



The Pelamis Wave Energy Converter

- An update on performance and operational aspects

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OCEAN POWER DELIVERY

- Incorporated January 1998
- £7.5m VC investment 2002-2004
- £2.5m support from UK DTI
- Based in Edinburgh
- Combined 'wave' experience of over 50 years
- 32 full-time personnel



HYDRO



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ENERGY POLICY DRIVERS

UK ENERGY POLICY OBJECTIVES:

Environmental:

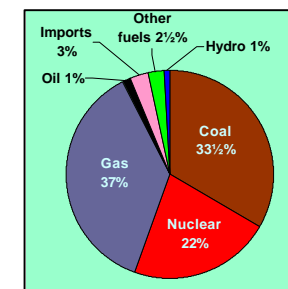
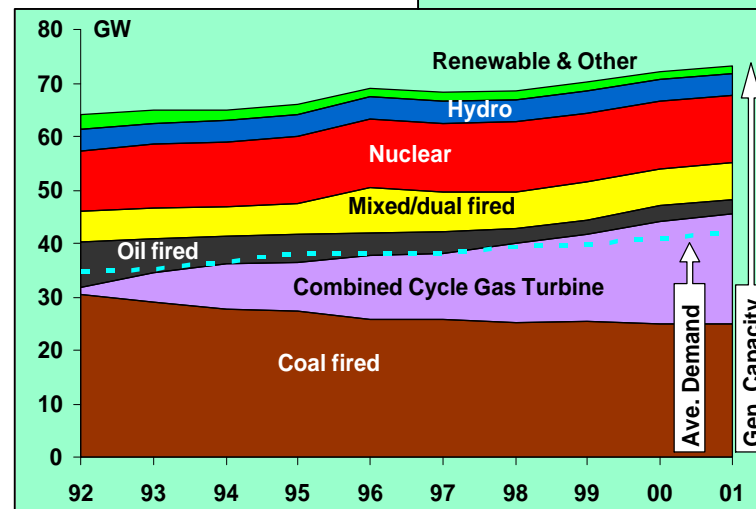
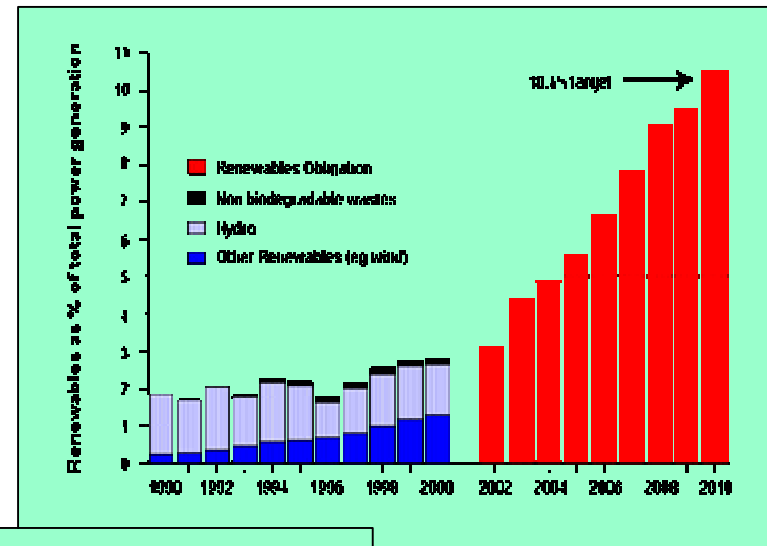
- Global warming
- EU/UK Kyoto commitments

Socio-economic:

- Hidden costs of conventional generation
- Renewables increasingly affordable
- Industrial-economic potential

Security of supply:

- Electricity demand continuing to rise
- Existing power plants reaching end of life
- UK to be net importer of gas in <5 years

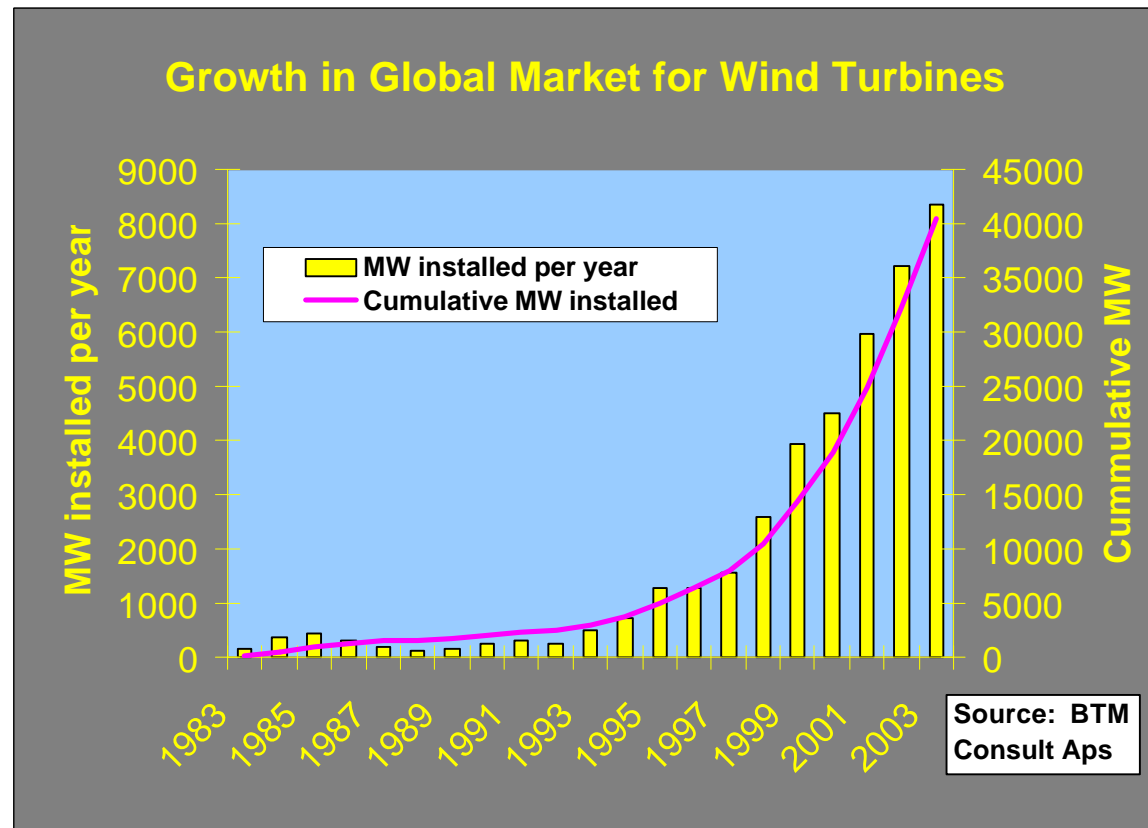


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WIND POWER

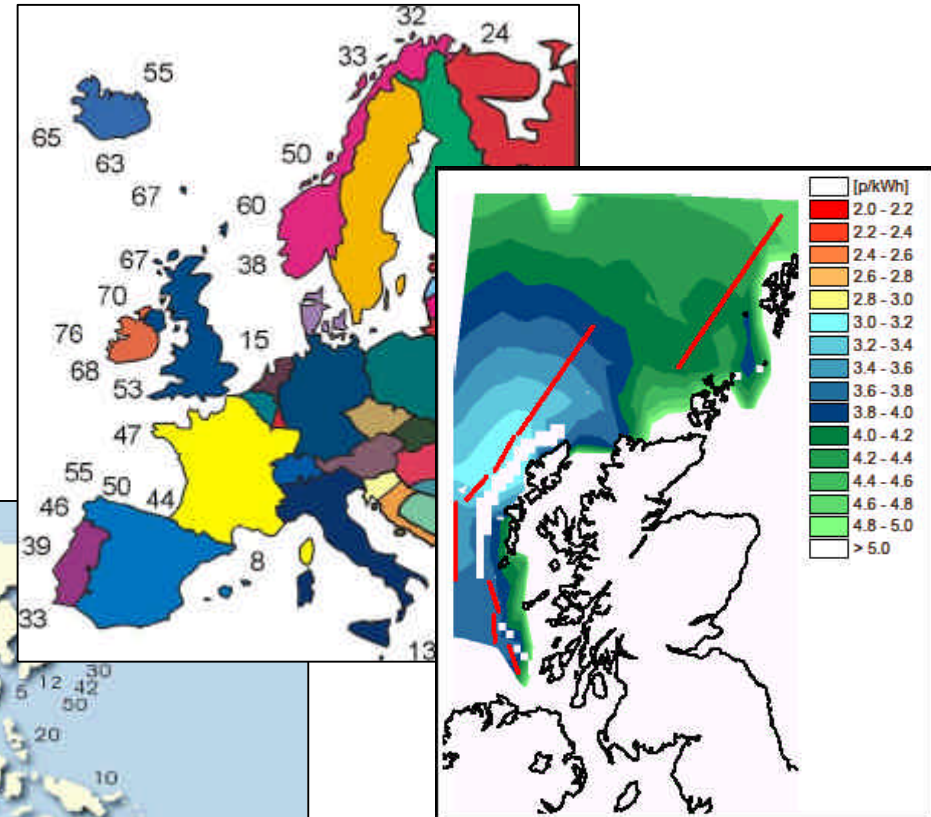
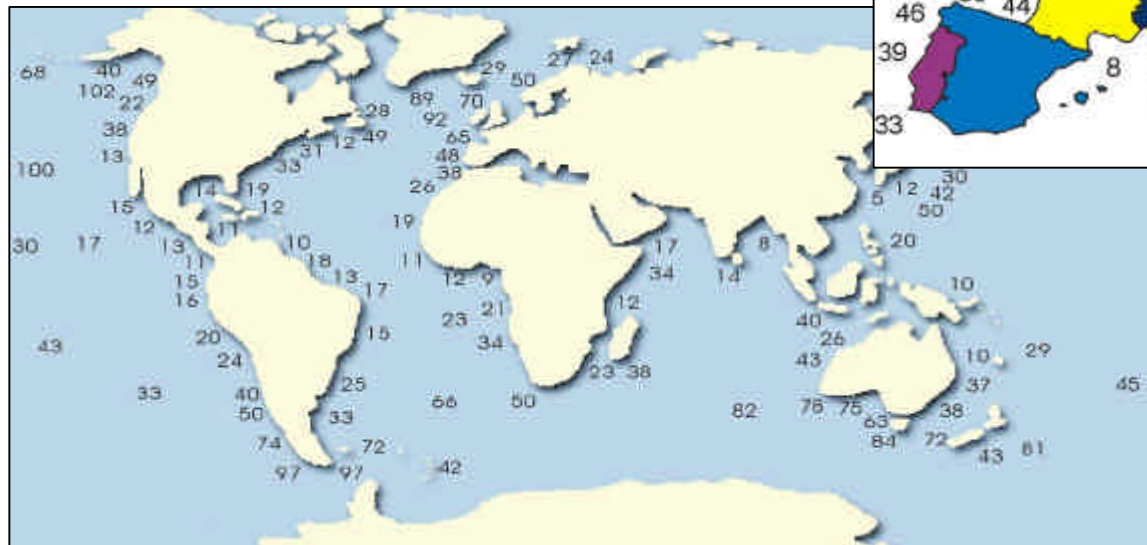
- Today >40GW installed, 8GW last year
- Fastest growth area in electricity generating industry
- Denmark: >20,000 employed, \$3-4bn in exports
- Costs of generation have fallen by ~80% as market has grown
- In the UK first commercial wind farm was only developed 12 years ago



WHY WAVE ENERGY?

Huge Resource & Market

- Most dense renewable resource
- UK ~50-80TWh/year
~15-25% UK demand
>£20bn CapEx
- World >2000TWh/year
>£500bn CapEx



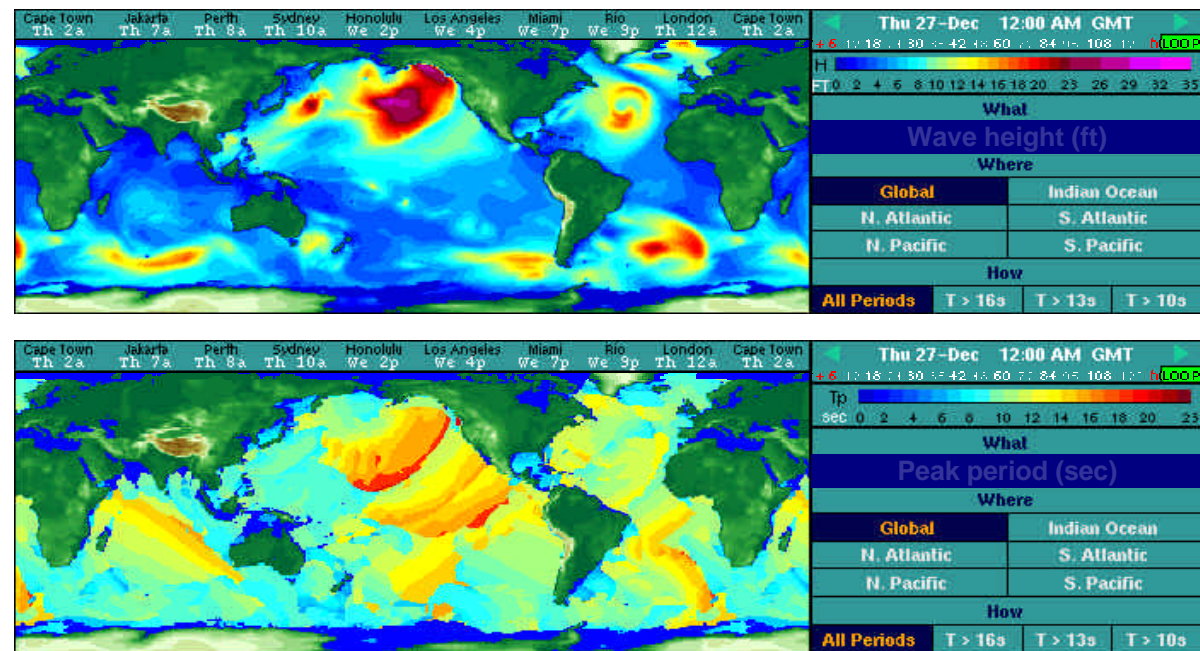
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WHY WAVE ENERGY?

Forecastability

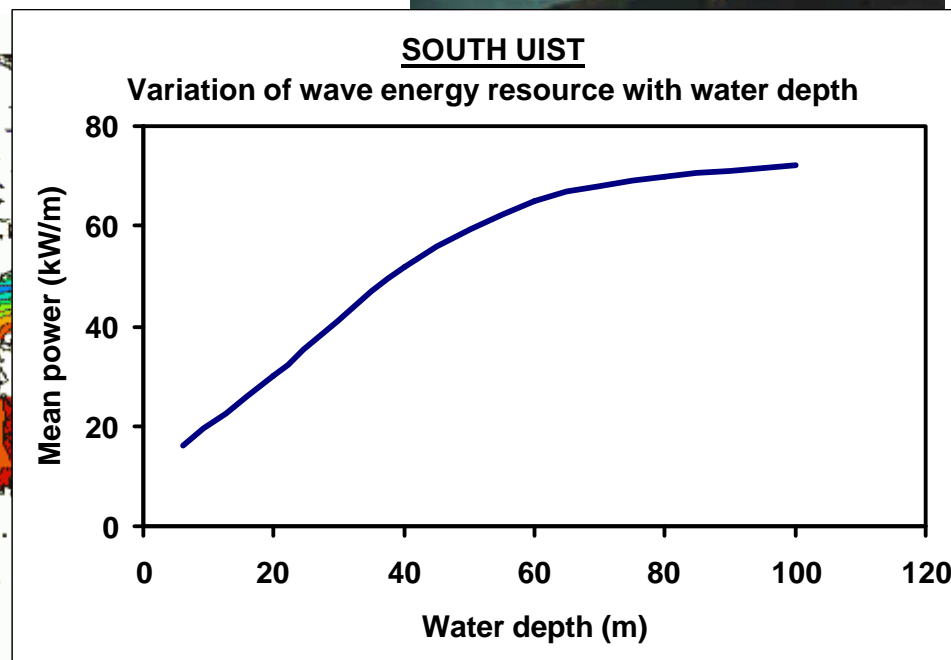
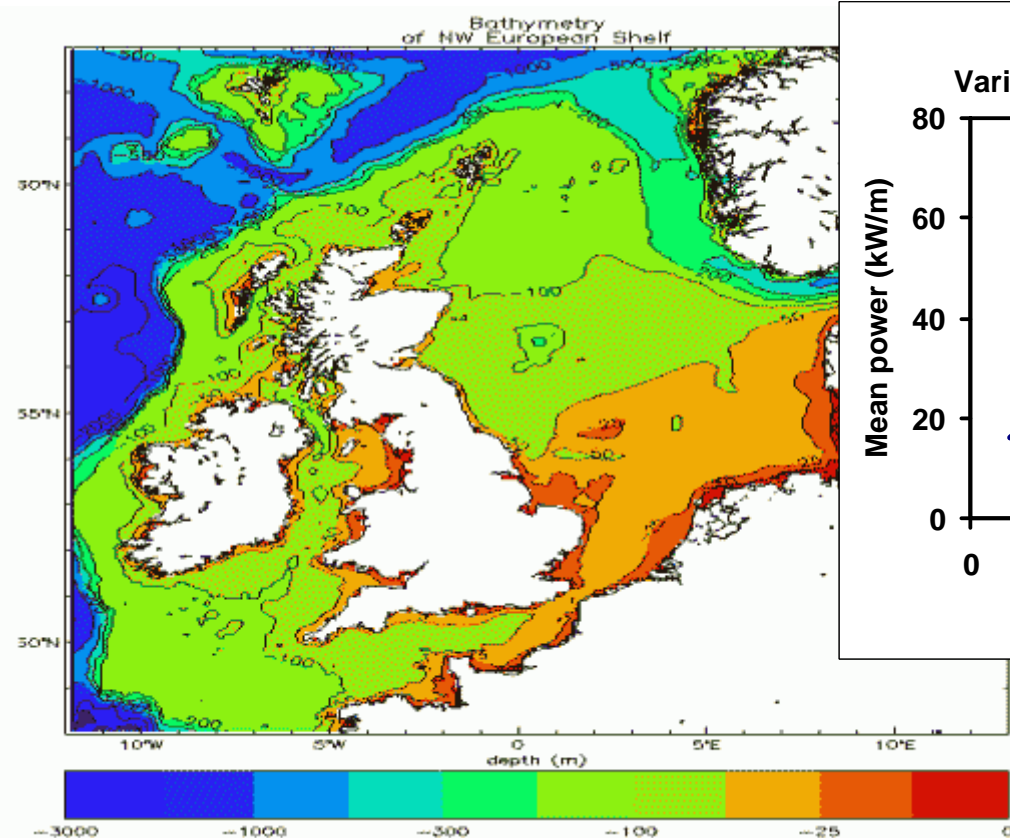
- Numerous calibrated WIND-WAVE models
- Existing offshore forecasting services
- Immunity to local climatic effects
- Small hourly & diurnal variation



Wave forecast images courtesy of LOLA

WHY OFFSHORE...?

- Best resource in deep water >50m
- Plenty of space plus high 'power-density'
- Minimal environmental impact
- Minimum visual intrusion



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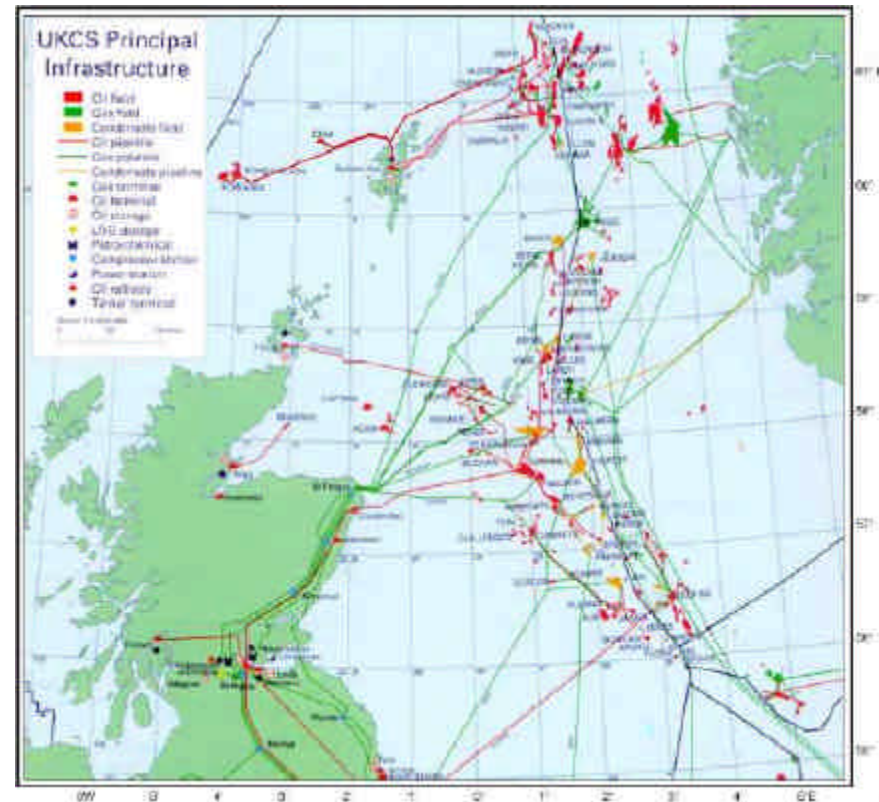
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OFFSHORE TECHNOLOGY

The offshore/marine sector's contribution:

“No major technical barriers to the development of wave energy prototypes have been identified. All issues raised under design, construction, deployment and operation can be addressed by transfer of technology from other industries, especially the offshore industry”

DTI Report - Wave Energy: Technology Transfer & R&D Recommendations
Ove Arup, October 2000



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THE PELAMIS WEC

Concept

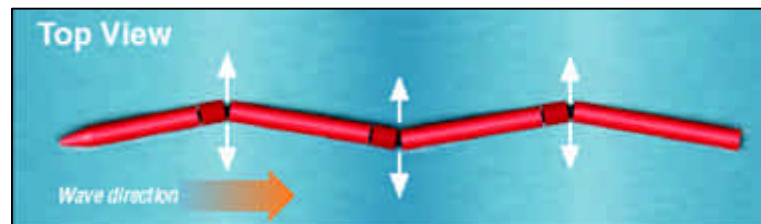
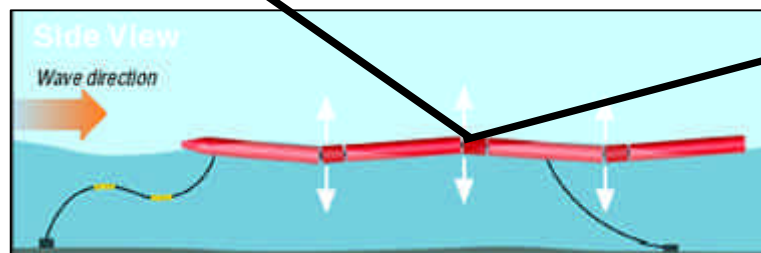
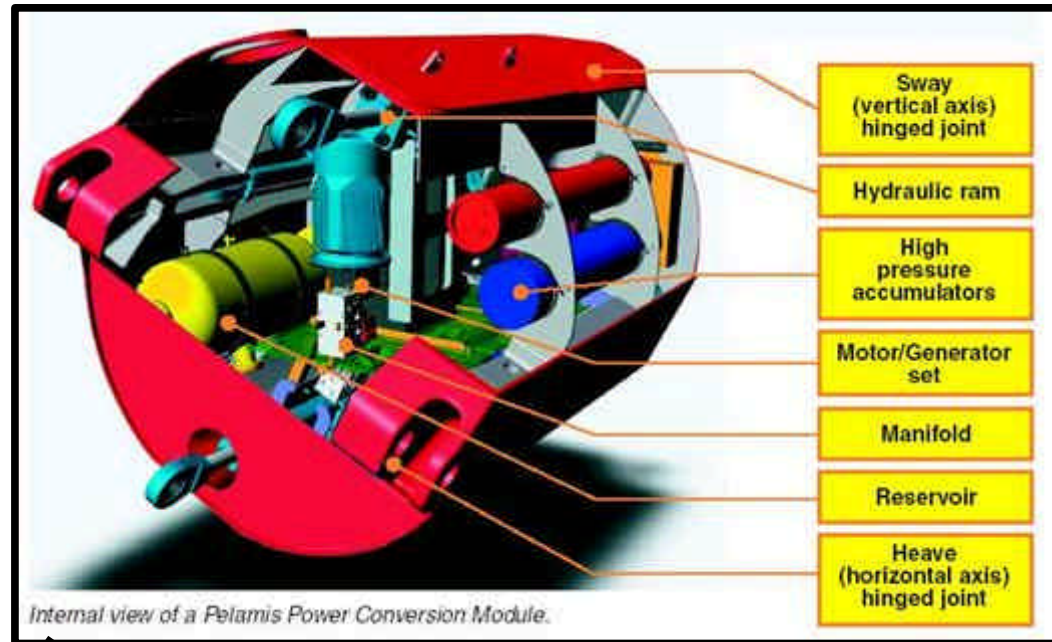
- Articulated cylinder
- Self-referenced
- Slack moored
- Head-on to incident waves

Power Conversion Module

- 4 x hydraulic rams
(2 heave, 2 sway)
- 2 x 157kVA/ 125kW
motor/generator sets
- 250kW rating

Complete machine

- 150m length
- 3.5m diameter
- 750kW rating
- 2.7GWh p.a.

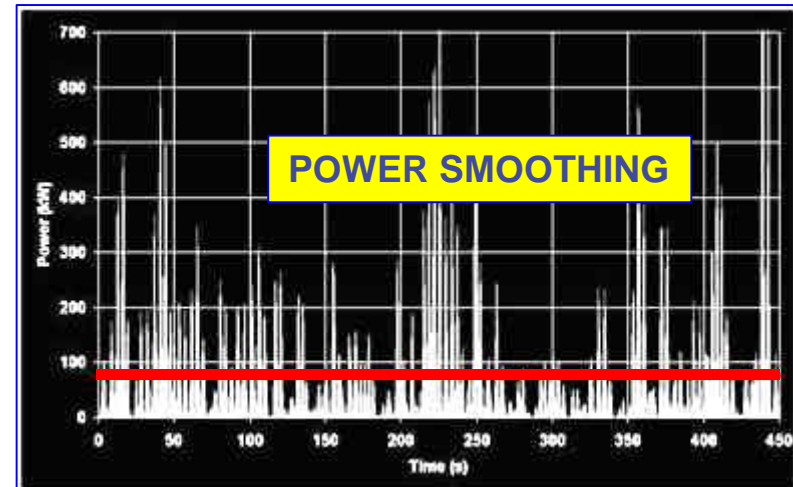
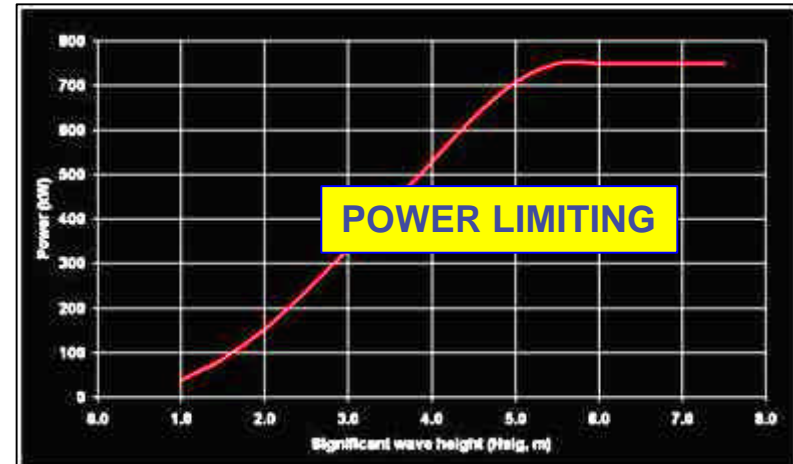


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KEY FEATURES

- Survivability – core theme...
- 100% available technology
- Hydraulic Power Take Off
- Power smoothing
- Tuneable
- Maximum flexibility
- Minimum work on-site
- Off-site maintenance



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DEVELOPMENT PATH

Experimental Modelling

- 14 tank test programmes
- 5 test models at 80th, 50th, 35th, 33rd & 20th scales
- Survivability characteristic validated
- Numerical power predictions validated
- Mooring dynamics validated
- Further tank programmes

Numerical Modelling

- Frequency domain simulation
- Time-domain simulation
- Structural analysis
- Power take-off & control
- Mooring dynamics
- Extreme load analysis

1/7th scale
full systems
prototype

Independent
Design
Verification

Full-scale
Power
Conversion
Module



Full-scale, pre-production
prototype



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1/7th SCALE PROTOTYPE

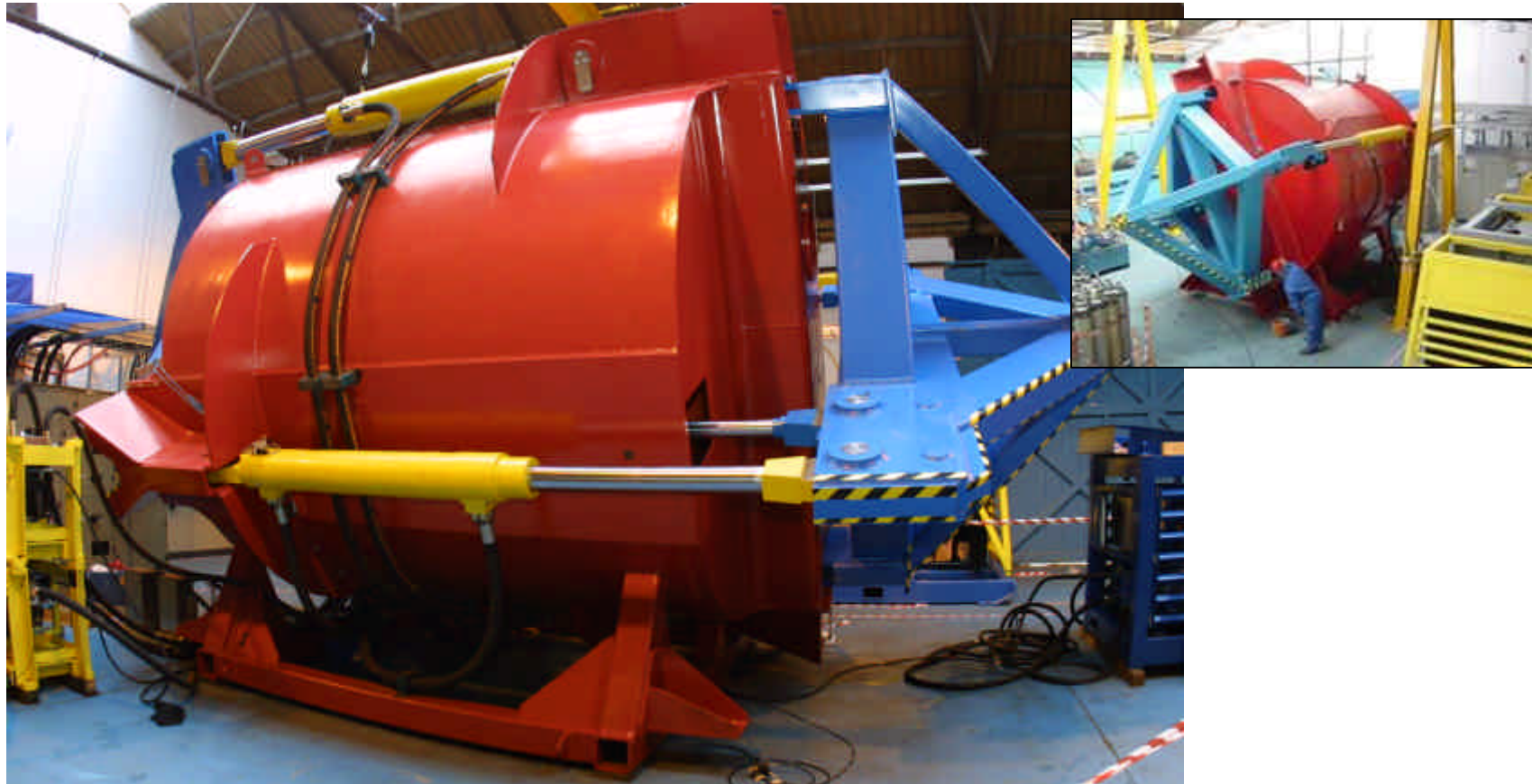
- 'Full systems' prototype
- Same hydraulics system
- Same control system
- First tests October 2001
- Concept verified at 1/7th scale



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POWER CONVERSION MODULE TEST-RIG



Successful verification of full-scale power take off system on land

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DESIGN VERIFICATION

ATKINS

- Work undertaken by WS Atkins, Europe's premier offshore design consultants
- All aspects of design and construction
- Assessed to same factors of safety as manned offshore oil & gas installations
- Application of DNV/API offshore design codes
- Fatigue and extreme load analysis over design life of machine (ULS, ALS, FLS)
- Verified and insured

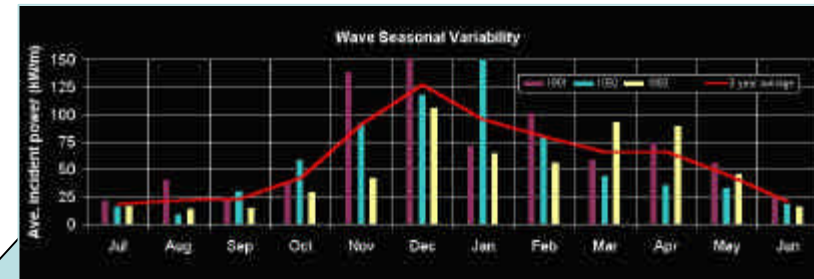


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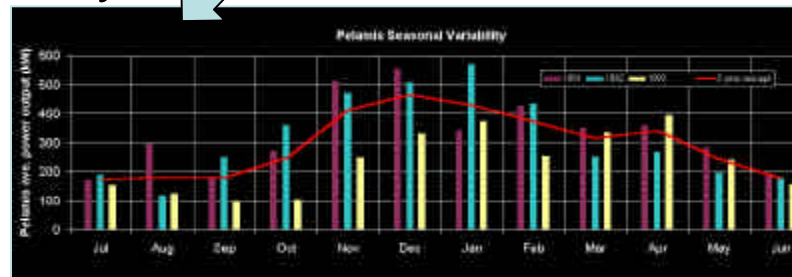
FULL-SCALE PROTOTYPE

- Machine is pre-production prototype
- Supported by UK DTI
- Build/assembly through managed subcontracts
- Initial sea trials behind vessel
- Testing at EMEC
- Power prediction
- Connection/ detachment
- Survivability, operability, maintainability, reliability



Power period (T_{avg}, s)

	5.0	5.5	6.0	6.5	7.0	7.5	8.0	8.5	9.0	9.5	10.0	10.5	11.0	11.5	12.0	12.5	13.0
0.5	idle	idle	idle	idle	idle	idle	idle	idle	idle	idle	idle	idle	idle	idle	idle	idle	idle
1.0	idle	22	29	34	37	38	38	37	35	32	29	26	23	21	idle	idle	idle
1.5	32	50	65	76	83	88	88	83	78	72	65	59	53	47	42	37	33
2.0	67	88	115	138	148	153	152	147	138	127	110	104	93	83	74	66	59
2.5	89	138	189	212	231	238	238	230	218	189	161	163	146	130	116	103	92
3.0	129	198	298	305	332	340	332	315	282	266	240	219	210	188	167	149	132
3.5	-	270	354	415	438	440	424	404	377	362	326	292	260	230	215	202	180
4.0	-	-	482	502	540	548	530	489	475	429	394	366	339	301	287	237	213
4.5	-	-	544	635	642	648	628	680	582	528	473	432	382	356	338	300	266
5.0	-	-	-	739	726	731	707	687	670	607	557	521	472	417	369	346	328
5.5	-	-	-	750	750	750	750	750	737	667	658	586	530	496	446	385	366
6.0	-	-	-	-	750	750	750	750	750	750	711	633	619	550	512	470	415
6.5	-	-	-	-	750	750	750	750	750	750	750	743	658	621	579	512	461
7.0	-	-	-	-	750	750	750	750	750	750	750	750	750	676	615	584	525
7.5	-	-	-	-	-	750	750	750	750	750	750	750	750	750	686	622	593
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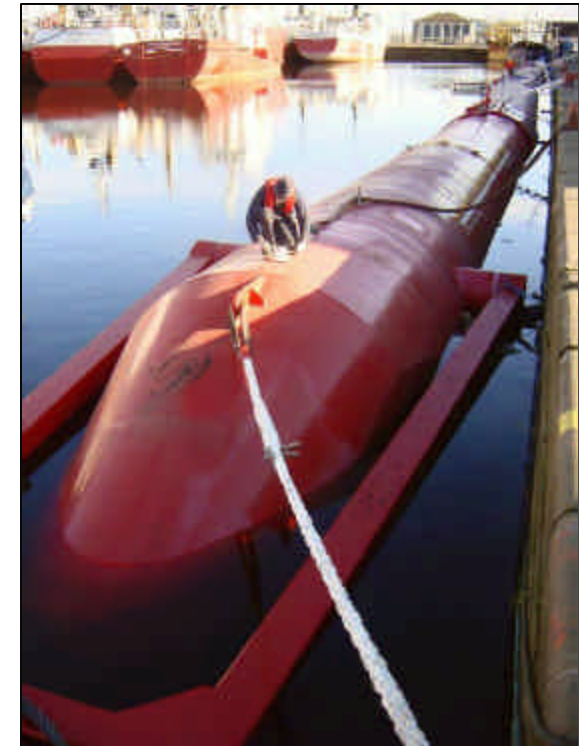
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P-750 PROTOTYPE 'PHILOSOPHY'



- Pre-production unit
- 15 year design life
- Conservative design
- Design independently verified (WS Atkins)
- Systems proven
- Moorings system as for farm
- Fully instrumented
- SCADA
- Insured



DESIGN DRIVERS:

- Build methods
- Deployment methods
- Maintenance methods

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MODULE FABRICATION, STONEHAVEN





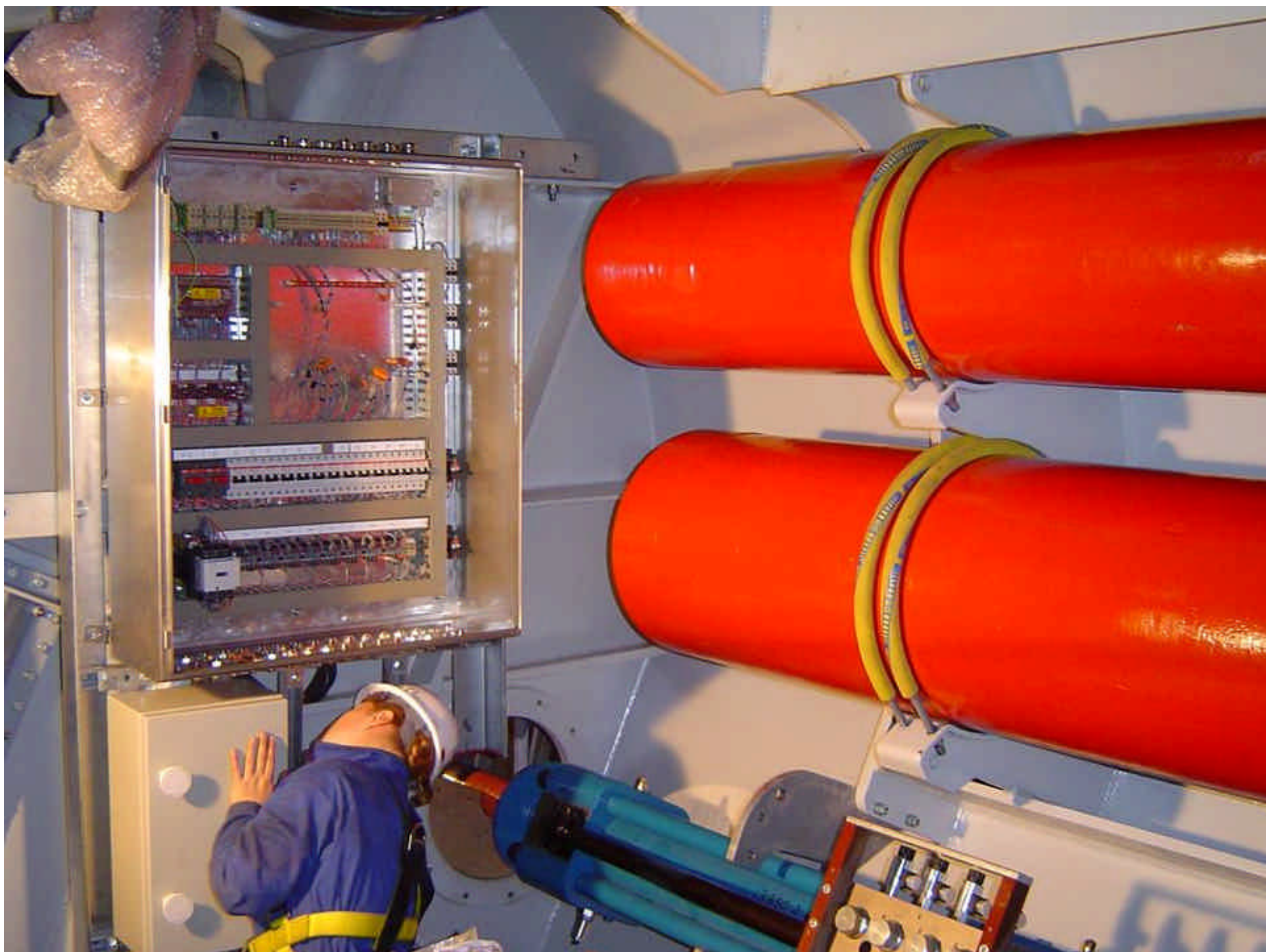


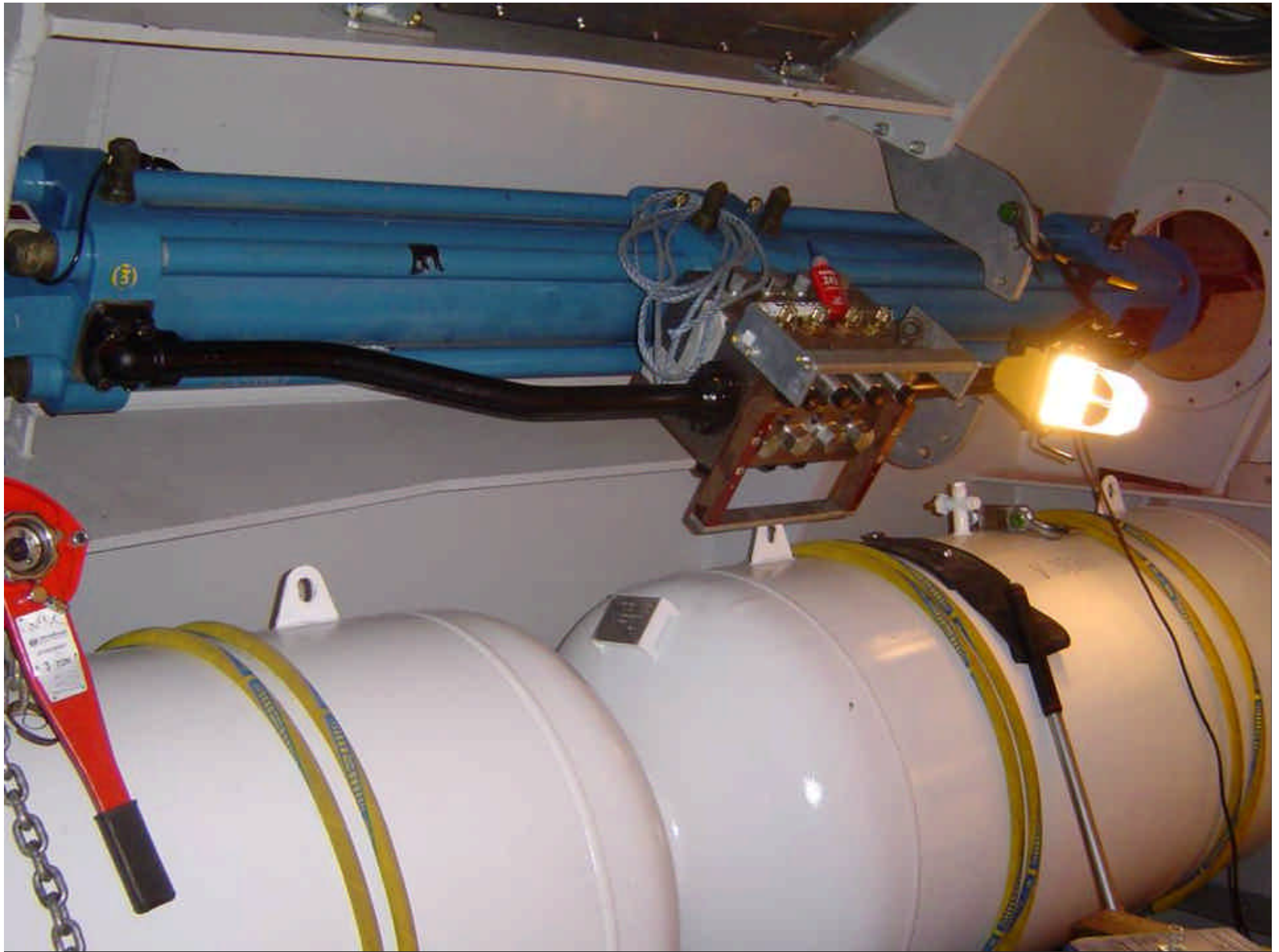
HYDRAULIC SYSTEMS, WISHAW

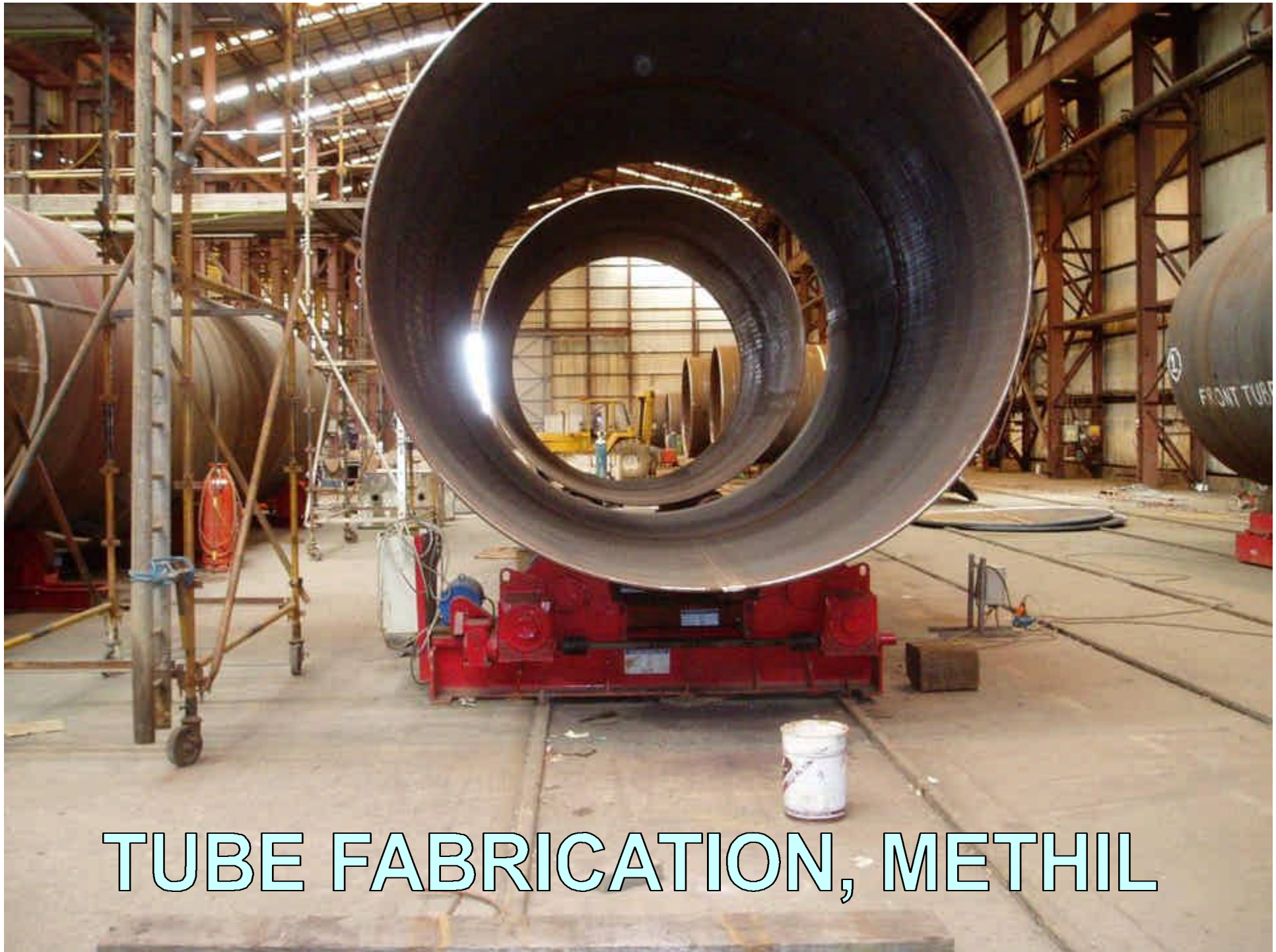


POWER MODULE ASSEMBLY, NEWMAINS









TUBE FABRICATION, METHIL









FINAL ASSEMBLY, ROSYTH



EMEC



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EMEC, ORKNEY







MOORINGS INSTALLED



PELAMIS INSTALLED



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ONWARD PROGRAMME

- Rigorous testing of prototype
- Commercialisation
- Project development...
 (Cornwall, Scotland, Portugal, USA + others...)
- Target = demonstration projects installed during 2005

	<u>Year</u>	2003				2004				2005			
	<u>Quarter</u>	1	2	3	4	1	2	3	4	1	2	3	4
<u>FULL-SCALE DEMONSTRATOR</u>													
	Build												
	Launch												
	Test												
<u>PROJECTS - PHASE ONE</u>													
<u>PROJECTS - PHASE TWO</u>													

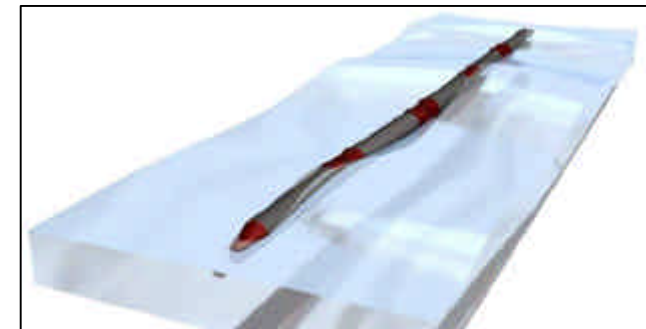
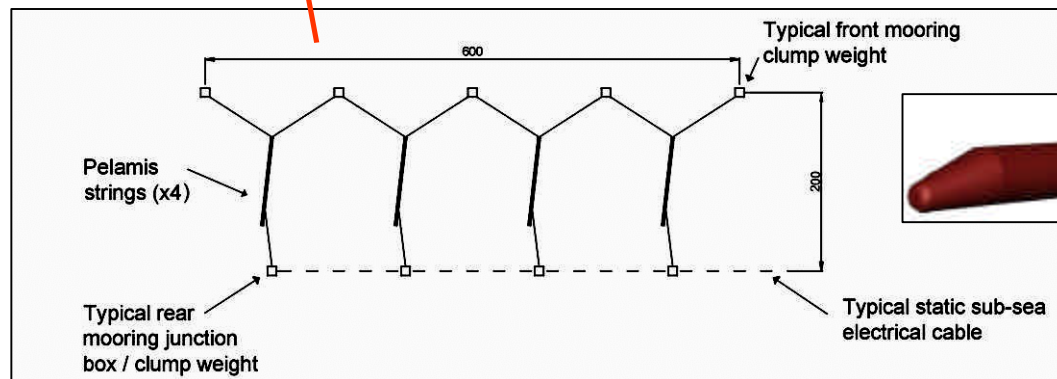
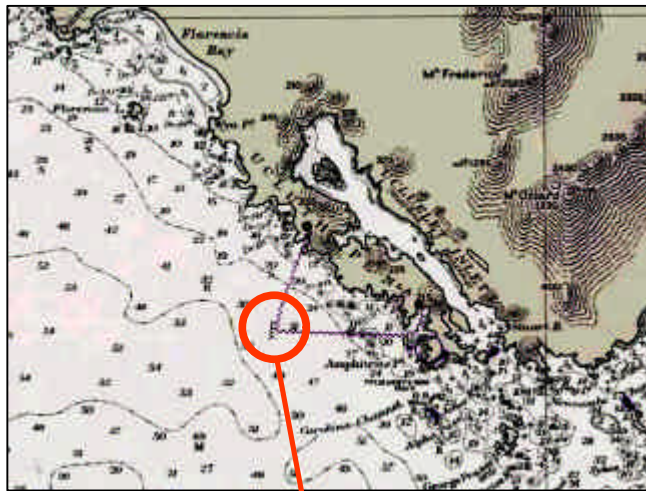
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PROJECTS – PHASE ONE

Example (2005)

- 4-10 x 750kW machines
- 3-7.5MW rated output
- BUT infrastructure & development work for whole project



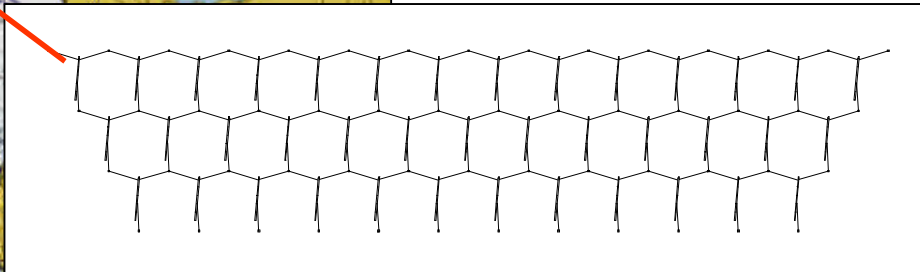
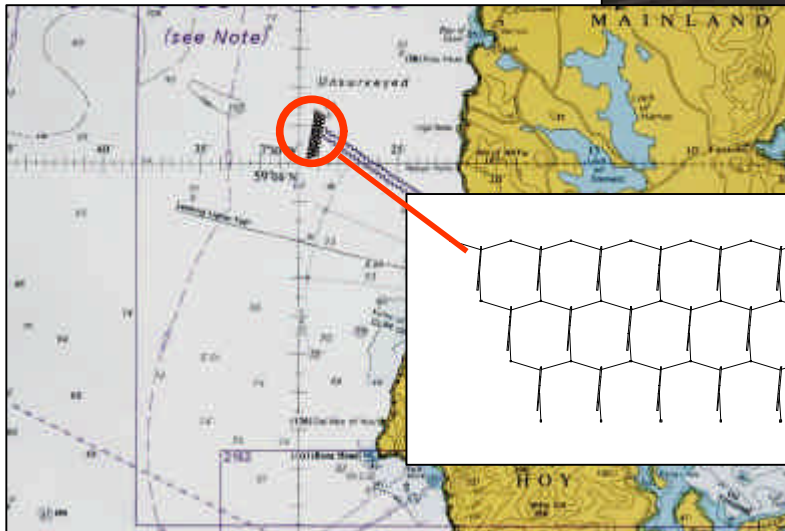
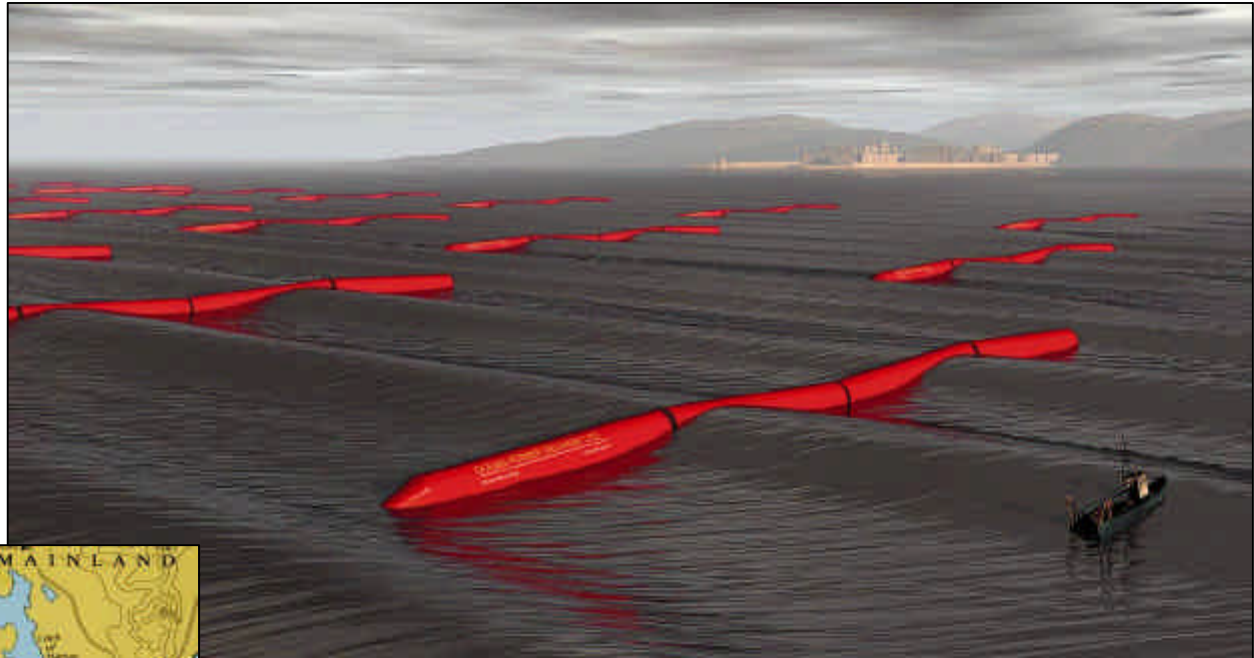
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PHASES TWO AND ONWARDS

EXAMPLE

- 39 x P-750 machines
- 30MW
- £30-50m installed cost
- 2.0km x 0.5km
- 30 MW/km²
- 110 GWh/year
(~20,000 homes)



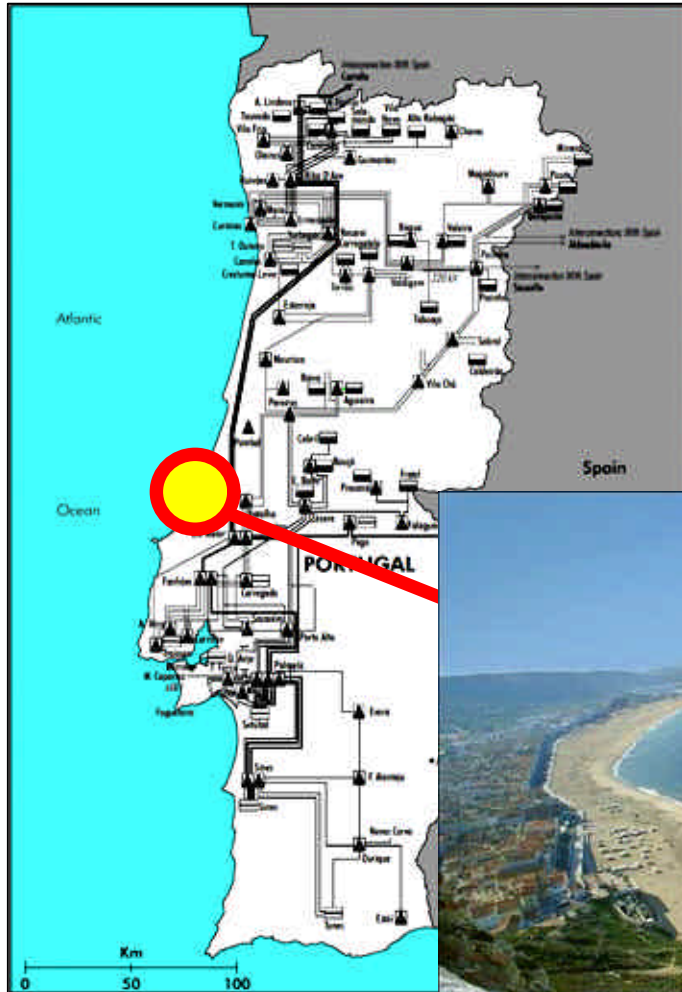
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PORTUGAL

GRUPO ENERSIS

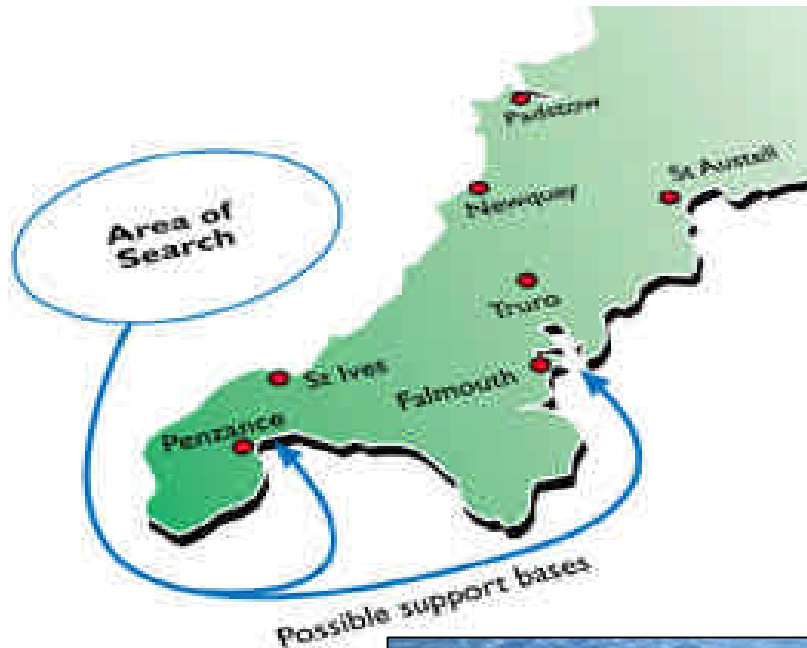
- 3-5MW demonstration, Nazaré
- Target build/install 2005
- Wave measurement underway
- Survey underway
- Local manufacturing content
- 20MW accepted by DGE



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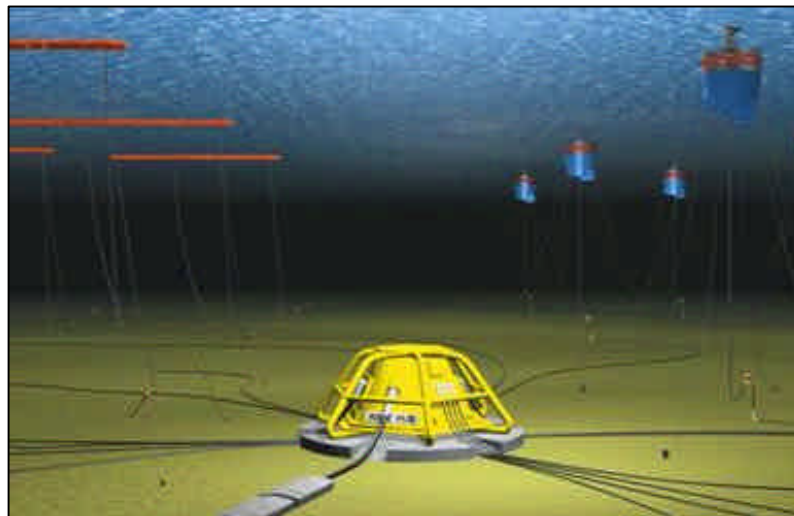
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SW ENGLAND



WIND PROSPECT

- Wind Prospect (2nd UK wind farm, Burbo)
- Ocean Prospect formed
- Phased wave-farm deployment
- Demo at 'Wave Hub'?
- General site survey underway
- Target installation 2006



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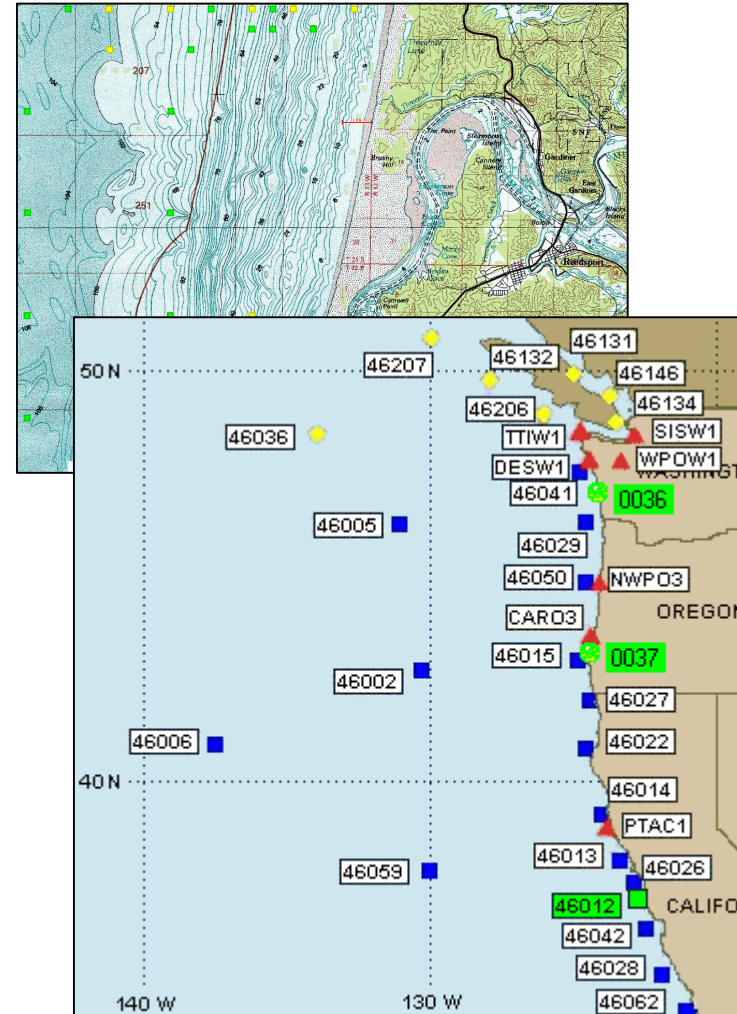
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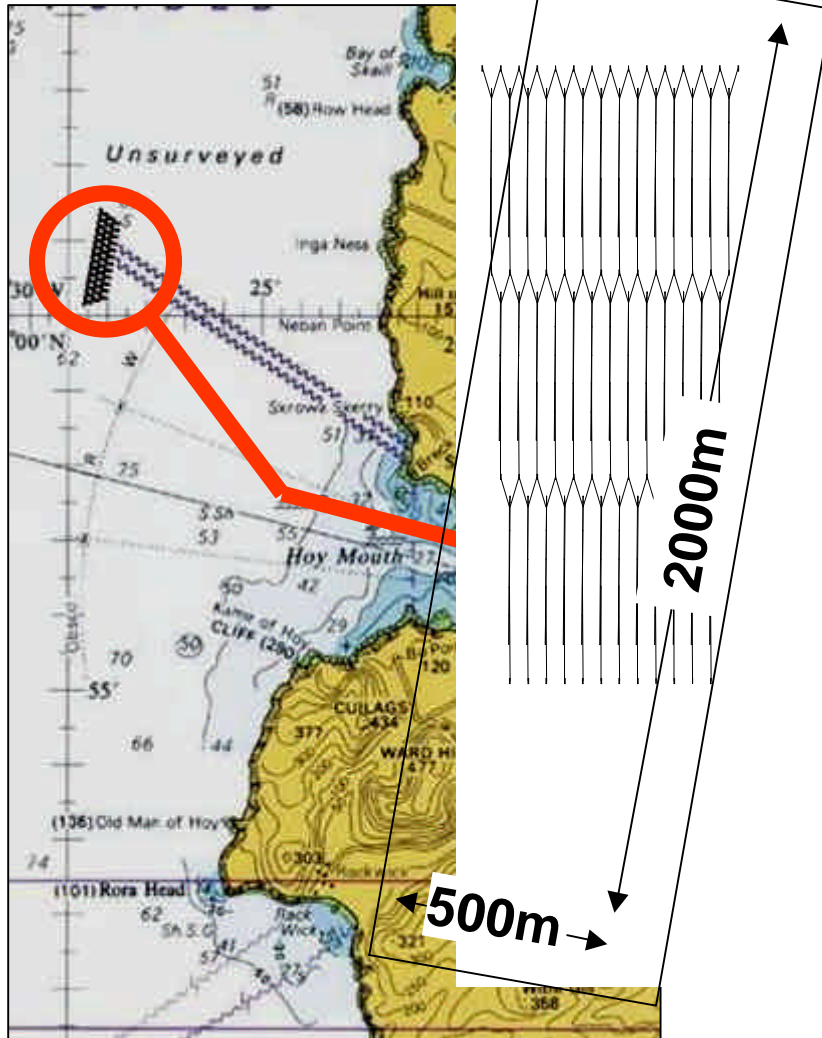
- Public/private project part funded by DOE, NREL and individual states
- Project: four state wave energy demonstration projects in Maine, Oregon, Washington, Hawaii
- Pelamis selected by EPRI as the best and only system currently recommended for deployment.
- Target installation 2006



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SCOTLAND



- Consortium development
- Sites identified
- Staged development
- Target: first stage installed 2005/6
- Onward routemap defined
- Expected funding from £50m DTI marine deployment fund

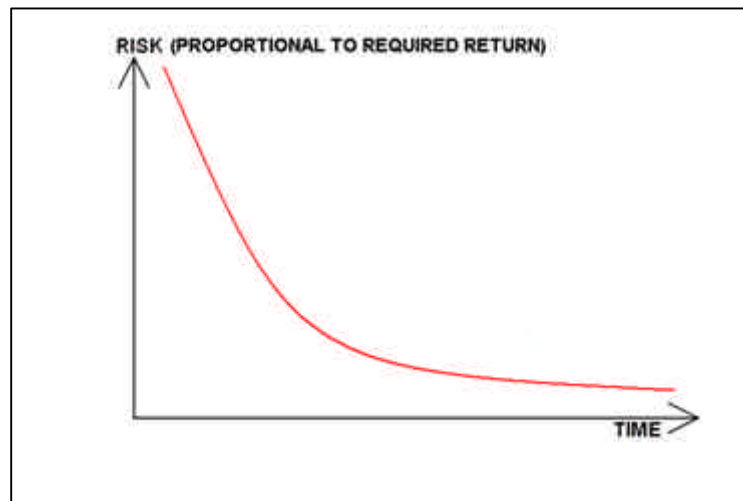
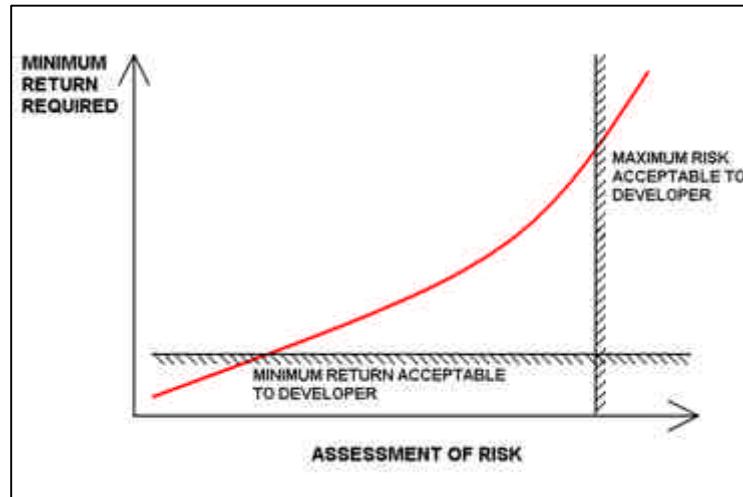
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COST REDUCTION MECHANISMS

- Required returns on capital
- Economies of Scale
- Learning by doing

REQUIRED RETURNS



Influenced by:

- Risks during project development
- Risks during construction/installation
- Risks during operation (technical & political)
- Availability of debt
- Project length
- Due diligence costs
- Bankable warranties
- Future uncertainty

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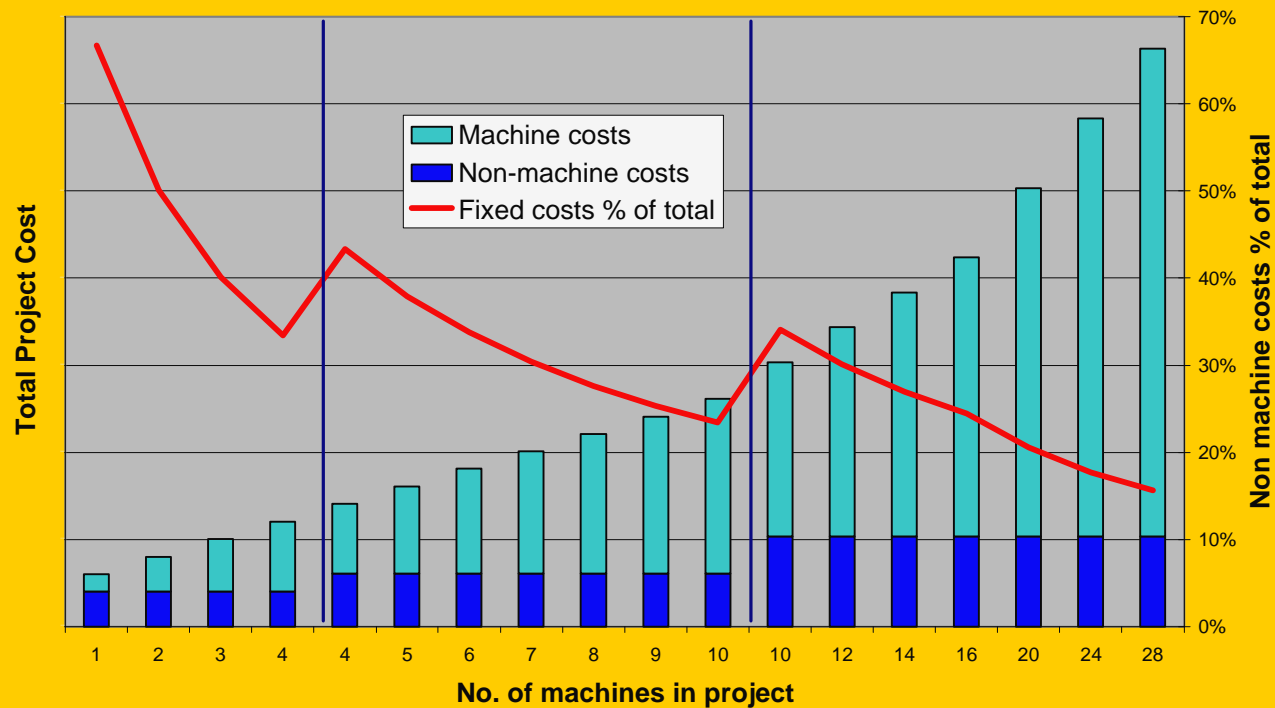
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ECONOMIES OF SCALE

- Planning
 - Onshore costs, Env. Impacts, Seabed survey, Resource assessment and measurement
- Construction
 - Cable costs, Cable lay costs, Grid connection, Machine installation
- Machine
 - Bulk ordering of components, Tooling costs, Plant overhead, Verification costs
- Operation
 - Insurance, Maintenance, Spares

ECONOMIES OF SCALE

Economies of scale - example of ratio of fixed costs to variable costs (machines)
1-4, 4-10 and 10-28 machine project examples



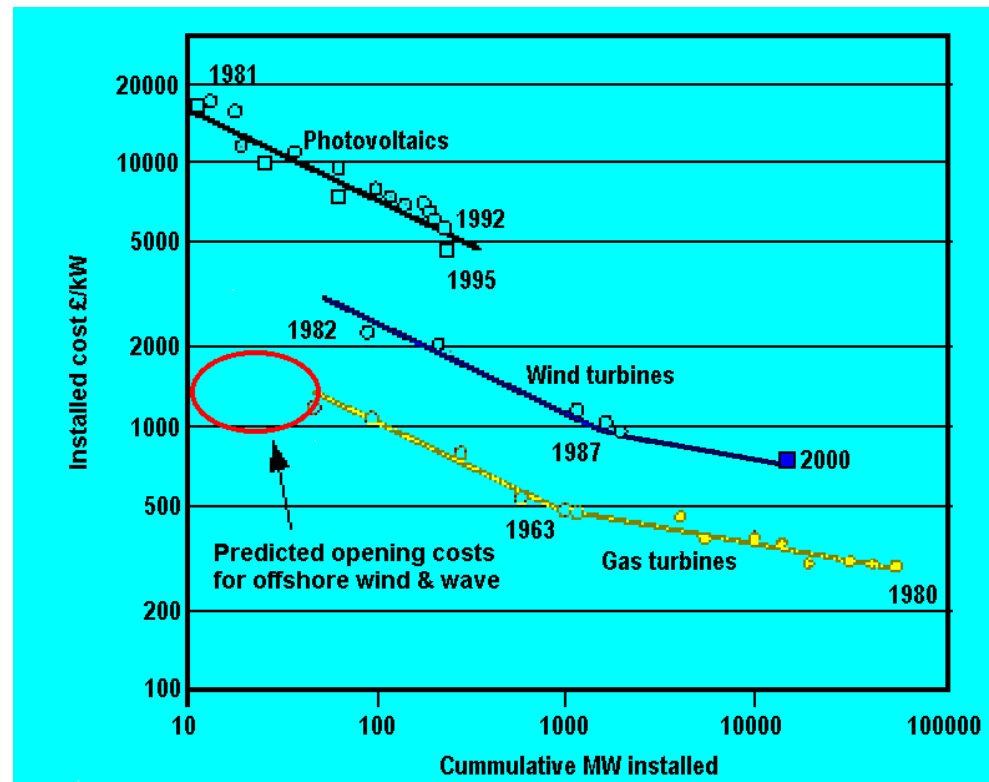
EXPERIENCE & TECHNOLOGICAL IMPROVEMENT

- Project capital costs
 - Machine cost – components
 - Prototype – Batch – Series production
 - Development costs (EIA etc)
- Project operation
 - Improvements in energy capture
 - Insurance costs
 - O&M costs

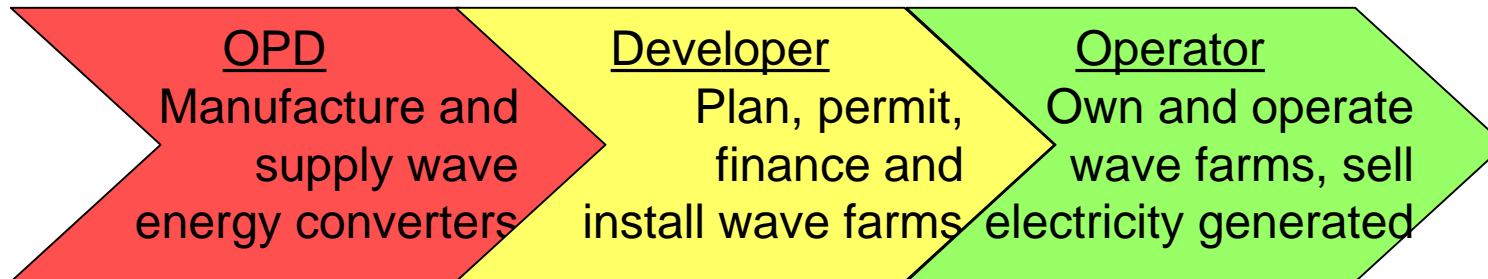
BRIDGING THE GAP

- High initial costs...
- High initial risks...
- High initial opportunities...

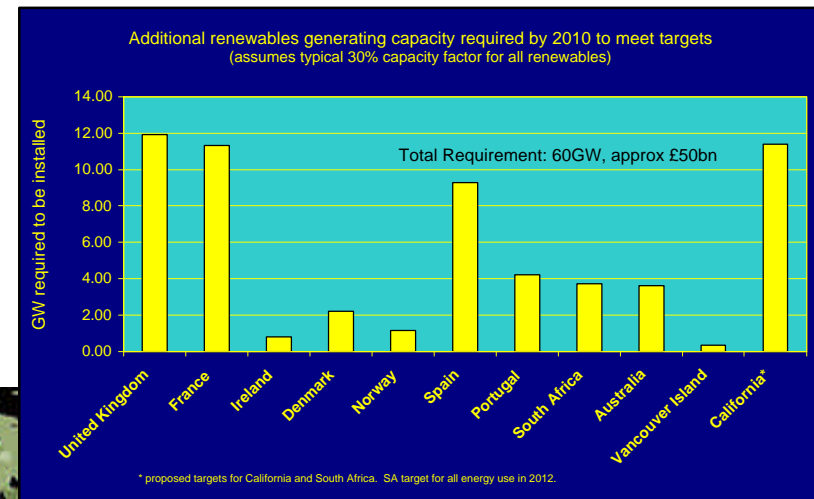
- Costs fall as a result of technical refinement
- Costs fall in line with installed capacity
- Costs fall as a result of investor confidence



THE OPPORTUNITY



- First projects: attractive returns, through market enablement mechanisms (eg: UK: Renewable Obligation + Capital grants; Portugal €c23/kWh)
- Strategic: Accessible global market size >£50bn by 2010, unlimited by resource



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