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Mellitah Libya extends PRQ/JPT/37/26 prequalification deadline for 'Ha' EPCIC and CO_2 injection scope

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Mellitah Oil & Gas B.V. (Joint Ventures Branch) has issued an extension to its first prequalification notice — PRQ/JPT/37/26 — confirming that the submission window for EPCIC contractors covering offshore pipelines and subsea systems remains open beyond its original deadline. The extension announcement also provides an important clarification on project nomenclature: what was previously referenced as the 'H' installation project is now explicitly identified as the 'Ha' installation project, suggesting either a formal designation update or a correction to earlier tender language. Critically, the new notice also confirms that the CO_2 scope is specifically a carbon dioxide injection project, resolving the ambiguity flagged in earlier reporting around whether the CO_2 reference indicated injection, reinjection or gas management infrastructure.

The extension of PRQ/JPT/37/26 runs in parallel with the previously reported PRQ/JPT/38/26, which targets engineering, supply and fabrication of the submerged production system for the same dual-project scope. The fact that Mellitah has extended the EPCIC prequalification rather than closing it suggests contractor response to the first notice may have been below the threshold required to proceed to tender, or that the Joint Projects Team (JPT) is allowing additional time to attract a broader field of qualified bidders. Either way, the extension materially lengthens the window for contractors who have not yet filed a submission under PRQ/JPT/37/26 to do so.

The confirmation of CO_2 injection as the specific technical purpose adds commercial context to what had been an unusually opaque project reference for a Libyan offshore programme. CO_2 injection infrastructure — covering injection pipelines, subsea injection manifolds and associated topside or subsea tie-ins — represents a distinct engineering discipline and supply chain from conventional hydrocarbon production systems. This may explain in part why Mellitah has maintained two separate prequalification tracks: PRQ/JPT/37/26 targets EPCIC contractors capable of installing offshore pipelines and subsea systems across both the 'Ha' installation and CO_2 injection scopes, while PRQ/JPT/38/26 addresses the fabrication and supply of the submerged production system itself.

For contractors monitoring this programme, the extension of PRQ/JPT/37/26 represents a second opportunity to enter the qualification process for the EPCIC scope without waiting for a fresh tender cycle. Companies with offshore pipeline installation, CO_2 injection infrastructure experience, or subsea systems EPCIC credentials should treat the extended deadline as a live and time-sensitive submission window. Those with subsea production system engineering and fabrication capability but without full EPCIC installation capacity retain a distinct entry point through the separate PRQ/JPT/38/26 track. Contract values, water depths, pipeline lengths and project timelines continue to remain undisclosed across both prequalification references, but the programme's procurement momentum is now well established through three sequential notices from the JPT.

Why this matters to partners and clients of Saga

The extension of PRQ/JPT/37/26 and the confirmed CO_2 injection scope create renewed urgency for Norwegian EPCIC contractors and subsea pipeline specialists who have not yet filed a prequalification submission — the extended window is a direct second-chance opportunity. Norwegian companies with CO_2 injection infrastructure experience, whether from North Sea CCS-adjacent projects or conventional offshore pipeline work, should assess fit against this now-clarified scope. Saga can assist clients in preparing prequalification submissions for either or both references and mapping capability profiles against the confirmed 'Ha' installation and CO_2 injection project requirements.

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- **EPCIC offshore pipeline contractor:** The extended PRQ/JPT/37/26 deadline reopens the submission window for contractors with offshore pipeline installation and subsea systems EPCIC credentials across the 'Ha' installation and CO_2 injection scopes.
- **CO_2 injection infrastructure specialist:** Confirmation of CO_2 injection as the project's technical purpose creates a targeted opening for contractors with injection pipeline, manifold or subsea injection system experience, potentially transferable from North Sea CCS or EOR projects.
- **Subsea production system fabricator:** PRQ/JPT/38/26 remains a separate and distinct entry point for companies specialising in subsea production hardware engineering, supply and fabrication who lack full EPCIC installation vessel capacity.

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