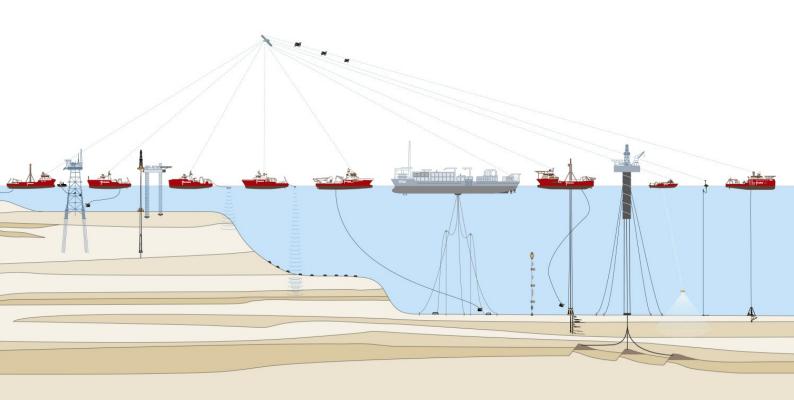


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1. INTRODUCTION

This Technical Note provides background information in support of the Geographic Information System (GIS) deliverable which was prepared as part of the Geological Ground Model Reporting for the Borssele Wind Farm Sites III and IV (Fugro, 2015a and 2015b). Purpose of this technical note is to provide information on the used methodology for gridding and contouring of the depth to base and thickness of the identified units. It specifically aims to clarify minor differences in grid values and contour positions at the boundary between the Investigation Areas III and IV.

2. GRID AND CONTOUR GENERATION

The geophysical horizon interpretation is based on all multichannel seismic (MCS) lines, which cover both Investigation Area III and IV. The geophysical interpretation was done using IHS Kingdom[®] software (Kingdom) and good correlation occurs between both Investigation Areas (i.e. III and IV).

Following horizon interpretation, grids were created (in Kingdom) separately for Investigation Areas III and IV. These grids were confined by polygons that outline the Investigation Areas. The polygons were also used for the generation of the contours from both "Depth to Base"-grids and "Isopach"-grids. The resulting grids and contour-files were exported to ESRI ArcMap for preparation of report plates. Details on the gridding and contouring settings used are presented in Ground Model Reports (Fugro, 2015a and 2015b).

A consequence of the adopted methodology, i.e. preparing grids and contours for the individual investigation area separately instead of the combined investigation areas, is that data from the neighbouring Investigation Areas were not accounted for. This resulted in minor differences in contour positions and grid values at the interface between WFS III and WFS IV (Plates 1 and 2).

3. AREA OF REDUCED CONFIDENCE

An area with reduced confidence is defined to account for the noted differences in the areas where the grid values and/or contour positions are different (i.e. do not match) at the boundary between Investigation Areas. The confidence reduces towards the edge of the Investigation Area.



The area of reduced confidence is defined along the perimeter of the Investigation Area III and IV, extending approximately 100 m from the edge of the specific Investigation Area towards its centre (Plate 3). The GIS deliverables (i.e. file geodatabase) include two polygon feature classes representing the areas of reduced confidence.

The area of reduced confidence is not restricted to the boundary between Investigation Area III and IV, but also should be considered at the boundary between Investigation Area III and IV with WFS I and WFS II, and the area north-northwest and south of the Borssele Wind Farm Zone (i.e. no data acquired).

4. REFERENCES

Fugro (2015a), "Geological Ground Model, Wind Farm Site III, Borssele Wind Farm Zone, Dutch Sector North Sea", Fugro Report No. N6083/05, Issue 3, dated 22 December 2015.

Fugro (2015b), "Geological Ground Model, Wind Farm Site II, Borssele Wind Farm Zone, Dutch Sector North Sea", Fugro Report No. N6083/06, Issue 3, dated 22 December 2015.

5. USE OF THIS TECHNICAL NOTE

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