

MAKING MARINE RENEWABLE ENERGY MAINSTREAM

Aquamarine Power is a technology company that has developed a product called Oyster which produces electricity from ocean wave energy.



WHO IS AQUAMARINE POWER?

- Marine energy company
- Established 2005
- Head office in Edinburgh
- Resources in Belfast and Orkney
- 55+ staff
- Technology developer <u>and</u> site developer
- Oyster hydro-electric wave energy converter







WHY MARINE ENERGY?

- > Vast resource wave power alone could produce up to 80,000TWh/year (five times global electricity consumption)
- > Less intermittent, more predictable than wind
- > More widely available than tidal





DESIGNED SIMPLICITY

Oyster[®]



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OYSTER TECHNOLOGY





- > Accessible generation equipment is onshore accessible 24/7
- **Reliable** conventional hydro-electric power station proven, reliable
- Survivability no "survival mode", naturally ducks under extreme waves and keeps generating
- > High capture factor uniform wave direction, amplified surge forces
- > Economies of scale one generator, multiple flaps & low cost fabrication
- > Low weight to power ratio compared to alternatives, including offshore wind



OYSTER 1 TEST BERTH AT EMEC





OYSTER: FABRICATION 2008





MILESTONE DELIVERY 2005-10



- Grid connected Oyster 1
- Oyster 1 operated through Winter 09/10, 4000 Operating Hours
- £34m raised –grants and private funding
- 1 GW development agreement with SSE Renewables UK and IRL
- First 200MW site secured from The Crown Estate in Orkney
- Aquamarine Power USA LLC incorporated Feb 2010
- Site Development Capacity



- Oyster 1 –(315kW) demonstrator grid-connected at EMEC >4000 Operating Hours to date
- Oyster 2 (800kW) –2.4MW demonstrator -on schedule for 2011-12
- Oyster 3 (1MW)–10MW development on track–commissioning 2013 -14...targeting USA, UK & IRL
- Oyster 4 (1MW)–Scaling up to first 20MW deployments from 2015
- Saltire Round Just announced by the Scottish Government



OYSTER EVOLUTION



Oyster 1

1 device

315kW

18m wide flap, 1m freeboard

1 set of pipelines to shore

Onshore site at EMEC



Oyster 2

3 inter-linked devices

2.4 MW

26m wide flap, 3m freeboard

1 set of pipelines to shore

New onshore site



ENVIRONMENTAL CONSIDERATIONS

- Coastal Processes Understand 1 device well, modelling work in progress to understand the impact of an array
- Visual Impact Dependant on receptor
- Recreational Surfing Wave Aquamarine believe this to be minimal, however can only be understood through practical deployment of an array.
- Birds Insignificant, too much regulation based on offshore wind farms.



ENVIRONMENTAL CONSIDERATIONS

- > Marine Mammals Minimal Impact
- Migratory Salmon No impact
- Benthos Possible habitat creation, provision of shelter
- > Noise Operational low, comparatively low during construction
- Socio-Economic Activity Direct beneficial impact to local

communities from development. However potential

interference with creel fisheries.



CURRENT AND FUTURE CONSIDERATIONS

- Consenting Regime consenting process needs to be clearly articulated and allow for product innovation – needs to keep up, its currently the No.1 risk to investment and long term future.
- Understanding Env Impact Deploy and monitor essential but needs ability to scale up (not incremental) – can't go to 10MW even if 2.5 MW is demonstrated
- Regulatory Clarity Too much focus on birds as a legacy of wind



CURRENT AND FUTURE CONSIDERATIONS

- Avoid Generic Regulatory approach all technologies are different with varying impacts and mitigation needs – different challenges in different markets.
- > Onus on Developers to Educate both regulators and

stakeholders (just part of development costs)

Building an Industry – Aquamarine Power Report on Lessons learned from Danish Wind Industry; available from www.aquamarinepower.com



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Innovation

We value and reward innovation. When people tell us it cannot be done we ask why not!

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