

## Sky-Futures: New Rapid Response UAV Service

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**Sky-Futures launch new Rapid Response UAV Service and Safety Overwatch Drone Service to inspect and monitor offshore installations in the North Sea. Sky-Futures, the leading UAV (Unmanned Aerial Vehicle) inspection specialists for the Oil and Gas industry have expanded their services by launching a new Rapid Response UAV Service and Safety Overwatch Service to inspect and monitor offshore installations for Oil and Gas clients in the North Sea.**

### **Rapid response UAV service**

The Rapid Response UAV Service, available to operators and contractors in the North Sea, will mobilise an inspection team from Aberdeen within 48 hours. This will enable asset

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managers to make rapid assessments of their installations in order to minimise risk to personnel and prevent unnecessary shutdowns in production.

## Safety overwatch drones

The company has also established a new Safety Overwatch Service where the UAV provides real time video and high definition recording of heavy lifting or other topside operations. This provides an additional layer of safety to various operations both onshore and offshore that was previously unavailable with clients being able to view operations through electronic goggles if they wish.

## Increasing European UAV / drone business

The expansion in services offered comes after the opening of a new office in Aberdeen in June and the hiring of a new Engineering Manager, Steve Moir. This follows a series A funding round that saw the company raise the largest ever investment into a drone business in Europe to date of USD\$4M+.

“With aging assets and the current drop in oil price, Sky-Futures understand that now more than ever, preventing loss of production is critical. Our UAV Inspection Service is available at short notice, and for preventative routine maintenance of assets, both safer and more cost-effective than previous techniques.” Said Steve Moir, Sky-Futures Engineering Manager, who will lead the new Rapid Response UAV Service.

Sky-Futures has worked with more than 30 of the biggest oil and gas companies including Apache, BG Group, BP, ConocoPhillips, Shell and Statoil and offers drone inspection services in the North Sea, the Middle East, Southeast Asia and North Africa, and has recently opened an office in Houston to serve clients in the Gulf of Mexico.

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**About Sky-Futures:** Founded in 2009, Sky-Futures is the leading specialist oil and gas Unmanned Aerial Vehicle (UAV) inspection provider globally. High definition (HD) video, stills and thermal imagery data that the drones collect is fed into the company’s proprietary data platform, analysed and delivered to the client as a technical report. Each part of this process is overseen by Sky-Futures’ highly qualified, in-house team of global industry experts in flare systems and structural engineering. Sky-Futures has over 8,500 hours of aviation experience, providing live flare, structural and under deck inspections onshore and offshore. The business is growing fast, and is set to continue to scale as the world’s leading drone inspection operator in oil and gas. Sky-Futures already has a footprint of over 30 clients globally, and works in over 10 countries across five regions of the world. The business is headquartered in London with offices in Houston, Kuala Lumpur, Abu Dhabi and Aberdeen.

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