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The UK's leading engineering support services company

FTSE 100

- Market cap. £4.4bn
- ◆ £3.25bn revenue in 2013
- £12bn order book



27,000 **skilled employees** worldwide



























FORECAST Overview

Key Features

- Inherently stable platform
- Industry leading ZephIR 300 LiDAR unit
- No mechanical compensation or data post processing required – reduced uncertainty
- Safe and easy access for maintenance etc
- Easily repositioned
- Elevated platform improves survivability and marine safety
- N-2 redundant mooring system



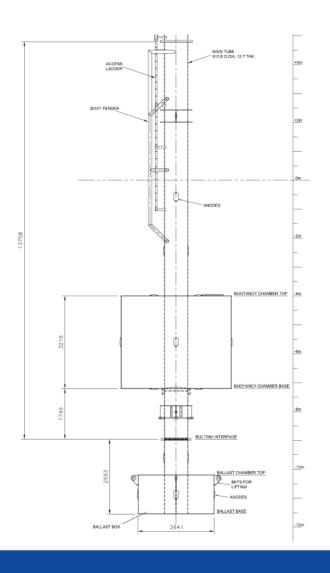
Buoy Design

Low Motion Buoy

- Inherently stable, shallow draft spar buoy
- Low pitch, roll and heave
- Modular design

Three main sections

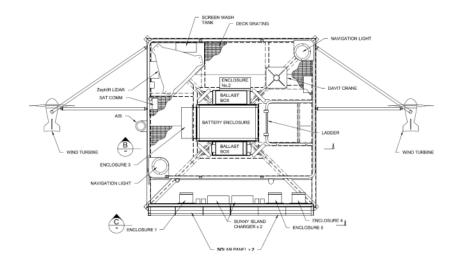
- Main Tube 812mm OD Pipe
- Buoyancy Tank 3800mm Ø tank with internal stiffeners
- Ballast Tank 2600mm Ø tank filled with high density concrete

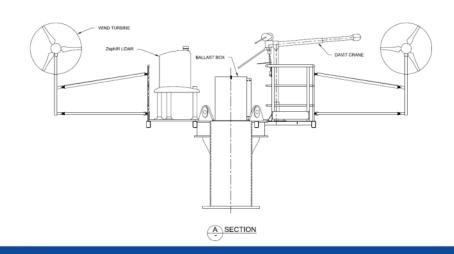


Platform Design

Platform

- 3.2m x 3.2m platform housing all systems
- Wind turbines mounted on outriggers
- GRP gratings provide walkway
- Main lifting points for whole buoy
- Access from ladder below
- Handrails all around







Systems On Board - Measurement

• ZephIR 300 LiDAR measuring:

- Wind speed and direction at a number of heights
- Turbulence intensity at each height
- Temperature, pressure, humidity and rain

10m Met Station

- Separate met station sited approximately 10m above MSL
- Sonic Anemometer measuring wind speed, direction and Monin Obukhov length if required
- Temperature, pressure and relative humidity sensors

DGPS Compass

- Accurately records bearing of buoy
- Also reports pitch, roll and GPS coordinates





Systems On Board - Power

- 2 x Micro Wind Turbines
 - Pitch controlled blades for performance and survivability
 - Independently controlled and regulated for redundancy
- 2 x Solar PV Panels
 - South facing reliable monocrystalline panels
 - Independently controlled and regulated
- 2 x Battery Banks
 - •>7 days of reserve power
 - Providing redundancy and maintenance during system operation
 - Additional emergency battery for nav aids only, ~14 days
- Methanol Fuel Cell Option
 - Optional fuel cell providing up to 20 days additional redundancy
 - Ideal for far shore deployments to allow additional repair time





Systems On Board – Data Capture

- Centralised Data Logger
 - Collects all data and provides "plug and play" option for other sensors
- Redundant Communications Link
 - GSM and Satcom link with auto switching
- Data Access
 - Daily emails or uploads with remote access as required
 - Wirless connection to ZephIR possible within ~50m
- System Status Monitoring
 - ZephIR status: wiper, voltage, temperature, fans on, heater on etc
 - Power Status: generator power (each source), battery voltage (each bank)
 - Alarms: gate opened, drift radius exceeded



Systems On Board – Nav Aids

Navigation Lanterns

- 2 synchronised LED navigational lanterns providing redundancy and excellent all round visibility
- Normally yellow with 2nm visibility, other colours possible
- Auto switch on at dusk

AIS AtoN

- Automatic Identification System Aid to Navigation
- Reports exact position to marine traffic every 3 minutes
- Provides additional method of tracking position

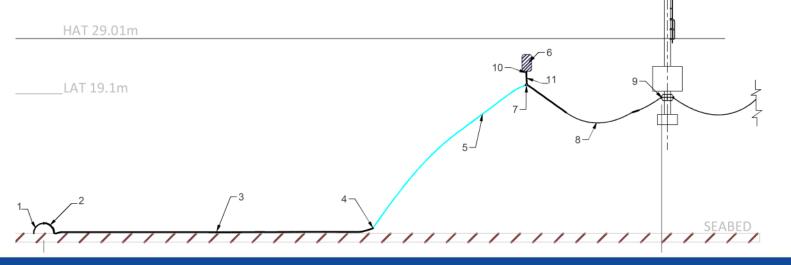




Mooring Design

Three Point Catenary Mooring

- Three individual lines providing redundancy, proven safe with no drag in 100km/h winds and waves >8m
- Mixture of polypropylene rope and chain
- Mid water buoys reducing forces imparted to buoy
- Clump weights or stockless anchors





Fabrication & Installation

Fabrication

- Modular build allowing simultaneous fit out
- 12-14 week build time for new build
- All major commissioning done on shore

Installation

- Towed to position using small tug / workcat
- Moorings deployed in advance
- Systems checked and commissioned
- Installation time 1-2 days (weather dependent)





Operation and Maintenance

Maintenance

- Design maintenance intervals of 6 months
- Routine maintenance includes:
 - Screen wash top up
 - Structural condition inspection
 - Systems condition inspection
 - Equipment wash down

Access

- Stable platform provides safe working environment
- Accessed via fendered ladder
- Small vessel used for transport
- Access weather limit of c1.5m significant wave height







Carbon Trust OWA Validation – Gwynt Y Mor

- Validation on Gwynt Y Mor under the Carbon Trust OWA programme
- Key Criteria measured against fixed met mast
 - Wind Speed Accuracy
 - Wind Direction Accuracy
 - System and Data Availability
- Frazer Nash Consultants conduct data validation, verified by GL Garrad Hassan

OWA Partners:





















Gwynt Y Mor Trial – Accuracy Results

Wind Speed

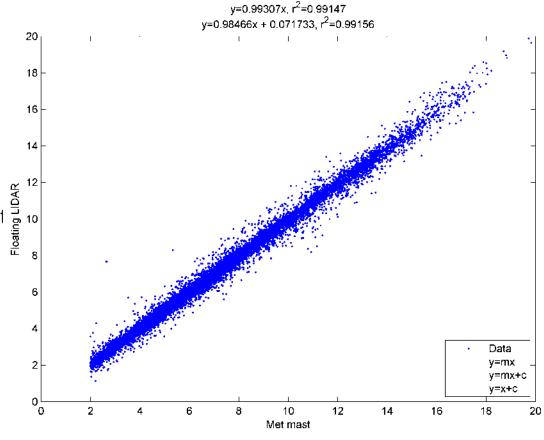
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Wind Direction

- Good correlation
- Robust commissioning procedure teliminate offsets

Data Availability

- 99.86% system availability
- >98.5% data availability



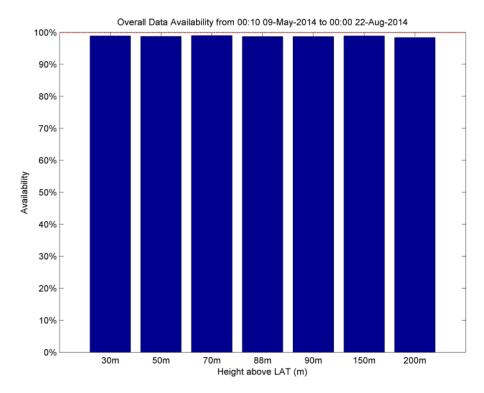
Horizontal Wind Speed (m/s) at 90m LIDAR Time Offset = 00:10:00



Gwynt Y Mor Trial – Availability Results

Excellent availability

- Data availability indicates percentage of data available after removing 9999 and 9998 values
- System availability indicates number of returned time stamped data entries compared to max possible
- Carbon Trust OWA roadmap acceptance criteria states a requirement for 95% system availability and 85% data availability



Summary of data availability (blue bars) and system availability (red dotted line)