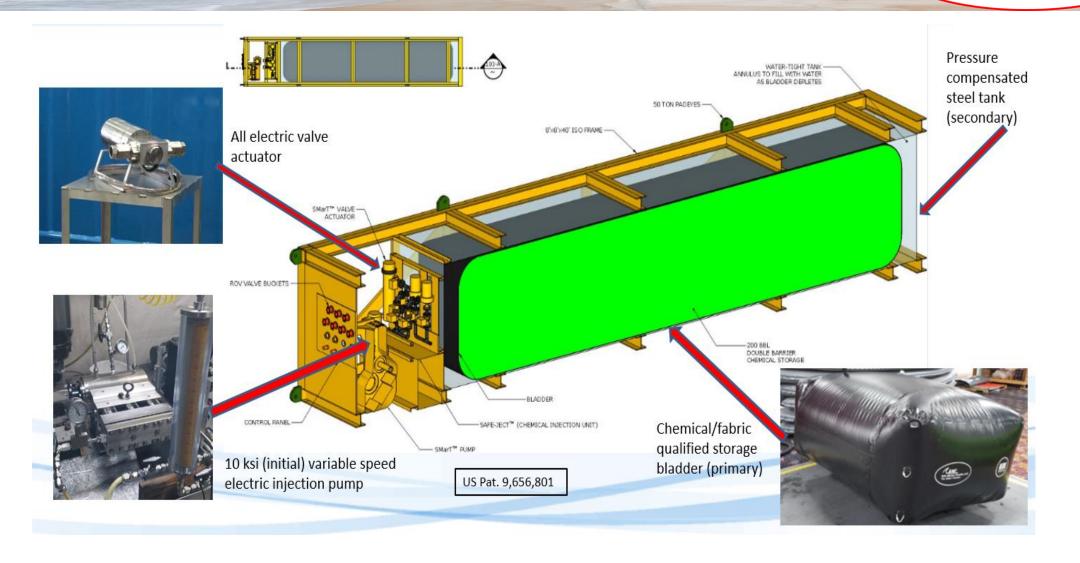
- Power
- Comms
- Chemical tubes

Subsea wells

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Fluids & facilities, delivered and operated as a service



# **Functional Design Specs**



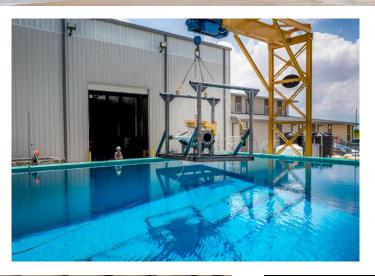
Component	Description	Reference/standard
Overall system	<ul> <li>'Touchless' chemical transfer, from mnfr to subsea</li> <li>Pat'd dual barrier chemical containment</li> <li>Qualified to 10,000 fsw / 10-year design life</li> </ul>	Meets rqmts of hazardous environment IMDG
Frame	<ul> <li>20' x 8' x 10'(tall)</li> <li>Weight: 7 S. Tons tare 30 S. Tons (w/ payload)</li> </ul>	API 2 CCU standard IMDG T11, ADR/RID & DOT
Storage tank	<ul> <li>100 bbl (w/ 20 bbl reserve)</li> <li>Working pressure: 4 BAR (58 psi)</li> <li>External collapse: 10 psi</li> </ul>	ASME, Sect VIII Div. 1
Bladder	<ul><li>120 bbl</li><li>Compatible with most std production chemicals</li></ul>	Mil spec MIL-PRF-32233  3rd party performance tstg
Pump	<ul> <li>Stock onshore triplex pump, modified</li> <li>84 gpd of chemical @ DP up to 10,000 psi.</li> <li>Electric driven, variable speed controlled</li> </ul>	Custom, base on API RP 14 C
Valves & actuators	<ul> <li>Electric motor valve actuators, w/ battery back-up.</li> <li>Smart Batteries for fail-to-close position</li> </ul>	Safety Integrity Level (SIL)2 per IEC 61508
Controls & sensor	Electronics; 1 Atmosphere cans (3)	API RP 17 F compliant & various IEEE
Piping	<ul> <li>Various sizes, SS w/ Swagelok fittings</li> <li>Flexible flying leads, rated to 20ksi</li> </ul>	API RP-1111 section 2.1.7 (c) Welding: API Specification 17D

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### **Qualification process – System Integration Test (SIT)**

### **Test Tank Facilities**

- 50' x 50' x 30' (deep)
- 560,000 gallons
- 2000 lbs./sf loading
- 10 T overhead crane
- HD video & LED lighting
- Remote monitoring
- ROV operations
- Oil Spill Collection System









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Art J. Schroeder, Jr. Co-founder & CEO



Jim Chitwood Co-founder & CTO



Dr. Tom Gay Board member & Sr. Advisor

Previous to Subsea Shuttle, Art worked in upstream operations, engineering and construction for major operators. Schroeder also has served on numerous professional, corporate and civic boards, and is the recipient of numerous awards, the Offshore including Technology Conference's Special Citation and SPE's Management and Information Award. He holds several patents and a B.S and an M.S. in chemical engineering from the Georgia Institute of Technology, and an M.B.A. in finance and international business from the University of Houston.

Chitwood has 48 years of industry experience in offshore engineering and research development, working both domestically and internationally. His principal project from 1991 to 2014 was the Chevron-led DeepStar Project, he managed joint industry R&D where undertakings. Chitwood has worked for various engineering, manufacturing and production companies both as an employee and as a consultant throughout his career. He holds 14 patents and has an M.S. in mechanical engineering from Texas A&M University.

Dr. Gay has 40 years of industry experience, including 31 years with ExxonMobil in upstream roles in research, project engineering, commercial and facility integrity. Gay served as BG Group's technical authority for floating production systems and represented BG in several DeepStar projects. His experience includes assignments in the United States, Norway, the United Kingdom and France. Gay holds a B.S. in mechanical engineering from Oklahoma State University and an M.S. and Ph.D. in mechanical engineering from the University of Texas at Austin.



# U.S. Department of Energy funds three EOR tech concepts

Secretary of Energy, Dan Brouillette



The U.S. Department of Energy's (DOE) Office of Fossil Energy has selected three projects to receive around \$9 million in federal funding for cost-shared research and development projects.

DOE said on Tuesday that the projects aim to enhance the potential of enhanced oil recovery (EOR) in offshore wells by advancing promising proof-of-concept technologies.

According to the Department of Energy, the concepts could reduce subsea facility complexity, increase control and monitoring, and enable greater tieback distances to production facilities.

The second is for "Enhancing Offshore Recovery by Enabling Longer, Safer, and Cheaper Subsea Well Tiebacks" by Subsea Shuttle. The project aims to deliver a safe, effective, low-cost solution to assist with the monetization of economically stranded resources via subsea wells tied back to existing host facilities.





# Lead Organization: Subsea Shuttle, LLC





















### **Project Partners:**

- US Dept. of Energy
- US Dept. of Interior, BSEE
- Oil company subject matter experts
  - ExxonMobil Doug Turner
  - > BP Trey Lynch
  - ➤ LLOG Glenn Mediamolle
  - Equinor Anish Simon
  - > Others TBD

### **Contractors:**

- Seanic Ocean Systems
- TechnipFMC, Genesis
- Argen Labs, LLC
- AEF, LLC
- Trelleborg
- ABS



# Subsea Shuttle, LLC is under contract to provide guidance and review



















Penn State's ARL earns Navy research contract worth as much as \$2.1 billion

### **Use-cases and value-adds**



- 1. Longer tie-backs
- 2. Lower costs (reducing umbilical costs by up to 80%)
- 3. Reduce host platform space and weight requirements
- 4. Eliminate hazardous chemical interaction with personnel
- 5. "Chemical Injection as a Service", mimicking successful onshore chemical delivery model
- **6. Engineered for modular industrial fabrication;** minimizes spare parts, simplifies inspection, maintenance, and repairs, and lowers costs, & facilitates compliance with global 'local content' requirements
- 7. Better match chemical with changing reservoir conditions
- 8. Significant step towards 'normally un-attended' operations & subsea separation systems

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### Subsea Shuttle, LLC is seeking



### 1. Oil company operators,

- a) Offshore demonstration solving immediate needs;
  - Replace clogged and / or 'under tubed' umbilicals
  - Supplement / additional chemical treatment
- b) Longer term needs;
  - Reduce development costs
  - Extend tie-back lengths

# 2. Oil Field Services company to provide;

a) Deployment, recovery, & IMR

# 3. Chemical companies interested in establishing leadership / exclusive position in subsea;

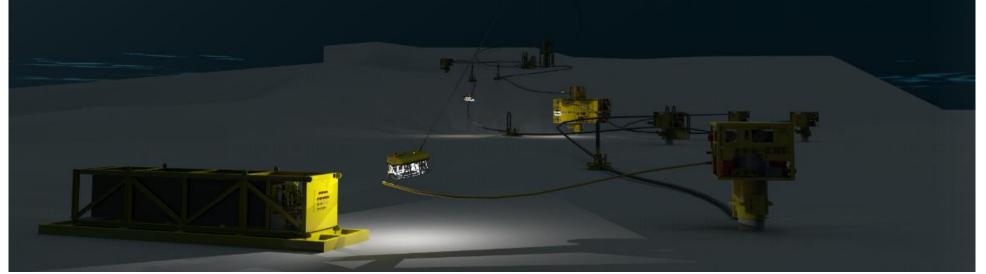
- a) Production chemicals
- b) Specialty fluids (e. g. hydraulic control)

### **Summary**



- Subsea tie-backs will dominate deepwater;
  - Cost effective exploitation of smaller pockets
  - Keep existing hubs full, reduce costs on a per bbl basis
- Subsea chemical storage and injection;
  - Enable longer tie-backs
  - Lower costs
  - Facilitate development of additional resources
  - Helps facilitate normally unattended platform development / 'de-manning'

- Subject equipment;
  - Engineered for modular industrial fabrication
- Common Off The Shelf (COTS) components where possible
- Suite of 30+ patents issued and pending
- Full scale prototype being built
- SIT 2021-Q3
- Offshore deployment 2022-Q2



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