

Press Information

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Converteam celebrates multi-million dollar order to equip drill rigs for Vyborg and Samsung

Converteam, the leading power conversion specialist, has secured a landmark order to supply power optimisation solutions for two offshore semi-submersible drilling rigs from Vyborg Shipyard in Russia and Samsung Heavy Industries in Korea. Converteam will provide power, propulsion, distribution, vessel automation and thruster assisted mooring (POSMOOR-ATA) systems to the first two CS-50 ice class rigs for the Shtokman gas field.

Converteam will use its proprietary MV7000 medium voltage PWM frequency converters for the rig thruster drive system and will also utilise its compact marine class medium voltage switchgear, robust compact induction motors, the recently launched C-series automation and thruster assisted mooring workstations. Converteam will also act as the complete electrical integrator for the rigs, which will be classified to Russian Maritime Register of Shipping (RMRS).

Andy Cooper, Offshore and Merchant Business Director for Converteam UK Ltd. said: "The success of the two rigs will mark the long term commitment and dedication of Converteam to the Shtokman project. Converteam's global project management skills are implemented throughout the project with contribution from our teams in Germany, Korea, Russia and the UK."

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About Converteam

Converteam Group is a world leader in power conversion engineering. Building on over a century of experience, it is firmly placed at the leading edge of technology and innovation with a global reputation for excellence in the conversion of electrical energy. Converteam develops and provides solutions built around three core components: rotating machines, drives and process automation. Serving specialised sectors as well as its core markets in Marine, Oil & Gas and Offshore, Energy and Industry, its 4,600 staff members provide power conversion solutions worldwide. At year-end 07, the Converteam sales totalled EUR 875,000,000.

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