

OVID Highlights



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Achievement:

Shell Commissioned the 1000th OVID inspection for the M/V Rachel Bordelon on October 6th, 2011

OVID Statistics

Monthly	Sept.	Oct.
All inspections requested	990	1140
Inspections purchased	193	211
Inspections published	637	745
Number of vessels	3122	3278
Number of published OVPQs	1566	1724
Number of all vessel OVPQs	2160	2275
Number of vessel operators	393	424

Welcome to Our November 1st issue of OVID Highlights; during the month of October, our OVID Focus Group and the OVID Work Group met here in at the OCIMF offices in London. The forum members discussed numerous topics brought to our attention from the vessel operators as well as our inspectors and we have made great progress in resolving some of the issues. I would like to thank all our members for attending this session.

We also welcomed a new member to the OVID Forum, Saudi Aramco, and we look forward to their participation in the ongoing development and implementation of the OVID inspection programme.

OVID on the Move-New Orleans

The OVID team will be back in New Orleans on November 10th 2011 at the OMNI Royal Orleans Hotel located at :

621 St. Louis Street
New Orleans, Louisiana 70140
Phone: (504) 529-5333

This meeting will take place directly after our OMC (Offshore Marine Committee) meetings on the 8th and 9th of November at the Royal Orleans.

The OVID meeting will begin at 0900 hrs and is expected to last for 3-4 hours. The purpose of this meeting is to review updates for OVID and receive comments feedback from our Members, Operators and Inspectors. If you would like to attend, please send me an email at sean.nicholson@ocimf.com

OVMSA (Offshore Vessel Management Self Assessment)

I am pleased to tell you that the final reviews of the OVMSA are now complete and we expect to send this to the publishers by the end of November for a 1st qtr 2012 release. There has been an incredible amount of work and interest that has gone into this document and I would like to thank all of the participants for their input to this important tool.

Upcoming Events

OMC (Offshore Marine Committee) Meeting in New Orleans November 8th and 9th

IMCA Annual Seminar– New Orleans November 9th and 10th at the Ritz-Carlton Hotel .

OVID Seminar-New Orleans November 10th Royal Orleans Hotel

OVID User Group

We have had numerous inquiries from our inspectors and operators regarding the OVID user group. I am pleased to advise you know that the ToR's (Terms of Reference) have been completed and approval has been received from our OVID Focus Group. I would hope to have our first conference call discussion in December 2011. I will send out an invitation to all of those who have already registered at least 2 weeks prior to the event.

OVID Changes

The OVID work group has developed a new "very small vessel variant". This vessel type will be as follows;

- A. Less than 4000 b.h.p./3000 kw
- B. Less than 30 meters in Length
- C. Carries less than 30 passengers
- D. Less than 50 g.r.t

It is envisaged that this new variant would cover small vessels such as pilot boat, sufers, alucats, etc that are too small to be covered by the crew boat variant. This new variant is expected to be added to the OVIQ within the next 2 weeks.

New Small Vessel Inspector Role:

Several OCIMF Members have asked for a new vessel inspector to be created to cover small vessels as in the category above. This new inspector position was approved by the OVID Focus Group and Oliver Pointon is currently working on the curriculum required for this new inspector role to be accredited. We expect this to be completed and ready for roll out by January 2012.

OVID New Inspector Courses for 2012

As I stated last month, our “Grandfather” courses have now been completed. The next OVID course is expected to take place sometime in the 1st quarter of 2012. A new curriculum is being developed, and the course is expected to take 3-4 days followed by a written exam.

Once we have decided on our next OVID Course I will send out an email and post the new dates in our newsletter.

OVID Inspections

This month instead of our normal FAQ section, I have decided to write an article regarding vessel inspections. Unfortunately with the success of OVID and its wider use from our OCIMF members, we are starting to see some inspection reports which do not meet the OVID standards or intent.

We have received some inspection reports that were a mixture of a CMID and an OVID with a High, Medium, Low priorities findings. We have also received inspection reports with a “Punch List” of corrective items for the vessel operator; but the most prevalent issues we are having however is the inspector adding their comments/suggestions to the report, which again is contrary to the OVID criteria.

There are three separate checks a report must go through prior to be uploaded into the OVID system;

1. The inspector himself should re-check his report to ensure it is in keeping with the OVID criteria.
2. The “Commissioner” of the inspection, OCIMF Member, should validate the report prior to sending it to the operator for comment and ensure it remains objective.
3. The operator who receives the report for review and comment certainly has the right to contact the Commissioning member and question a subjective report, i.e. Inspectors comments/opinions. Such a report should not either be commented on or uploaded into the OVID database. As the reports are on the system for 12 months, other OCIMF members may get the wrong impressions, good or bad, of a vessel if the report is written outside the OVID criteria.

Reports must not be written in a way to mislead the reader either by subjective comments and opinion or creating a work/defect list. The OVID report is a non-subjective factual inspection and the interpretation of the report is left to the OCIMF members Marine Assurance teams to assess.

Remember the report is on the system for 12 months, any OCIMF/OVID member is able to download that report during the 12 months. The report will then go into archive for another 12 months and is finally deleted off of our systems after 24 months.

If you have a question or concern, please feel free to contact me at anytime at sean.nicholson@ocimf.com



OVID Help

The new OVID HELP site is now published at <http://help.ocimf-ovid.com>. Along with FAQ's you will also find the latest videos for Members, Inspectors and Operators on how to use the OVID system.

The new OCIMF OVID Online and Mobile Inspection Editors are now available

The online editor enables the creation, management and submission of OVID inspections online without the need for software installation, requiring simply the Adobe Flash plug-in. All inspection documents are stored online allowing inspections to be managed from multiple locations without file transfer. The fully integrated mobile editor synchronises inspection documents with the online editor allowing inspections created on one to be transferred to, and continued, on another device. The mobile editor is currently available for Android devices, with iPhone/iPad compatibility arriving imminently.

To download the software please follow this link: <http://ocimf-apps.com/resources/oviqmobileeditor/release/android/OviqEditorMobile.1.1.0.apk>

Newsletter

We hope you enjoy this new newsletter format. We have added easy links that will take you to our OVID website as well as "Subscribe" button which will ensure your future issues of the newsletter.

Have an OVID IT issue?

Aziz Benbelkacem OVID Systems Administrator

Aziz can be contacted at the OVID helpdesk from
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Monday—Friday (excluding bank holidays)
on +44 (0) 2076541218

Feedback

We look forward to hearing from our members and inspectors on ways to improve the OVIQ; your suggestions and feedback are invaluable to making OVID a "World Class" process.



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