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NEW TECHNOLOGY FOR DREDGING MIXTURE VELOCITY MEASUREMENT

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Evaluation

- Installation during bunkering stop
 - Under 6 hours
 - Crew of 2
- Using existing piping work only
 - 44° inclined pipe
 - 10 D from pump discharge
 - Encroaching deck level
- Reference is existing mixture velocity meter
 - Orientation effects
 - Fast flow and density fluctuations
 - Low discharge pressure
 - Gas content
- Dynamic evaluation only
 - Compensation for remaining delays
 - Mixture velocity is most important
 - Vessel status conditioned comparison (Trailing, Turning, Dumping)



Pump Room





Sand





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Silt





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Conclusions

- No contact with the slurry
- Easy and safe to install
- Free from measurement drift
- Highly accurate
- Short response time
- Gas content capability



Thank You