

Press release - SBM Offshore N.V.

SBM OFFSHORE N.V. SIGNS LETTER OF INTENT WITH ENI FOR NEW LEASE CONTRACT FOR FPSO XIKOMBA

1. FPSO Xikomba relocation lease contract

SBM Offshore is pleased to announce that on behalf of its Joint Venture companies with Sonangol it has received a Letter of Intent (LOI) for twelve year lease and operate contracts from ENI Angola SpA for the block 15/06 development, offshore Angola.

The development plan involves relocation of the existing FPSO Xikomba, which has been operating under contract for ExxonMobil in Angola since 2003. Following the notice of termination of the current contract by ExxonMobil the unit is scheduled to stop operation in the first half of 2011. The unit will then undergo a major upgrade in order to meet the new project specific requirements. Part of that work will be performed in the PAENAL yard in Angola.

The LOI covers the early phase of the project and allows SBM Offshore to commence engineering and procurement work. The full scope lease and operate contracts are expected to be signed in the coming months.

2. Financial Agenda

Trading Update Q1 2011 - Press Release (07.30 CET)	5 May	2011
Annual General Meeting of Shareholders (Rotterdam)	5 May	2011
Half-year Results 2011 - Press Release (07.30 CET)	18 August	2011
Half-year Results 2011 - Analysts Presentation (Amsterdam)	18 August	2011
Trading Update Q3 2011 - Press Release (07.30 CET)	17 November	2011





3. Corporate Profile

The Dutch public company SBM Offshore N.V. is the holding company of a group of international, marine technology orientated companies. Its business is to serve on a global basis the offshore oil and gas industry by supplying engineered products, vessels and systems, and offshore oil and gas production services.

The product line comprises:

- Offshore import/export terminals for crude oil, refined products, LPG and LNG, mostly based on the single point mooring principle, Floating Production and/or Storage and Offloading systems (FSOs and FPSOs) and other floating production facilities based on ship hulls, semi-submersibles and Tension Leg Platforms (TLPs);
- Offshore oil and gas production services through the leasing of integrated production and storage facilities owned and operated by the Company;
- Design, construction and supply of semi-submersible drilling platforms;
- Special designs and engineering services and delivery of specific hardware components for dynamically
 positioned drillships, semi-submersible drilling platforms, jack-up drilling platforms, jack-up platforms for
 civil construction, large capacity offshore cranes, elevating and lifting systems, crane vessels and other
 specialised work vessels;
- Offshore construction and installation contracting services.

The Board of Management

Schiedam, 15 April 2011

For further information:

SBM Offshore N.V. Karel Doormanweg 66 3115 JD Schiedam

Post address:

P.O. Box 31 3100 AA Schiedam The Netherlands

Contact person: Mr. Sebastiaan de Ronde Bresser

Telephone: (+377) 92 05 85 15 Mobile: (+33) 643 919 312 Fax: (+377) 92 05 89 40

E-mail: sebastiaan.derondebresser@sbmoffshore.com

Website: www.sbmoffshore.com





Disclaimer

Some of the statements contained in this release that are not historical facts are statements of future expectations and other forward-looking statements based on management's current views and assumptions and involve known and unknown risks and uncertainties that could cause actual results, performance, or events to differ materially from those in such statements. Such forward-looking statements are subject to various risks and uncertainties, which may cause actual results and performance of the Company's business to differ materially and adversely from the forward-looking statements. Certain such forward-looking statements can be identified by the use of forward-looking terminology such as "believes", "may", "will", "should", "would be", "expects" or "anticipates" or similar expressions, or the negative thereof, or other variations thereof, or comparable terminology, or by discussions of strategy, plans, or intentions. Should one or more of these risks or uncertainties materialize, or should underlying assumptions prove incorrect, actual results may vary materially from those described in this release as anticipated, believed, or expected. SBM Offshore NV does not intend, and does not assume any obligation, to update any industry information or forward-looking statements set forth in this release to reflect subsequent events or circumstances.

