

# **Floater Concept Review**

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# Floating Production Systems

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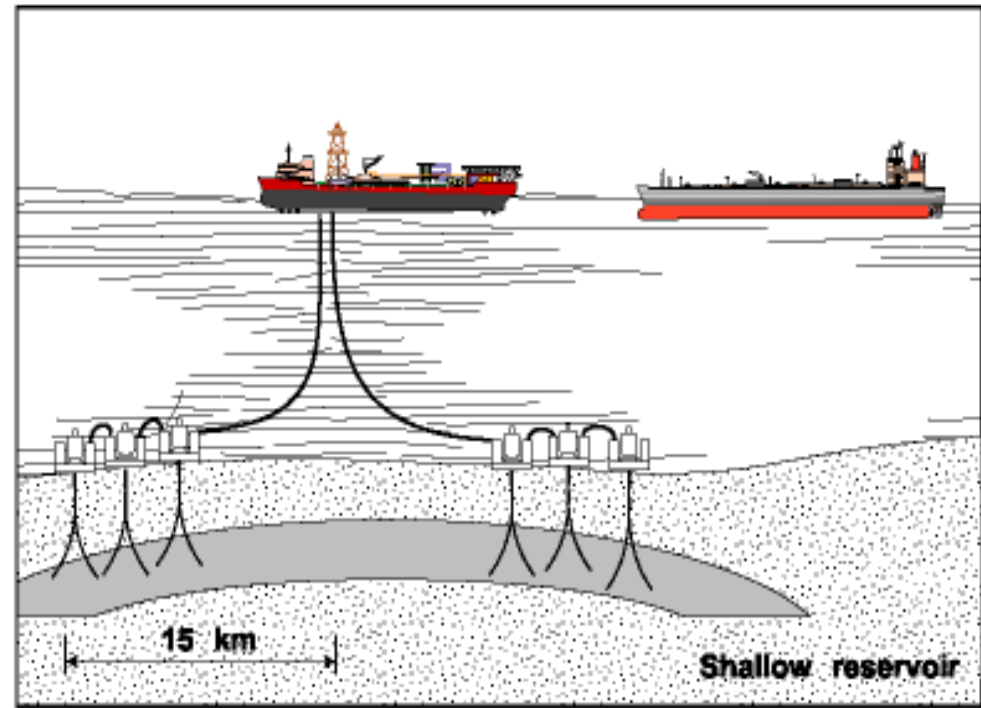
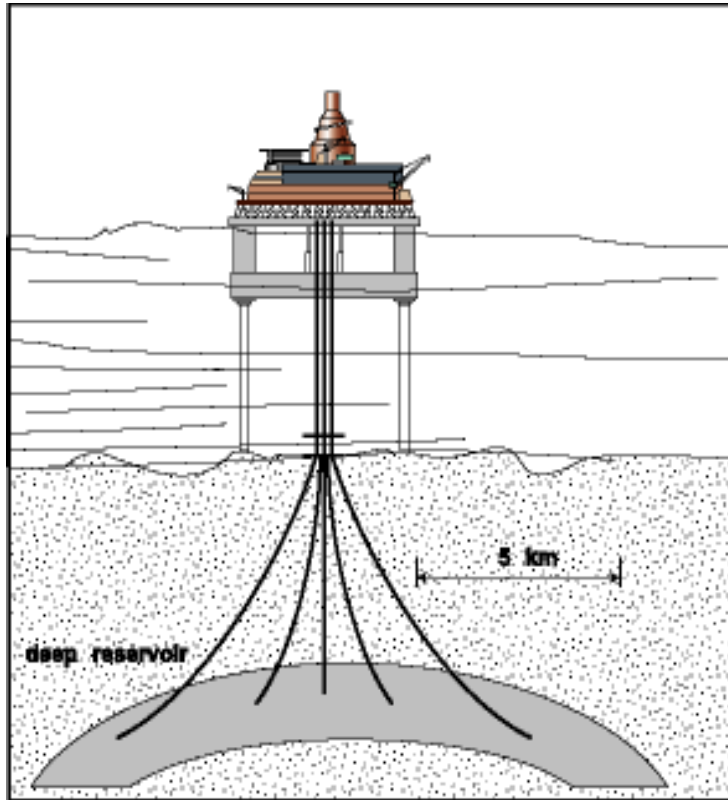
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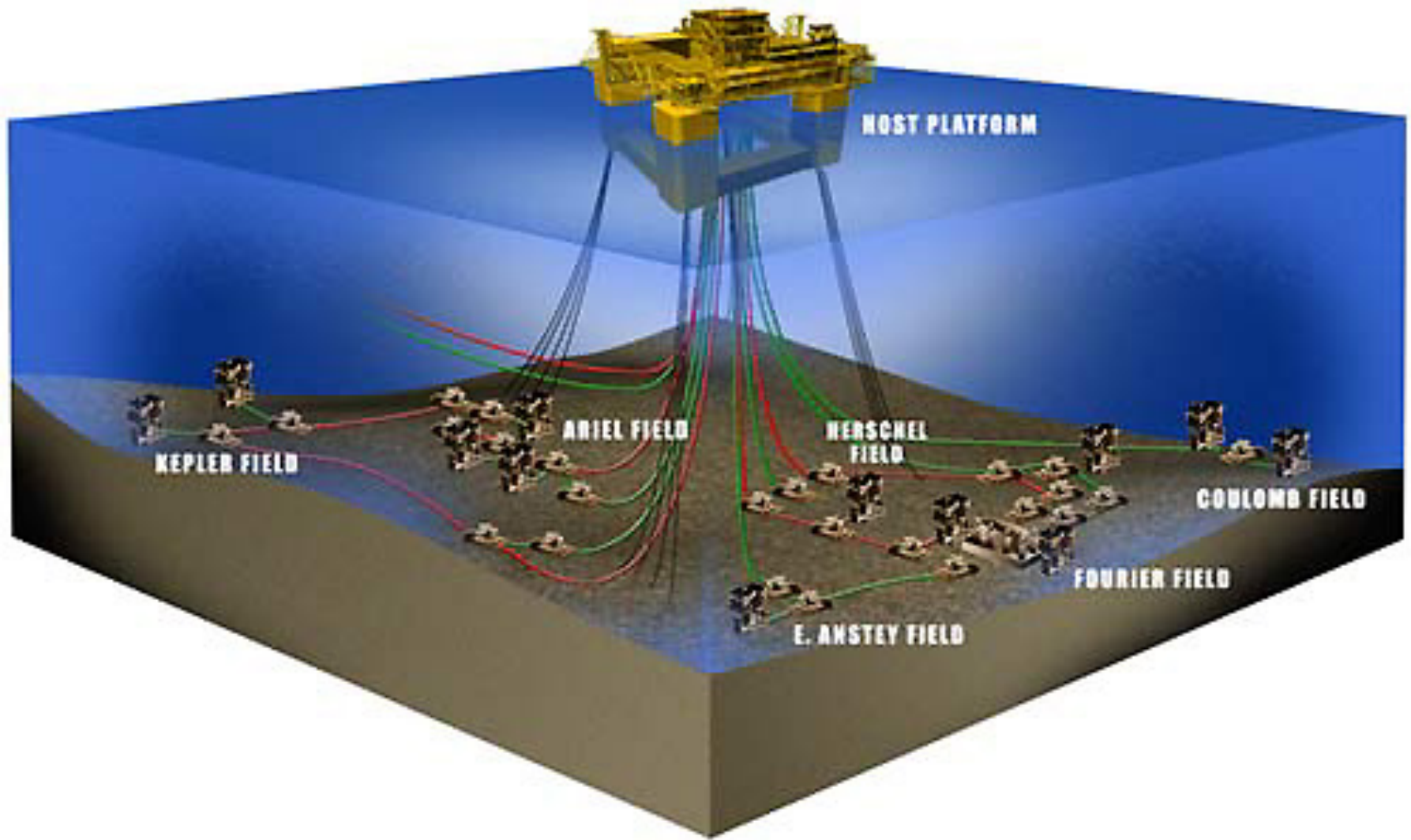
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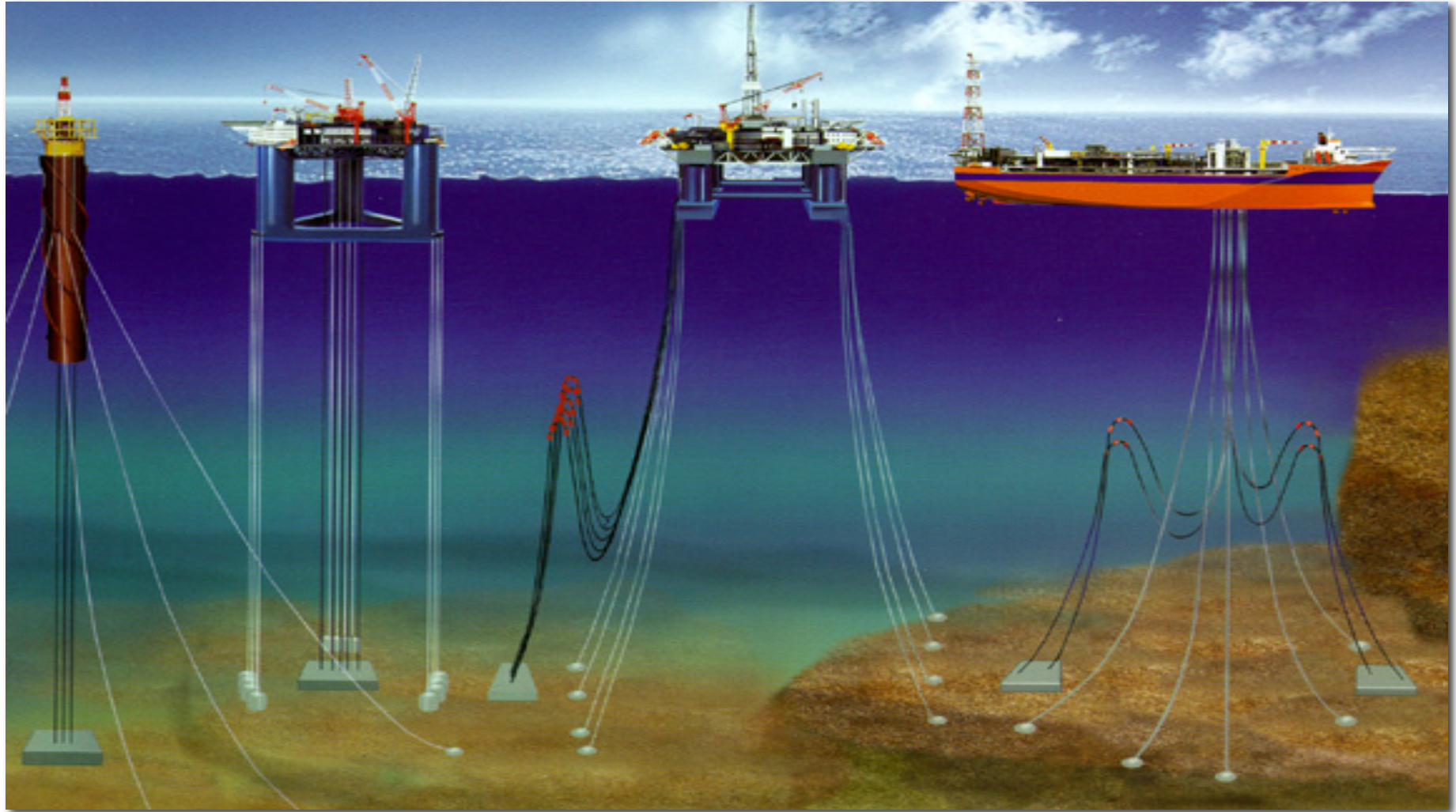
# Dry or Wet Trees? – Reservoir Geometry Drivers



## Wet Tree Hub Platform Example – Na Kika



# Dry or Wet Trees? - Hull Selection Impact



# Export options – Pipeline or Tanker Offloading

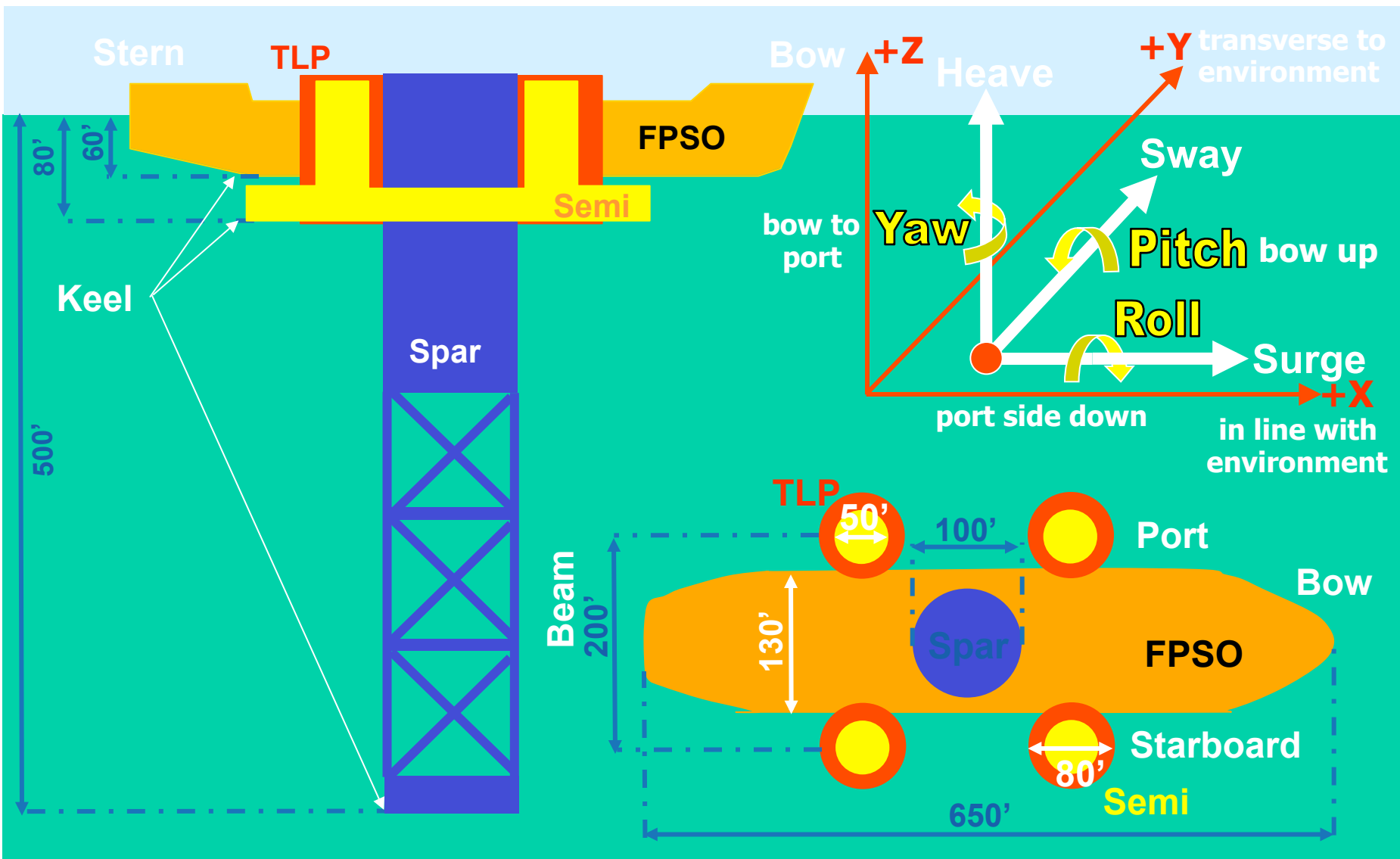
## Pipeline

- Best solution in areas of existing infrastructure (pipeline tie-ins and access to market)
- High cost if large distances to tie-in
- Lowest cost operation
- Semi, Spar, TLP

## Tanker Offloading

- Best (sometimes only) solution in remote areas
- High operational cost
- Requires local storage
- FPSO, FSO
- possible Spar, Semi

# Hull Selection - Relative Profiles & Nomenclature



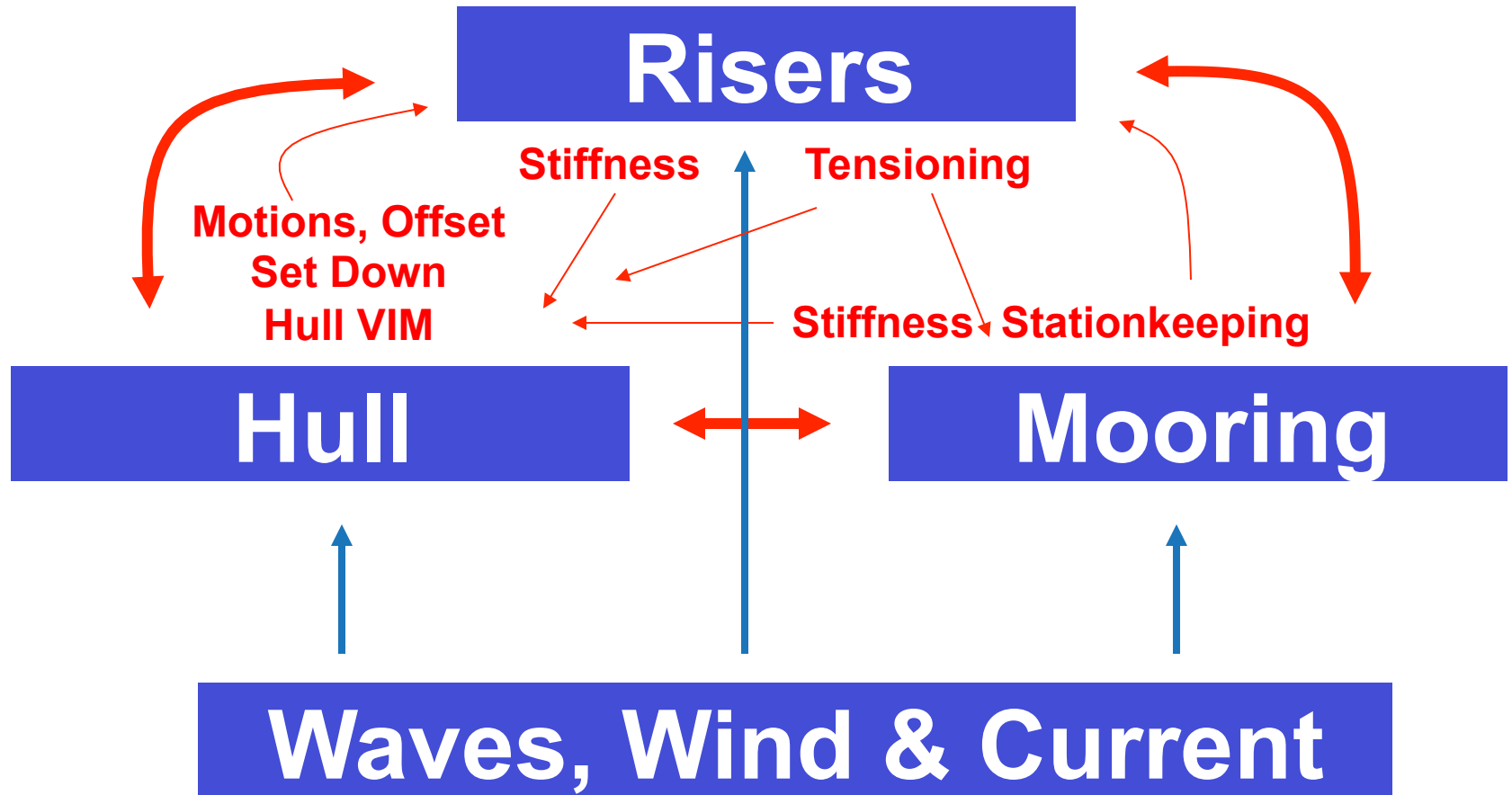
## Hulls are Riser (and Topsides) Support Platforms

- Hulls receive a lot of attention
  - 100 new ways to provide buoyancy every year at OTC
  - This does not mean that there are 100 new, viable hull forms at OTC
- Hull is designed to:
  - Support topsides with sufficient stability, buoyancy margins, and trim capacity
  - Support risers
  - Provide sufficient access to well systems (i.e for drilling platforms)
- A good hull is a good riser support platform

(risers are often the most challenging part of requirements)



# Risers, Hulls and Mooring are Interdependent



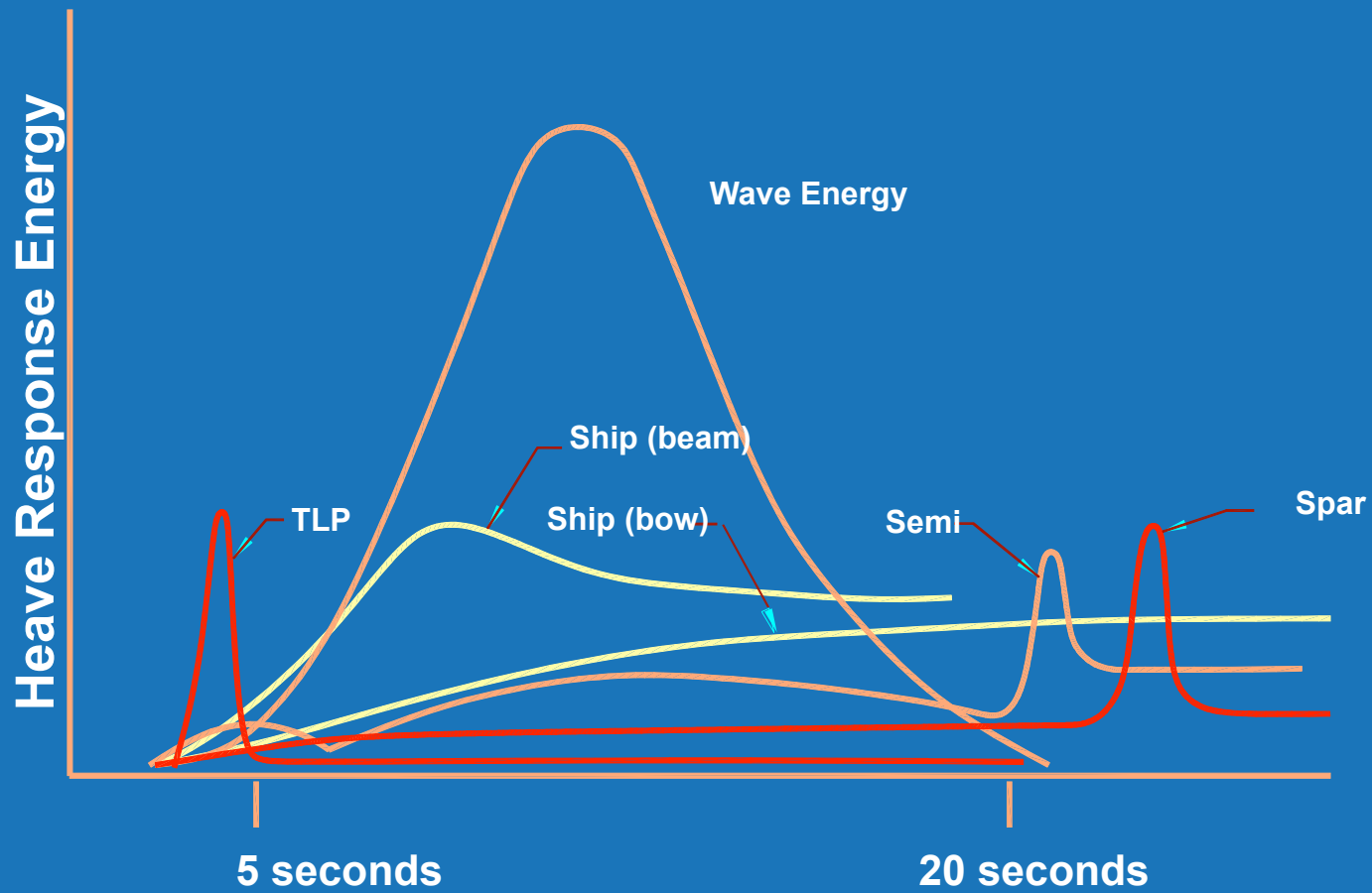
## Global Performance Design Approach

- **Strong interface between risers, moorings, hull**
  - Mooring design loads, offsets dependent on riser unbalanced forces
  - Riser design offsets dependent on mooring system performance
  - Riser strength driven by extreme offsets and pitch angles
  - Riser fatigue driven by operational motions
- **Philosophy is to design from the inside out - I.e. design around riser configuration (a balancing issue!)**
- **Risers are the most critical aspect of the design - hull and configuration are set up to treat the risers well**
- **A good hull is a good riser support platform**

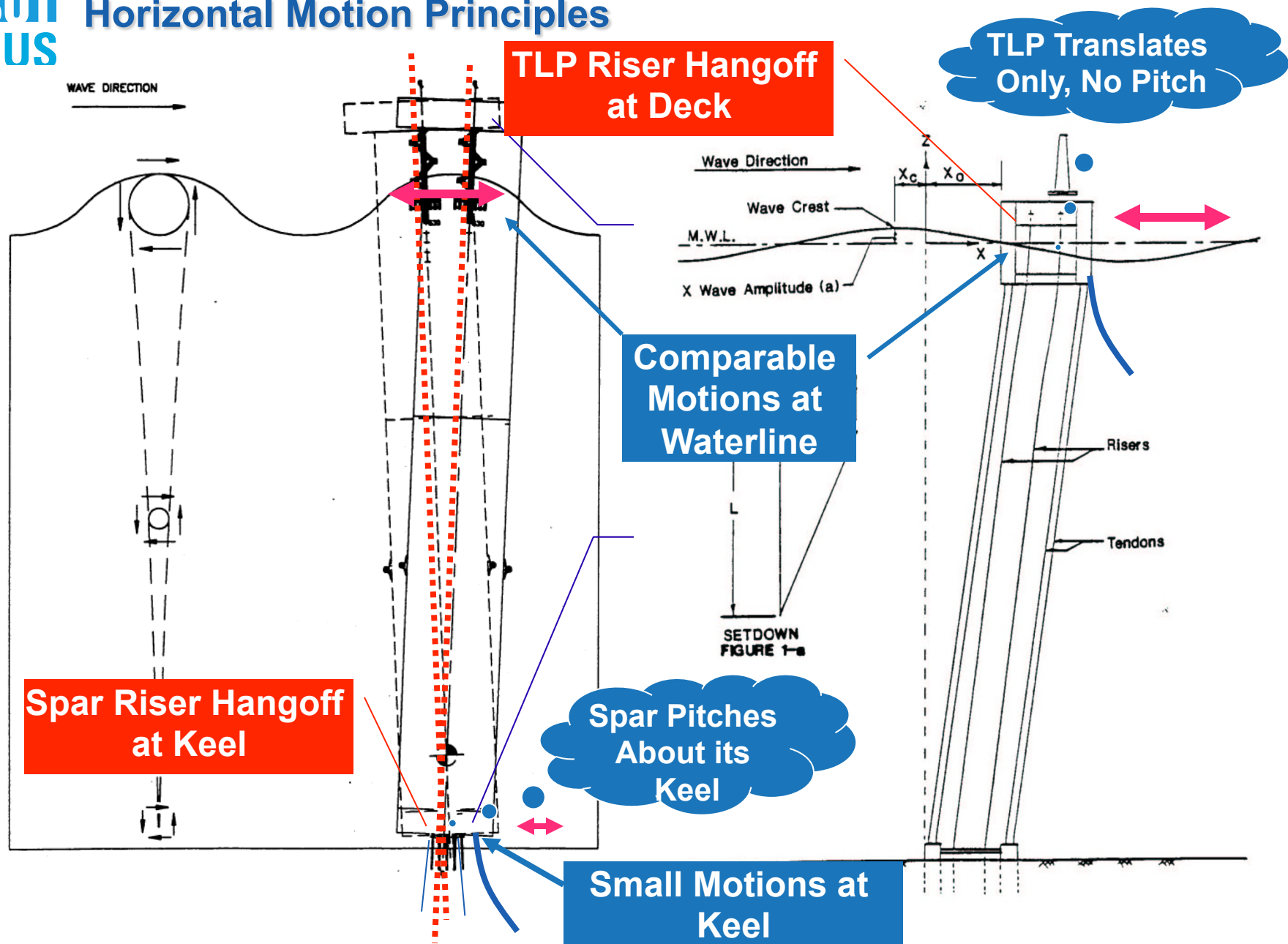


## Hull-Riser Interaction

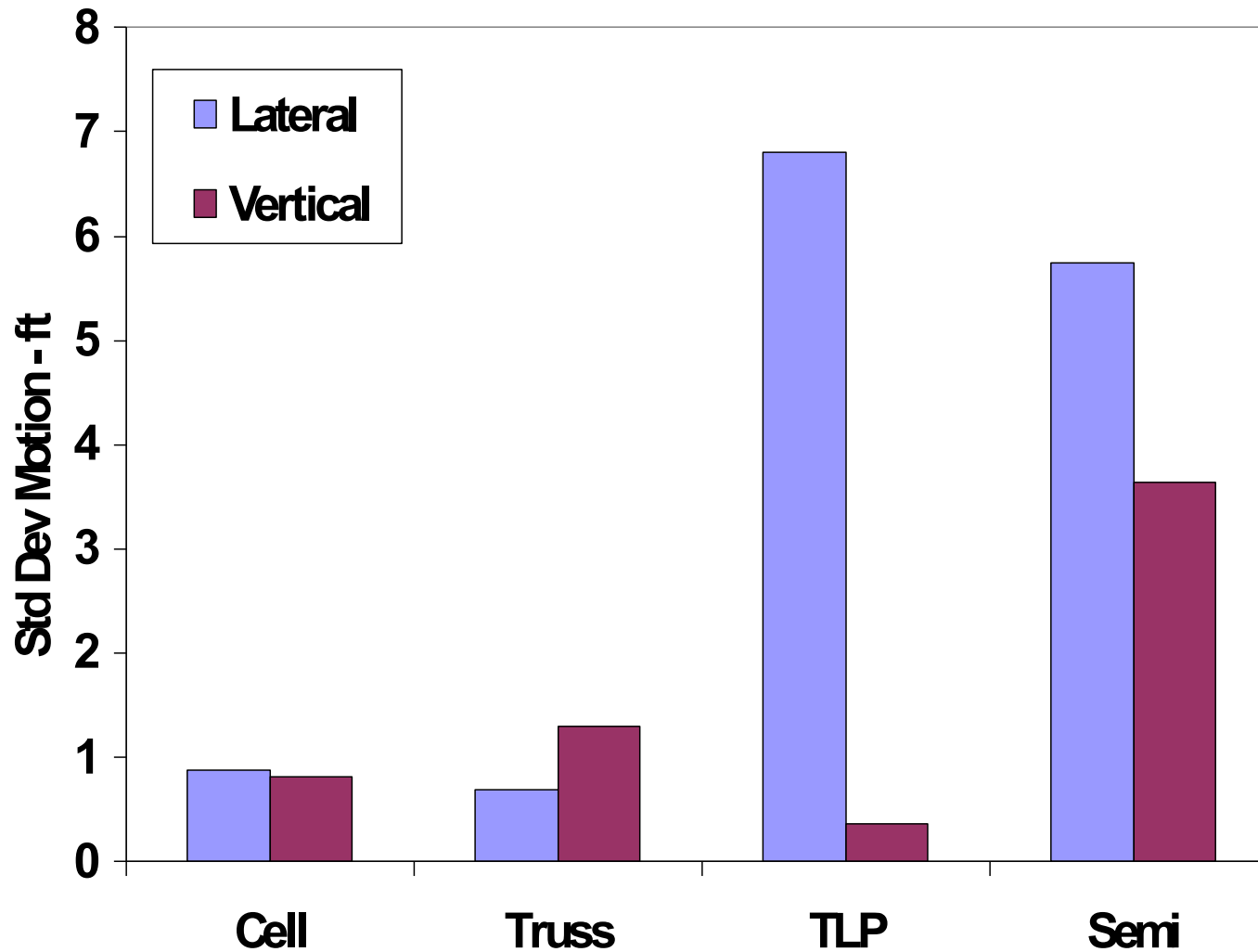
- Hull and riser system design must “match” each other
- Option 1: provide for hull with minimal motions
  - Dry tree riser approach
    - Spars
    - TLPs
  - Risers primarily sensitive to heave motions
- Option 2: provide a riser system which can handle larger motions
  - Flexible risers
    - Semis
    - FPSOs
- Option 3: Balanced approach, minimize system cost
  - SCR's, SLWR's
    - Semis
    - FPSOs
    - TLP's
    - Spars



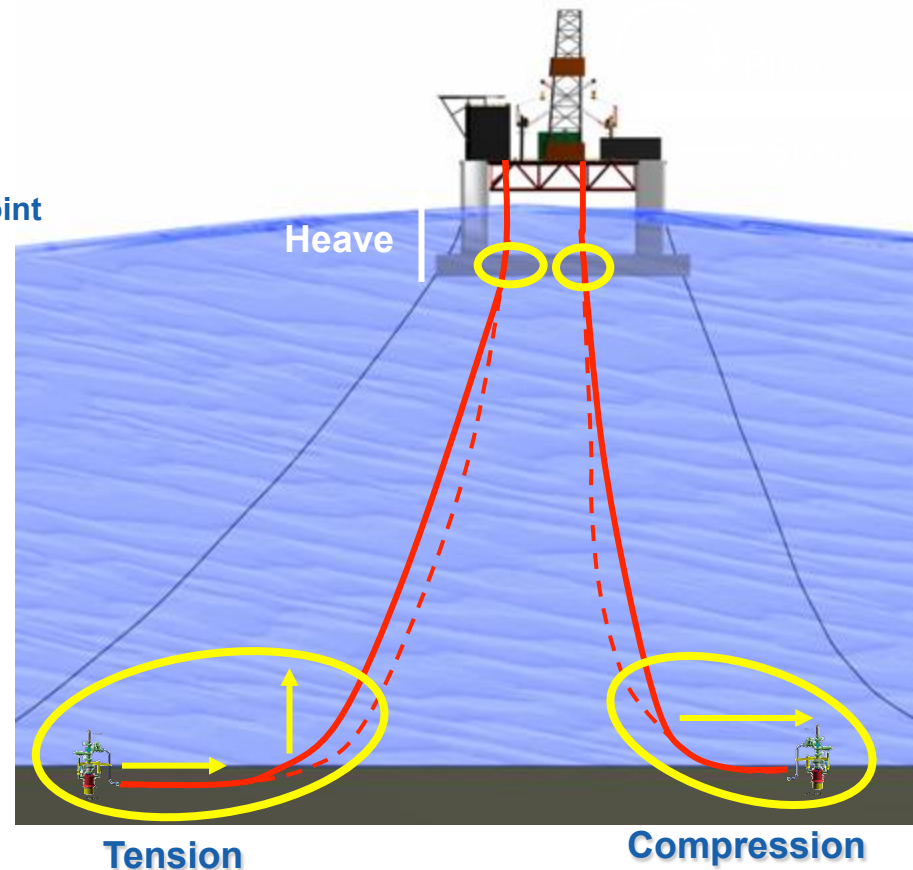
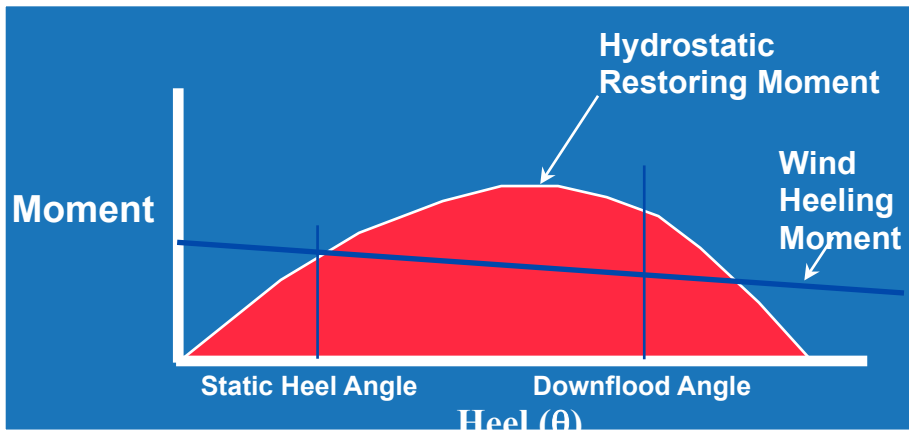
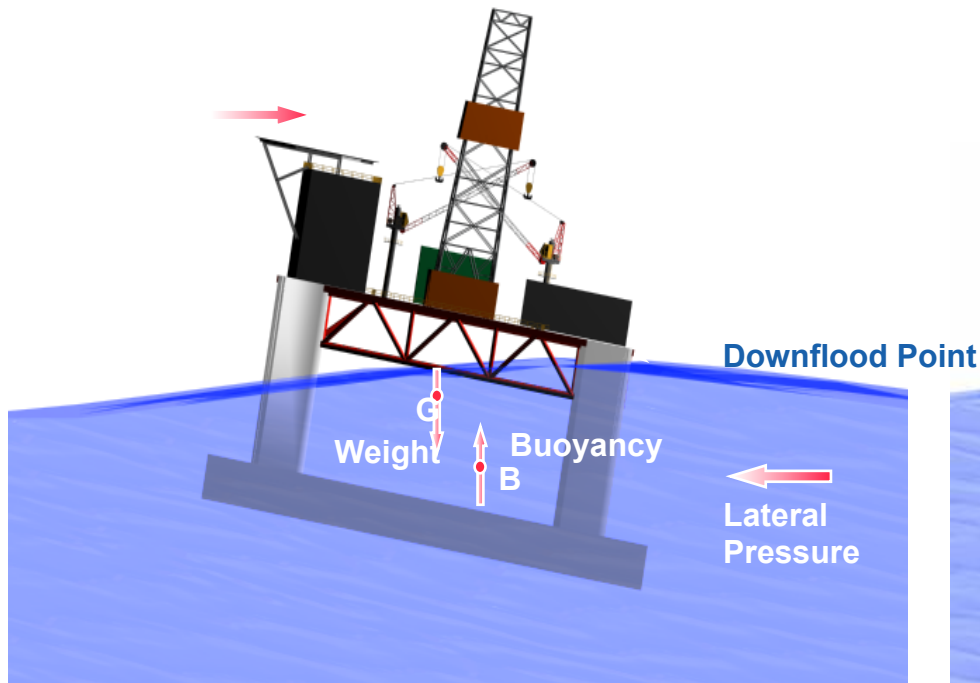
# Horizontal Motion Principles



# Wave Frequency Motions at Riser Hangoff in 100 Year Hurricane



# Semi-Submersible Stability & Motions Fundamentals



# Hull Selection - Riser Hang-Off Interfaces

## ■ SCRs

- Porch
- Pulltube
- Stress/ Flex Joint



## ■ Flexibles / Umbilicals

- Pulltubes
- Penetrations



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# Overview of Established Floater Capabilities - Spar

## ■ Functions

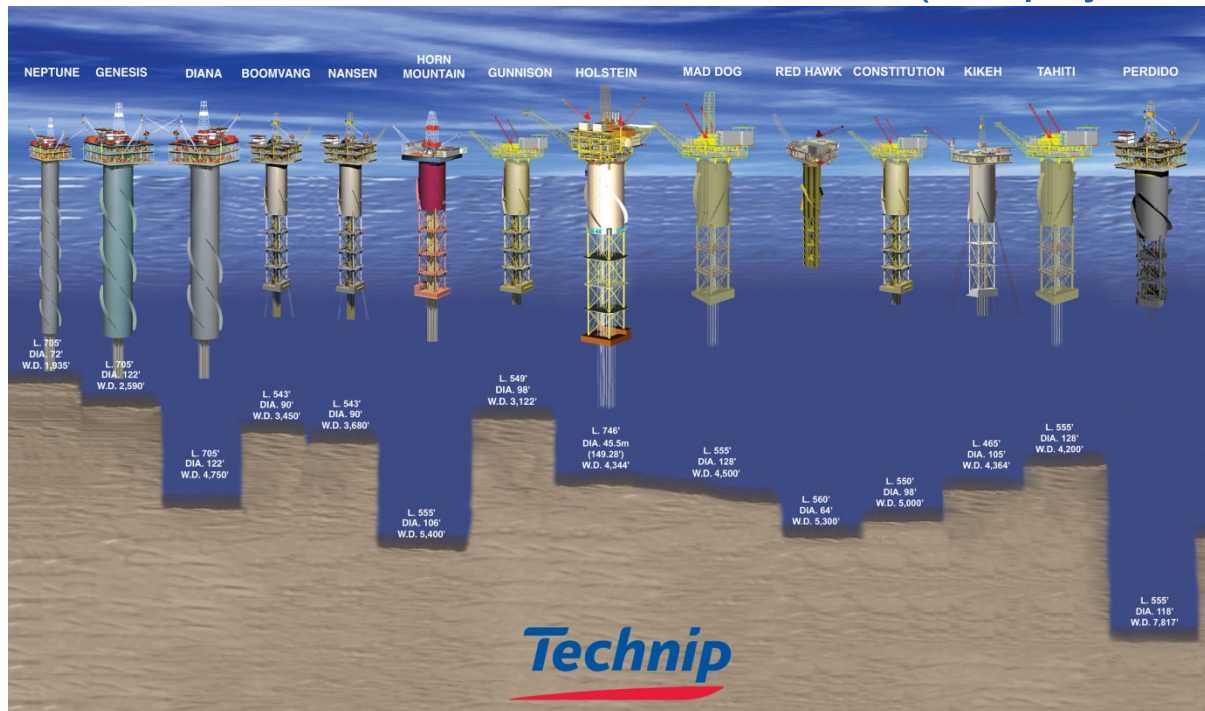
- Wellhead Support
- Drilling
- Workover
- Production
- (Oil Storage)

## ■ Capabilities

- Water Depth (300m - 3,000m)
- Process 20 -155 kboed

## ■ Current Presence

- GoM
- SE Asia (Murphy Kikeh)





## Spar – Topsides Lift

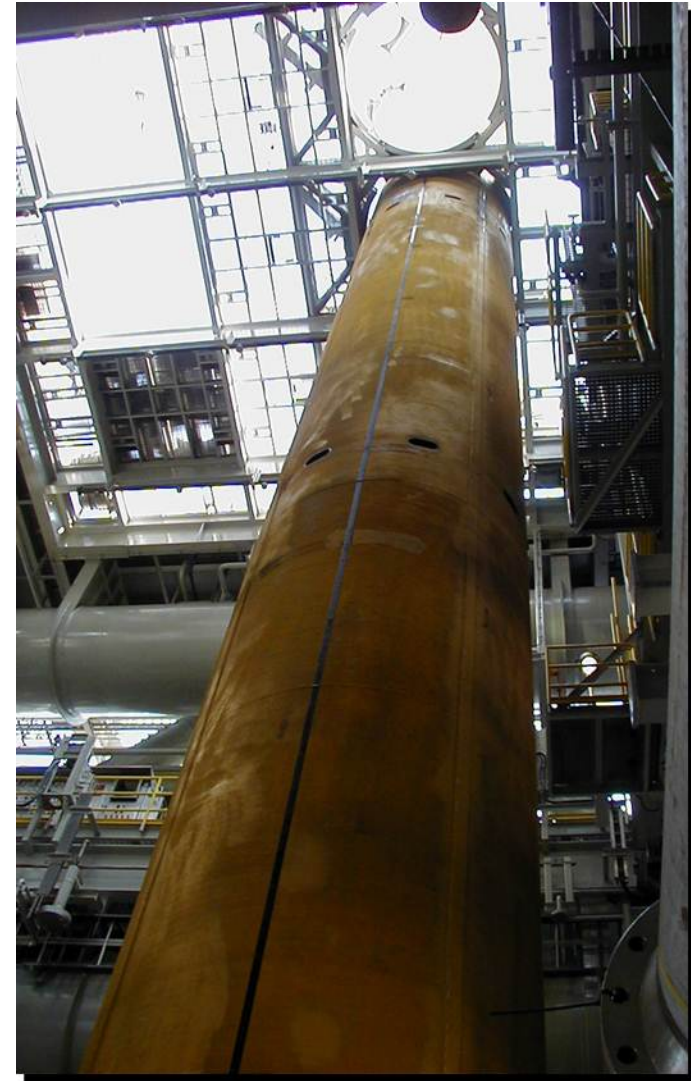


## Spar – Topsides Floatover

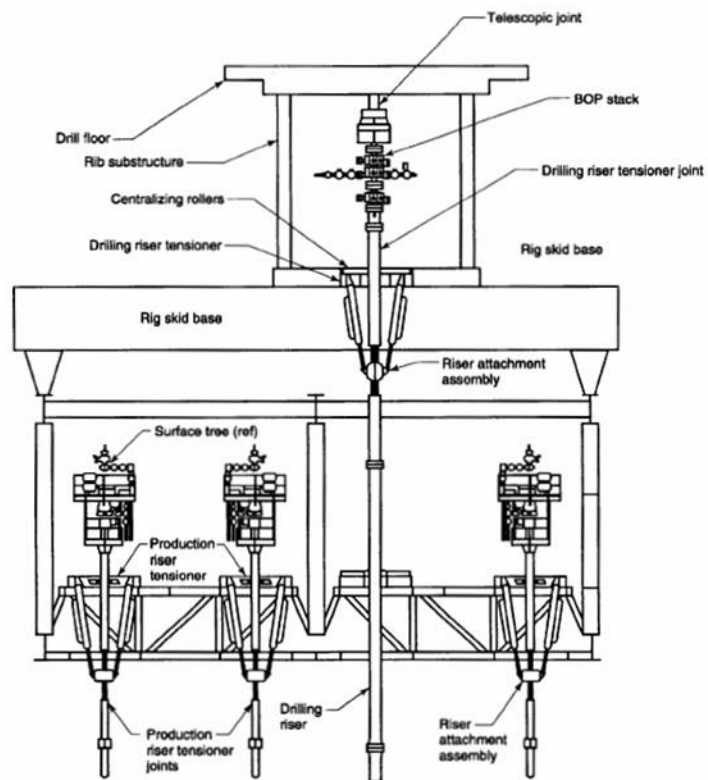
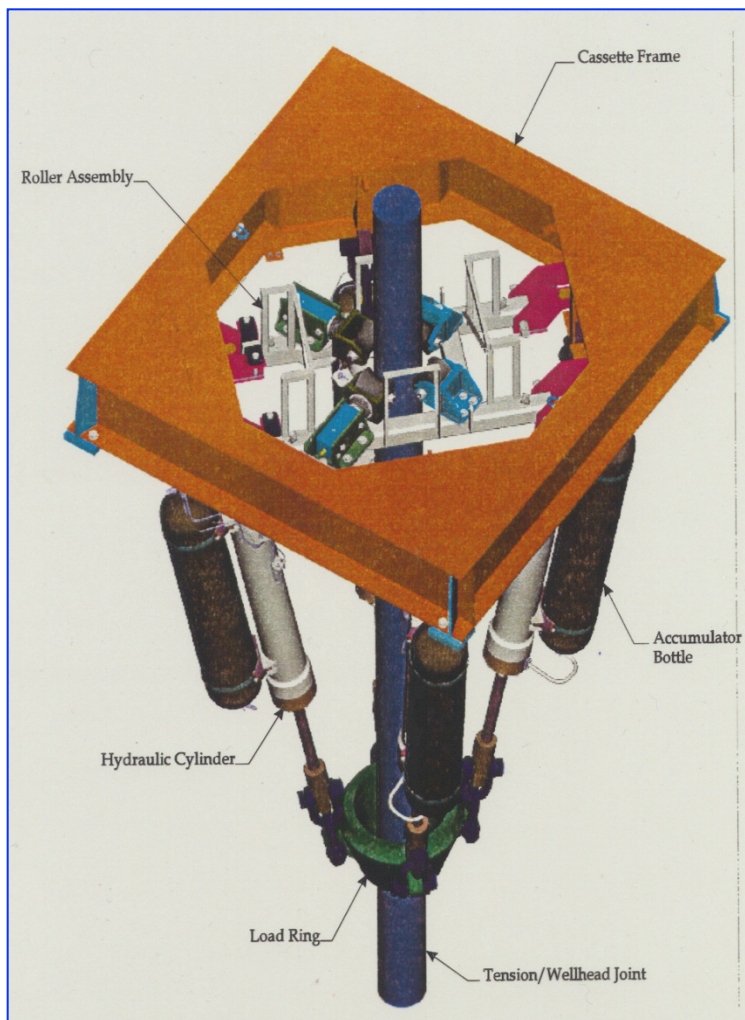




## Top Tensioned Riser – Buoyancy Cans



# Top Tensioned Riser - Tensioners



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# Overview of Established Floater Capabilities - TLP

## ■ Functions

- Wellhead Support
- Drilling
- Workover
- Production

## ■ Capabilities

- Water Depth (150m -1,800m)
- Process 45 – 250 kboed

## ■ Current Presence

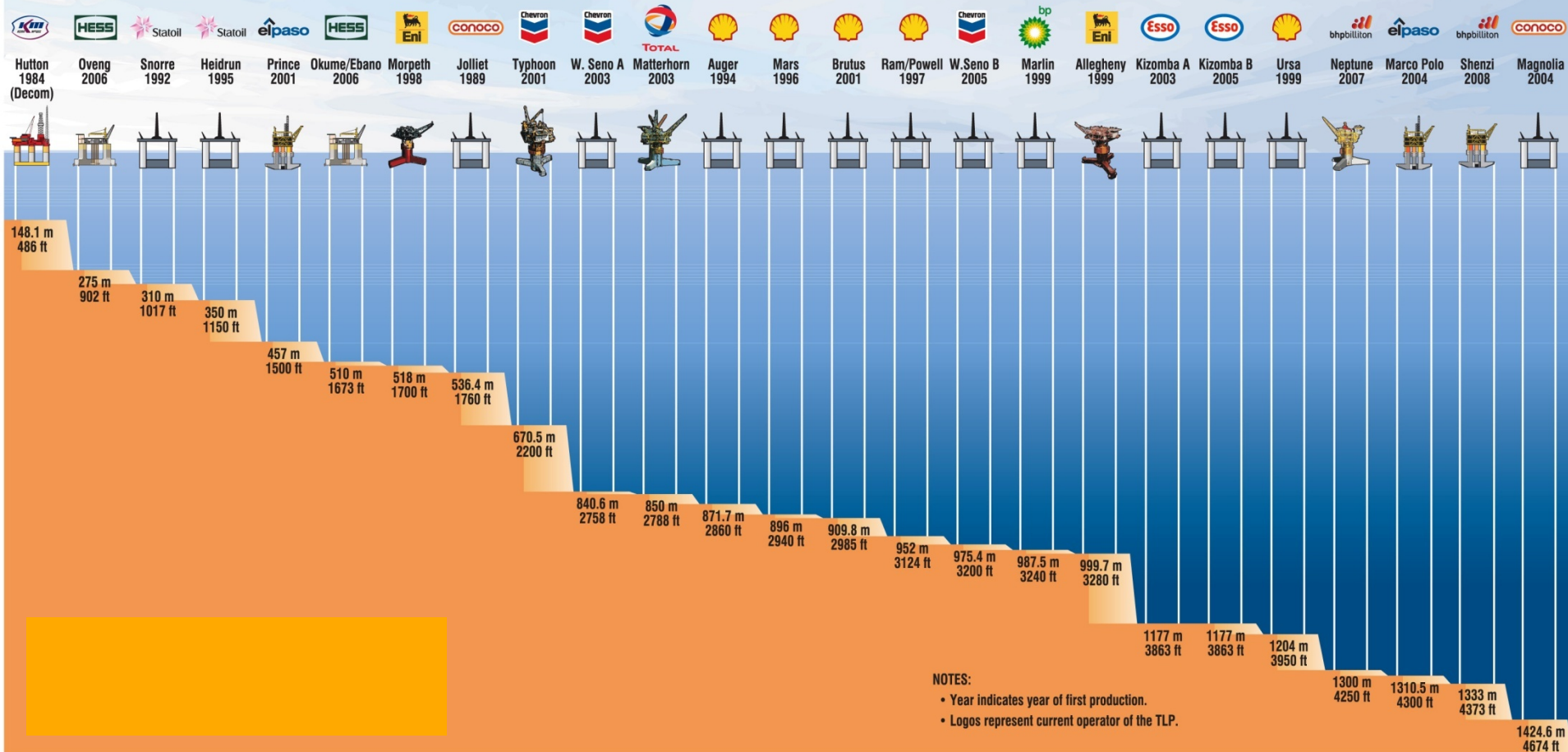
- GoM
- North Sea
- West Africa
- Brazil
- SE Asia



# 24 Tension Leg Platforms 1980-2010

## (3 more to 2014, plus 4 in design/construction)

### Tension Leg Platforms





## Mini-TLPs

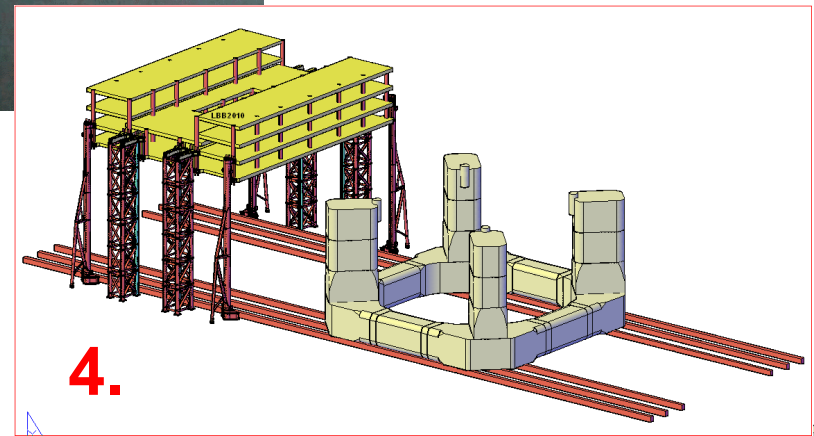
### Conventional -TLPs





# Semi/TLP Hull/Topsides Integration and Commissioning Options

1. Integrate hull and topsides quayside using shore-based or floating crane facility.
2. Integrate hull and topsides in sheltered location via floatover.
3. Module support frame, module lifts
4. Jacking of deck, skidding of hull



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# Overview of Established Floater Capabilities – Semis

## ■ Functions

- Production
- Drilling & Workover possible

## ■ Capabilities

- Water Depth (80m – 3,000m)
- Process 12 – 315 kboed

## ■ Current Presence

- China, SE Asia, India
- Brazil
- GoM
- North Sea
- Australia



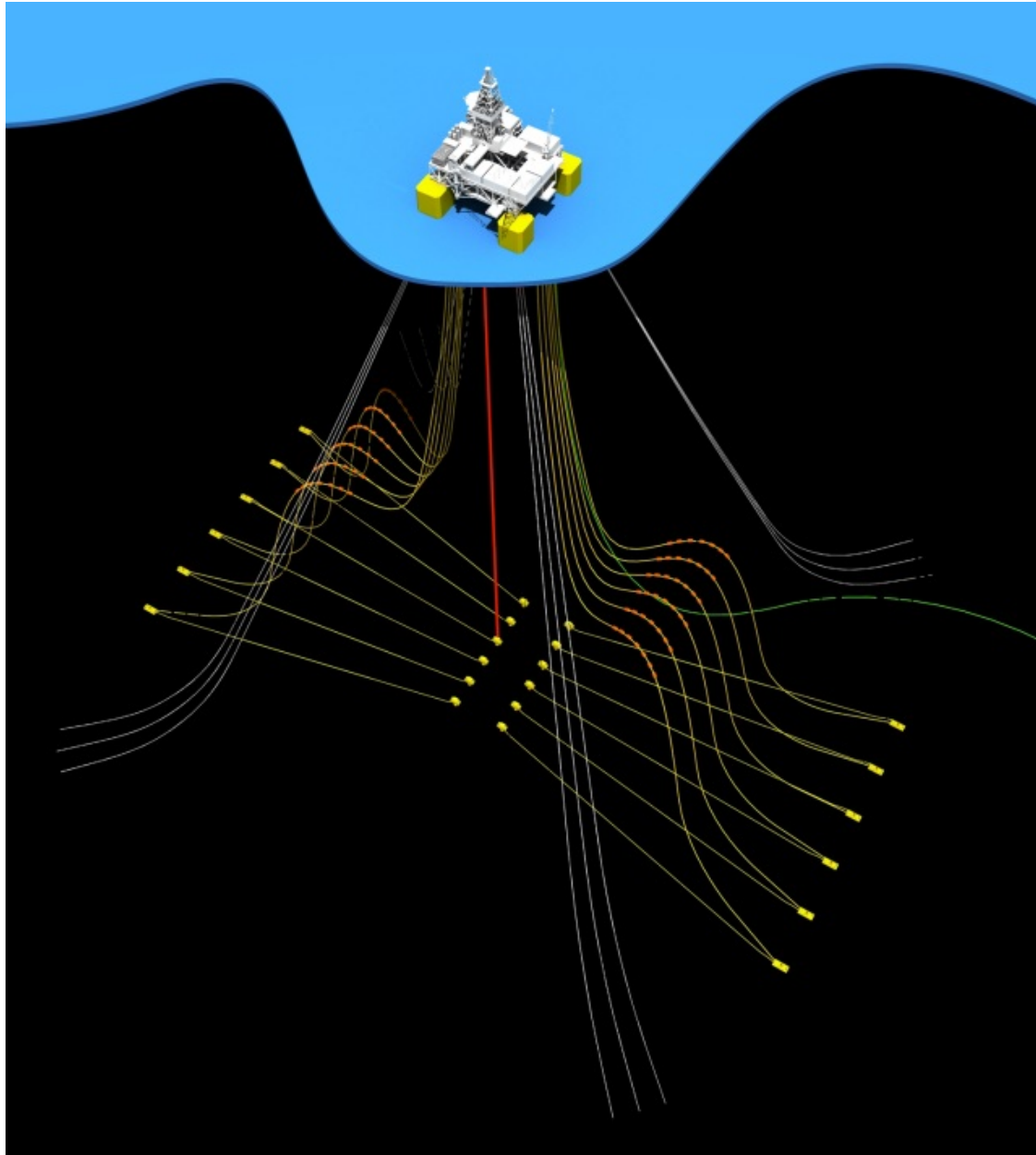
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# SUT Semi-Submersible - US

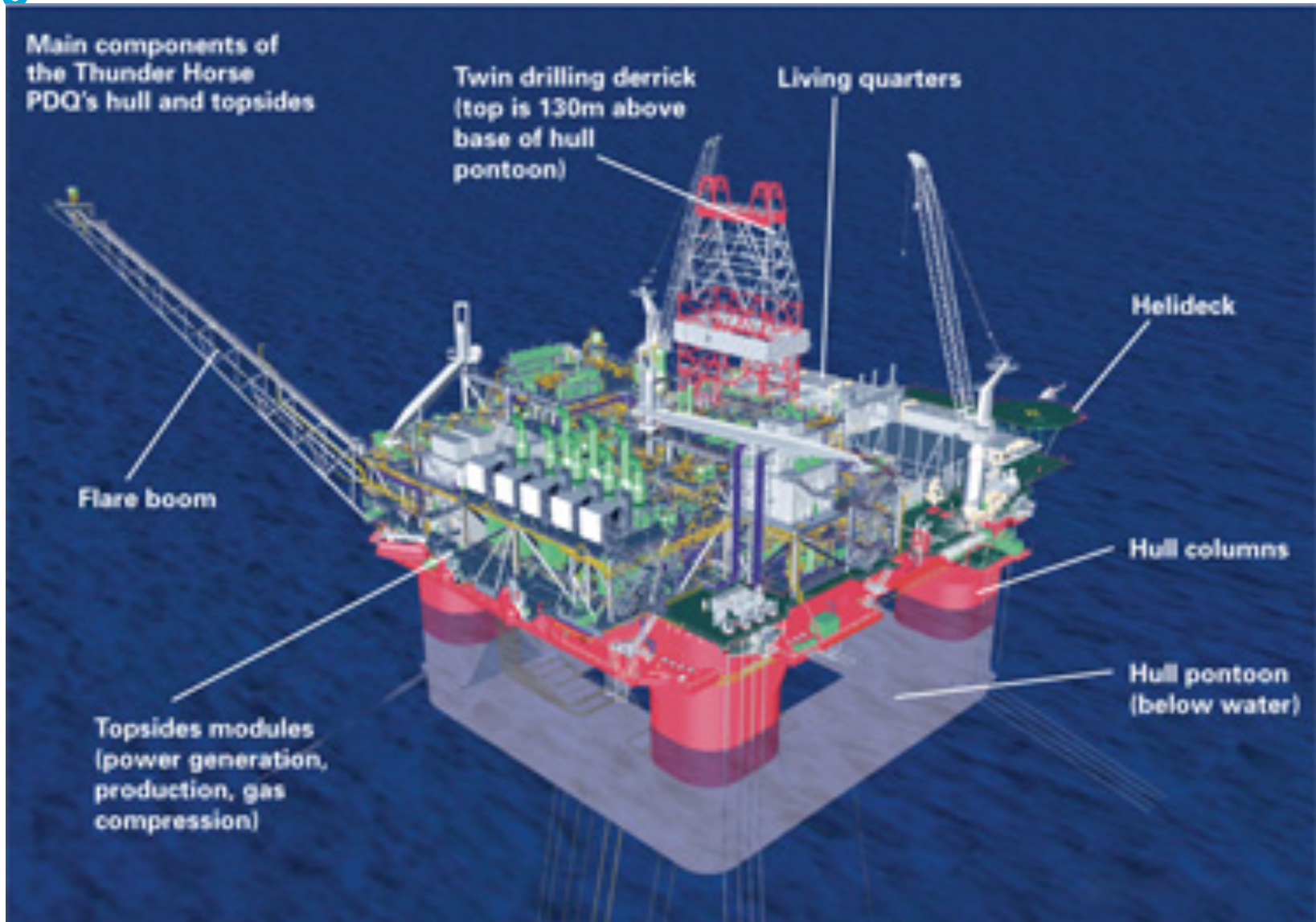




# Semi-Submersible Production & Drilling Configuration



## PDQ Semi – Thunder Horse



## **Semi Design Issues affecting configuration**

- **Payload/Displacement**
- **Deck area requirements**
- **Air gap**
- **Channel/quayside Draft**
- **Dry transport Draft**
- **Stability at integration**
- **Stability in-place**
- **Overall width for dry dock**
- **Motions for risers (draft, column/pontoon ratio, column spacing, riser porch location)**



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# Overview of Established Floater Capabilities – FPSO

## ■ Functions

- Production
- Storage
- Offloading

## ■ Capabilities

- Water Depth (30m – 3,000m)
- Process 10 – 330kboed
- Storage up to 2mmbbl

## ■ Current Presence

- Brazil
- Asia
- Africa
- Australia
- North Sea & N. Atlantic
- Canada
- Mediterranean
- GoM (Mexico and USA)



# FPSO Mooring Systems –Turret Moored

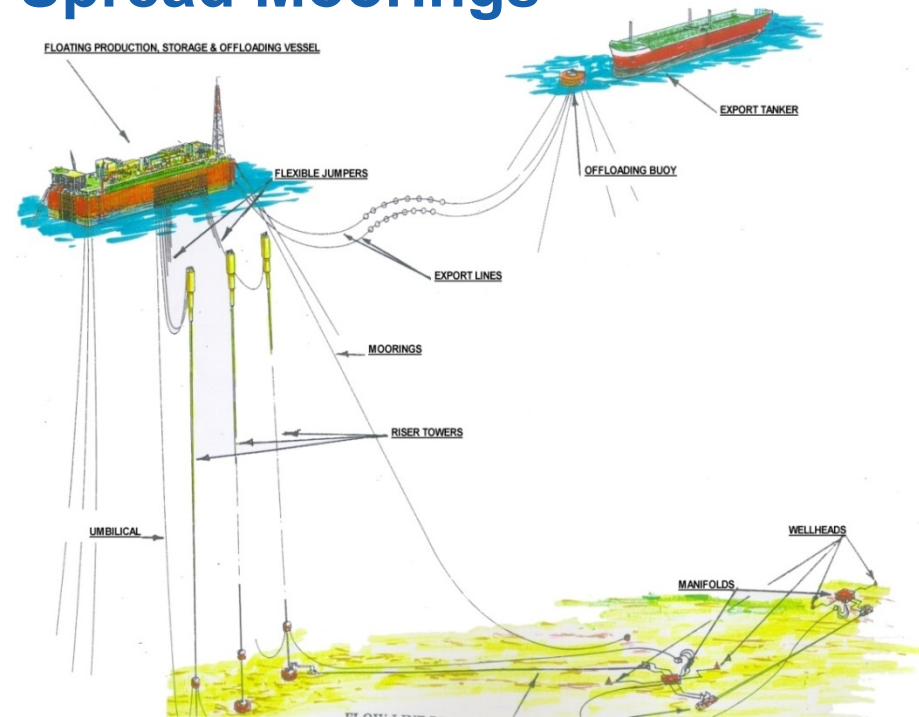
- **All Mooring Lines Attached to Turret**
  - Internal or External
- **All Risers Routed Through Turret**
  - Requires Drag Chain or Swivels
- **Allows Passive Weathervaning**
  - Function of Turret Location
- **Suitable for Harsh Environments**
  - Omni-directional prevailing conditions
- **Disconnection possible**
  - White Rose, Terra Nova, Stones



North Sea, North Atlantic,  
GOM, Africa, Australia

# FPSO Mooring Systems – Spread Moorings

- Mooring Lines Routed to Optimum Positions on Vessel
- Risers Routed along sides of Vessel
  - Reduced Congestion
  - Increased capacity
- No Weathervaning
  - DICAS offers limited capacity
- Suitable for Moderate Environments
  - Uni-directional prevailing conditions



Brazil, West Africa, S.E. Asia

# Summary of Established Floater Capabilities

	FPSO	Semi-submersible	Spar	TLP
Production	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Storage	Yes	Possible	Yes	No
Drilling	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
Workover	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
Water Depth limitation	No	No	No	1800m

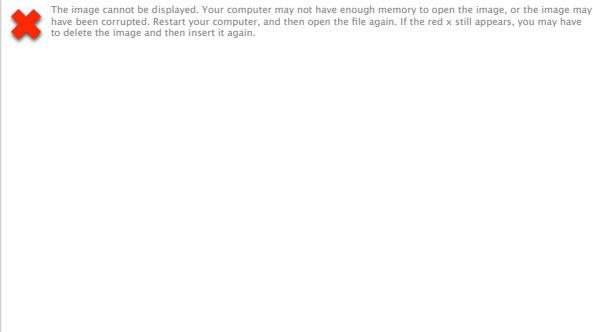
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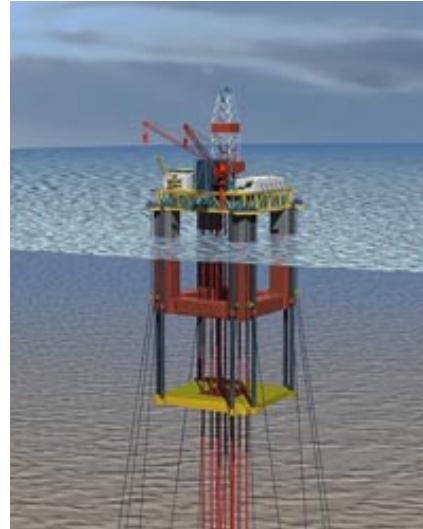


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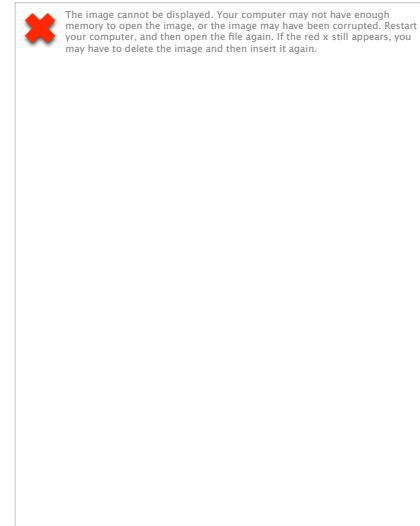
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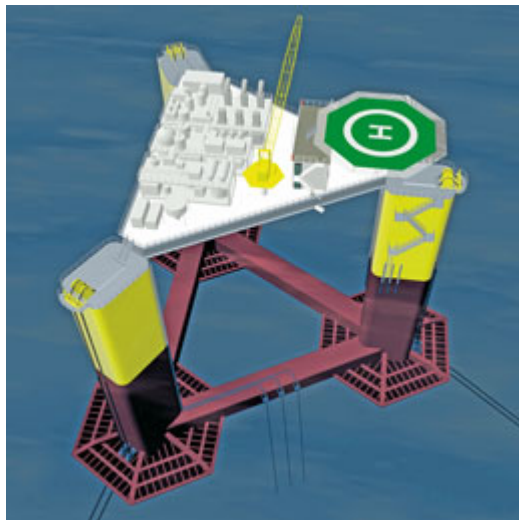
## E-semi, Floatec



## Octabuoy, Moss Maritime



## Minifloat- Marine Innovation & Technology(MI&T)



## OPTI-EX, Exmar Offshore

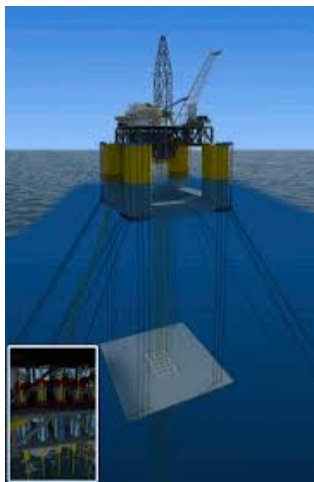


## DTS, Aker

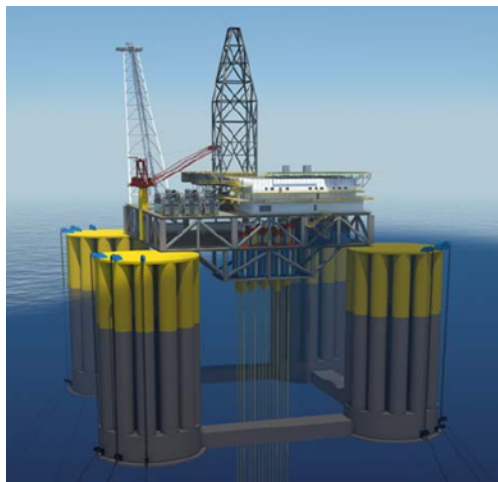


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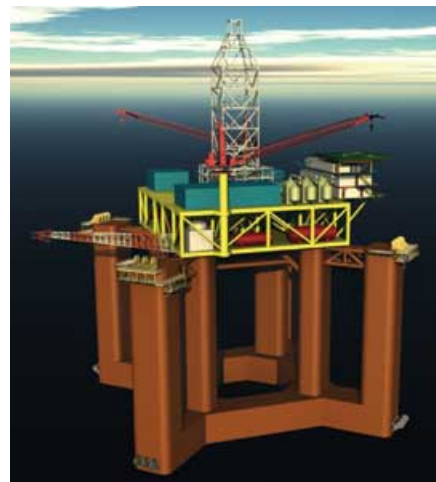
**FHS(Free Hanging Solid Ballast) Semi, IntecSea**



**DCC(Damper Chamber Column)Semi, IntecSea**



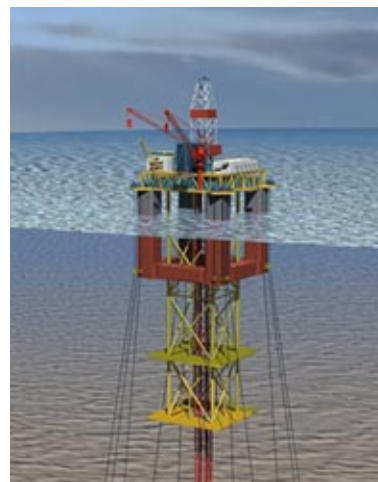
**PC(Pair Column) Semi, HOE**



**MCF(Multi Column Floater), Horton Wison Deepwater**



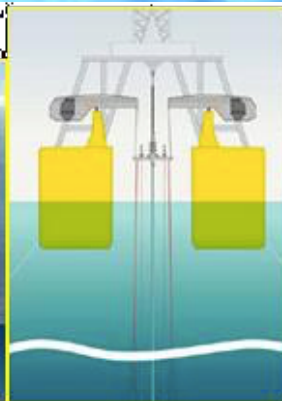
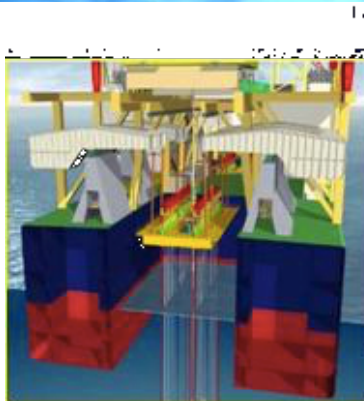
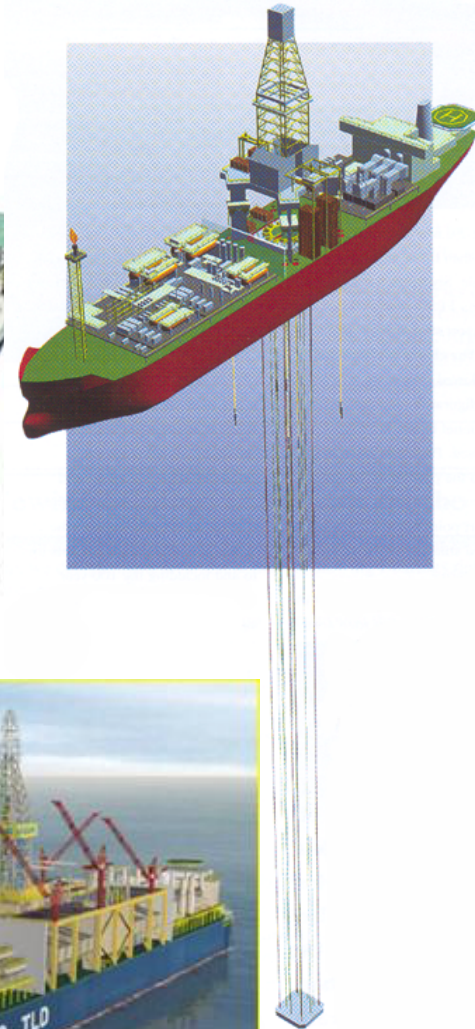
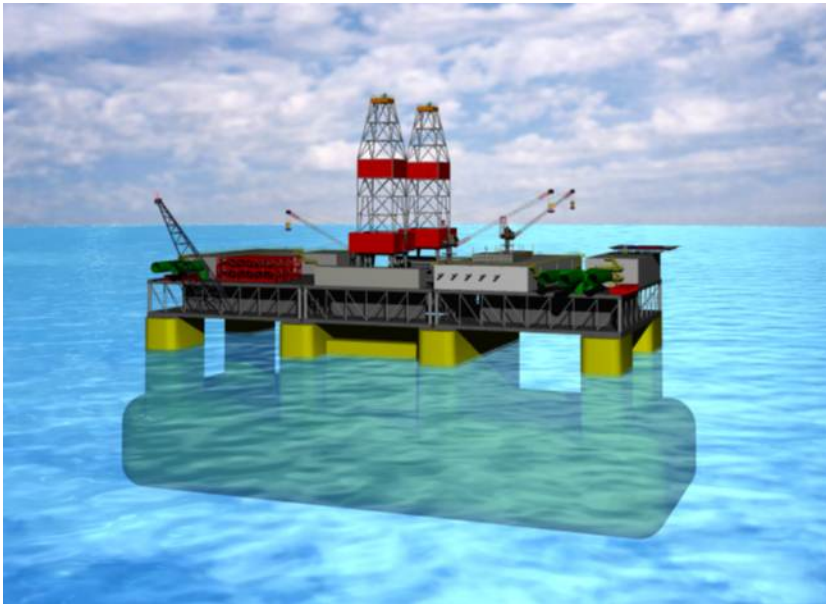
**Truss-semi, Floatec**



# New Concepts - Multi-Function Floaters

## ■ FPDSO

- Integrate Dry tree, Drilling, Processing and Storage



**Thank You!**

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