Marine Safety Forum – Safety Flash 12-48

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Subject: Potential door hinge failure on Swire Oilfield Services AMF Mini containers: AMF 651 to AMF 1104

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SAFETY ALERT

Potential door hinge failure on Swire Oilfield Services AMF Mini containers: AMF 651 to AMF 1104.

This alert only relates to Mini containers with Serial numbers in the range AMF 651 to AMF 1104.

It has been identified that there may be a manufacturing defect related to the grade of steel used in the door hinge assembly on these units, which could result in hinge pin failure. Swire Oilfield Services are recalling all units in the above serial number range in order to verify the material of the hinge pins and replace the hinge assembly if necessary.

Swire Oilfield Services are directly contacting the clients who have these units on hire and advising them to quarantine the units. They will then arrange for them to be transported back to a Swire Oilfield Services Base.

This manufacturing defect is limited to the above range. No defects have been identified in units out with this specific serial number range.

If you have any questions or concerns relating to this issue please contact Swire Oilfield Services on +44 (0) 1224 872707.

Revision 1: Recalled Mini Containers that have been inspected and repaired at Swire Oilfield Services bases, and are fit for use, have had a sticky label with the following wording applied to the units by Swire Oilfield Services personnel:

“SAFETY ALERT NO. 12 – 2012 RECALLED CHECKED & FIT FOR USE.”

Mini Containers that have these stickers applied have been modified and returned to service. When all affected Mini Containers have been repaired; Swire Oilfield Services will issue a Safety Alert update, which will include instructions for removing the sticky labels.