



## **Technip awarded umbilical contract by Shell for the record-breaking Perdido project in the Gulf of Mexico**

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Technip, through its wholly-owned subsidiary Duco Inc. based in Houston (Texas), has been awarded a contract by Shell Offshore Inc. for the umbilicals\* needed for the development of the Great White, Tobago and Silvertip fields.

The contract is for the engineering and manufacture of a total of four dynamic umbilicals, three static umbilicals, two steel tube flying leads with associated topside and subsea hardware and a pre-production prototype length. Total umbilical length is approximately 53,466m.

Prior to manufacture of the main umbilicals for the project, Duco will build a prototype umbilical that will be subjected to a series of qualification tests to prove the design for this ultra-deepwater project.

The Great White, Tobago and Silvertip fields will be developed via a Perdido regional development host, located in Alaminos Canyon, offshore Gulf of Mexico, approximately 200 miles south of Freeport (Texas). Moored in about 8,000 feet of water, the DVA (direct vertical access) spar will be the deepest spar production facility in the world. This spar was the subject of a contract already awarded to Technip for construction in its yard in Pori (Finland).

First production from Perdido is expected around the turn of the decade.

\* Umbilical: an assembly of hydraulic hoses which can also include electrical cables or optic fibres, used to control subsea structures or remotely operated vehicles (ROV) from a platform or a vessel.

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