



Mærsk CEO very satisfied with telecommunications

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The tele-communications link provided by FaroeTele to Mærsk, the largest company in Denmark, for its platforms in the North Sea is a genuine scoop by all accords for the oil company: -“The excellent internet connection solves a series of very important tasks for us”, says the Mærsk CEO, Mr Jakob Thomasen.

Met at conference in Denmark

One year ago FaroeTele and Mærsk Oil signed a contract whereby FaroeTele would deliver a broadband tele-communications link to the Mærsk platforms operating in the North Sea.

Earlier this month, an oil and gas conference was held in Copenhagen, where the two CEO's Mr Jakob Thomasen from Mærsk and Mr Páll Vesturbú from FaroeTele were present.

They met up and discussed the experiences gained from this cooperation.

-“It has been a revolution for us to have gotten a broadband connection. We have been given a much better opportunity to transfer data between our platforms and ashore and accordingly an overall much improved communications system. We can now hold video conferences between our platforms and our shore based personnel, something we have not been able to do previously. This is an important step in the right direction in our endeavour to become more efficient in our data sharing”, says Mr Thomasen. He continues: -“First and foremost it is the professional aspect, where we are able to see the benefit with this internet connection. It is very important for us to be able to share knowledge quickly and securely, share our experiences and thereby ensure all have the correct updated information immediately. Then there is the transfer of data. Vast amounts of data are transferred ashore, which our shore based personnel can process and analyse very quickly and return to the platform again”.

Important for staff

The very fast internet connection has also had a very positive influence upon our platform based staff: -“For our staff to be able to communicate with their families through Skype, stream TV and whatever else the internet can be used for, is very good for our employees. It has improved their social lives immensely. It is a great help to be able to linkup easily with our family when you work onboard a platform”, says Mr Thomasen.

Apart from this cooperation with Mærsk Oil, FaroeTele has a similar contract with the Amerada Hess oil company.

All that now remains in the Danish sector is to persuade the other important Danish energy company Dong Energy, to tie into the FaroeTele broadband Cantat cable.

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