

# Subsea7 gets Shell contract for Aphrodite

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Just about a week after Shell confirmed it had taken a Final Investment Decision (FID) on the Aphrodite project, Subsea7 has announced that the company has been awarded a sizeable contract by Shell for the undeveloped natural gas field in the East Coast Marine Area (ECMA) in T&T.

According to a release from Subsea7, the contract is related to the transportation and installation of subsea equipment at the Aphrodite development, located within Block 5a, at water depths of up to 290 metres.

The release explained that project management and engineering activities will begin immediately at Subsea7's office in Houston, Texas, with offshore operations planned for 2027.

Craig Broussard, senior vice president for Subsea7 Gulf of Mexico, said, "Engaging with Shell from the outset has been key to building trust and driving efficiencies. This award in T&T reflects our growing presence in the region, as well as our ongoing commitment to safe, predictable project delivery while supporting local talent and resources."

According to the release, the contract is in a range between US\$50 million and US\$150 million.

Last week Shell T&T Ltd (Shell) announced it had taken up the FID on Aphrodite, stating the project "will allow Shell to incrementally expand its integrated gas business by building on existing developments in the ECMA, one of the country's most prolific gas-producing areas."

Shell pointed out that the ECMA of T&T is currently home to Shell's largest gas-producing fields in the country including Dolphin, Starfish, Bounty and Endeavour. Shell said the gas field will serve as a backfill for the country's Atlantic LNG facility.

The company added that increased production from the field will help to maximise the potential utilisation of Shell's existing assets.

Adam Lowmass, country chair of Shell T&T, said, "By increasing the gas supply to Atlantic LNG, the project will not only serve to fortify the domestic gas market, it will also boost the local petrochemical and power-generation industries."