



## ÅRSREGNSKAPET FOR REGNSKAPSÅRET 2024 - GENERELL INFORMASJON

### Enheten

Organisasjonsnummer: 929 350 685  
Organisasjonsform: Aksjeselskap  
Foretaksnavn: SEADRILL OFFSHORE AS  
Forretningsadresse: Finnestadveien 28  
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### Regnskapsår

Årsregnskapets periode: 01.01.2024 - 31.12.2024

### Konsern

Mørselskap i konsern: Ja  
Konsernregnskap lagt ved: Ja

### Regnskapsregler

Regler for små foretak benyttet: Nei  
Benyttet ved utarbeidelsen av årsregnskapet til selskapet: Regnskapslovens alminnelige regler  
Benyttet ved utarbeidelsen av årsregnskapet til konsernet: -

### Årsregnskapet fastsatt av kompetent organ

Bekreftet av representant for selskapet: Rita Viste Bratland  
Dato for fastsettelse av årsregnskapet: 30.06.2025

### Grunnlag for avgivelse

År 2024: Årsregnskapet er elektronisk innlevert  
År 2023: Tall er hentet fra elektronisk innlevert årsregnskap fra 2024

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Brønnøysundregistrene, 13.08.2025



### Resultatregnskap

Beløp i: USD	Note	2024	2023
<b>RESULTATREGNSKAP</b>			
<b>Inntekter</b>			
Revenue		168 921 000	4 184 000
<b>Sum inntekter</b>		<b>168 921 000</b>	<b>4 184 000</b>
<b>Kostnader</b>			
Other operating expenses		157 907 000	15 914 000
<b>Sum kostnader</b>		<b>157 907 000</b>	<b>15 914 000</b>
<b>Driftsresultat</b>		<b>11 014 000</b>	<b>-11 730 000</b>
<b>Finansinntekter og finanskostnader</b>			
Renteinntekt fra foretak i samme konsern	5	6 856 000	407 000
Foreign exchange gains	5	8 929 000	
<b>Sum finansinntekter</b>		<b>15 785 000</b>	<b>407 000</b>
Rentekostnad til foretak i samme konsern	5	930 000	83 000
Other financial items		89 000	136 000
Currency loss			428 000
<b>Sum finanskostnader</b>		<b>1 019 000</b>	<b>647 000</b>
<b>Netto finans</b>		<b>14 766 000</b>	<b>-240 000</b>
<b>Resultat før skattekostnad</b>		<b>25 780 000</b>	<b>-11 970 000</b>
Skattekostnad		440 000	
<b>Årsresultat</b>		<b>25 340 000</b>	<b>-11 970 000</b>



## Balanse

Beløp i: USD	Note	2024	2023
<b>BALANSE - EIENDELER</b>			
<b>Anleggsmidler</b>			
<b>Immaterielle eiendeler</b>			
Utsatt skattefordel		12 634 000	11 038 000
<b>Sum immaterielle eiendeler</b>		<b>12 634 000</b>	<b>11 038 000</b>
<b>Varige driftsmidler</b>			
Driftsløsøre, inventar, verktøy, kontormaskiner og lignende			581 000
<b>Sum varige driftsmidler</b>			<b>581 000</b>
<b>Finansielle anleggsmidler</b>			
Investering i datterselskap		299 655 000	157 124 000
<b>Sum finansielle anleggsmidler</b>		<b>299 655 000</b>	<b>157 124 000</b>
<b>Sum anleggsmidler</b>		<b>312 289 000</b>	<b>168 743 000</b>
<b>Omløpsmidler</b>			
<b>Varer</b>			
<b>Fordringer</b>			
Kundefordringer		86 000	8 782 000
Other receivables		16 200 000	71 194 000
Prepayments for current assets			65 000 000
Konsernfordringer		249 176 000	54 166 000
<b>Sum fordringer</b>		<b>265 462 000</b>	<b>199 142 000</b>
<b>Sum omløpsmidler</b>		<b>265 462 000</b>	<b>199 142 000</b>
<b>SUM EIENDELER</b>		<b>577 751 000</b>	<b>367 885 000</b>
<b>BALANSE - EGENKAPITAL OG GJELD</b>			
<b>Egenkapital</b>			
<b>Innskutt egenkapital</b>			
Share capital		8 223 000	8 223 000



### Balanse

<b>Beløp i: USD</b>	<b>Note</b>	<b>2024</b>	<b>2023</b>
Annen innskutt egenkapital		765 946 000	296 030 000
<b>Sum innskutt egenkapital</b>		<b>774 169 000</b>	<b>304 253 000</b>
<b>Opptjent egenkapital</b>			
Udekket tap		427 302 000	11 971 000
<b>Sum opptjent egenkapital</b>		<b>-427 302 000</b>	<b>-11 971 000</b>
<b>Sum egenkapital</b>		<b>346 867 000</b>	<b>292 282 000</b>
<b>Sum langsiktig gjeld</b>		<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Kortsiktig gjeld</b>			
Leverandørgjeld		1 560 000	393 000
Betalbar skatt	6	440 000	
Kortsiktig konserngjeld	8	203 312 000	7 569 000
Other short term liabilities		25 572 000	16 000 000
Short term with Group Companies			51 639 000
<b>Sum kortsiktig gjeld</b>		<b>230 884 000</b>	<b>75 601 000</b>
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<b>SUM EGENKAPITAL OG GJELD</b>		<b>577 751 000</b>	<b>367 883 000</b>



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**Seadrill Offshore AS - NUF**  
**Financial Statements for the period ending**  
**December 31, 2024**

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## Sadrill Offshore AS Income Statement

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USD'000

<b>PROFIT AND LOSS</b>		<b>2024</b>	<b>2023</b>
Revenue	2	168,921	4,184
Other income		-	
<b>Total Revenues</b>		<b>168,921</b>	<b>4,184</b>
Other operating costs	4	(157,907)	(15,914)
<b>Total operating expenses</b>		<b>(157,907)</b>	<b>(15,914)</b>
<b>Operating Gain/ (Loss)</b>		<b>11,015</b>	<b>(11,731)</b>
Interest income IC	5	6,856	407
Interest expense IC	5	(930)	(83)
Exchange gains (losses)	5	8,929	(428)
Other financial items	5	(89)	(136)
<b>Net financial items</b>		<b>14,766</b>	<b>(240)</b>
<b>Gain/ (Loss) before income tax</b>		<b>25,780</b>	<b>(11,971)</b>
Income tax	6	(440)	-
<b>Gain/ Loss for the year from continuing activities</b>		<b>25,340</b>	<b>(11,971)</b>
<b>Allocation to other equity</b>		<b>25,340</b>	<b>(11,971)</b>



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## Seadrill Offshore AS Balance Sheet

USD '000

BALANCE SHEET	2024	2023
<b>Assets</b>		
<b>Non current assets</b>		
<b>Intangible assets</b>		
Deferred tax asset	6 12,634	11,038
<b>Fixed assets</b>		
Other PPE	0	581
<b>Financial assets</b>		
Investments	7 299,655	157,124
<b>Total non-current assets</b>	<b>312,289</b>	<b>168,743</b>
<b>Current assets</b>		
Trade and other receivables	8 86	8,782
Trade and other receivables IC	9 249,176	54,166
Other receivables	10 16,200	71,194
Prepayments for current assets	11 0	65,000
<b>Total current assets</b>	<b>265,462</b>	<b>199,142</b>
<b>Total Assets</b>	<b>577,751</b>	<b>367,885</b>
<b>Equity and liabilities</b>		
<b>Equity attributable to owners of the parent</b>		
Share capital	13 8,223	8,223
Retained earnings	13 (427,302)	(11,971)
Share premium	-	-
Other paid in capital	13 765,946	296,030
<b>Total equity attributable to equity holders of the Company</b>	<b>346,867</b>	<b>292,283</b>
<b>Liabilities</b>		
<b>Current liabilities</b>		
Trade and other payables	1,560	393
Trade and other payables IC	8 203,312	7,569
Tax payable	6 440	-
Other short term liabilities	14 25,572	16,000
Short term loans & borrowings	-	51,639
<b>Total current liabilities</b>	<b>230,884</b>	<b>75,602</b>
<b>Total Equity and Liabilities</b>	<b>577,751</b>	<b>367,885</b>

Stavanger, June 30th, 2025

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<b>Seadrill Offshore AS</b>		
<b>Cash Flow Statement</b>		
USD '000	2024	2023
<b>Cash flows from operating activities</b>		
<b>Gain/ (Loss) for the year</b>	<b>25,340</b>	<b>(11,971)</b>
Adjustments for:		
Depreciation & amortisation	-	
Net finance expense (income)		
Merger deviation	893	
Change in trade and other receivables (long & short term)	(77,623)	(76,042)
Change in other short term debt		33,188
Change in prepayments	65,000	
Change in inventory	581	
Change in long term liabilities	158	
Change in trade and other payables	(6,974)	(9,173)
Change in deferred income	-	
Change in provisions	-	(2)
<b>Net cash (used) in operating activities</b>	<b>7,375</b>	<b>(64,000)</b>
<b>Cash flows from investing activities</b>		
Lease agreement	-	(65,000)
Investment in subsidiaries	44,264	(77,330)
Acquisition of property, plant & equipment		
<b>Net cash provided/ (used) in investing activities</b>	<b>44,264</b>	<b>(142,330)</b>
<b>Cash flows from financing activities</b>		
Proceeds from shareholder loan	-	
Proceeds from issue of share capital	-	206,330
Borrowings	(51,639)	
<b>Net cash provided from/ (used in) financing activities</b>	<b>(51,639)</b>	<b>206,330</b>
<b>Net increase in cash and cash equivalents</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
Cash and cash equivalents at 1 January	-	1
Effect of exchange rate fluctuation on cash held	-	
<b>Cash and cash equivalents at 31 December</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>1</b>



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## Note 1 - Accounting principles

The annual accounts have been prepared in accordance with the Norwegian Accounting Act and generally accepted accounting principles.

The functional currency for the company is USD as this is the currency for which the entity is financed. All numbers are in USD, unless otherwise stated.

### The Company's main activity

The Company is a provider of services to the oil and gas industry. The Company specifically provides services within the field of drilling and drilling related services. On 31, December 2023 the Company purchased the right to use the drilling units Seadrill Auriga rig from Seadrill Auriga Hungary Kft and Seadrill Vega rig from Seadrill Vela Hungary Kft effective from 1<sup>st</sup> January 2024 for a period of 12 months.

### Revenue recognition

The bulk of the Company's revenues are derived from daily rates computed from drilling contracts.

Revenue is recognized in the period that services are provided. Certain drilling contracts have bonus incentives that are paid out if the Company fulfils certain criteria specified in the contract. If any uncertainty of the validity of such bonus payments arises during the contracted work, the revenue will only be recognized at the end of the contract. Expenses are recognized in the same period as the corresponding income recognized.

### Balance sheet classification

Current assets and current liabilities include items with a due date within one year after the transaction date as well as items relating to the operating cycle. Other items have been classified as non-current assets/non-current liabilities.

Current assets are measured at the lower purchase price and fair value. Short term liabilities are recognized in the balance sheet at nominal value at establishment date.

Fixed assets are valued at purchase price. Fixed assets are written down to net realizable value if a value reduction occurs that is expected to be permanent. Borrowings are recognized in the balance sheet at amortized value on the establishment date, equal to nominal value deducted for transaction costs. Other non-current liabilities are recognized at nominal value.

### Receivables

Accounts receivables are recognized at fair value, less any allowance for bad debt. Bad debt is provided based on an individual assessment of each receivable.



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## Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents consist of cash, restricted cash, and deposits with a maturity date of less than ninety days.

## Foreign currency

Transactions in foreign currency are translated at the rate applicable on the transaction date. Monetary items in a foreign currency are translated into USD using the exchange rate applicable on the balance sheet date. Non-monetary items that are measured at their historical price expressed in a foreign currency are translated into USD using the exchange rate applicable on the transaction date. Changes to exchange rates are recognized in the income statement as they occur during the accounting period.

## Shares in subsidiaries

Shares in subsidiaries are valued using the cost method. The investments are valued at the cost of the shares, less any impairment losses. An impairment loss is recognized in the impairment is not considered temporary, in accordance with general accepted accounting principles. Impairment losses are reversed if the reason for the impairment loss disappears in a later period.

## Other fixed Assets

Assets are valued at the historic cost less accumulated depreciation. Straight line depreciation is used over the expected life of the asset.

## Impairment of non-current assets

Property, plant, and equipment with finite useful life are reviewed for potential impairment indicators annually, and whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying amount of an asset may not be recoverable.

To assess impairment, assets are grouped at the lowest level for which there are separately identifiable cash- flows. An impairment loss is the amount of which the carrying amount of the asset exceeds the recoverable amount. The recoverable amount is the higher of the asset's net selling price and its value in use.

We consider our asset groups to be harsh environment drilling units. When an impairment of one of our asset groups is indicated, we measure an impairment as the amount by which the carrying amount of the asset exceeds its estimated fair value. We measure the fair value of our asset groups by applying the a variety of valuation methods, incorporating a combination of income, market and cost approaches, using projected discounted cash flows ad estimates of the exchange price that would be received for the assets in the principal or most advantageous marked for the assets in an orderly transaction between market participants as of the measurement date.



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## Tax

The tax expense consists of the tax payable and changes to deferred tax. Deferred tax/tax assets are calculated on all differences between the book value and tax value of assets and liabilities. Deferred tax assets are recorded in the balance sheet when it is more likely than not that the tax assets will be utilized.

Taxes payable and deferred taxes are recognized directly in equity to the extent that they relate to equity transactions.

## Leases

Lease for rigs where the Company conducts substantially all the risks and rewards of ownership are classified as financial leases.

Financial leases are depreciated over the shorter of the useful life of the asset or the lease term.

Payments made under operating leases are charged to the income statement on straight-line-basis over the period of the lease.

On 31<sup>st</sup> December 2023, the Company entered a "right-to-use"- agreement. The contract includes the Seadrill Auriga rig (purchased from Seadrill Auriga Hungary Kft) and Seadrill Vela rig (purchased from Seadrill Vela Hungary Kft), both effective from 1<sup>st</sup> January 2024 for a period of 12 months.

## Cash flow statements

The Company uses the indirect method for the presentation of the cash flow statements. Cash and cash equivalents are defined as cash, cash deposits, and other short term liquid investments.

## Trade creditors

Accounts payable and other payables are initially recognized at fair value and subsequently carried at amortized cost using the effective interest method.

## Other non-current assets

Non-current assets are recorded at historic cost less accumulated depreciation. Fixed assets are depreciated on a straight-line basis over their useful lifetime. Furniture and office equipment are depreciated over its useful life, usually expected to be between three and ten years, depending on the classification and the use of the asset.

## Going concern

The accounts have been prepared on the assumptions of going concern.



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## Note 2 – Segment information

The Company is part of the Seadrill group. All activities will be reported under the business are Floaters.

The Company's operating revenues have the following geographical distribution:

USD '000	2024	2023
Brazil		
United States	168,921	
Total	168,921	-

## Note 3 – Payroll cost, number of employees, management remuneration etc.

There are no employees in Seadrill Offshore AS.

Remuneration to General Manager is recognized in Seadrill Offshore AS through a management fee from Seadrill Europe Management AS.

No Director's fees have been paid in 2024.

Auditor fees are invoiced via Seadrill Europe Management AS and are allocated to Seadrill Offshore via management fee.

## Note 4 – Other operating expenses

USD '000	2024	2023
Vessel and rig operating (income)/ expenses	26,519	(13)
Insurance	3,256	-
Hiring drilling rigs (bareboat charter)	65,000	-
Payroll and personnel related cost, recharged from group companies	31,951	(74)
Provision for SFL West Hercules claim	10	14,746
Other operating expenses	31,171	1,255
Total	157,907	15,914



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## Note 5 – Financial items

<i>(In thousands of USD)</i>	<b>2024</b>	<b>2023</b>
Interest income from related parties	6,856	407
Interest cost to related parties	(930)	(83)
Realized exchange gains/ (losses)	53	(775)
Unrealized exchange gain/ (losses)	8,876	347
Other financial items	(89)	(136)
<b>Total</b>	<b>14,766</b>	<b>(240)</b>

## Note 6 – Taxes

Reconciliation of difference between net income before tax and basis for income tax:

USD '000	<b>2024</b>	<b>2023</b>	
Income (loss) before tax	25,780	-11,971	
+ Permanent differences		5,759	
Change in temporary differences (excl NOL)	243	-2,108	
Translation differences	-4,911	5,596	
Received group contribution	29,475		
Restricted interests	-	-	
Basis for taxes payable - before NOL	50,587	-2,724	
change in NOL brought forward	-	50,587	2724
Basis for taxes payable	0	0	
Income tax expense in the income statement includes the following elements:			
Change in deferred tax (excl. effect of change in tax rate)	0	0	
<b>Tax payable in the balance sheet consists of the following elements:</b>			
USD	<b>31.12.24</b>	<b>31.12.23</b>	
Calculated tax payable	11,129	-	
Estimated reduction due to foreign tax paid			
Reduction on tax payable due to utilization of loss carried forward	-11,129	-	
Unpaid taxes payable/ receivable in the Balance Sheet	0	-	
<b>Deferred tax:</b>			
USD	<b>31.12.24</b>	<b>31.12.23</b>	
Fixed Assets	-11 -	3	
Receivable	-7,969		
Decommissioning cost Hercules	-13,452 -	14,886	
Provision	-12,121		
Investment	-83,965		
Other	-5,660		
Net operating loss brought forward (NOL)	-	347,449 -	128,690
Total temporary differences	-470,626 -	143,580	
Total temporary differences and tax losses carried forward	-	470,626 -	143,580
Applied tax rate	22%	22%	
Deferred taxes (tax assets)	-	103,538 -	31,588
Unrecognized deferred tax asset	90,747	20550	
Recognized deferred tax/ tax assets	-	12,791 -	11,036



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## Reconciliation of tax expense to the nominal tax rate:

USD '000	2024	2023	
Income before taxes	25,780	-11,971	
Actual tax expense	-440	0	
Tax expense at corporate tax rate	5,672	-2,634	
Difference	-6,112	2,634	
Explanation of the difference:			
Other permanent differences	-	1,080	2498
Tax effect of group contribution and unrecognized deferred tax		6,484	408
Tax effect of loss carried forward	-	11,129	
Payable tax connected to Tax Assessment Sevan Drilling Ltd	-	440	
Not recognized deferred tax		54	-272
Explanation of the difference:	-6,112	2,634	

## Note 7 – Investments in subsidiaries

Company <i>(in thousand of USD)</i>	Location	Ownership	Net equity	Net income	Book value
Seadrill Servicios de Petroleo Ltda	Brazil	100%	39,920	10,979	16,237
SAOS Servicios de Petroleo Ltda	Brazil	99.9%	1,799	- 492	1,650
Seadrill Americas	United States	100%	247,836	11,311	101,330
Sevan Drilling Rig II Pte Ltd	Singapore	100%	-	-	-
Sevan Drilling Rig V Pte Ltd	Singapore	100%	17	-	180,439
Total					299,656

## Note 8 - Accounts receivable

The Company's customers are large international oil companies. Therefore, there are normally no accruals for losses against accounts receivable. At the end of December 2024, the Company holds no provision for bad debt (2023: 0,00). The receivables are non-interest bearing.



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## Note 9 – Related parties

The Company has the following intercompany and related party balances at year end:

### Intercompany and related party transactions

<i>(In thousands of USD)</i>	2024	2023
Short term receivable intercompany	249,176	54,166
Short term liabilities intercompany	(203,312)	(7,569)
Short term loan with group company	-	(51,639)
Short term loan with group company - accrued interest	-	(40)
Total	45,864	(5,082)

### Intercompany and related party transactions

The company had the following transactions with intercompany and related parties.

<i>(In thousands of USD)</i>	2024	2023
Net interest income cash pool	6,856	407
Net interest expense on documented loan	(930)	(83)
Total	5,926	324

## Note 10 – Other receivables

<i>(In thousands of USD)</i>	2024	2023
West Auriga - Prefunding	(1,197)	4,342
West Auriga - Prepaid Fuel		2,278
West Auriga - Unbilled Receivables	(318)	34,105
West Vela - Prepaid Fuel		2,587
West Vela - Prefunding	16,717	6,325
West Vela - Unbilled Receivables	(170)	21,552
VAT and other current receivables	1,169	-
Total	16,200	71,189



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## Note 11 – Contract

<i>(In thousands of USD)</i>	2024	2023
Bareboat Charter 2024 Sevan Louisiana	-	5,400
Bareboat Charter 2024 West Auriga	-	16,200
Bareboat Charter 2024 West Vela	-	43,400
	<u>-</u>	<u>65,000</u>

At the end of 2024 there are no active contracts in the Company.

During 2024 the Company benefitted from the 12 months "Right to use" agreement for West Vela, West Auriga and Sevan Louisiana as part of the US/Hungarian restructuring.

## Note 12 – Cash and cash equivalents

The Company is part of a cash pool arrangement for the Seadrill Group with DnB, where cash is transferred to the cash pool owner (Seadrill Treasury UK Ltd) and the Company will have an intercompany balance with the cash pool owner.

Cash and cash equivalents at year end are zero.

## Note 13 – Share capital and shareholder information

Shareholders' equity is NOK 52.500.000 divided over 104.001 shares at NOK 500 each. Seadrill UK Ltd. owns all shares

<i>(In thousands of USD)</i>	Share capital	Other paid-in capital	Retained earnings	Total
Equity as of December 01, 2021	8,223	309,730	(25,670)	292,283
Group contribution prior year (net of tax)				-
Net income/(loss)			25,340	25,340
Merger difference			(231)	(231)
Group contribution received			29,475	29,475
Equity as of December 31, 2022	8,223	309,730	28,914	346,867



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## Note 14 – Other current liabilities

<i>(In thousands of USD)</i>	<b>2024</b>	<b>2023</b>
Provision for accrued expenses West Saturn	1,066	1,066
Provision for accrued expenses West Hercules	13,452	14,886
Provision for receivables Diamond/ Vela	10,887	
Other accrued expenses	167	48
<b>Total</b>	<b>25,572</b>	<b>16,000</b>

## Note 15 – Merger

With effect from January 1, 2024, the Company merged with the following daughter companies:

Eastern Drilling AS

Sevan Drilling Rig II AS

Sevan Drilling Rig VI AS

The two Sevan entities were purchased from other Group companies earlier in 2024. The Company has used the continuity method when doing the merger. As such, receivables and payables are transferred at book value. The deviation between shares in subsidiaries and the equity in the merged companies are booked as a merger deviation – against equity.

In the income statement, balance sheet and cash flow all numbers presented for the year 2023 are related to Seadrill Offshore AS a stand-alone entity and in accordance with the approval for 2023, before the merger.

Below we will present pro forma 2023 income statement and balance sheet for the merged Seadrill Offshore AS.



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USD'000	
<b>PROFIT AND LOSS</b>	<b>2023</b>
Revenue	4,184
Other income	-
<b>Total Revenues</b>	<b>4,184</b>
Other operating costs	(16,036)
<b>Total operating expenses</b>	<b>(16,036)</b>
<b>Operating Gain/ Loss</b>	<b>(11,852)</b>
Interest income IC	3,949
Interest expense IC	(83)
Exchange gains (losses)	(447)
Other financial items	(174)
<b>Net financial items</b>	<b>3,246</b>
<b>Gain/ Loss before income tax</b>	<b>(8,606)</b>
Income tax	(1,182)
<b>Gain/ Loss for the year from continuing activities</b>	<b>(9,789)</b>
<b>Allocation to other equity</b>	<b>(9,789)</b>

USD'000	
<b>BALANCE SHEET</b>	<b>2023</b>
<b>Assets</b>	
<b>Non current assets</b>	
<b>Intangible assets</b>	
Deferred tax asset	12,791
<b>Fixed assets</b>	
Other PPE	581
<b>Financial assets</b>	
Investments	343,920
<b>Total Non-current assets</b>	<b>357,292</b>
<b>Current assets</b>	
Trade and other receivables	7,861
Trade and other receivables IC	79,268
Other receivables	71,198
Prepayments for current assets	65,000
Cash and cash equivalents	38
<b>Total current assets</b>	<b>223,365</b>
<b>Total Assets</b>	<b>580,657</b>
<b>Equity and liabilities</b>	
<b>Equity attributable to owners of the parent</b>	
Share capital	8,223
Retained earnings	(745,612)
Other paid in capital	1,028,549
<b>Total equity attributable to equity holders of the Cor</b>	<b>291,160</b>
<b>Liabilities</b>	
<b>Current liabilities</b>	
Trade and other payables	(529)
Trade and other payables IC	222,341
Other short term liabilities	16,045
Short term loans& borrowings	51,639
<b>Total current liabilities</b>	<b>289,497</b>
<b>Total Equity and Liabilities</b>	<b>580,657</b>

## Note 16 – Consolidation



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Seadrill Offshore AS is a fully owned subsidiary of Seadrill UK Ltd, and is included in the consolidated financial statements of Seadrill Ltd. There is not a separate consolidated statement for Seadrill Offshore AS. This is in accordance with the Norwegian Accounting Act §3-7, 1.

Seadrill Ltd has its office address at Park Place, 55 Par-la-Ville Road, Hamilton, HM 11, Bermuda.

Seadrill Ltd is listed on the New York Stock Exchange (N YSE).

## Note 17 – Legal proceedings

On February 17, 2023, the Company together with two other Seadrill- companies, received a Writ of Summons from SFL Hercules Ltd (“SFL”). The claim is related to the conditions of the rig West Hercules, when the rig was handed back to the owner SFL in December pursuant to the terms of a bareboat charter agreement between SFL and the Company originally dated 7<sup>th</sup> October 2008 as later amended, restated, and novated. SFL is of the opinion that the rig was not handed back in a condition with the terms of the bareboat agreement.

On February 6, 2025, the Oslo District Court delivered a judgment in favor of SFL ordering Seadrill to pay approximately USD 37 million plus interest and legal costs of approximately USD 11 million. Seadrill intends to vigorously contest the judgment and filed an appeal on March 5, 2025. The timing of resolution and ultimate amount due, if any, cannot be predicted at this time.



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### **Status and Activities in 2024**

Late December 2023, Seadrill Offshore AS entered a right to use contracts for the drilling vessels; West Auriga, West Vela and the Sevan Louisiana for the year 2024. As such, the right to use was granted to Seadrill Offshore AS through a "usufruct" agreement by the respective rig owners, which are Seadrill Auriga Hungary Kft., Seadrill Vela Hungary Kft. and Sevan Louisiana Hungary Kft.

As a result of the above, the West Auriga "Auriga" and West Vela "Vela" contracts with Diamond Offshore, LLC ("Diamond") in the U.S. Gulf of Mexico were novated from the rig owners to Seadrill Offshore AS in late December 2023. The novation was executed and were effective as of January 1, 2024.

The Auriga completed its contract with Diamond on February 29, 2024, and the rig went into a 10-day transition period where Seadrill took ownership around March 10, 2024. The Auriga began its next contract in December 2024 with a customer in Brazil. Due to an overall loss position on the customer contract for 2024, there was no bareboat charter ("BBC") agreement executed for the Auriga between Seadrill Offshore AS and the rig operator, Seadrill UK Ltd.

Similarly, the Vela completed its contract with Diamond on October 10, 2024, and the rig went into a 10-day transition period where Seadrill took ownership around October 21, 2024. On the same day, the Vela began its next contract for a customer in the U.S. Gulf of Mexico. Aquadrill Gulf Operations Vela LLC, the rig operator for the Vela, entered into a BBC agreement with Seadrill Offshore AS effective December 1, 2024, whereby the latter earned BBC income of \$12,512,000.

The Sevan Louisiana ("Sevan") was not under contract during the first three months of 2024. However, a drilling contract began in early April 2024, where Sevan Drilling North America LLC was the contracting entity/rig operator. As such, this entity was the rig operator for the drilling contract and it entered a bareboat charter ("BBC") agreement with Seadrill Offshore AS for the drilling operations, which were ongoing as of December 31, 2024. Sevan Drilling North America LLC entered into a BBC agreement with Seadrill Offshore AS effective April 7, 2024, whereby the latter earned BBC income of \$28,433,300 for 2024.

On February 2023, the Company received a Writ of Summons from SFL Hercules Ltd ("SFL") (also two other Seadrill companies were included in the writ). The claim is related to the conditions of the "West Hercules" when the rig was handed back to her owner SFL in December 2022 pursuant to the terms of a bareboat charter agreement between SFL and the Company originally dated 7 October 2008 as later amended, restated and novated. SFL is of the opinion that the rig was not handed back in a condition that complied with the terms of the bareboat agreement.

Hearings took place in Oslo District Court in September/October 2024. On February 6, 2025, the Oslo District Court delivered a judgment in favor of SFL ordering Seadrill to pay SFL approximately USD 37 million plus interest and legal costs of approximately USD



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11 million. Seadrill intends to vigorously contest the judgment and filed an appeal on March 5, 2025. The timing of resolution and ultimate amount due, if any, cannot be predicted yet.

During 2024, the companies Eastern Drilling AS, Sevan Drilling Rig II AS and Sevan Drilling Rig VI AS were merged into Seadrill Offshore AS. Seadrill Offshore AS has been the surviving entity and the merger has taken place with accounting- and tax continuity.

The business is operated from rented offices in Stavanger, Norway.

## **Revenues and result – 2024**

Total operating revenues amounted to USD 168.9 million in 2024 due to the right to use contract for the rigs West Vela, West Auriga and Sevan Louisiana. Operating expenses for the same units amounted to approximately USD 154.1 million. Legal costs amounted to approximately USD 3.8 million, bringing the total operating expenses to USD 157.9 million. Operating profit amounted to USD 11.0 million. Net financial positions were positive by USD 14.8 million. Profit before tax amounted to USD 25.8 million, while profit after tax amounted to USD 25.3 million. We have not compared the number with 2023 as the operations are totally different.

The Board proposes the net profit covers previous years losses:

Transferred to other equity	USD 25.34 million
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The Board is of the opinion that the accounts have been prepared in accordance with applicable laws and regulations and that all known facts have been considered and that they therefore give a true and fair view of the Company's financial position as of December 31, 2024, and its profits in 2024.

The financial statement is prepared under the assumption of going concern. The Board of Directors confirms the conditions are present.

## **Financial outlook**

During 2024 the Company has benefitted from the special right to use the assets deal which ended December 31, 2024. There is no active drilling currently sitting in the Company. So even if the market for drilling units in the area has tightened further, the Company will not in the short picture benefit from such an improved market.

## **Cash flow**

Cash flows from operating activities provided cash of USD 7.4 million. The inflow is primarily driven by change in short term receivables and payables.

Net cash flow provided by investing activities amounted to USD 44.3 million, due to reduced equity in a group company.

Net cash flow used in financing activities amounted to USD 51.6 million due to reduced debt.

Cash and cash equivalents had net zero movements during the year.



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## **Relevant risk factors**

### Financial risk

The Company is exposed to credit risk, interest rate risk and currency risk in its ordinary business operations. The Company's customers are large and reliable international oil companies, and therefore the Company considers the credit risk to be low. The Company's revenues are mainly in US dollars. The Company has largely consolidated interest-bearing liabilities with a floating interest rate and is therefore exposed to interest rate changes.

### Operational risk and market risk

The Company's results are mainly dependent on the conditions applied to the oil and gas industry and oil companies' demand for drilling services for exploration and production. Offers of drilling capacity from other independent drilling contractors will also be essential. The Company is exposed to operational risk associated with drilling of oil and gas wells. Occasionally, operations may also be delayed because of abnormal drilling conditions, equipment repair, or failure of delivery of goods or services from suppliers.

### Liquidity risk

The Company participates in a cash pool arrangement within Seadrill and thus enjoys the benefit of this in relation to the financing of its activities. The Company is dependent on the financing from Seadrill. For further detail on liquidity information for Seadrill, refer to the relevant sections of the 2024 annual report for Seadrill Ltd. on form 10-K.

## **Research and development**

The Company currently has no research and development projects.

## **Work environment**

The Company has no employees as per Dec 31, 2024.

### Transparency Act

You can find more information about how the Company proceed to the new Transparency Act by accessing <https://www.seadrill.com/transparency-act-statement/>.

## **Gender equality**

The Company's board consists of one woman and two men.

Both the Board and management are aware of the social expectations of measures to promote gender equality and will aim to do so in line with national legislation.



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## **External environment**

The Company's operations, within exploration and production drilling entail a certain emission of exhaust gases and other emissions to air and emissions of certain chemicals into the sea. In addition to these ongoing and planned operational emissions, the Company's operations always involve the risk of accidental discharges that could cause environmental damage. The Company is working continuously to achieve the goal of avoiding any unforeseen emissions.

The Company's ambition is to be at the forefront of the industry with respect to prevent damage to the external environment. It carries out systematic registration of emissions and works actively to select the chemicals that cause the least environmental damage. The Company conducts training to stay focused on the risk of accidental discharge of our operations and motivational measures to limit the environmental impact of on and offshore waste disposal (recycling). The Company has taken steps to ensure that its activities are following the requirements and expectations being set by various authorities, customers and partners. Oil companies have established contingency plans to limit the damage to the environment if unforeseen emissions occur.

During 2024, no event occurred causing significant damage to the environment.

Stavanger, June 30th, 2025

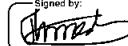
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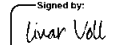
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FORM 10-K

ANNUAL REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE  
SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

For the fiscal year ended December 31, 2024

OR

TRANSITION REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES  
EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

For the transition period from \_\_\_ to \_\_\_

Commission file number: 001-39327

**SEADRILL LIMITED**

(Exact name of Registrant as specified in its charter)

Bermuda 98-1834031  
(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization) (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

Park Place, 55 Par-la-Ville Road, Hamilton, Bermuda HM 11  
(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: +1 (713) 329 1150

Securities registered or to be registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Act:

Title of each class	Trading Symbol(s)	Name of each exchange on which registered
Common Shares, par value \$0.01 per share	SDRL	New York Stock Exchange

Securities registered or to be registered pursuant to Section 12(g) of the Act: None

Indicate by check mark if the registrant is a well-known seasoned issuer, as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act.

Yes  No

Indicate by check mark if the registrant is not required to file reports pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Act.

Yes  No

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant (1) has filed all reports required to be filed by Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to file such reports), and (2) has been subject to such filing requirements for the past 90 days.

Yes  No

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant has submitted electronically every Interactive Data File required to be submitted pursuant to Rule 405 of Regulation S-T (§232.405 of this chapter) during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to submit such files).

Yes  No



Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a large accelerated filer, an accelerated filer, a non-accelerated filer, a smaller reporting company, or an emerging growth company. See definitions of "large accelerated filer," "accelerated filer," "smaller reporting company," and "emerging growth company" in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act.

Large accelerated filer

Accelerated filer

Non-accelerated filer

Smaller reporting company

Emerging growth company

If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for complying with any new or revised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act.

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant has filed a report on and attestation to its management's assessment of the effectiveness of its internal control over financial reporting under Section 404(b) of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act (15 U.S.C. 7262(b)) by the registered public accounting firm that prepared or issued its audit report.

If securities are registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Act, indicate by check mark whether the financial statements of the registrant included in the filing reflect the correction of an error to previously issued financial statements.

Indicate by check mark whether any of those error corrections are restatements that required a recovery analysis of incentive-based compensation received by any of the registrant's executive officers during the relevant recovery period pursuant to §240.10D-1(b).

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a shell company (as defined in Rule 12b-2 of the Act).

Yes

No

As of June 28, 2024, the aggregate market value of the common shares of Seadrill Limited held by non-affiliates was approximately \$2.7 billion (based on the closing price of such shares on such date, as reported on the New York Stock Exchange)

As of February 20, 2025, 62,163,028 common shares of the registrant were outstanding.

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant has filed all documents and reports required to be filed by Sections 12, 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 subsequent to the distribution of securities under a plan confirmed by a court.

Yes

No

#### DOCUMENTS INCORPORATED BY REFERENCE

Portions of the registrant's Proxy Statement for its 2025 annual general meeting of shareholders to be filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission are incorporated by reference into Items 10, 11, 12, 13, and 14 of Part III of this Annual Report on Form 10-K.



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## FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS

This annual report includes forward-looking statements within the meaning of Section 27A of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "Securities Act"), and Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act"). All statements other than statements of historical facts included in this annual report, including, without limitation, those regarding the Company's outlook, plans, strategies, business prospects, financial performance, operations, rig activity and changes and trends in its business and the markets in which it operates, are forward-looking statements. These forward-looking statements can often, but not necessarily, be identified by the use of forward-looking terminology, including the terms "assumes", "projects", "forecasts", "estimates", "expects", "anticipates", "believes", "plans", "intends", "may", "might", "will", "would", "can", "could", "should" or, in each case, their negative, or other variations or comparable terminology. These statements are based on management's current plans, expectations, assumptions and beliefs concerning future events impacting the Company and therefore involve a number of risks, uncertainties and assumptions that could cause actual results to differ materially from those expressed or implied in the forward-looking statements. Important factors that could cause actual results to differ materially from those in the forward-looking statements include, but are not limited to: those described under Part I, Item 1A, "Risk Factors" in this annual report, offshore drilling market conditions including supply and demand, dayrates, customer drilling programs and effects of new or reactivated rigs on the market, contract awards and rig mobilizations, contract backlog, dry-docking and other costs of maintenance, special periodic surveys, upgrades and regulatory work for the drilling units in the Company's fleet, the performance of the drilling units in the Company's fleet, delay in payment or disputes with customers, the Company's ability to successfully employ its drilling units, procure or have access to financing, ability to comply with loan covenants, fluctuations in the international price of oil, international financial market conditions, inflation, changes in governmental regulations that affect the Company or the operations of the Company's fleet, increased competition in the offshore drilling industry, the review of competition authorities, the impact of global economic conditions and global health threats, pandemics and epidemics, our ability to maintain relationships with suppliers, customers, employees and other third parties, our ability to maintain adequate financing to support our business plans, our ability to successfully complete and realize the intended benefits of any mergers, acquisitions and divestitures, and the impact of other strategic transactions, our liquidity and the adequacy of cash flows to satisfy our obligations, future activity under and in respect of the Company's share repurchase program, our ability to satisfy (or timely cure any noncompliance with) the continued listing requirements of the New York Stock Exchange (the "NYSE"), the cancellation of drilling contracts currently included in reported contract backlog, losses on impairment of long-lived fixed assets, shipyard, construction and other delays, the results of meetings of our shareholders, political and other uncertainties, including those related to the conflicts in Ukraine and the Middle East, and any related sanctions, the effect and results of litigation, regulatory matters, settlements, audits, assessments and contingencies, including any litigation related to acquisitions or dispositions, the concentration of our revenues in certain geographical jurisdictions, limitations on insurance coverage, our ability to attract and retain skilled personnel on commercially reasonable terms, the level of expected capital expenditures, our expected financing of such capital expenditures and the timing and cost of completion of capital projects, fluctuations in interest rates or exchange rates and currency devaluations relating to foreign or United States ("U.S.") monetary policy, tax matters, changes in tax laws, treaties and regulations, tax assessments and liabilities for tax issues, legal and regulatory matters in the jurisdictions in which we operate, customs and environmental matters, the potential impacts on our business resulting from decarbonization and emissions legislation and regulations, the impact on our business from climate change generally, the occurrence of cybersecurity incidents, attacks or other breaches to our information technology systems, including our rig operating systems, and other important factors described from time to time in the reports filed or furnished by us with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC"). The foregoing risks and uncertainties are inherently subject to significant business, economic, competitive, regulatory and other risks and uncertainties, many of which are difficult to predict and beyond our control. In many cases, we cannot predict the risks and uncertainties that could cause our actual results to differ materially from those indicated by the forward-looking statements. Should one or more of these risks or uncertainties materialize, or should underlying assumptions prove incorrect, actual results may vary materially from those indicated. All subsequent written and oral forward-looking statements attributable to us or to any person(s) acting on our behalf are expressly qualified in their entirety by reference to these risks and uncertainties. You should not place undue reliance on forward-looking statements. Each forward-looking statement speaks only as of the date of the particular statement. We expressly disclaim any obligations or undertaking to release publicly any updates or revisions to any forward-looking statement to reflect any change in our expectations or beliefs with regard to the statement or any change in events, conditions or circumstances on which any forward-looking statement is based, except as required by law. Forward-looking and other statements in this annual report regarding our environmental, social and other sustainability plans and goals are not an indication that these statements are necessarily material to investors or required to be disclosed in our filings with the SEC. In addition, historical, current, and forward-looking environmental, social and sustainability-related statements may be based on standards for measuring progress that are still developing, internal controls and processes that continue to evolve, and assumptions that are subject to change in the future.



## SUMMARY OF RISK FACTORS

### Risks Relating to Our Business and Industry

- Our business depends on the level of activity in the oil and gas industry. Adverse developments affecting the industry, including a decline in the price of oil or gas, reduced demand for oil and gas products and increased regulation of drilling and production, have in the past had and may in the future have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition and results of operations.
- The success and growth of our business depend on the level of activity in the offshore oil and gas industry generally, and the drilling industry specifically, which are both highly competitive and cyclical, with intense price competition and volatility.
- Consolidation in our industry may impact our results of operations.
- Upgrades, refurbishment, repair and surveying of rigs are subject to risks, including delays and cost overruns, that could have an adverse impact on our available cash resources and results of operations.
- Compliance with, and breach of, the complex laws and regulations governing international trade could be costly, expose us to liability and, together with policy changes affecting international trade, adversely affect our operations.
- Increasing attention to environmental, social and governance matters and climate change may impact us.
- Our aspirations, goals and initiatives related to sustainability, including emissions reduction and our public statements and disclosures regarding the same, expose us to numerous risks.
- Failure to obtain or retain highly skilled personnel, and to ensure they have the correct visas and permits to work in the locations in which they are required, could adversely affect our operations.
- Because our Consolidated Financial Statements reflect fresh start accounting adjustments made upon emergence from bankruptcy in 2022, financial information in other periods of our financial statements are not comparable to Seadrill's financial information from the 2022 prior period.
- Our customers may seek to cancel or renegotiate their contracts to include unfavorable terms such as unprofitable rates, particularly in the circumstance that operations are suspended or interrupted.
- We may not be able to renew or obtain new and favorable contracts for our drilling units.
- Our contract backlog for our fleet of drilling units may not be realized.
- Our business and operations involve numerous operating hazards, and in the current market we are increasingly required to take additional contractual risk in our customer contracts, which may not be adequately covered by our insurance.
- A substantial portion of our business is dependent on several of our customers as well as dependent on several geographic areas, and the disruption of business with any of these customers or disruption of business within these geographic areas could have a material adverse effect on our financial condition and operating results.
- Operating and maintenance costs of our rigs may be significant and may not correspond to revenue earned.
- Inflation has adversely affected, and in the future may adversely affect, our operating results.
- We rely on third-party suppliers, manufacturers, and service providers, including subcontractors ("third-party providers"), to provide or maintain parts, crew and equipment, as applicable, for our projects and our operations may be adversely affected by the sub-standard performance or non-performance of those third-party providers due to production disruptions, quality and sourcing issues, labor availability, price increases or consolidation of those third-party providers as well as equipment breakdowns.
- We have experienced, and in the future may experience, risks associated with mergers, acquisitions or dispositions of businesses or assets or other strategic transactions.
- The integration of the businesses and the properties we have acquired or may in the future acquire could be difficult and may divert management's attention away from our existing operations.
- Our fleet is largely concentrated to benign floaters and drillships, which leaves us vulnerable to risks related to lack of diversification.
- The international nature of our operations involves additional risks, including the mobilization and demobilization of our rigs to and from such locations and the potential that sabotage or political and social unrest could negatively impact our operations or the market for our drilling services.
- We are subject to complex environmental laws and regulations that can adversely affect us.
- Failure to adequately protect our sensitive information, operational technology systems and critical data, or our service providers' failure to protect their systems and data could have a material adverse effect on us.
- We are incorporating artificial intelligence technologies into our processes and these technologies may present business, compliance, and reputational risks.
- Any violation of anti-bribery, anti-corruption or ethical business practice laws and regulations could have a negative impact on us.
- If our drilling units are located in or connected to countries that are subject to, or targeted by, economic sanctions, export



restrictions, or other operating restrictions imposed by the United States, the United Kingdom, the European Union or other governments, our reputation and the market for our debt and our common shares could be adversely affected.

- We have suffered, and may continue to suffer, losses through our investments in other companies in the offshore drilling and oilfield services industry, which could have a material adverse effect on us.
- Labor costs restrictions could increase following collective bargaining negotiations and changes in labor laws and regulations.
- The physical effects of, and regulations and disclosure requirements with respect to, greenhouse gas emissions and climate change could have a negative impact on our business.
- Our drilling contracts with national oil companies may expose us to greater risks than with non-governmental customers.
- Control of oil and natural gas reserves by national oil companies may affect the demand for our services and products and create additional risks in our operations.
- There can be no assurance that the use of our drilling units will not infringe the intellectual property rights of others.
- Imposition of laws, executive actions or regulatory initiatives to restrict, delay or cancel leasing, permitting or drilling activities in deepwaters of the United States or foreign countries may reduce demand for our services and products and have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition or results of operations.

#### **Financial and Tax Risks**

- We have a significant amount of debt, and we may still be able to incur substantially more debt in the future. Such debt and debt service obligations may adversely affect us.
- The agreements governing our debt contain various covenants that impose restrictions on us and certain of our subsidiaries that may affect our ability to operate our business.
- We may be unable to meet our capital allocation framework goal of returning at least 50% of Free Cash Flow to shareholders through dividends and share repurchases, which could decrease expected returns on an investment in our Shares.
- We are a holding company, and we are dependent upon cash flow from subsidiaries and joint ventures to meet our obligations.
- We may recognize impairments on long-lived assets and intangible assets or recognize impairments on equity method investments.
- Fluctuations in exchange rates and the non-convertibility of currencies could result in losses to us.
- A change in tax laws in any country in which we operate could result in higher tax expense.
- A loss of a major tax dispute or a successful tax challenge to our operating structure, intercompany pricing policies or the taxable presence of our subsidiaries in certain countries could result in higher taxes on our worldwide earnings, which could result in a significant negative impact on our earnings and cash flows from operations.

#### **Regulatory and Legal Risks**

- The issuance of share-based awards may dilute investors' holding of Shares, and substantial sales of or trading in Shares could occur, which could cause the price of Shares to be adversely affected.
- Because we are a foreign corporation, you may not have the same rights that a shareholder in a U.S. corporation may have.
- Our Bye-Laws limit shareholders' ability to bring legal action against our officers and directors.
- Legislation enacted in Bermuda as to Economic Substance may affect our operations.
- We may be subject to litigation, arbitration, other proceedings and regulatory investigations that could have an adverse effect on us.
- The loss of our status as a "foreign private issuer" could result in additional cost.



## PART I

### Item 1. Business

#### General

We are an offshore drilling contractor providing worldwide offshore drilling services to the oil and gas industry. Our primary business is the ownership and operation of drillships and semi-submersible rigs for operations in shallow to ultra-deepwater in both benign and harsh environments. We contract our drilling units to drill wells for our customers on a dayrate basis. Our customers include oil super-majors, state-owned national oil companies, and independent oil and gas companies. In addition, we provide management services to certain affiliated entities.

As of December 31, 2024, we owned a total of 15 drilling units, of which 11 were operating (inclusive of one leased to the Sonadrill joint venture), one 6th generation drillship was undergoing contract preparations for a contract that commenced during February 2025, and three were cold stacked. The 11 operating units include 10 benign floaters (comprising seven 7th generation drillships, two 6th generation drillships and one benign environment semi-submersible) and one harsh environment unit (comprising of one jackup). In addition to our owned assets, as of December 31, 2024, we managed two drilling units owned by Sonangol.

We are recognized for providing high quality operations, in some of the most challenging sectors of offshore drilling and have worldwide operations based on where activities are conducted in the global oil and gas industry. As of December 31, 2024, we employed approximately 3,300 employees across the globe.

Seadrill Limited (previously known as "Seadrill 2021 Limited") (the "Successor"), is an exempted company limited by shares incorporated under the laws of Bermuda and in accordance with the Bermuda Companies Act 1981 (the "Bermuda Companies Act"). Successor was incorporated on October 15, 2021, under the name Seadrill 2021 Limited. On February 22, 2022 ("Effective Date"), Seadrill Limited and certain of its subsidiaries, that filed voluntary petitions for reorganization under Chapter 11 of the United States Bankruptcy Code in the Bankruptcy Court ("the Debtors") emerged from bankruptcy proceedings in accordance with the terms and conditions of Seadrill's Plan of Reorganization. Seadrill Limited became the ultimate parent holding company of the Seadrill Limited group of companies (the "Group"), at which point its name was changed to Seadrill Limited ("Seadrill", "we", "us", "our", and "Company"). The Company is registered with the Bermuda Registrar of Companies under registration number 202100496.

From July 2, 2018, to the Effective Date, the ultimate parent holding company of the Group was Seadrill Limited, an exempted company limited by shares incorporated under the laws of Bermuda on March 14, 2018 with registration number 53439 ("Old Seadrill Limited" or the "Predecessor").

Old Seadrill Limited was previously listed under the symbol "SDRL" on the NYSE and the Oslo Stock Exchange ("OSE"). On June 19, 2020, it was delisted from the NYSE and traded on the OTC Pink Market under the symbol "SDRLF". Following the Effective Date, trading of Old Seadrill Limited's shares was suspended on both exchanges.

On April 28, 2022, Seadrill Limited completed a listing of its common shares, par value \$0.01 per share ("Shares" or "common shares"), on Euronext Expand. On October 11, 2022, Seadrill Limited received approval to relist its Shares on the NYSE under the ticker symbol "SDRL". The Shares commenced trading on October 14, 2022. Following the listing on the NYSE, the status of Seadrill Limited's listing on the Euronext Expand market of the OSE was changed from a primary to a secondary listing. On November 17, 2022, the Shares were moved from the Euronext Expand market to the main list of the OSE.

The Company submitted an application to delist its common shares on the OSE, on April 30, 2024. Oslo Bors approved the Company's delisting from the OSE, following an affirmative shareholder vote at the Company's Annual General Meeting in April 2024. The last day of trading our common shares on the OSE was September 9, 2024, with our common shares being delisted from the OSE on September 10, 2024.

#### Overall Strategy

Our vision is to set the standard in offshore drilling, and we deliver this vision through the four pillars of our strategy:

*i. Best, safe, efficient, and reliable operations*

Our objective is to unlock energy safely, efficiently, and responsibly for our clients globally. In order to achieve this, we leverage a modern rig fleet combined with a motivated, highly skilled and experienced workforce.

*ii. Fleet competitiveness*

Having the right rigs in the right regions allows us to offer a range of assets to suit the diverse and specific needs of our customers, while positioning ourselves for future growth in the industry. Our modern rig fleet with key technological upgrades offers superior technical capabilities, resulting in high operational reliability.

*iii. Customer focused*

We have established robust, long-term relationships with key players in the industry, and we will seek to deepen and strengthen these relationships further. This involves identifying additional value-adding services for our customers and developing long-term, mutually beneficial partnerships. We strive to provide the best possible service to our customers and be valued partners in their success.

*iv. Leading organization*

We are proud of our culture and we recognize that our business is built on people. As part of our strategy, we aim to recruit, retain, and develop the best people in the industry and to build a dynamic organization that continually adapts to ever-evolving business needs.



## **Our Fleet**

We categorize the drilling units in our fleet as (a) floaters, (b) jackup rigs and (c) harsh environment.

### **a) Floaters**

#### *Drillships:*

Drillships are self-propelled ships equipped for drilling offshore in water depths ranging from 1,000 to 12,000 feet and are positioned over the well through a dynamic positioning thruster system with multiple levels of redundancy for safety. Drillships are suitable for drilling in remote locations because of their mobility and large load-carrying capacity. Depending on the country of operation, drillships operate with crews of 120 to 160 people.

#### *Semi-submersible drilling rigs:*

Semi-submersible rigs consist of an upper working and living quarters deck connected to a lower hull consisting of columns and pontoons. Such rigs operate in a "semi-submerged" floating position, in which the lower hull is below the waterline and the upper deck protrudes above the surface. The rig is situated over a wellhead location and remains stable for drilling in the semi-submerged floating position, due in part to its wave transparency characteristics at the water line.

Semi-submersible rigs can be moored, dynamically positioned or positioned with a combination of mooring with thruster assist. Moored semi-submersible rigs are positioned over the wellhead location with anchors and typically operate in shallow water depths. Dynamically positioned semi-submersible rigs are positioned over the wellhead through a dynamic positioning thruster system with multiple levels of redundancy for safety and typically operate in water depths ranging from 700 to 10,000 feet. Depending on the country of operation, semi-submersible rigs generally operate with crews of 110 to 130 people.

### **b) Jackup Rigs**

Jackup rigs are mobile, self-elevating drilling platforms equipped with legs that are lowered to the seabed. A jackup rig is mobilized to the drill site with a heavy lift vessel or a wet tow. At the drill site, the legs are lowered until they penetrate the sea bed and the hull is elevated to an approximate operational air gap of 50 to 100 feet depending on the expected environmental forces. After completion of the drilling operations, the hull is lowered to floating draft, the legs are raised and the rig can be relocated to another drill site. Jackup rigs are generally suitable for water depths of 450 feet or less and operate with crews of 80 to 110 people.

### **c) Harsh Environment**

Harsh environment rigs include both semi-submersibles and jackup rigs that have a number of design modifications to be able to handle weather conditions as seen in the North Sea, Southern Africa, Australia and Canada. Compared to benign environment rigs, these modifications include increased variable load to reduce the need for resupply, increased air gap to increase wave clearance, changes in the geometry of the legs or columns to improve stability, and greater spacing between the legs or columns. Harsh environment rigs tend to be larger, heavier and more expensive to construct than benign environment rigs.

We are recognized for providing high quality operations, in some of the most challenging sectors of offshore drilling and have worldwide operations based on where activities are conducted in the global oil and gas industry. Our competitive strengths focus on four key areas:

#### *i. Scale and age*

Since our inception in 2005, we have developed into a large worldwide offshore drilling company, with a significant geographical footprint. All of our drilling units were delivered after 2007.

#### *ii. Unwavering commitment to safety and the environment*

We believe that the combination of quality drilling units and a highly skilled workforce allows us to provide our customers with safe, efficient and reliable operations. As part of our overall Environmental, Social and Governance ("ESG") focus, we seek to behave responsibly towards our shared environment, with a drive to reduce our overall carbon footprint. We value the health, safety and security of our workforce and the communities in which we operate.

#### *iii. Technologically advanced fleet*

Our drilling units are amongst the most technologically advanced in the world. Our modern fleet offers superior technical capabilities, resulting in high operational reliability. Our proven operational track record and fleet composition positions us well to secure new drilling contracts and continue relationships with existing customers.

#### *iv. Long-term, enduring customer relationships*

We have strong relationships with our customers that are based on trust in our people, operational track record and the quality and reliability of our assets. Our customers include oil super-majors, state-owned national oil companies and independent oil and gas companies.



## Drilling units

The following table, presented as of December 31, 2024, provides certain specifications for our drilling units. Unless otherwise noted, the stated location of each drilling unit indicates either the drilling location as of December 31, 2024, if the drilling unit was operating, or the next operating location, if the drilling unit was mobilizing for a new contract.

Unit	Drilling unit type	Year built	Water depth (feet)	Drilling depth (feet)	Location as of December 31, 2024	Estimated month of rig availability
<i>West Carina</i>	Drillship	2015	12,000	37,500	Brazil	January 2026
<i>West Jupiter</i>	Drillship	2014	12,000	37,500	Brazil	March 2029
<i>West Neptune</i>	Drillship	2014	12,000	37,500	USA	April 2026
<i>West Saturn</i>	Drillship	2014	12,000	37,500	Brazil	October 2026
<i>West Tellus</i>	Drillship	2013	12,000	37,500	Brazil	April 2029
<i>West Auriga</i>	Drillship	2013	12,000	37,500	Brazil	December 2027
<i>West Vela</i>	Drillship	2013	12,000	37,500	USA	September 2025
<i>West Gemini</i>	Drillship	2010	10,000	37,500	Angola	May 2025
<i>West Capella</i>	Drillship	2008	10,000	37,500	South Korea	February 2025
<i>West Polaris</i>	Drillship	2008	10,000	37,500	Brazil	February 2028
<i>Sevan Louisiana</i>	Semi-submersible	2013	10,000	35,000	USA	June 2025
<i>West Eclipse</i>	Semi-submersible	2011	10,000	40,000	Namibia	Available
<i>West Aquarius</i>	Semi-submersible	2009	10,000	34,500	Norway	Available
<i>West Phoenix</i>	Semi-submersible	2008	10,000	29,500	Norway	Available
<i>West Elara</i>	Jackup	2011	492	35,000	Norway	Mar 2028

## Contract Drilling Operations

In general, we contract our drilling units to oil and gas companies to provide offshore drilling services at an agreed dayrate for a fixed contract term or on a well completion basis. Dayrates can vary, depending on the type of drilling unit and its capabilities, contract length, geographical location, operating expenses, taxes and other factors such as prevailing economic conditions. The customer bears substantially all the ancillary costs of constructing the well and supporting drilling operations, as well as most of the economic risk relative to the success of the well.

Where operations are interrupted or restricted due to equipment breakdown or operational failures, we do not generally receive dayrate compensation for the period of the interruption in excess of contractual allowances. Furthermore, the dayrate we receive can be reduced in instances of interrupted or suspended service due to, among other things, repairs, upgrades, weather, maintenance, force majeure or requested suspension of services by the customer and other operating factors.

However, contracts normally allow for compensation when factors beyond our control, including weather conditions, influence the drilling operations and, in some cases, for compensation when we perform planned maintenance activities. In some of our contracts, we are entitled to cost escalation to compensate for industry specific cost increases as reflected in publicly available cost indexes.

We may receive lump sum or dayrate based fees for the mobilization of equipment and personnel or for capital additions and upgrades prior to the start of drilling services. In some cases, we may also receive lump sum or dayrate based fees for demobilization upon completion of a drilling contract.

Our contracts may generally be terminated by the customer in the event the drilling unit is destroyed or lost or if drilling operations are suspended for an extended period because of a breakdown of major rig equipment, "force majeure" or upon the occurrence of other specified conditions. Some contracts include provisions that allow the customer to terminate the contract without cause for a specified early termination fee.

A drilling unit may be "stacked" if it has no contract in place. Drilling units may be either warm stacked or cold stacked. When a rig is warm stacked, the rig is idle but can deploy quickly if an operator requires its services. Cold stacking a rig involves reducing the crew to a few key individuals or removal of the entire crew and storing the rig in a harbor, shipyard or designated area offshore.

## Backlog

Refer to Part II, Item 7, "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations" for backlog information.

## Markets

Our operations are geographically dispersed in oil and gas exploration and development areas throughout the world. We operate in a single, global offshore drilling market, as our drilling units are mobile assets and are able to be moved according to prevailing market conditions. For details of our revenues and fixed assets by geography, refer to Note 6 – "Segment information" to the Consolidated Financial Statements included herein.

Refer to Part II, Item 7, "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Result of Operations - Market Overview and Trends" for additional details.



## Customers

Our customers include oil super-majors, state-owned national oil companies and independent oil and gas companies. In addition, we provide management services to certain affiliated entities. The following customers had total revenues greater than 10% of our consolidated operating revenues in any of the periods presented:

	Successor			Predecessor
	Year ended December 31, 2024	Year ended December 31, 2023	Period from February 23, 2022 through December 31, 2022	Period from January 1, 2022 through February 22, 2022
Sonadrill	22 %	17 %	21 %	9 %
Petrobras	18 %	16 %	— %	— %
Var Energi	7 %	9 %	14 %	11 %
Equinor	7 %	6 %	14 %	10 %
ConocoPhillips	7 %	5 %	13 %	13 %
Lundin	— %	— %	1 %	12 %
Others	39 %	47 %	37 %	45 %
	100 %	100 %	100 %	100 %

## Competition

The offshore drilling industry is highly competitive, with market participants ranging from large multinational companies to small locally-owned companies. The demand for offshore drilling services is driven by oil and gas companies' exploration and development drilling programs. These drilling programs are affected by oil and gas companies' expectations regarding oil and gas prices, anticipated production levels, worldwide demand for oil and gas products, the availability of quality drilling prospects, exploration success, availability of qualified rigs and operating personnel, relative production costs, availability and lead time requirements for drilling and production equipment, the stage of reservoir development and political and regulatory environments.

Oil and gas prices are volatile, which has historically led to significant fluctuations in expenditures by our customers for drilling services. Variations in market conditions during cycles impact us in different ways, depending primarily on the length of drilling contracts in different regions.

Offshore drilling contracts are generally awarded on a competitive bid basis or through privately negotiated transactions. In determining which qualified drilling contractor is awarded a contract, the key factors are pricing, rig availability, technical specification, rig location, condition and integrity of equipment, their record of operating efficiency, safety performance record, crew experience, reputation and industry standing and customer relations.

Furthermore, competition for offshore drilling units is generally on a global basis, as rigs are highly mobile. However, the cost associated with mobilizing rigs between regions is sometimes substantial, as entering a new region could necessitate upgrades of the unit and its equipment to specific regional requirements.

## Human Capital

As of December 31, 2024, we had approximately 3,300 employees worldwide, including contracted-in staff.

### Code of Conduct and Human Rights

Our Code of Conduct is available to all Seadrill employees, partners, suppliers, vendors and contractors and is available in English, Norwegian, and Portuguese. Our Code of Conduct is our guide to assess our decisions and actions that help us live up to our values. Our Code of Conduct also confirms our zero-tolerance attitude towards human rights violations, modern slavery, and human trafficking.

### Labor Rights

As we employ people in a number of locations globally, in some locations, predominantly Norway and Brazil, employees and contract labor are represented by collective bargaining agreements ("CBAs"). As part of the legal obligations in some of these agreements, we are required to contribute certain amounts to retirement and pension funds. In addition, many of these employees are working under agreements that are subject to salary negotiation, which could result in higher personnel costs, other increased costs or increased operating restrictions that could adversely affect our financial performance. We consider our relationships with the various unions to be stable. The CBAs in place relating to Norway's employees have no set expiry and are reviewed every two years. Separate agreements are in place for the Onshore and Offshore populations. The CBA in place in Brazil is negotiated annually and was successfully negotiated for the period from September 2024 to August 2025, when it is up for its annual negotiations.



## *Talent*

Our success is driven by the passion and expertise of our people, and we are dedicated to attracting and retaining the best talent in the industry and the markets where we operate. We are committed to providing a positive employee experience and fostering a safe and supportive work environment that aligns with our values and meets the diverse needs of our people.

As part of our commitments to attract and retain talent, we empower our employees to take ownership of their careers by:

- Hiring the right people for the right roles;
- Cultivating a high performance culture supported by effective performance management processes;
- Supporting our people to fulfill their potential and to build their careers through training and personal development; and
- Providing competitive and consistent reward policies that recognize and celebrate individual team contributions.

## *Training*

Our industry-leading well control training sets the standard for comprehensive instruction. In collaboration with the International Well Control Forum ("IWCF"), we have developed a training program that incorporates advanced technical and behavioral simulations and meets the industry standards for enhanced well control training. This comprehensive training is implemented worldwide across our fleet. Our goal is to internally train and develop all our drillers to meet the enhanced standard as set by the IWCF and International Association of Drilling Contractors ("IADC"), and we are making steady progress toward achieving this objective.

We have also established the Seadrill Development Academy, an enhanced drilling simulator suite that provides employees with a fully immersive setting, mimicking the very challenges faced by offshore drillers. The simulator allows us to create a fully customized course for the Drillers Development Program, the Rig Senior Management and High Performing Teams. This simulator gives us a state-of-the-art facility at our disposal, enabling us to learn from operational events, or precisely plan technically challenging wells, thus furthering our objective of continuous improvement.

## *Safety*

Seadrill is dedicated to establishing a secure work environment where effective barriers to control the hazards in our operations manage risk and everyone's well-being is prioritized. The health, well-being, and safety of our employees, service providers, customers, third parties and stakeholders to our operations are of utmost significance to us. We strive to be a beacon of excellence, setting an example for the offshore drilling industry through our comprehensive health, safety and environmental management system. All health, safety and environmental incidents, including near misses, are investigated to identify learnings to enable us to strengthen and improve barriers and controls to manage hazards and mitigate risk to an acceptable level to enable safe, efficient and reliable operations. We measure our safety performance in terms of widely accepted ratios with the use of industry standards, including the total recordable incident rate ("TRIR"), which represents the number of recordable work-related injuries or illnesses for every 200,000 hours worked. During the year ended December 31, 2024, our TRIR was 0.36, which was below the IADC average of 0.44 for the areas in which Seadrill operates.

## *Environmental and Other Regulations in the Offshore Drilling Industry*

Our operations are subject to numerous laws and regulations in the form of international treaties and maritime regimes, flag state requirements, national environmental laws and regulations, navigation and operating permits requirements, local content requirements, and other national, state and local laws and regulations in force in the jurisdictions in which our drilling units operate or are registered, which can significantly affect the ownership and operation of our drilling units. For details of environmental laws and regulations affecting our operations, refer to Part I, Item 1A, "Risk Factors – Risks Relating to Our Business and Industry – Increasing attention to environmental, social and governance matters and climate change may impact us."

### *i. Flag State Requirements*

All our drilling units are subject to regulatory requirements of the flag state where the drilling unit is registered. The flag state requirements are international maritime requirements and, in some cases, further interpolated by the flag state itself. These include engineering, safety and other requirements related to the maritime industry. In addition, each of our drilling units must be "classed" by a classification society. The classification society certifies that the drilling unit is "in-class," signifying that such drilling unit has been built and maintained in accordance with the rules of the classification society and complies with applicable rules and regulations of the flag state and the international conventions of which that country is a member. Maintenance of class certification requires expenditure and can require taking a drilling unit out of service from time to time for repairs or modifications to meet class requirements. Our drilling units must generally undergo class surveys annually and a renewal survey once every five years. In addition, for some of the internationally-required class certifications, such as the Code for the Construction and Equipment of Mobile Offshore Drilling Units (the "MODU Code") certificate, the classification society will act on a flag state's behalf. The classification society can also act on behalf of the flag state for survey and issue of international certification. Port states can also impose stricter regimes than the flag state when the drilling unit is operating in their territorial waters.

### *ii. International Maritime Regimes*

Applicable international maritime regime requirements include, but are not limited to, the International Convention on Civil Liability for Bunker Oil Pollution Damage, the International Convention for the Safety of Life at Sea of 1974, as from time to time amended, the International Safety Management Code for the Safe Operation of Ships and for Pollution Prevention, the MODU Code, and the International Convention for the Prevention from Ships International Convention for the Control and Management of Ships' Ballast Water and Sediments of 2004, as from time to time amended (the "BWM Convention"). These various conventions regulate air emissions and other discharges to the environment from, and safety matters related to, our drilling units worldwide, and we may incur costs to comply with these regimes and continue to comply with these regimes as they may be amended in the future. In addition, these conventions impose liability for certain discharges, including strict liability in some cases. For details of these laws and regulations, refer to Part I, Item 1A, "Risk Factors - Risks Relating to Our Business and Industry - We are subject to complex environmental laws and regulations that can adversely affect us."



The BWM Convention requires mandatory ballast water treatment. The BWM Convention entered into force on September 8, 2017. Under its requirements, only ballast water treatment will be accepted from the next International Oil Pollution Prevention renewal survey (after September 8, 2019). All Seadrill units considered in operational status and operating in areas subject to the BWM Convention by International Maritime Organization guidelines are in full compliance therewith.

### *iii. Environmental Laws and Regulations*

Applicable environmental laws and regulations include the U.S. Oil Pollution Act, the U.S. Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act, the U.S. Clean Water Act, the U.S. Clean Air Act, U.S. Maritime Transportation Safety Act, European Union regulations, including the EU Directive 2013/30 on the Safety of Offshore Oil and Gas Operations, and Brazil's National Environmental Policy Law (6938/81), Environmental Crimes Law (9605/98) and Federal Law (9966/2000) relating to pollution in Brazilian waters. These laws govern the discharge of materials into the environment or otherwise relate to pollution or protection of the environment and natural resources. In certain circumstances, these laws may impose strict, joint and several liability, rendering us liable for environmental and natural resource damages without regard to negligence or fault on our part. Implementation of new environmental laws or regulations that may apply to ultra-deepwater drilling units may subject us to increased costs or limit the operational capabilities of our drilling units and could materially and adversely affect our operations and financial condition. It is not possible to predict the impact of the Trump Administration on U.S. climate and energy initiatives at this time. While the Trump Administration may seek to reverse some or all of these U.S. initiatives, it is unknown whether such reversals will ultimately be successful. For details of these laws and regulations, refer to Part I, Item 1A, "Risk Factors - Risks Relating to Our Business and Industry - We are subject to complex environmental laws and regulations that can adversely affect us."

### *iv. Safety Requirements*

Our operations are subject to special safety regulations relating to drilling and to the oil and gas industry in many of the countries where we operate. The United States undertook substantial revision of safety regulations applicable to our industry following the 2010 Deepwater Horizon Incident, in which we were not involved. Other countries also have undertaken or are undertaking a review of their safety regulations related to our industry. These safety regulations may impact our operations and financial results by adding to the costs of exploring for, developing and producing oil and gas in offshore settings. For instance, on August 23, 2023, the Bureau of Safety and Environmental Enforcement ("BSEE") published a final rule that revised well control regulations that established more stringent design requirements and operational procedures for critical well control equipment used in offshore oil and gas drilling and BSEE has also implemented a risk-based inspection program for offshore facilities. The EU also undertook a significant revision of its safety requirements for offshore oil and gas activities following the Deepwater Horizon Incident through the issue of the EU Directive 2013/30 on the Safety of Offshore Oil and Gas Operations. In Brazil, the drilling industry is subject to the regulations of the National Agency for Petroleum, Natural Gas and Biofuels ("ANP"), which is the regulating body for the activities within the oil, natural gas and biofuels industries in Brazil. These and other future safety and environmental laws and regulations regarding offshore oil and gas exploration and development may increase the cost of our operations, lead our customers to not pursue certain offshore opportunities and result in additional downtime for our drilling units. In addition, if material spill events similar to the Deepwater Horizon Incident were to occur in the future, or if other environmental or safety issues were to cause significant public concern, the United States or other countries could elect to, again, issue directives to cease drilling activities in certain geographic areas for lengthy periods of time.

### *v. Navigation and Operating Permit Requirements*

Numerous governmental agencies issue regulations to implement and enforce the laws of the applicable jurisdiction, which often involve lengthy permitting procedures, impose difficult and costly compliance measures, particularly in ecologically sensitive areas, and subject operators to substantial administrative, civil and criminal penalties or may result in injunctive relief for failure to comply. Some of these laws contain criminal sanctions in addition to civil penalties.

### *vi. Local Content Requirements*

Governments in some countries have become increasingly active in local content requirements on the ownership of drilling companies, local content requirements for equipment utilized in our operations, and other aspects of the oil and gas industries in their countries. There are currently local content requirements in relation to drilling unit contracts in which we are participating in Brazil. Although these requirements have not had a material impact on our operations in the past, they could have a material impact on our earnings, operations and financial condition in the future.

### *vii. Other Laws and Regulations*

In addition to the requirements described above, our international operations in the offshore drilling segment are subject to various other international conventions and laws and regulations in countries in which we operate, including laws and regulations relating to the importation of, and operation of, drilling units and equipment, currency conversions and repatriation, oil and gas exploration and development, taxation of offshore earnings and earnings of expatriate personnel, the use of local employees and suppliers by foreign contractors and duties on the importation and exportation of drilling units and other equipment. There is no assurance that compliance with current laws and regulations or amended or newly adopted laws and regulations can be maintained in the future or that future expenditures required to comply with all such laws and regulations in the future will not be material.



## Information About Our Executive Officers

The following sets forth information regarding our executive officers as of February 27, 2025:

Name	Age	Position
Simon Johnson	54	President and Chief Executive Officer
Grant Creed	44	Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer
Samir Ali	39	Executive Vice President, Chief Commercial Officer
Torsten Sauer-Petersen	52	Executive Vice President, Human Resources
Todd Strickler	47	Senior Vice President and General Counsel
Marcel Wieggers	52	Senior Vice President, Operations

*Simon Johnson.* Simon William Johnson serves as the President and Chief Executive Officer of the Company. Mr. Johnson was appointed to such roles in March 2022. Mr. Johnson has worked internationally for the past 28 years for a number of publicly listed offshore drilling contractors, including the Company, Diamond Offshore, Noble Corporation, and Borr Drilling. His early career saw exposure to various rig and shore-based operational roles for MODUs in Southeast Asia before migrating to more commercially focused roles including Senior Vice President - Marketing and Contracts at Noble Corporation and Chief Executive Officer of Borr Drilling. Mr. Johnson has demonstrated strengths in strategy development, investor outreach, and relationship management. Mr. Johnson has many years of exposure to board engagements and associated corporate governance and compliance issues. Mr. Johnson holds a Bachelor of Commerce (Economics & Finance) from Curtin University and has completed the Advanced Management Program at Harvard Business School. Mr. Johnson holds Australian citizenship and resides in Texas.

*Grant Creed.* Grant Creed serves as Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer of the Company. Mr. Creed was appointed to such roles in May 2021. Mr. Creed joined the Company in 2013 and has held various positions within the Seadrill Group including Chief Restructuring Officer, VP Mergers & Acquisitions, and VP Corporate and Commercial Finance. Prior to joining the Company, he held M&A Transaction Services and Audit positions at Deloitte. Mr. Creed is a chartered accountant and holds a Bachelor of Commerce in Accounting from the University of Port Elizabeth, South Africa. Mr. Creed holds South African, Australian and British citizenships and resides in Texas.

*Samir Ali.* Samir Ali serves as Executive Vice President, Chief Commercial Officer of the Company. Mr. Ali was appointed to such role in August 2022. Prior to joining the Company, Mr. Ali was with Diamond Offshore for eight years, most recently serving as VP Investor Relations and Corporate Development. He previously held roles as both a debt and equity investment portfolio manager at Bain Capital and as an investment banker at Simmons & Company. He has a degree in Finance and International Business from New York University. Mr. Ali is a U.S. citizen and resides in Texas.

*Torsten Sauer-Petersen.* Torsten Sauer-Petersen serves as Executive Vice President, Human Resources of the Company. Mr. Sauer-Petersen was appointed to such role in March 2022. Mr. Sauer-Petersen joined Seadrill in February 2011 and has over 25 years of experience in the drilling industry. Prior to joining the Company, he held various human resources positions within Maersk Drilling. Mr. Sauer-Petersen holds an MBA from the International Institute of Management Development (IMD) in Lausanne, Switzerland. Mr. Sauer-Petersen is a Danish citizen and resides in Texas.

*Todd Strickler.* Todd Strickler serves as Senior Vice President and General Counsel of the Company. Mr. Strickler was appointed to such roles in February 2023. Mr. Strickler has over 15 years' experience in the offshore drilling and oilfield services sectors. Prior to joining the Company, he served as General Counsel and Chief Administrative Officer at Wellbore Integrity Services since 2019. Mr. Strickler was the SVP of Administration, General Counsel, and Corporate Secretary for Paragon Offshore from its inception in 2014 until its sale in 2018. Prior to that, he served as Associate General Counsel for Noble Drilling from 2009 to 2014. Mr. Strickler holds a Bachelor of Science in Mechanical Engineering from the University of Texas at Austin and a Doctor of Law from The University of Texas Law School. Mr. Strickler is a U.S. citizen and resides in Texas.

*Marcel Wieggers.* Marcel Wieggers serves as the Senior Vice President, Operations of Seadrill Management. Mr. Wieggers was appointed to such role in December 2023. Mr. Wieggers has over 25 years of experience in the offshore drilling industry. During his extensive tenure spanning over 14 years within Seadrill, Mr. Wieggers has demonstrated remarkable progression through various key roles. Commencing his journey as a Toolpusher, he ascended the ranks, culminating in his recent position as Vice President, Operations overseeing the Company's Floater and Harsh Environment fleets prior to his appointment to Senior Vice President, Operations. His seasoned experience encompasses both offshore and onshore capacities, spanning continents including Africa, Asia, Europe, South America, and North America. Mr. Wieggers holds a Bachelor's in Engineering, Drilling and Production Technology from Amsterdam University of Applied Sciences. He has completed the Accelerated Development Program from London Business School and the Advanced Management Program from the International Institute for Management Development (IMD). Mr. Wieggers is a Dutch citizen and resides in Texas.



## **Board of Directors of Seadrill Limited**

*Ms. Julie J. Robertson* – Chair of our Board of Directors and Former Executive Chairman, President and Chief Executive Officer of Noble Corporation plc and its predecessor companies.

*Mr. Jean Cahuzac* – Former Chief Executive Officer of Subsea 7 S.A.

*Mr. Jan Kjærvik* – Former Interim Treasurer for GE Energy businesses (Vernova).

*Mr. Mark McCollum* – Former President and Chief Executive Officer of Weatherford International plc.

*Mr. Harry Quarls* – Former Managing Director at Global Infrastructure Partners.

*Mr. Andrew Schultz* – Lawyer, experienced turnaround investor and former executive.

*Mr. Paul Smith* – Founder and Principal of Collingwood Capital Partners.

*Mr. Jonathan Swinney* – Former Chief Financial Officer of EnQuest PLC.

*Ms. Ana Zambelli* – Former Managing Director in Brookfield's Private Equity Group.

## **Available Information**

We make available free of charge through our website, [www.seadrill.com](http://www.seadrill.com), our annual reports on Form 10-K, quarterly reports on Form 10-Q, current reports on Form 8-K and all amendments to those reports as soon as reasonably practicable after such material is electronically filed with or furnished to the SEC. In addition, the SEC maintains a website that contains reports, proxy statements and other information regarding issuers that file electronically with the SEC, including Seadrill. The SEC website is [www.sec.gov](http://www.sec.gov).

Investors should note that we announce material financial information in SEC filings, press releases and public conference calls. Based on guidance from the SEC, we may use the Investors section of our website ([www.seadrill.com](http://www.seadrill.com)) to communicate with investors and we intend to post presentations and fleet status reports there, among other things. It is possible that the financial and other information posted there could be deemed to be material information.

The information on our website is not part of, and is not incorporated into, this annual report. Furthermore, references to our website URLs are intended to be inactive textual references only.



## Item 1A. Risk Factors

You should carefully consider the following risk factors in addition to the other information included in this report. Each of these risk factors could affect our business, operating results and financial condition, as well as affect an investment in our Shares. Unless otherwise indicated, all information concerning our business and our assets is as of December 31, 2024. The risks and uncertainties described below are not the only ones we face. Additional risks and uncertainties not presently known to us or that we currently deem immaterial may also impair our business operations.

### Risks Relating to Our Business and Industry

*Our business depends on the level of activity in the oil and gas industry. Adverse developments affecting the industry, including a decline in the price of oil or gas, reduced demand for oil and gas products and increased regulation of drilling and production, have in the past had and may in the future have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition and results of operations.*

Our business depends on the level of oil and gas exploration, development and production in offshore areas worldwide that is influenced by oil and gas prices and market expectations of potential changes in these prices.

Oil and gas prices and the level of activity in offshore oil and gas exploration and development are extremely volatile and are affected by numerous factors beyond our control, including, but not limited to, the following:

- worldwide production of, and demand for, oil and gas, geographical dislocations in supply and demand, and our customers' views of future demand for oil and gas, which are impacted by changes in the rate of economic growth in the global economy;
- the cost of exploring for, developing, producing and delivering oil and gas;
- expectations regarding future energy prices and production;
- advances in exploration, development and production technology either onshore or offshore, and the relative cost of offshore oil and gas exploration versus onshore oil and gas production;
- the availability of, and access to, suitable locations from which our customers can produce hydrocarbons and the rate of decline of reserves;
- the ability of oil and gas companies to raise capital, and the allocation of capital to exploration and production operations within customers' broader portfolios;
- the development and exploitation of alternative fuels and unconventional hydrocarbon production, including shale;
- potential acceleration in the investment in, and the development, price and availability of, alternative energy sources;
- technical advances affecting energy consumption, including the displacement of hydrocarbons;
- inventory levels, and the cost and availability of storage and transportation of oil, gas and their related products;
- oil refining capacity;
- the ability or willingness of the Organization of the Petroleum Exporting Countries ("OPEC"), and other non-member nations, including Russia, to set and maintain levels of production and pricing, and the level of production in non-OPEC countries;
- international sanctions on oil-producing countries, or the lifting of such sanctions, and export licensing requirements;
- government regulations, including restrictions on offshore transportation of oil and natural gas;
- local and international political, economic and weather conditions;
- domestic and foreign tax policies;
- merger, acquisition and divestiture activity among oil and gas industry participants;
- worldwide economic and financial problems, including, for example, inflationary pressures and supply chain disruptions, the resulting fears of recession and the corresponding decline in the demand for oil and gas and, consequently, our services;
- the occurrence or threat of a major natural disaster, catastrophic event, epidemic or pandemic, as well as any governmental response to such occurrence or threat;
- changes in and compliance with environmental laws, regulations and other initiatives, including those involving alternative energy sources, the phase-out of fossil fuel consuming vehicles, and the risks of global climate change; and
- the worldwide political and military environment, including uncertainty or instability resulting from civil disorder, geopolitical instability, border disputes or an escalation or additional outbreak of armed hostilities or other crises in the Middle East, Eastern Europe or other geographic areas or acts of terrorism in the United States, Europe or elsewhere, including, for example, the ongoing conflicts in Ukraine and the Middle East and the Guyana-Venezuela dispute, and their respective regional and global ramifications.

As an example of the volatility in oil prices, Brent fell to \$9 a barrel in April 2020 before a recovery in oil and gas prices toward the end of 2020 through part of 2022. As of December 31, 2024, Brent closed at a price of \$74.64 a barrel. Although prices have partially recovered, they remain volatile; and there is no guarantee such recovery will be sustained. Even so, higher prices do not necessarily translate into increased drilling activity because our customers take into account a number of considerations when they decide to invest in offshore oil and gas resources.



Adverse developments affecting the industry as a result of one or more of the above factors, including a decline in the price of oil and gas from their current levels or the failure of the price of oil and gas to remain consistently at a level that encourages our customers to maintain or expand their capital spending, would have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition and results of operations. However, increases in near-term commodity prices do not necessarily translate into increased offshore drilling activity because customers' expectations of longer-term future commodity prices and expectations regarding future demand for hydrocarbons typically have a greater impact on demand for our rigs. The level of oil and gas prices has had, and may in the future have, a material adverse effect on demand for our services, and we expect that future declines in prices would have a material adverse effect on our business, results of operations and financial condition.

***The success and growth of our business depend on the level of activity in the offshore oil and gas industry generally, and the drilling industry specifically, which are both highly competitive and cyclical, with intense price competition and volatility.***

The offshore drilling industry is highly competitive, cyclical and fragmented and includes several large companies that compete in many of the markets we serve, as well as numerous small companies that compete with us on a local basis. The industry is characterized by high capital and operating costs and evolving capability of new rigs.

Offshore drilling contracts are generally awarded on a competitive bid basis or through privately negotiated transactions. In determining which qualified drilling contractor is awarded a contract, the key factors are pricing, rig availability, rig location, the suitability, condition and integrity of equipment, the rig's or the drilling contractor's record of operating efficiency, including high operating uptime, technical specifications, safety performance record, crew experience, reputation, industry standing and customer relations. Our future success and profitability will depend, in part, upon our ability to keep pace with our customers' demands with respect to these factors. Our operations may be adversely affected if our current competitors or new market entrants introduce new drilling units with better features, performance, prices or other characteristics compared to our drilling units, or expand into service areas where we operate. Competitive pressures, including to develop, implement or acquire certain new technologies, which may require us to incur substantial costs, and other factors may result in significant price competition, particularly during industry downturns, which could have a material adverse effect on our operating results and financial condition.

The cyclical nature of our industry also may adversely impact our operations and future business success. Periods of low demand or excess rig supply may intensify the competition in the industry and have resulted in, and may continue to result in, many of our rigs earning substantially lower dayrates or being idle for long periods of time. Although the industry has experienced a rationalization and correction of the global offshore rig supply, we continue to experience competition from newbuild and reactivated rigs, including rigs that have been stranded in shipyards, that have either already entered the market or are available to enter the market. The entry of these rigs into the market has resulted in, and may in the future result in, lower dayrates for newbuilds, reactivated rigs and existing rigs rolling off their current contracts. In addition, our competitors may relocate rigs to geographic markets in which we operate, which could exacerbate any excess rig supply, or depress the current rationalization and correction of offshore rig supply, and result in lower dayrates and utilization in those regions.

***Consolidation in our industry may impact our results of operations.***

In the past several years, the pace of consolidation in our industry has increased, and may continue to increase, leading to the creation of a number of larger and financially stronger competitors. If we are unable, or our customers believe that we are unable, to compete with the scale and financial strength of certain of our competitors, it could harm our ability to maintain existing drilling contracts and secure new ones. Moreover, business consolidations within the oil and gas industry in recent years have resulted in exploration and production companies combining and using their size and purchasing power to seek economies of scale and pricing concessions. Continuing consolidation within the oil and gas industry may result in reduced capital spending by some of our customers or the acquisition of one or more of our primary customers, which may lead to decreased demand for our services. There is no assurance that we will be able to maintain our level of activity with a customer after its consolidation with another company or replace that revenue with increased business activity with other customers. As a result, such consolidation in our industry, and the oil and gas industry may have a significant adverse impact on our business, results of operations, financial condition and cash flows. We are unable to predict what effect consolidations in these industries may have on prices, capital spending by our customers, our competitive position, our ability to retain customers or our ability to negotiate favorable agreements with our customers.

***Upgrades, refurbishment, repair and surveying of rigs are subject to risks, including delays and cost overruns, that could have an adverse impact on our available cash resources and results of operations.***

We will continue to make upgrades, refurbishment and repair expenditures to our fleet from time to time, some of which may be unplanned. In addition: (i) we may reactivate rigs that have been cold or warm stacked and make selective acquisitions of rigs; (ii) our customers may require certain upgrade projects for our rigs; and (iii) compliance with vessel flag rules mandating periodic surveys of our rigs requires us to periodically take each of our rigs out of operation in order to conduct surveys and inspections, including in drydock. Generally, these projects become more time consuming and expensive the older the fleet becomes and are subject to risks of cost overruns or delays as a result of numerous factors, including the following:

- shortages of equipment, materials or skilled labor;
- work stoppages and labor disputes;
- unscheduled delays in the delivery of ordered materials and equipment;
- local customs strikes or related work slowdowns that could delay importation of equipment or materials;
- weather interferences;
- difficulties in obtaining necessary permits or approvals or in meeting permit or approval conditions;
- design and engineering problems;



- inadequate regulatory support infrastructure in the local jurisdiction;
- latent damages or deterioration to hull, equipment and machinery in excess of engineering estimates and assumptions;
- unforeseen increases in the cost of equipment, labor and raw materials, particularly steel due to inflation or other factors;
- unanticipated actual or purported change orders;
- customer acceptance delays;
- disputes with shipyards and suppliers;
- delays in, or inability to obtain, access to funding;
- shipyard availability, failures and difficulties, including as a result of financial problems of shipyards or their subcontractors; and
- failure or delay of third-party equipment vendors or service providers.

The failure to complete a rig upgrade, refurbishment, repair or survey on time, or at all, may result in related loss of revenues, liquidated damages, penalties, or delay renegotiation or cancellation of a drilling contract or the recognition of an asset impairment. Additionally, capital expenditures could materially exceed our planned capital expenditures. When our rigs are undergoing upgrade, refurbishment, repair or surveys, they may not earn a dayrate during the period they are out of service; and the cost of moving a rig, conducting the survey and remedying any deficiencies or defects discovered can result in additional down-time and cost. If we experience substantial delays or cost overruns in these projects, it could have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition and results of operations. We currently have no new rigs under construction.

***Compliance with, and breach of, the complex laws and regulations governing international trade could be costly, expose us to liability and, together with policy changes affecting international trade, adversely affect our operations.***

The shipment of goods, services and technology across international borders subjects our business to extensive trade laws and regulations. Import activities are governed by unique customs laws and regulations in each of the countries of operation. Moreover, many countries, including the United States, control the export, re-export and transfer (in country) of certain goods, services and technology and impose related export recordkeeping and reporting obligations. Governments also may impose trade and economic sanctions against certain countries, persons and other entities that restrict or prohibit transactions involving such countries, persons or entities. For example, the U.S. government has imposed sanctions that are designed to restrict or prohibit doing business in certain countries that are heavily involved in the petroleum and petrochemical industries, which includes drilling activities.

The laws and regulations concerning import and export activity and economic sanctions are complex and constantly changing, and we cannot predict what changes will be made by the U.S. or other governments, nor can we predict the effects that any such changes would have on our business. Shipments can be delayed and denied export or entry for a variety of reasons, some of which are outside our control and some of which may result from the failure to comply with existing legal and regulatory regimes. Shipping delays or denials could cause unscheduled operational downtime. Any failure to comply with applicable legal and regulatory obligations could also result in criminal and civil penalties and sanctions, such as fines, imprisonment, debarment from government contracts, the seizure of shipments, and the loss of import and export privileges.

Changes in government policies on foreign trade and investment can also affect the demand for our services, impact the competitive position of our services or prevent us from being able to sell services in certain countries. Our business benefits from free trade agreements, and efforts to withdraw from or substantially modify such agreements, in addition to the implementation of more restrictive trade policies, such as more detailed inspections, higher tariffs, import or export licensing requirements, economic sanctions, anti-boycott laws, exchange controls or new barriers to entry, could have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition and results of operations. For example, on February 1, 2025, the Trump Administration issued executive orders imposing tariffs on certain products imported from China, Canada and Mexico to the United States. These new tariffs may put upwards pressure on the prices of goods and services across the jurisdictions in which we operate, including those we source from third-party providers (as defined below), which could reduce our ability to offer competitive pricing to potential customers. We cannot predict what other changes to trade policy will be made by the Trump Administration, the U.S. Congress or other governments, including whether existing tariff policies will be maintained or modified or whether the entry into new bilateral or multilateral trade agreements will occur, nor can we predict the effects that any such changes would have on our business. Changes in U.S. trade policy have resulted and could again result in reactions from U.S. trading partners, including adopting responsive trade policies making it more difficult or costly for us to conduct business across the jurisdictions in which we operate or source goods and services from third-party providers. Such changes in trade policy or in laws and policies governing foreign trade, and any resulting negative sentiments towards the United States as a result of such changes, could materially and adversely affect our business, financial condition and results of operations.

Moreover, our results are directly affected by the applicability of certain customs duties and importation tax relief programs under customs regimes for the exportation and importation of goods and equipment, including rigs, related to the oil and gas sector. Among other incentives, such programs grant full suspension of certain import taxes, resulting in reduced tax burdens from operations. If unprecedented interpretations are applied by the customs and tax authorities governing such programs and regimes, including those that would deny us the use of such incentives granted historically in the ordinary course, and assuming we are unable to successfully challenge such interpretation or otherwise able to recover any amounts pursuant to the contractual provisions of the applicable drilling contract, then the amount of the applicable tariff, which would depend on many factors, could reasonably be expected to increase our operating costs.

***Increasing attention to environmental, social and governance matters and climate change may impact us.***

Companies across all industries are facing increasing scrutiny relating to their ESG policies, including those related to climate change, sustainability, diversity and inclusion initiatives and heightened governance standards. Investor advocacy groups, certain institutional investors, investment funds, lenders and other market participants are increasingly focused on ESG practices and in recent years have placed growing importance on the implications and social cost of their investments. The increased focus and activism related to ESG and similar



matters may hinder access to capital as investors and lenders may decide to reallocate capital or not to commit capital as a result of their assessment of a company's ESG practices. Companies that do not adapt to or comply with investor, lender or other industry shareholder expectations and standards, which are evolving, or which are perceived to have not responded appropriately to the growing concern for ESG issues, regardless of whether there is a legal requirement to do so, may suffer from reputational damage and the business, financial condition or share price of such a company could be materially and adversely affected.

We may face increasing pressures from investors, lenders and other market participants, who are increasingly focused on climate change, to prioritize sustainable energy practices, reduce our carbon footprint and promote sustainability. As a result, we may be required to implement more stringent ESG procedures or standards, or reduce or offset our greenhouse gas emissions, so that our existing and future investors and lenders remain invested in us and make further investments in us. We may also be subject in the future to additional reporting requirements that are developing in response to such increased focus. If we do not take these measures or comply with the additional reporting requirements, our business or our ability to access capital could be harmed.

Additionally, certain investors and lenders may divest their shares of companies engaged in the fossil fuel industry, such as us, or exclude such companies from their investing portfolios altogether due to ESG factors. These limitations in both the debt and equity capital markets may affect our ability to grow as our plans for growth may include accessing those markets. If those markets are unavailable, or if we are unable to access alternative means of financing on acceptable terms, or at all, we may be unable to implement our business strategy, which would have a material adverse effect on our financial condition and results of operations and impair our ability to service our debt. Further, it is likely that we will incur additional costs and require additional resources to monitor, report and comply with wide-ranging ESG and climate change-related requirements and goals, targets or objectives we may be required to set. Similarly, these policies may negatively impact the ability of other businesses in our supply chain to access debt and capital markets. The occurrence of any of the foregoing could have a material adverse effect on our business and financial condition.

***Our aspirations, goals and initiatives related to sustainability, including emissions reduction and our public statements and disclosures regarding the same, expose us to numerous risks.***

We have developed, and we will continue to develop, goals, and other objectives related to sustainability matters, including those discussed in our annual sustainability reports. Statements related to these goals and objectives are made using various underlying assumptions and reflect our current intentions, and do not constitute a guarantee that they will be achieved. Our ability to achieve any stated goal or objective is subject to numerous factors and conditions, many of which are outside of our control, including the availability of technologies and processes to reduce fuel use and improve energy efficiency on our rigs. Due to the interaction of numerous factors beyond our control we cannot predict the ultimate impact of achieving sustainability goals, or the various implementation aspects, on our financial condition and results of operations.

Our business may face increased scrutiny from investors and other stakeholders related to our sustainability activities, including the goals and other objectives that we announce, and our methodologies and timelines for pursuing them. If our sustainability assumptions or practices do not meet investor or other stakeholder expectations and standards, which continue to evolve, our reputation, our ability to attract or retain employees and our attractiveness as an investment or business partner could be negatively affected. Similarly, our failure or perceived failure to pursue or fulfill our sustainability focused goals and objectives, to comply with ethical, environmental or other standards, regulations or expectations, or to satisfy various reporting standards with respect to these matters, within the timelines dictated by regulations, timelines we voluntarily announce, or at all, could adversely affect our business or reputation, as well as expose us to government enforcement actions and private litigation.

***Failure to obtain or retain highly skilled personnel, and to ensure they have the correct visas and permits to work in the locations in which they are required, could adversely affect our operations.***

We require highly skilled personnel in the right locations to operate and provide technical services and support for our business.

Competition for skilled and other labor required for our drilling operations has increased in recent years as the number of rigs activated or added to worldwide fleets has increased, and this may continue to rise. In some regions, such as Brazil and West Africa, the limited availability of qualified personnel in combination with local regulations focusing on crew composition, are expected to further increase the demand for qualified offshore drilling crews, which may increase our costs. These factors could further create and intensify upward pressure on wages and make it more difficult for us to staff and service our rigs. Additionally, many of our drilling contracts specify a minimum number of crew ("Minimum POB") required to be on board the rig at all times while the rig is under contract. Although our rigs can safely operate with staffing below the contracted Minimum POB, the drilling contracts often provide for us to incur a financial penalty for failure to maintain the Minimum POB. Such developments could adversely affect our financial results and cash flows. Furthermore, as a result of any increased competition for qualified personnel, we may experience a reduction in the experience level of our personnel, which could lead to higher downtime and more operating incidents.

Our ability to operate worldwide depends on our ability to obtain the necessary visas and work permits for our personnel to travel in and out of, and to work in, the jurisdictions in which we operate. Governmental actions in some of these jurisdictions may make it difficult for us to move our personnel in and out of these jurisdictions by delaying or withholding the approval of these permits. If we are not able to obtain visas and work permits for the employees we need for operating our rigs on a timely basis, or for third-party technicians needed for maintenance or repairs, we might not be able to perform our obligations under our drilling contracts, which could allow our customers to cancel the contracts.

The market for highly skilled workers and leaders in our industry is extremely competitive, and we may need to invest significant amounts of cash and equity to attract and retain employees. We may never realize returns on these investments. To help attract, retain, and motivate qualified employees, we use equity-based awards and performance-based cash incentive awards. Sustained declines in our stock price, or lower stock price performance relative to competitors, can reduce the retention value of our equity-based awards, which can impact the competitiveness of our compensation.



***Because our Consolidated Financial Statements reflect fresh start accounting adjustments made upon emergence from bankruptcy in 2022, financial information in other periods of our financial statements are not comparable to Seadrill's financial information from the 2022 prior period.***

Upon emergence from Chapter 11 Proceedings, on February 22, 2022, we adopted fresh start accounting in accordance with the provisions set forth in ASC 852, Reorganizations ("ASC 852"). Adopting fresh start accounting results in a new financial reporting entity with no retained earnings or deficits brought forward. Upon the adoption of fresh start accounting, our assets and liabilities were recorded at their fair values which differ materially from the recorded values of our assets and liabilities as reflected in Seadrill's predecessor historical Consolidated Balance Sheets.

Therefore, our financial statements that have been reported since emergence, as well as financial statements issued in the future, will not be directly comparable to those from periods prior to emergence from bankruptcy, and investors may find it difficult to compare our post-emergence financial information to that of prior periods. You will not be able to compare information reflecting our post-emergence Consolidated Financial Statements to information for periods prior to emergence from bankruptcy without adjusting for fresh start accounting. The lack of comparable historical information may discourage investors from purchasing Shares.

***Our customers may seek to cancel or renegotiate their contracts to include unfavorable terms such as unprofitable rates, particularly in the circumstance that operations are suspended or interrupted.***

During volatile market conditions or expected downturns, some of our customers may also seek to terminate or renegotiate their agreements with us for various reasons, including adverse conditions, resulting in lower revenue. Our inability, or the inability of our customers to perform, under our or their contractual obligations may have a material adverse effect on our financial position, operating results and cash flows. In addition, some of our customers have the right to terminate their drilling contracts without cause upon the payment of an early termination fee. While this early termination fee is intended to compensate us for lost revenues (less operating expenses) for the remaining contract period, in some cases, such payments may not fully compensate us for the loss of the drilling contract.

Under certain circumstances our contracts may permit customers to terminate contracts early without the payment of any termination fees, as a result of, for example, non-performance, periods of downtime or impaired performance caused by equipment or operational issues, or sustained periods of downtime due to events beyond our control. In addition, national oil company customers may have special termination rights by law. During periods of challenging market conditions, we may be subject to an increased risk of our customers seeking to repudiate their contracts, including through claims of non-performance. Our customers may seek to renegotiate their contracts with us using various techniques, including threatening breaches of contract and applying commercial pressure, resulting in lower revenue or the cancellation of contracts with or without any applicable early termination payments.

Reduced dayrates in our customer contracts and cancellation of drilling contracts (with or without early termination payments) may adversely affect our financial performance and lead to reduced revenues from operations.

In addition, our customers continue to seek more favorable terms with respect to allocation of risk under offshore drilling contracts. Our drilling contracts provide for varying levels of risk allocation and indemnification from our customers. Our customers have historically assumed most of the responsibility for and indemnified us from loss, damage or other potential liabilities. However, we regularly are required to assume liability for pollution damage caused by our negligence, which liability generally has caps; though in the event the damage is caused by our gross negligence or willful misconduct, our liability may not be limited. We still face resistance from some customers when attempting to reduce our contractual risk allocation, including when we seek to mitigate our liability exposure in relation to potential damages resulting from pollution or contamination and negotiating lower caps for damage caused by our gross negligence or willful misconduct. Our contracts may also be subject to court assessment whereby a court could decide that certain contractual indemnities in current or future contracts are not enforceable. Going forward, we could decide or be required to accept more contractual risk in the future, resulting in higher risk of losses, which could be material.

***We may not be able to renew or obtain new and favorable contracts for our drilling units.***

The offshore drilling markets in which we compete experience fluctuations in the demand for drilling services. Our ability to renew expiring drilling contracts or obtain new drilling contracts depends on the prevailing or expected market conditions. As of December 31, 2024, we owned a total of 15 drilling units, of which 11 were operating (inclusive of one leased to the Sonadrill joint venture), one 6th generation drillship was undergoing contract preparations for a contract that commenced during February 2025, and three were cold stacked. The 11 operating units include 10 benign floaters (comprising seven 7th generation drillships, two 6th generation drillships and one benign environment semi-submersible) and one harsh environment unit (comprising of one jackup). In addition to our owned assets, as of December 31, 2024, we managed two drilling units owned by Sonangol. Of the 12 owned rigs either currently or future contracted, we expect four will become available before the end of 2025. We may be unable to obtain drilling contracts for our rigs that are currently operating upon the expiration or termination of such contracts, and there may be a gap in the operation of the rigs between the current contracts and subsequent contracts. When oil and natural gas prices are low or it is expected that such prices will decrease in the future, we may be unable to obtain drilling contracts at attractive dayrates or at all. We may not be able to obtain new drilling contracts with the terms or dayrates sufficient to support a reactivation of a cold-stacked rig. Likewise, we may not be able to obtain new drilling contracts in direct continuation with existing contracts, or depending on prevailing market conditions, we may enter into drilling contracts at dayrates substantially below the existing dayrates or on terms otherwise less favorable compared to existing contract terms, which may have an adverse effect on our financial position, results of operations or cash flows.

***Our contract backlog for our fleet of drilling units may not be realized.***

As of December 31, 2024, our contract backlog was approximately \$3 billion. The contract backlog described herein and in our other public disclosures is only an estimate. The actual amount of revenues and the periods during which they are earned will be different from the contract backlog projections due to various factors, including shipyard and maintenance projects, special periodic surveys, upgrades, regulatory work, downtime and other events, some of which may be beyond our control.



***Our business and operations involve numerous operating hazards, and in the current market we are increasingly required to take additional contractual risk in our customer contracts, which may not be adequately covered by our insurance.***

Our operations are subject to hazards inherent in the drilling industry, such as blowouts, reservoir damage, loss of well control, lost or stuck drill strings, equipment defects, punch-throughs, cratering, fires, explosions and pollution, among others. Contract drilling and well servicing requires the use of heavy equipment and exposure to hazardous conditions, which may subject us to liability claims by employees, customers or third parties. These hazards can cause personal injury or loss of life, severe damage to or destruction of property and equipment, or pollution, environmental or natural resource damage, resulting in claims by third parties or customers, investigations and other proceedings by regulatory authorities, which may involve fines and other sanctions, and suspension of operations. Our offshore fleet is also subject to hazards inherent in marine operations, such as capsizing, sinking, grounding, collision, damage from severe weather (which may be more acute in certain areas where we operate and which some experts believe may increase in frequency and severity due to climate change ) and marine life infestations. Operations may also be suspended because of machinery breakdowns, abnormal drilling conditions, failure of subcontractors to perform or supply goods or services or personnel shortages. We customarily provide contract indemnification to our customers for claims relating to damage to or loss of our equipment, including rigs and claims relating to personal injury or loss of life.

Damage to the environment or natural resources could also result from our operations, particularly through spillage of fuel, lubricants or other chemicals and substances used in drilling operations or uncontrolled fires. We may also be subject to property, environmental, natural resource, personal injury, and other legal claims or injunctions by third parties, including oil and gas companies, as well as administrative, civil, or criminal penalties or injunctions imposed by government authorities.

Our insurance policies and contractual rights to indemnification may not adequately cover losses, and we do not have insurance coverage or rights to indemnity for all risks. Consistent with standard industry practice, our customers generally assume, and indemnify us against, certain risks, for example, well control and subsurface risks, and we generally assume, and indemnify against, above surface risks (including spills and other events occurring on our rigs). Subsurface risks indemnified by our customers generally include risks associated with the loss of control of a well, such as blowout, cratering or uncontrolled well-flow, the cost to regain control of or re-drill the well and associated pollution. However, there can be no assurances that these customers will honor indemnification obligations to us regardless of the agreed contractual position. The terms of our drilling contracts vary based on negotiation, applicable local laws and regulations and other factors, and in some cases, customers may seek to cap indemnities or narrow the scope of their coverage, reducing our level of contractual protection and in turn exposing us to additional risks against which we may not be adequately insured.

In addition, a court, arbitrator, or other dispute resolution body may determine that certain indemnities or other terms in our current or future contracts are not enforceable. Further, pollution and environmental risks generally are not totally insurable. If a significant accident or other event occurs that is not fully covered by our insurance or an enforceable or recoverable indemnity from a customer, the occurrence could adversely affect our performance.

The amount recoverable under insurance, if any, may also be less than the related impact on enterprise value after a loss and may not cover all potential consequences of an incident. Furthermore, the amount recoverable may be limited by annual aggregate policy limits. As a result, we are liable for any losses in excess of these limits. Any such lack of reimbursement or suffering of loss in excess of such limits may cause us to incur substantial costs.

We may decide to retain more risk through self-insurance in the future. This self-insurance results in a higher risk associated with losses (which could be material) that are not covered by third-party insurance contracts. As in the past, we currently self-insure for physical damage to rigs and equipment caused by named windstorms in the U.S. Gulf of America ("US Gulf"). We have elected to self-insure in such context due to the high cost associated with this coverage, and in consideration of the ability of our rigs to mobilize in time to avoid these windstorms. If we continue to elect to self-insure such risks, and such risks are realized and we incur resultant damage, it could have a material adverse effect on our financial position, operating results and cash flows.

No assurance can be made that we will be able to maintain adequate insurance in the future at rates that we consider reasonable, or that we will be able to obtain insurance against certain risks.

***A substantial portion of our business is dependent on several of our customers as well as dependent on several geographic areas, and the disruption of business with any of these customers or disruption of business within these geographic areas could have a material adverse effect on our financial condition and operating results.***

Our contract drilling business is subject to the risks associated with having a limited number of customers for our services. For the year ended December 31, 2024, our largest customers, which individually contributed more than 10% of our total revenues, were Sonadrill and Petrobras, and accounted for approximately 40% of our total revenues in aggregate. In addition, mergers and acquisitions, or other forms of consolidation among oil and gas exploration and production companies will further reduce the number of available customers, which would increase the ability of potential customers to achieve pricing terms favorable to them. Our operating results could be materially adversely affected if any of our major customers fail to compensate us for our services or take actions outlined above. Please see "Our customers may seek to cancel or renegotiate their contracts to include unfavorable terms such as unprofitable rates, particularly in the circumstance that operations are suspended or interrupted" and "Consolidation in our industry may impact our results of operations" above for more information.

We are subject to risks of loss resulting from non-payment, non-performance or offset by our customers and certain other third parties (including third parties providing services under various services agreements). Please see "Note 27 – Commitments and contingencies" to our consolidated financial statements included in Part II, Item 8, "Financial Statements and Supplementary Data" of this annual report for a discussion of the Sete Brazil matter. Some of these customers and other parties may be highly leveraged and subject to their own operating and regulatory risks. If any key customers or other parties default on their obligations to us, our financial results and condition could be adversely affected. Any material non-payment or non-performance by these entities, other key customers or certain other third parties could adversely affect our financial position, operating results and cash flows.



Additionally, the concentration of operations in specific geographies increases the risks associated with terrorism, piracy, political or social unrest, changes in local laws and regulations, as well as severe weather events within those regions, should they occur. If we were forced to cease drilling operations in any of these regions for any reason and we were not able to redeploy to other regions promptly, our financial condition and results of operations could be materially adversely affected. For the year ended December 31, 2024, operations in the United States, Brazil and Angola accounted for approximately 26%, 25% and 24%, respectively, of our revenues in the aggregate.

***Operating and maintenance costs of our rigs may be significant and may not correspond to revenue earned.***

Our operating expenses and maintenance costs depend on a variety of factors including, without limitation, crew costs, costs of provisions, equipment, insurance, maintenance and repairs, shipyard costs, supply chain disruptions and inflation, many of which are beyond our control. Our total operating costs are generally related to the number of drilling units in operation and the cost level in each country or region where such drilling units are located. Equipment maintenance costs fluctuate depending upon the type of activity that the drilling unit is performing and the age and condition of the equipment. Operating and maintenance costs will not necessarily fluctuate in proportion to changes in operating revenues. While operating revenues may fluctuate as a function of changes in dayrate, costs for operating a rig may not be proportional to the dayrate received and may vary based on a variety of factors, including the scope and length of required rig preparations and the duration of the contractual period over which such expenditures are amortized. Any investments in our rigs may not result in an increased dayrate for or income from such rigs. A disproportionate change in the amount of operating and maintenance costs in comparison to dayrates could have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition and results of operations.

***Inflation has adversely affected, and in the future may adversely affect, our operating results.***

Inflationary factors such as increases in labor costs, material costs and overhead costs have adversely affected, and may in the future adversely affect, our operating results. Inflationary pressures may also increase other costs to operate or reactivate our drilling units. Our contracts for our drilling units generally provide for the payment of an agreed dayrate per rig operating day. As a result, we may not be able to fully recover increased costs due to inflation from our customers. Continuing or worsening inflation could significantly increase our operating expenses and capital expenditures, which could in turn have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition, results of operations or cash flows. Our customers may also be affected by inflation and the rising costs of goods and services used in their businesses, which could negatively impact their ability to purchase our services, which could adversely impact our business, financial condition, results of operations or cash flows. In addition, changing and future monetary policies and actions of the U.S. and other governments (such as raises to the target federal funds rate) could adversely affect our ability to obtain financing and raise our (or our customers') cost of capital.

***We rely on third-party suppliers, manufacturers, and service providers, including subcontractors ("third-party providers"), to provide or maintain parts, crew and equipment, as applicable, for our projects and our operations may be adversely affected by the sub-standard performance or non-performance of those third-party providers due to production disruptions, quality and sourcing issues, labor availability, price increases or consolidation of those third-party providers as well as equipment breakdowns.***

Our reliance on third-party providers to secure equipment and crew used in our drilling operations exposes us to volatility in the quality, price and availability of such items. In recent years, there has been a reduction in the number of available third-party providers in certain sectors, resulting in fewer alternatives for sourcing key supplies and services. Such consolidation may limit our ability to obtain supplies and services when needed at an acceptable cost, or at all, or otherwise result in a shortage of supplies and services, thereby increasing the cost of supplies or potentially inhibiting the ability of third-party providers to deliver on time. These cost increases or delays could have a material adverse effect on our operating results and result in rig downtime, and delays in the repair and maintenance of our drilling units. Further, certain specialized parts, crew and equipment used in our operations may be available only from a single or a small number of third-party providers. A disruption in the deliveries from such third-party providers, capacity constraints, production disruptions, price increases, defects or quality-control issues, recalls or other reductions in the availability of parts, labor and equipment could adversely affect our ability to meet our commitments towards our customers, adversely impact operations resulting in uncompensated downtime, reduced dayrates under the relevant drilling contracts, cancellation or termination of contracts, or increased operating costs.

During periods of reduced demand, many of these third-party providers reduced their inventories of parts and equipment and, in some cases, reduced their production capacity, and may do so in the future. Moreover, the global supply chain has been disrupted by various global economic and financial issues, resulting in shortages of, shipping delays and increased pricing pressures on, among other things, certain raw materials and labor. If the market for our services continues to improve and we seek to reactivate idled rigs, upgrade our working rigs or purchase additional rigs, these reductions and global supply chain constraints could make it more difficult for us to find equipment and parts for our rigs. In addition, equipment deficiencies or breakdowns, whether due to faulty parts, quality control issues or inadequate installation, may result in increased maintenance costs, resulting in rig downtime or suspension of operations. Such issues could have a negative effect on our business, financial condition, and results of operations.

We engage third-party subcontractors to perform some parts of our projects and, in certain circumstances, a majority of the services under a project may be subcontracted. Subcontractors are used to perform certain services and to provide certain input in areas where we do not have requisite expertise. The subcontracting of work exposes us to risks associated with planning interface non-performance, and delayed or substandard performance by our subcontractors. Any inability to hire qualified subcontractors could hinder successful completion of a project. Further, our employees may not have the requisite skills to be able to monitor or control the performance of these subcontractors. We may suffer losses on contracts if the amounts we are required to pay for subcontractor services exceed original estimates. Remedial or mitigating actions, such as imposing contractual obligations on subcontractors that are similar to those we have with our customers and requesting parent guarantees to cover nonperformance, may not be available or sufficient to mitigate the risks associated with subcontractors. Such issues could have a negative effect on our business, financial condition, and results of operations.

***We have experienced, and in the future may experience, risks associated with mergers, acquisitions or dispositions of businesses or assets or other strategic transactions.***

As part of our business strategy, we have pursued and completed, and may continue to pursue, mergers, acquisitions or dispositions of businesses or assets or other strategic transactions that we believe will enable us to strengthen or broaden our business.



We may be unable to implement these merger, acquisition and disposition elements of our strategy if we cannot identify suitable companies, businesses or assets, reach agreement on potential strategic transactions on acceptable terms, manage the impacts of such transactions on our business, obtain required consents under our debt agreements or for other reasons. Moreover, mergers, acquisitions, dispositions and other strategic transactions involve various risks, including, among other things, (i) difficulties relating to integrating or disposing of a business, including changes to our employee workforce and unanticipated changes in customer, vendor and other third-party relationships, (ii) failure to integrate operations and internal controls, including those related to financial reporting, disclosure and cybersecurity and data protection, (iii) the assumption of liabilities as a result of these transactions, (iv) diversion of management's attention from day-to-day operations, (v) failure to realize the anticipated benefits of such transactions, such as cost savings and revenue enhancements, (vi) potentially substantial transaction costs associated with such transactions, (vii) failure to identify significant losses at the target during the due diligence process, which could result in financial or legal exposure, (viii) potential impairment resulting from the overpayment for an acquisition and (ix) the risk that any such strategic transaction may not close on its expected timeframe or at all, in each case, the realization of which could have a material adverse effect on our business. While we generally seek to obtain indemnities for liabilities arising from events occurring before such transactions, we may be unable to do so, and any indemnities we do obtain, will be limited in amount and duration, may be held to be unenforceable or the seller may not be able to indemnify us. Such transactions may also affect the diversification of our drilling unit fleet, which may leave us vulnerable to risks related to lack of diversification. See *"Our drilling unit fleet is largely concentrated to benign floaters, which leaves us vulnerable to risks related to lack of diversification."*

From time to time, we are also approached by, and may solicit bids from, potential buyers regarding the disposition by us of drilling units, or other assets or businesses that we determine are not core to our strategy, including with respect to assets acquired in a merger or acquisition. We may determine that such a disposition would be in our best interests and agree to sell any or all of such assets or businesses. Such a sale could have an impact on net income, and we may recognize a gain or loss on disposal depending on whether the fair value of the consideration received is higher or lower than the carrying value of the asset.

Future mergers or acquisitions may require us to obtain additional equity or debt financing, which financing may not be available on attractive terms or at all. To the extent a transaction financed by non-equity consideration results in goodwill, it will reduce our tangible net worth, which might have an adverse effect on credit availability.

***The integration of the businesses and the properties we have acquired or may in the future acquire could be difficult and may divert management's attention away from our existing operations.***

The integration of the businesses and properties we have acquired, or may in the future acquire, could be difficult, and may divert management's attention and financial resources away from our existing operations. These difficulties include:

- the challenge of integrating the acquired businesses and properties while carrying on the ongoing operations of our business;
- the challenge of inconsistencies in standards, controls, procedures and policies of the acquired business;
- potential unknown liabilities, unforeseen expenses or higher-than-expected integration costs;
- attempts by third parties to terminate or alter their contracts with us, including as a result of change of control provisions;
- an overall post-completion integration process that takes longer than originally anticipated;
- potential lack of operating experience in a geographic market of the acquired properties; and
- the possibility of faulty assumptions underlying our expectations.

If management is not able to effectively manage the integration process, or if any significant business activities are interrupted as a result of the integration process, our ability to realize potential synergies could suffer and, as a result, our business and financial condition could be negatively impacted. Our future success will depend, in part, on our ability to manage our expanded business, which may pose substantial challenges for management. We may also face increased scrutiny from governmental authorities as a result of the increase in the size of our business. There can be no assurances that we will be successful in our integration efforts.

***Our fleet is largely concentrated to benign floaters and drillships, which leaves us vulnerable to risks related to lack of diversification.***

The offshore contract drilling industry is generally divided into two broad markets: deepwater and shallow water drilling. These broad markets are generally divided into smaller sub-markets based upon various factors, including the type of drilling unit and drilling environment. The primary types of drilling units include jackup rigs, semisubmersible rigs, drillships, platform rigs, barge rigs and submersible rigs. While all drilling units are affected by general economic and industry conditions, each type of drilling unit can be affected differently by changes in demand. As of December 31, 2024, we owned 12 floaters (comprising seven 7th-generation drillships, three 6th-generation drillships and two benign environment semi-submersible units) and three harsh environment rigs. Our drilling unit fleet is concentrated in drillships and semisubmersible rigs. If the market for drillships and semisubmersible rigs should decline relative to the markets for other drilling unit types, such as jack-ups, our operating results could be more adversely affected relative to our competitors with drilling fleets that are less concentrated in drillships and semisubmersible rigs.

***The international nature of our operations involves additional risks, including the mobilization and demobilization of our rigs to and from such locations and the potential that sabotage or political and social unrest could negatively impact our operations or the market for our drilling services.***

We operate in various regions throughout the world. As a result of our international operations, we have been and may be exposed to political or governmental risks and other uncertainties, particularly in less developed jurisdictions, including risks of:

- terrorist acts, armed hostilities, war and civil disturbances, including, for example, the ongoing conflicts in Ukraine and the Middle East and the Guyana-Venezuela dispute, and their respective regional and global ramifications;



- acts of piracy, which have historically affected ocean-going vessels;
- abduction, kidnapping and hostage situations;
- significant governmental influence over many aspects of local economies;
- the seizure, nationalization or expropriation of property or equipment;
- uncertainty of outcome in foreign court proceedings, including Brazil;
- the repudiation, nullification, modification or renegotiation of contracts;
- limitations on insurance coverage, such as war risk coverage, in certain areas;
- foreign and U.S. monetary policy, capital controls and foreign currency fluctuations and devaluations;
- the inability to repatriate income or capital;
- complications associated with repairing and replacing equipment in remote locations;
- public health threats, including pandemics and epidemics;
- import-export quotas, wage and price controls, and the imposition of sanctions or other trade restrictions;
- U.S., the United Kingdom (the "U.K."), the European Union (the "EU") and other foreign sanctions;
- customs delays or disputes;
- receiving a request to participate in a foreign boycott unsanctioned by U.S. law;
- compliance with and changes in regulatory or financial requirements, including local ownership, presence or labor requirements;
- compliance with and changes to taxation, including any resulting tax disputes;
- interacting and contracting with government-controlled organizations;
- other forms of government regulation and economic conditions that are beyond our control;
- legal and economic systems that are not as mature or predictable as those in more developed countries, which may lead to greater uncertainty in legal and economic matters; and
- corruption, payment of bribes to government officials, money laundering, or kleptocracy (i.e., political corruption in which the government seeks personal gain and status at the expense of the governed).

Acts of terrorism, piracy, and political and social unrest, brought about by world political events or otherwise, have caused instability in the world's financial and insurance markets in the past and may occur in the future. Such acts could be directed against companies such as ours. Our drilling operations could also be targeted by acts of sabotage carried out by environmental activist groups.

We rely on information technology systems, networks, and data in our operations and administration of our business. Our drilling operations or other business operations could be targeted by individuals or groups seeking to sabotage or disrupt our information technology systems and networks, including those of our service providers and business partners, or to steal data. A successful cyberattack could materially disrupt our operations, including the safety of our operations, or lead to an unauthorized release or alteration of information on our systems. Any such cyberattack or other breach of our information technology systems could have a material adverse effect on our business and operating results. Our drilling contracts do not generally provide indemnification against loss of capital assets or loss of revenues resulting from acts of terrorism, piracy, cyberattacks or political or social unrest. Although we carry insurances that may provide coverage under certain circumstances, in the event we suffer such losses of capital assets or revenue, those losses may exceed the coverage available under our policies or be those for which we do not have coverage.

Acts of terrorism and social unrest could lead to increased volatility in prices for crude oil and natural gas and could affect the markets for drilling services and result in lower dayrates. Insurance premiums could also increase and coverage may be unavailable in the future. Increased insurance costs or increased costs of compliance with applicable regulations may have a material adverse effect on our operating results.

In addition, international contract drilling operations are subject to various laws and regulations of the countries in which we operate, including laws and regulations relating to:

- the equipping and operation of drilling units;
- exchange rates or exchange controls;
- the repatriation of foreign earnings;
- oil and gas exploration and development;
- the taxation of offshore earnings and the earnings of expatriate personnel; and
- the use and compensation of local employees and suppliers by foreign contractors.

For example, we operate in Brazil; the Brazilian government frequently intervenes in the country's economy and occasionally makes significant changes in policy and regulations, including, for example, (i) the changes in Brazilian laws related to the importation of rigs and equipment that may impose bonding, insurance or duty-payment requirements and (ii) its actions to control inflation and other policies and



regulations which have often involved, among other measures, changes in interest rates, changes in tax policies, changes in legislation, wage controls, price controls, currency devaluations, capital controls and limits on imports of goods and services. The drilling industry in Brazil is also subject to the regulations of the National Agency for Petroleum, Natural Gas and Biofuels ("ANP"), which is the regulatory body for the activities within the oil, natural gas and biofuels industries in Brazil. ANP has the ability to suspend operations in Brazil when deviations from regulations or safety procedures are identified as imposing a grave and imminent risk to people, the environment or installations. For the year ended December 31, 2024, 25% of our revenues were derived from our Brazilian operations. These and other developments in political, economic, regulatory and governmental conditions may, directly or indirectly, adversely affect our business, financial condition, and operating results.

The operation of our drilling units will require certain governmental approvals, the number and prerequisites of which cannot be determined until we identify the jurisdictions in which we will operate once contracts for the drilling units are secured. Some foreign governments favor or effectively require (i) the awarding of drilling contracts to local contractors or to drilling units owned by their own citizens, (ii) the use of a local agent or (iii) foreign contractors to employ citizens of, or purchase supplies from, a particular jurisdiction. These practices may adversely affect our ability to compete in those regions. Depending on the jurisdiction, these governmental approvals may also involve public hearings and costly undertakings on our part. We may not obtain such approvals, or such approvals may not be obtained in a timely manner. If we fail to secure the necessary approvals or permits in a timely manner, our customers may have the right to terminate or seek to renegotiate their drilling contracts to our detriment.

It is difficult to predict what government regulations may be enacted and their potential adverse effects on the international drilling industry. The actions of foreign governments and other organizations, including initiatives by OPEC, may adversely affect our ability to compete. Failure to comply with applicable laws and regulations, including those relating to sanctions and export restrictions, may subject us to criminal or civil proceedings and related liability, including fines and penalties, the denial of export privileges, injunctions or seizures of assets, and may affect the availability of our existing financing arrangements and our ability to secure financing in the future.

In addition, every offshore drilling unit is a registered marine vessel and must be "classed" by a classification society to fly a flag. The classification society certifies that the drilling unit is "in-class," signifying that such drilling unit has been built and maintained in accordance with the rules of the classification society and complies with applicable rules and regulations of the drilling unit's country of registry and the international conventions of which that country is a member. In addition, where surveys are required by international conventions and corresponding laws and ordinances of a flag state, the classification society will undertake them on application or by official order, acting on behalf of the authorities concerned. Our drilling units are certified as being "in class" by the American Bureau of Shipping, Det Norske Veritas and Germanischer Lloyd, and the relevant national authorities in the countries in which our drilling units operate. If any drilling unit loses its flag status, does not maintain its class, fails any periodical survey or special survey or fails to satisfy any laws of the country of operation, the drilling unit will be unable to carry on operations. This will render the drilling unit unemployable and uninsurable, which could cause us to be in violation of certain covenants in the agreements governing our debt. Any such inability to carry on operations or be employed could have a material adverse impact on the operating results.

The offshore drilling industry is a global market requiring flexibility for rigs, depending on their technical capability, to relocate and operate in various environments, moving from one area to another. The mobilization of rigs is expensive and time-consuming and can be impacted by several factors including, but not limited to, governmental regulation and customs practices, availability of tugs and tow vessels, weather, currents, political instability, civil unrest, and military actions, such as the ongoing conflicts in Ukraine and the Middle East, and rigs may become stranded as a result. Some jurisdictions enforce strict technical requirements that necessitate substantial physical modifications to the rigs before they can be utilized. Such modifications may require significant capital expenditures, and as a result, may limit the use of the rigs in those jurisdictions in the future. In addition, mobilization carries the risk of damage to the rig. Failure to mobilize a rig in accordance with the deadlines set by a specific customer contract could result in a loss of compensation, liquidated damages or the cancellation or termination of the contract. In some cases, we may not be paid for the time that a rig is out of service during mobilization. In addition, in the hope of securing future contracts, we may choose to mobilize a rig to another geographic market without a customer contract in place. If customer contracts were not obtained, we would be required to absorb these costs. Mobilization and relocation activities could therefore potentially have a materially adverse effect on our business, financial condition, and results of operations.

***We are subject to complex environmental laws and regulations that can adversely affect us.***

Our operations are subject to numerous international, national, state and local laws and regulations, treaties and conventions in force in international waters and the jurisdictions in which our drilling units operate or are registered, which can significantly affect the ownership and operation of our drilling units. Such laws, regulations, treaties and conventions govern a wide range of environmental issues, including:

- physical, chemical and toxic releases, including the release of oil, drilling fluids, natural gas or other materials into the environment;
- climate impact and air emissions from our drilling units or our facilities;
- handling, cleanup and remediation of solid and hazardous wastes and contaminated media at our drilling units or our facilities or at locations to which we have sent wastes for disposal;
- restrictions on chemicals and other hazardous substances; and
- biodiversity and ecosystem impact, including regulations that ensure our activities do not jeopardize endangered or threatened animals, fish or plant species, nor destroy or modify the critical habitat of such species.

Compliance with such laws, regulations and standards, where applicable, may require installation of costly equipment or implementation of operational changes and may affect the resale value or useful life of our drilling units. These costs could have a material adverse effect on our business, operating results, cash flows and financial condition. A failure to comply with applicable laws and regulations may result in administrative and civil penalties, criminal sanctions or the suspension or termination of our operations. Because such laws, regulations and standards are often revised, we cannot predict the ultimate cost of complying with them or the impact thereof on the resale prices or useful lives of our rigs. Additional laws, regulations and standards may be adopted which could limit our ability to do business or increase the cost



of our, or our customers, doing business and which may materially adversely affect our operations. For example, in April 2024, the Bureau of Ocean Energy Management published a final rule, which took effect June 29, 2024, that updates requirements for the posting of bonds and other financial assurance for oil, gas and sulfur lessees and certain other parties operating in the offshore Outer Continental Shelf, which could increase bonding requirements and other financial assurance for some of our customers.

Certain environmental laws impose strict, joint and several liability in relation to the remediation of and damages attributable to spills and releases of oil and hazardous substances. Such laws could subject us to liability without regard to whether we were deemed negligent or otherwise at fault. Under the U.S. Oil Pollution Act of 1990 ("OPA"), for example, owners, operators and bareboat charterers are jointly and severally strictly liable as responsible parties for the discharge of oil within the 200-mile exclusive economic zone around the United States. An oil or chemical spill, for which we are deemed a responsible party, could result in us incurring significant liability, including fines, penalties, criminal liability and remediation or cleanup costs and natural resource damages under applicable international, national, state and local laws, as well as third-party damages, which could have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition, operating results and cash flows. Future increased regulation of the shipping industry or modifications to statutory liability schemes could expose us to further potential financial risk in the event of any such oil or chemical spill.

Our customers, and in certain circumstances, we, are required by various governmental and quasi-governmental agencies to obtain certain permits, licenses and certificates with respect to our operations and to satisfy insurance and financial responsibility requirements for potential oil spills (including marine oil) and other pollution incidents. Although we have arranged for insurance to cover certain environmental risks, such insurance is subject to exclusions and other monetary limits. There can be no guarantee that such insurance will be sufficient to cover all potential risks or that any related claims will not have a material adverse effect on our business, operating results, cash flows and financial condition. Moreover, the insurance coverage we currently hold may not be available, or we may elect to forgo certain insurance coverage, in the future. Even if insurance is available and we have obtained the coverage, it may not be adequate to cover our liabilities, may not be available on satisfactory terms or may be subject to high premiums, or our insurance underwriters may be unable to pay compensation if a significant claim should occur. Any of these scenarios could have a material adverse effect on our business, operating results and financial condition.

Although our drilling units are separately owned by our subsidiaries, under certain circumstances the parent company and its affiliates in a group or joint venture could be held liable for damages or debts owed by one of the affiliates, including liabilities for oil spills under OPA or other environmental laws. Therefore, it is possible that we could be subject to liability upon a judgment against us or any one of our subsidiaries.

Our drilling units could cause the release of oil or hazardous substances. Releases may be large in quantity, above our permitted limits or occur in protected or sensitive areas where the public, environmental groups or governmental authorities have heightened or special interests. Any releases of oil or hazardous substances could result in fines and other costs to us, such as costs to upgrade our drilling units, clean up the releases and comply with more stringent requirements in our discharge permits, as well as subject us to third party claims for damages, including natural resource damages. Moreover, these releases may result in our customers or governmental authorities suspending or terminating our operations in the affected area, which could have a material adverse effect on our business, operating results and financial condition.

If we are able to obtain some degree of indemnification against pollution and environmental damages in our contracts, such indemnification may not be enforceable in all instances or the customer may not be financially able to comply with its indemnity obligations in all cases, and we may not be able to obtain such indemnification agreements in the future. In addition, a court may decide that certain indemnities in our current or future contracts are not enforceable.

***Failure to adequately protect our sensitive information, operational technology systems and critical data, or our service providers' failure to protect their systems and data could have a material adverse effect on us.***

Our day-to-day operations increasingly depend on information and operational technology systems that we manage, and other systems that certain third parties relevant to our operations manage, including critical systems on our drilling units. Potential unauthorized occurrences on or through our information and operational technology systems, including as a result of cybersecurity incidents, that may result in adverse effects on the confidentiality, integrity and availability of these systems and data residing therein continue to grow. The risks associated with cyberattacks and cyber incidents include, but may not be limited to, human error, power outages, computer and telecommunication failures, natural disasters, fraud or malice, or cybersecurity threats such as social engineering or phishing attacks, viruses or malware, and other cyberattacks, such as denial-of-service or ransomware attacks. Reports indicate that entities or groups, including cybercriminals, competitors, and nation state actors, have mounted cyber-attacks on businesses and other organizations solely to disable or disrupt computer systems, disrupt operations and, in some cases, steal data. In addition, the US government has issued public warnings that indicate energy assets and companies engaging in significant transactions, such as acquisitions, might be specific targets of cybersecurity threats. Geopolitical tensions or conflicts, such as the conflict between Russia and Ukraine, and the advancement of technologies like artificial intelligence, which malicious third parties are using to create new, sophisticated and more frequent attacks, may further heighten the risk of cybersecurity threats.

Also, many of our non-operational employees travel and spend a significant amount of their time working remotely to support our operations, which has created or otherwise heightened certain operational risks, such as an increased risk of security breaches, cyberattacks or other cyber incidents, loss of data, fraud and other disruptions. Remote connectivity outside of Seadrill offices has resulted in an increased demand for technological barriers and training and exposes us to different threat vectors of cyberattacks or other cyber incidents, security breaches, loss of data, fraud and other disruptions as a consequence of more employees accessing sensitive and critical information remotely. Due to the nature of cyber-attacks, breaches to our systems or our service or equipment providers' systems could go undetected for a prolonged period of time. A breach could also compromise or originate from our customers', vendors', or other third-party systems or networks outside of our control. A security breach may result in legal claims or proceedings against us by our shareholders, employees, customers, vendors and governmental authorities, both in the U.S. and internationally.

While we maintain a cybersecurity program, which includes administrative, technical, and organizational safeguards, a significant cyberattack or other cyber incident (whether involving our systems, those of a critical third-party, or both) could disrupt our operations and result in



downtime, loss of revenue, harm to the Company's reputation, or the loss, theft, corruption or unauthorized or unlawful release of critical data of us or those with whom we do business, as well as result in higher costs to correct and remedy the effects of such incidents, including potential extortion payments associated with ransomware or ransom demands. If our, or our service or equipment providers', safeguards maintained for protecting against cyber incidents or attacks prove to be insufficient, and an incident were to occur, it could have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition, reputation, and results of operations. Even though we carry cyber insurance that may provide insurance coverage under certain circumstances, we might suffer losses as a result of a security breach or cyber incident that exceeds the coverage available under our policy or for which we do not have coverage, and we cannot be certain that cyber insurance will continue to be available to us on commercially reasonable terms, or at all. See Part I, Item 1C, "Cybersecurity" of this annual report for a description of our cybersecurity policies and procedures.

In addition, a patchwork of laws and regulations governing, or proposing to govern, cybersecurity, data privacy and protection, and the unauthorized disclosure of confidential or protected information, including the U.K. Data Protection Act, the General Data Protection Regulations (EU) 2016/679, Bermuda Personal Information Protection Act 2016, the California Consumer Privacy Act, the Cyber Incident Reporting for Critical Infrastructure Act, and other similar legislation in domestic and international jurisdictions pose increasingly complex compliance challenges and potentially elevate costs, and any failure to comply with these laws and regulations could result in significant penalties and legal liability. Additionally, new regulations or legislation may affect our current uses of protected information and require us to modify how we collect, protect, process or disclose such information.

***We are incorporating artificial intelligence technologies into our processes and these technologies may present business, compliance, and reputational risks.***

Our business increasingly utilizes artificial intelligence ("AI"), machine learning, and automated decision making to improve our processes. Issues in the development and use of AI, combined with an uncertain regulatory environment, may result in new or enhanced governmental or regulatory scrutiny, litigation, confidentiality or security risks, reputational harm, liability or other adverse consequences to our business operations, all of which could adversely affect our business, financial condition and results of operations.

***Any violation of anti-bribery, anti-corruption or ethical business practice laws and regulations could have a negative impact on us.***

We operate in countries known to have a reputation for corruption. We are subject to the risk that we, our affiliated entities or their respective officers, directors, employees and agents may take action determined to be in violation of such anti-corruption laws, including the U.S. Foreign Corrupt Practices Act of 1977 (the "US Foreign Corrupt Practices Act"), the United Kingdom Bribery Act 2010 (the "UK Bribery Act"), the Bermuda Bribery Act 2016 or other applicable anti-bribery and anti-corruption laws to which we may be subject (collectively, the "Legislation"). Any violation of the Legislation could result in substantial fines, sanctions, civil /or criminal penalties and, curtailment of operations in certain jurisdictions and, in turn, might adversely affect our business, financial condition and results of operations. In addition, actual or alleged violations could damage our reputation and ability to do business. Further, detecting, investigating and resolving actual or alleged violations is expensive and can consume significant time and attention of our senior management.

We are also subject to a number of modern slavery, human trafficking and forced labor reporting, training and due diligence laws, such as the U.K.'s Modern Slavery Act 2015 and similar legislation, in various jurisdictions and expect additional statutory regimes to combat these crimes to be enacted in the future. If we or our business partners fail to comply with applicable laws, regulations, safety codes, employment practices or human rights standards, our reputation and image could be harmed, and we could be exposed to litigation. Compliance with laws could increase costs of operations and reduce profits.

***If our drilling units are located in or connected to countries that are subject to, or targeted by, economic sanctions, export restrictions, or other operating restrictions imposed by the United States, the United Kingdom, the European Union or other governments, our reputation and the market for our debt and our common shares could be adversely affected.***

The U.S., the U.K., the EU and other governments may impose economic sanctions against certain countries, persons and other entities that restrict or prohibit transactions involving such countries, persons and entities. U.S. sanctions in particular are targeted against countries or certain economic sectors of such countries (such as Russia, Venezuela, Iran and others) that are heavily involved in the petroleum and petrochemical industries, which includes drilling activities. U.S., U.K., EU and other economic sanctions change frequently and enforcement of economic sanctions worldwide is increasing. For example: (i) in 2010, the U.S. enacted the Comprehensive Iran Sanctions Accountability and Divestment Act, which expanded the scope of the former Iran Sanctions Act by applying sanctions to non-U.S. companies such as ours and introducing limits on such companies and persons that do business with Iran when such activities relate to the investment, supply or export of refined petroleum or petroleum products; (ii) in 2017, the U.S. passed the "Countering America's Adversaries Through Sanctions Act" (Public Law 115-44), which authorizes imposition of new sanctions on Iran, Russia, and North Korea and created heightened sanctions risks for companies operating in the oil and gas sector, including companies that are based outside of the U.S.; (iii) in recent years, the U.S. Department of the Treasury's Office of Foreign Assets Control acted several times to add Russian and Iranian individuals and entities to its list of Specially Designated Nationals whose assets are blocked and with whom U.S. persons are generally prohibited from dealing; and (iv) in recent years, the U.S. Department of Commerce's Bureau of Industry and Security designated a number of Chinese parties on the Entity List, including parties involved in the offshore drilling and maritime industries.

Certain parties with whom we have entered into contracts may be, or may be affiliated with, persons or entities that could become the subject of sanctions, including, without limitations, sanctions targeting malicious cyber-enabled activities. If we determine that such sanctions require us to terminate existing contracts or if we are found to be in violation of such applicable sanctions, our operating results may be adversely affected, or we may suffer reputational harm. We may also lose business opportunities to companies that are not required to comply with these sanctions.

From time to time, we may enter into drilling contracts with countries or government-controlled entities that are subject to sanctions, export restrictions and embargoes imposed by the U.S. government or identified by the U.S. government as state sponsors of terrorism, provided entering into such contracts would not violate U.S. law. We may also enter into drilling contracts involving operations in countries or with government-controlled entities that are subject to sanctions and embargoes imposed by the U.S. government or identified by the U.S.



government as state sponsors of terrorism, provided that entering into such contracts would not violate U.S. law. However, this could negatively affect our ability to obtain investors. In some cases, U.S. investors would be prohibited from investing in an arrangement in which the proceeds could directly or indirectly be transferred to or may benefit a sanctioned entity. Moreover, even in cases where the investment would not violate U.S. law, potential investors could view such drilling contracts negatively, which could adversely affect our reputation and the market for Shares. We do not currently have any drilling contracts involving operations in countries or with government-controlled entities that are subject to sanctions and embargoes imposed by the U.S. government or identified by the U.S. government as state sponsors of terrorism nor do we have any plans to initiate such contracts.

As stated above, we believe that we are in compliance with all applicable economic sanctions and embargo laws and regulations and intend to maintain such compliance. However, there can be no assurance that we will be in compliance in the future, particularly as the scope of certain laws may be unclear and may be subject to changing interpretations. Rapid changes in the scope of global sanctions may also make it more difficult for us to remain in compliance. Any violation of applicable economic sanctions could result in civil or criminal penalties, fines, enforcement actions, legal costs, reputational damage, or other penalties and could result in some investors deciding, or being required, to divest their interest, or not to invest, in Shares or debt. Additionally, some investors may decide to divest their interest, or not to invest, in Shares or debt simply because we may do business with companies that do business in sanctioned countries. Moreover, our drilling contracts may indirectly involve persons subject to sanctions and embargo laws and regulations as a result of actions that do not involve us, or our drilling units, and even if those dealings are lawful, it could in turn negatively affect our reputation. Investor perception of the value of Shares or debt may also be adversely affected by the consequences of war, the effects of terrorism, civil unrest and governmental actions in these and surrounding countries.

***We have suffered, and may continue to suffer, losses through our investments in other companies in the offshore drilling and oilfield services industry, which could have a material adverse effect on us.***

From time to time, we may hold investments in other companies in our industry that operate offshore drilling units with similar characteristics to our fleet of rigs or deliver various other oilfield services. As of December 31, 2024, we held equity interests in Sonadrill, where we provide various services, including the provision of operating and technical support and management and administrative services agreements. As of December 31, 2024, the carrying value of this equity method investment was \$68 million.

The market value of such equity interests have been, and may continue to be, volatile and has fluctuated, and may continue to fluctuate, in response to changes in oil and gas prices and activity levels in the offshore oil and gas industry. If we sell our equity interests in an investment at a time when the value of such investment has fallen, we may incur a loss on the sale or an impairment loss being recognized, ultimately leading to a reduction in earnings.

In current market conditions, we may consider entering into further joint venture arrangements.

***Labor costs restrictions could increase following collective bargaining negotiations and changes in labor laws and regulations.***

Some of our employees are represented by CBAs. The majority of these employees work in Brazil and Norway. In addition, some of our contracted labor works under CBAs. As part of the legal obligations in some of these agreements, we are required to contribute certain amounts to retirement funds and pension plans and are restricted in our ability to dismiss employees. In addition, many of these represented individuals are working under agreements that are subject to salary negotiation. These negotiations could result in higher personnel costs, other increased costs or increased operating restrictions that could adversely affect our financial performance.

***The physical effects of, and regulations and disclosure requirements with respect to, greenhouse gas emissions and climate change could have a negative impact on our business.***

The physical and regulatory effects of climate change and a global transition to a low carbon economy could have a negative impact on our operations and could require adapting our fleet and business to potential changes in governmental requirements, customer preferences and our customer base, and could also require engaging with existing and potential customers and suppliers to develop or implement solutions designed to reduce or to decarbonize oil and gas operations or to advance renewable and other alternative energy sources. Scientific studies have suggested that emissions of greenhouse gases, including carbon dioxide and methane, may be contributing to warming of the earth's atmosphere and other climatic changes. In response to such studies, the issue of climate change and the effect of greenhouse gas emissions, in particular emissions from fossil fuels, is attracting increasing attention worldwide; and there are a number of political and technological initiatives aimed at reducing the use of hydrocarbons.

We are aware of the increasing focus of local, state, regional, national and international regulatory bodies on greenhouse gas emissions and climate change issues. For example, legislation to regulate greenhouse gas emissions and reporting obligations with respect thereto have periodically been introduced in the U.S. Congress or proposed by the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission and such legislation and reporting obligations may be proposed or adopted in the future. On March 6, 2024, the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission adopted final rules that will require a registrant to disclose, among other things: material climate-related risks; activities to mitigate or adapt to such risks; information about the registrant's board of directors' oversight of climate-related risks and management's role in managing material climate-related risks; and information on any climate-related targets or goals that are material to the registrant's business, results of operations, or financial condition. However, the SEC voluntarily stayed implementation of the final rules pending completion of judicial review; and we cannot predict whether the Trump Administration may seek to overturn the final rules.

Additionally, the United States has been a member of the "Paris Agreement" that requires member countries to review and "represent a progression" in their intended nationally determined greenhouse gas contributions, which set many new goals, including greenhouse gas emission reduction goals every five years, with the next review occurring in 2025; however, on January 20, 2025, President Trump signed an executive order directing (i) submittal of a formal notification of withdrawal from the Paris Agreement and (ii) the U.S. to consider withdrawal from such agreement and obligations thereunder to be effective immediately. In December 2023, the international community, including over 190 governments, gathered in Dubai at COP28 and announced a new climate deal that calls on countries to ratchet up action on climate, including actions towards tripling renewable energy capacity and doubling energy efficiency improvements at a global level, before 2030 and ultimately to reduce carbon emissions and transition away from fossil fuels in energy systems to achieve "net zero" by 2050. More



recently, however, on January 20, 2025, the Trump Administration issued an executive order that initiated the process to withdraw the United States from the Paris Agreement, mandated ending the United States' financial commitments under the UN Framework Convention on Climate Change, and revoked the U.S. International Climate Finance Plan. In addition to the executive order mentioned above, as of January 25, 2025, the Trump Administration had issued a series of executive orders that signal a shift in the United States' energy and climate change policies. Among other directives, such executive orders: (i) direct federal agencies to identify and exercise emergency authorities to facilitate conventional energy production, transportation and refining, and call for the use of emergency regulations to expedite energy infrastructure projects; (ii) promote energy exploration and production on federal lands and waters; (iii) mandate a review of existing regulations that may burden domestic energy development; and (iv) pause the disbursement of funds appropriated through the Inflation Reduction Act of 2022 (the "Inflation Reduction Act") and the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act. It is not possible to predict the impact of the Trump Administration on these climate and energy initiatives at this time. While the Trump Administration may seek to reverse some or all of the initiatives advanced by the Biden Administration, it is unknown whether such reversals will ultimately be successful, and these or additional changes in the future could impact our business and operations, and those of our customers.

With respect to the shipping and offshore drilling industries, in particular, governing bodies have, from time to time, put in place regulatory frameworks and measures, and may in the future propose and adopt others, that materially burden, limit or prohibit shipping or offshore drilling operations in certain areas. For example, a number of countries, the EU and the United Nations' International Maritime Organization (the "IMO") have adopted, or are considering the adoption of, regulatory frameworks to reduce greenhouse gas emissions in the shipping industry, such as requiring ships (including rigs and drillships) to comply with IMO and EU regulations relating to the collection and reporting of data relating to greenhouse gas emissions. In April 2018, the IMO adopted an initial strategy to, among other things, reduce the 2008 level of greenhouse gas emissions from the shipping industry by 50% by the year 2050. In July 2023, the IMO adopted a revised strategy that (i) includes as a goal attaining net-zero greenhouse gas emissions from international shipping by or around 2050, (ii) promotes the uptake of alternative zero and near-zero greenhouse gas emissions technologies, fuels and/or energy sources by 2030, and (iii) identifies as indicative checkpoints a level of ambition at least a 20% reduction, compared to 2008, in total annual greenhouse gas emissions from international shipping by 2030, and at least a 70% reduction by 2040, striving for reductions of 30% by 2030 and 80% by 2040. In furtherance of the IMO's strategy to reduce greenhouse gas emissions from shipping, in October 2024, the IMO announced proposed regulations scheduled for adoption in late 2025 focused on enhancing the energy efficiency of ships. The IMO also is discussing proposals to (i) set a global marine fuel standard providing for a phased reduction of the greenhouse gas intensity of marine fuel and (ii) establish a marine greenhouse gas pricing mechanism. In January 2025, the International Chamber of Shipping joined with 47 governments in the submission of proposed language to the IMO for a pricing mechanism that, commencing in 2028, would require shipping companies engaged in international voyages to make contributions to a new "IMO GHG Strategy Implementation Fund" based on annual greenhouse gas emission levels.

It is not possible at this time to predict the timing and effect of climate change or the extent and contents of any additional greenhouse gas legislation, regulations or other measures, including with respect to the shipping or offshore drilling industries, specifically, or the oil and gas industry, generally, adopted at the international, national, regional, state or local levels. However, more aggressive efforts by governments and non-governmental organizations to reduce greenhouse gas emissions have occurred and may continue based on long-term trends, the findings set forth in the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change's special report and the announcements made at COP28. Any passage of climate control legislation or other regulatory initiatives by the IMO, the EU, the United States or other jurisdictions in which we operate, or any treaty or agreement adopted at the international level, such as the Kyoto Protocol or Glasgow Climate Pact, that restricts or imposes a fee on emissions of greenhouse gases or implements more robust greenhouse gas emission and climate-related reporting and disclosure obligations, could (i) require us to make significant financial expenditures, including the installation of new emission controls, the acquisition of allowances or payment of taxes related to our greenhouse gases, or the implementation and administration of a greenhouse gas emissions program, (ii) increase our costs to operate and maintain our assets, and (iii) negatively affect the demand for our customers' products and, accordingly, our services, none of which we are able to predict with certainty at this time. Any such legislation, regulations, reporting and disclosure obligations or other measures could have a significant adverse financial and operational impact on our business and operations.

Moreover, certain government and regulatory authorities have enacted, and are expected to continue to enact, laws and regulations that mandate or provide economic incentives for the development of technologies and sources of energy other than oil and gas, such as wind and solar. Such legislation incentivizes the development, use and investment in these technologies and alternative energy sources and could accelerate the shift away from traditional oil and gas. The amendment or modification of existing laws and regulations or the adoption of new laws and regulations curtailing or further regulating exploratory or developmental drilling and production of oil and gas could have a material adverse effect on our business, operating results or financial condition if we are unable to recover or pass through a significant level of our costs or are required to change our practices related to complying with climate change regulatory requirements imposed on us. Future earnings may be negatively affected by compliance with any such new legislation or regulations.

Further, to the extent financial markets view climate change and greenhouse gas emissions as a financial risk, this could negatively impact our cost of or access to capital. Parties concerned about the potential effects of climate change have directed, and may in the future direct, their attention at sources of funding for energy companies, which has resulted, and may in the future result, in certain financial institutions, funds and other sources of capital, restricting or eliminating their investment in or lending to oil and gas activities.

Beyond regulatory and financial impacts, the projected severe effects of climate change, including severe weather, such as hurricanes, monsoons and other catastrophic storms, have the potential to directly affect our facilities, drilling units and operations and those of our customers and suppliers, which could result in more frequent and severe disruptions to our business and those of our customers and suppliers, increased costs to repair damaged facilities or drilling units or maintain or resume operations, and increased insurance costs. Additionally, the increasing attention to the risks of climate change has resulted in an increased possibility of litigation or investigations brought by public and private entities against oil and gas companies in connection with their greenhouse gas emissions. As a result, we or our customers may become subject to court orders compelling a reduction of greenhouse gas emissions or requiring mitigation of the effects of climate change.



***Our drilling contracts with national oil companies may expose us to greater risks than with non-governmental customers.***

We currently own and operate rigs that are contracted with national oil companies. The terms of these contracts are often non-negotiable and may expose us to greater commercial, political and operational risks than we assume in other contracts, such as exposure to materially greater environmental liability, personal injury and other claims for damages (including consequential damages), or the risk that the contract may be terminated by our customer without cause on short-term notice, contractually or by governmental action, under certain conditions that may not provide us with an early termination payment. We can provide no assurance that the increased risk exposure will not have an adverse impact on our future operations or that we will not increase the number of rigs contracted to national oil companies with commensurate additional contractual risks.

***Control of oil and natural gas reserves by national oil companies may affect the demand for our services and products and create additional risks in our operations.***

Much of the world's oil and natural gas reserves are controlled by national oil companies, which may suggest or require their contractors to meet local content requirements or other local standards, such as conducting our operations through joint ventures with local partners that could be difficult or undesirable for us to meet. These difficulties may be compounded by the effects of local law, unpredictable contract interpretation by local courts and the exercise of extra-contractual rights by national oil companies or their affiliates. The failure to meet the local content requirements and other local standards may adversely affect our operations in those countries. In addition, our ability to work with national oil companies is subject to our ability to negotiate and agree upon acceptable contract terms.

***There can be no assurance that the use of our drilling units will not infringe the intellectual property rights of others.***

The majority of the intellectual property rights relating to our drilling units and related equipment are owned by our suppliers. In the event that one of our suppliers becomes involved in a dispute over an infringement of intellectual property rights relating to equipment owned by us, we may lose access to repair services or replacement parts or could be required to cease using some equipment. In addition, our competitors may assert claims for infringement of intellectual property rights related to certain equipment on our drilling units and we may be required to stop using such equipment or pay damages and royalties for the use of such equipment. Regardless of the merits, any such claims generally result in significant legal and other costs, including reputational harm, and may distract management from running our business. The consequences of these technology disputes involving our suppliers or competitors could adversely affect our financial results and operations. We have indemnity provisions in some of our supply contracts to give us some protection from the supplier against intellectual property lawsuits. However, we cannot make any assurances that these suppliers will have sufficient financial standing to honor their indemnity obligations or guarantee that the indemnities will fully protect us from the adverse consequences of such technology disputes. We also have provisions in some of our customer contracts to require the customer to share some of these risks on a limited basis, but we cannot provide assurance that these provisions will fully protect us from the adverse consequences of such technology disputes.

***Imposition of laws, executive actions or regulatory initiatives to restrict, delay or cancel leasing, permitting or drilling activities in deepwaters of the United States or foreign countries may reduce demand for our services and products and have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition or results of operations.***

We are an offshore drilling contractor providing worldwide offshore drilling services to the oil and gas industry. In the United States, President Biden issued an executive order in January 2021 that commits to substantial action on climate change, calling for, among other things, the elimination of subsidies provided to the fossil fuel industry and an increased emphasis on climate-related risks across government agencies and economic sectors. In September 2023, the Biden Administration announced that federal agencies will be directed to consider the social cost of greenhouse gases in agency budgeting, procurement and other agency decisions, including in environmental reviews conducted pursuant to the National Environmental Policy Act, where appropriate. Additionally, regulatory agencies at the federal, state or local level may issue new or amended laws or rulemakings regarding deepwater leasing, permitting or drilling, including moratoriums on drilling, which could result in more stringent or costly restrictions, delays or cancellations in offshore oil and natural gas exploration and production activities. Additionally, decisions regarding federal offshore leasing have been subject to legal challenges that could delay or suspend offshore lease auctions, adversely affecting our customers' businesses and reducing demand for our services. In September 2023, the Biden Administration announced a new five-year offshore leasing plan for the US Gulf, which the Trump Administration sought to reverse via executive order in January 2025. The Biden Administration's plan, if and to the extent retained under the Trump Administration, calls for a maximum of three offshore lease sales, in 2025, 2027 and 2029, and no lease sales were held in 2024. The five-year lease plan would represent the smallest number of planned sales in the history of the offshore leasing program. On January 6, 2025, President Biden issued a Memorandum of Withdrawal pursuant to the Outer Continental Shelf Lands Act of the entire U.S. East Coast, the eastern US Gulf, the Pacific off the coasts of Washington, Oregon and California, and additional portions of the Northern Bering Sea in Alaska from oil and gas leasing, which the Trump Administration sought to reverse by executive order in January 2025. On January 26, 2024, the Biden Administration implemented a temporary pause on the U.S. Department of Energy's ("DOE") review of pending decisions for authorization to export liquefied natural gas ("LNG") to non-Free Trade Agreement countries while the DOE reviews and updates the underlying analyses for such decisions using more current data to account for considerations like the environmental and climate change impacts of LNG. The temporary pause was then overturned by the U.S. District Court for the Western District of Louisiana in July 2024, and the Trump Administration restarted the review of new LNG export terminals via executive order in January 2025. On April 12, 2024, the U.S. Department of the Interior ("DOI") published a final rule to revise the Bureau of Land Management's oil and gas leasing regulations, which revises fiscal terms of the onshore federal oil and gas leasing program, including for bonding requirements, royalty rates and minimum bids. It is not possible to predict the impact of the Trump Administration on these climate and energy initiatives at this time. While the Trump Administration may seek to reverse some or all of these initiatives, it is unknown whether such reversals will ultimately be successful.

Any new legislation, executive actions or regulatory initiatives, whether in the United States or in other countries, that impose increased costs or more stringent operational standards or result in significant delays, cancellations or disruptions in our customers' operations could increase the risk of losing leasing or permitting opportunities, result in expired leases due to the time required to develop new technology or increased supplemental bonding costs or cause our customers to incur penalties, fines or shut-in production at one or more of their facilities, any or all of which could reduce demand for our services. We cannot predict with any certainty the full impact of any new laws, regulations, executive



actions or regulatory initiatives on our customers' drilling operations or the opportunity to pursue such operations, or on the cost or availability of insurance to cover the risks associated with such operations. The matters described above, individually or in the aggregate, could have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition, results of operations and cash flows.

## Financial and Tax Risks

*We have a significant amount of debt, and we may still be able to incur substantially more debt in the future. Such debt and debt service obligations may adversely affect us.*

As of December 31, 2024, we had (i) \$625 million aggregate principal amount of long-term debt and (ii) \$225 million of committed availability for future borrowings under the Revolving Credit Facility (as defined herein), of which \$225 million was available.

Although the terms of the agreements governing our debt restrict our and our restricted subsidiaries' ability to incur additional debt and liens, such restrictions are subject to exceptions and qualifications, and the debt or liens incurred in compliance with such restrictions may be substantial. Also, these restrictions do not prevent us or our restricted subsidiaries from incurring obligations that do not constitute debt.

To meet our debt service obligations, we will require a significant amount of cash, which depends on many factors beyond our control. We may not generate sufficient cash flow from operations, or have future borrowings available under the Revolving Credit Facility, to enable us to repay our debt or other obligations or to fund our other liquidity needs. Specifically, our level of debt could have negative consequences to us, including:

- limitations on our ability to obtain additional debt or equity financing on favorable terms or at all;
- any instances in which we are unable to comply with the covenants contained in the agreements governing our debt or to generate cash sufficient to make required debt payments, which circumstances have the potential of accelerating the maturity of some or all of our outstanding debt;
- the allocation of a substantial portion of our cash flow from operations to service our debt, thus reducing the amount of our cash flows available for other purposes, including capital expenditures and dividends that would otherwise improve our competitive position or results of operations;
- requiring us to sell debt or equity securities or to sell some of our core assets, possibly on unfavorable terms, to meet payment obligations;
- compromising our flexibility to plan for, or react to, competitive challenges in our business and industry or other general adverse economic and industry conditions;
- exposing us to the risk of increased interest rates, to the extent we draw down on our Revolving Credit Facility, as borrowings thereunder would be subject to variable interest rates ; and
- exposing us to a credit rating downgrade, making it more difficult to raise new capital or refinance on favorable terms.

Any of these factors could have an adverse effect on our business, financial condition, and results of operations and our ability to meet the payment obligations under the agreements governing our debt. In addition, to the extent other new debt is added to our and our subsidiaries' current debt levels, the substantial leverage risks described above would increase.

*The agreements governing our debt contain various covenants that impose restrictions on us and certain of our subsidiaries that may affect our ability to operate our business.*

The agreements governing our debt contain covenants that, among other things, may limit or otherwise hinder our ability and the ability of certain of our subsidiaries to:

- incur additional debt and issue preferred stock;
- incur or create liens;
- redeem or prepay certain debt;
- pay dividends on our Shares, repurchase Shares or make other types of restricted payments;
- change the management or ownership of the drilling units;
- make changes related to the operation and circumstances of our drilling units that have been pledged as collateral;
- make certain investments or capital expenditures;
- engage in certain asset sales;
- enter into transactions with affiliates; and
- engage in certain consolidations, mergers, acquisitions and similar transactions.

In addition, the Credit Agreement (as defined herein) contains financial covenants requiring us to maintain a quarterly maximum consolidated total net leverage ratio and a quarterly minimum interest coverage ratio. Any future agreements governing debt may also require us to comply with similar or other financial covenants.

These restrictions on our ability to operate our business could seriously harm our business by, among other things, limiting our ability to take advantage of financings, mergers, amalgamations, acquisitions and other corporate opportunities and affecting our ability to compete



effectively with our competitors to the extent that they are subject to less onerous restrictions. The interests of our lenders and other debt holders may be different from the Company's and we may not be able to obtain their consent when beneficial for our business, which may impact our performance or our ability to obtain replacement or additional financing or make certain investments or acquisitions in the future.

Breach of covenants may result in a default under the terms of these agreements, which could accelerate our repayment of funds that we have borrowed and allow lenders to foreclose upon any collateral securing the debt. Moreover, the agreements governing our debt include cross-default or cross-acceleration provisions, whereby, in certain circumstances, a default under one might result in defaults under one or more of the others. Under these circumstances, we might not have sufficient funds or other resources to satisfy all of our obligations thereunder. In addition, the limitations imposed by the agreements governing our debt on our ability to incur additional debt and to take other actions might impair our ability to obtain other financing. This could have serious consequences to our financial condition and results of operation and could cause us to become bankrupt or insolvent.

***We may be unable to meet our capital allocation framework goal of returning at least 50% of Free Cash Flow to shareholders through dividends and share repurchases, which could decrease expected returns on an investment in our Shares.***

Our capital allocation framework includes a goal of returning at least 50% of Free Cash Flow (defined as cash flows from operating activities minus capital expenditures) to our shareholders in the form of share repurchases or dividends. In connection with our capital allocation framework, in August 2023, the Board of Directors authorized a share repurchase program of \$250 million, which was completed in December 2023. In November 2023 and May 2024, the Board of Directors authorized additional repurchases up to an additional \$250 million and \$500 million, respectively, taking the aggregate authorization to \$1 billion. During 2024, the Company completed authorized additional repurchases of \$527 million. Share repurchases and dividends are authorized and determined by our Board of Directors at its sole discretion and depend upon a number of factors, including market conditions, the Company's financial position and capital requirements, financial conditions, and competing uses for cash, statutory solvency requirements, the restrictions in the Company's debt agreements and other factors. The Company is under no obligation to purchase any Shares in respect of the share repurchase program, and we can provide no assurance that we will make share repurchases or pay dividends in accordance with our share repurchase program, capital allocation framework goal or at all. Any elimination of, or downward revision in, our share repurchase program, dividend payment plans or capital allocation framework could have an adverse effect on the market price of our Shares.

Meeting our capital allocation framework goal requires us to generate consistent Free Cash Flow and have available capital in the years ahead in an amount sufficient to enable us to maintain a conservative capital structure and liquidity position, focus capital investment in our fleet, as well as to return a significant portion of the cash generated to shareholders in the form of share repurchases or dividends. The amount of Free Cash Flow returned in any quarter during the year may vary and may be more or less than 50% or none at all. We may not meet this goal if we use our available cash to satisfy other priorities, if we have insufficient funds available to repurchase Shares or pay dividends, or if our Board of Directors determines to change or discontinue share repurchases or dividend payments.

***We are a holding company, and we are dependent upon cash flow from subsidiaries and joint ventures to meet our obligations.***

We currently conduct our operations through our subsidiaries and joint ventures, and our operating income and cash flow are generated by such entities. As a result, cash we obtain from our subsidiaries is and, to a lesser extent, our joint ventures are the principal source of funds necessary to meet our debt service obligations. Unless they are guarantors of our debt, such entities do not have any obligation to pay amounts due on our debt or to make funds available for that purpose. Contractual provisions or laws, as well as such entities' financial condition, and operating requirements, may also limit our ability to obtain the cash that we require to pay our debt service obligations. Applicable tax laws may also subject such payments to us by such entities to further taxation.

***We may recognize impairments on long-lived assets and intangible assets or recognize impairments on equity method investments.***

We regularly evaluate the value of our property and equipment, primarily our drilling units. If we determine that a drilling unit's book value is not recoverable over its remaining asset life, we would be required to record an impairment charge resulting in a loss being recorded in our financial statements. Impairments can have a significant negative impact on our financial statements and our overall financial performance.

We may face financial losses in the future due to a range of factors such as a decline in demand for offshore drilling units. The offshore drilling industry has historically been cyclical, and we have experienced periods where rigs have been idle or underused for long periods where there has been a surplus of available drilling units. Additionally, during such periods, we have been required to reduce dayrates to remain competitive. Future decreases in demand for our drilling units, or other adverse events, could lead to impairment charges.

In addition, the fair market value of our drilling units may decrease further if the offshore drilling industry suffers adverse developments in the future. The fair market value of the drilling units that we currently own, or may acquire in the future, may increase or decrease depending on a number of factors, including:

- the general economic and market conditions affecting the offshore contract drilling industry, including competition from other offshore contract drilling companies;
- the types, sizes and ages of drilling units;
- the supply and demand for drilling units;
- the costs of newbuild drilling units;
- the prevailing level of drilling services contract dayrates;
- governmental or other regulations; and
- technological advances.

If drilling unit values fall significantly, we may have to record an impairment adjustment in our Consolidated Financial Statements, which could adversely affect our financial results and condition.



***Fluctuations in exchange rates and the non-convertibility of currencies could result in losses to us.***

As a result of our international operations, we are exposed to fluctuations in foreign exchange rates due to certain revenues being received and certain operating expenses paid in currencies other than U.S. dollars. Accordingly, we may experience currency exchange losses if we have not adequately hedged our exposure to a foreign currency, or if revenues are received in currencies that are not readily convertible (e.g., Brazilian real, Angola Kwanza). There is no guarantee that our future operating results will not be adversely impacted by fluctuations in currency exchange rates. We may also be unable to repatriate revenues because of a shortage of convertible currency available in the country of operation, controls over currency exchange or controls over the repatriation of income or capital.

***A change in tax laws in any country in which we operate could result in higher tax expense.***

We conduct our operations through various subsidiaries in countries throughout the world. Tax laws, regulations and treaties are highly complex and subject to interpretation. Consequently, we are subject to changing tax laws, regulations and treaties in and between the countries in which we operate, including treaties between the United States and other countries. Our income tax expense is based upon our interpretation of the tax laws in effect in various countries at the time that the expense was incurred. A change in these tax laws, regulations or treaties, including those in and involving the United States, and the Organization for Economic Co-operation and Development's ("OECD") Base Erosion and Profit Shifting 2.0 initiative, Pillar 2, and rules introduced by countries in response to Pillar 2 (such as Bermuda corporate income tax), or in the valuation of our deferred tax assets, which is beyond our control, could result in a materially higher tax expense or a higher effective tax rate on our worldwide earnings.

The United States enacted the Inflation Reduction Act on August 16, 2022. This law imposes, among other things, a 15% corporate alternative minimum tax on the adjusted financial statement income of certain corporations, and a 1% excise tax on certain corporate stock repurchases occurring after December 31, 2022. While we believe these tax law changes have no immediate effect on us and are not expected to have a material adverse effect on our results of operations going forward, it is unclear how they will be implemented by the U.S. Department of Treasury, and what actions, if any, the Trump Administration may take with respect thereto, and what, if any, impact the tax law changes or actions of the Trump Administration will have on our tax rate. We will continue to evaluate the impact of the Inflation Reduction Act, and actions of the Trump Administration with respect thereto, as further information becomes available.

Further, on December 27, 2023, Bermuda enacted the Corporate Income Tax Act 2023 (the "CIT Act"). Entities subject to tax under the CIT Act are the Bermuda constituent entities of multi-national groups. A multi-national group is defined under the CIT Act as a group with entities in more than one jurisdiction with consolidated revenues of at least EUR750 million for two of the four previous fiscal years. If Bermuda constituent entities of a multi-national group are subject to tax under the CIT Act, such tax is charged at a rate of 15% of the net taxable income of such constituent entities as determined in accordance with and subject to the adjustments set out in the CIT Act. Tax is chargeable under the CIT Act for tax years starting on or after January 1, 2025. In addition, the CIT Act includes transition rules including carryforward tax losses incurred in the five fiscal years preceding the effective date or increases in the tax basis of assets and liabilities. The CIT Act also provides relief from double taxation via foreign tax credit based on the adjusted amount of foreign taxes accrued by the group. The CIT Act is designed as a covered tax for the purposes of the OECD's Global Base Anti-Erosion Rules ("GloBE model rules"), meaning the CIT Act does not presently apply an income-inclusion rule or under taxed profits rule in the same way as the GloBE model rules do. While we expect that the Company would be treated as a Bermuda constituent entity for the purposes of the CIT Act and therefore subject to taxation in Bermuda, we do not currently expect the CIT Act to have a material adverse effect on our results of operations going forward but will continue to assess as additional clarification becomes available. Future developments and guidance under the GloBE model rules may impact Bermuda's implementation of its corporate tax regime, and any future changes to the Bermuda corporate income tax regime may negatively impact our tax liability, financial condition, and results of operations, and could increase our administrative expenses.

***A loss of a major tax dispute or a successful tax challenge to our operating structure, intercompany pricing policies or the taxable presence of our subsidiaries in certain countries could result in higher taxes on our worldwide earnings, which could result in a significant negative impact on our earnings and cash flows from operations.***

Our tax returns are subject to review and examination. We do not recognize the benefit of income tax positions we believe are more likely than not to be disallowed upon challenge by a tax authority. If any tax authority successfully challenges our operational structure, intercompany pricing policies or the taxable presence of our subsidiaries in certain countries; or if the terms of certain double tax treaties are interpreted in a manner that is adverse to our structure; or if we lose a material tax dispute in any country, our taxes on our worldwide earnings could increase substantially and our earnings and cash flows from operations could be materially adversely affected. For additional information on tax assessments and claims issued, refer to Note 11 - "Taxation" to the Consolidated Financial Statements.

**Regulatory and Legal Risks**

***The issuance of share-based awards may dilute investors' holding of Shares, and substantial sales of or trading in Shares could occur, which could cause the price of Shares to be adversely affected.***

The Board and our shareholders have adopted and approved the Management Incentive Plan (as defined herein) under which awards may be made to certain members of Seadrill's Board of Directors, management and other employees. As of December 31, 2024, there were a total of 857,350 non-vested restricted share units subject to service or external market conditions and 224,840 non-vested restricted share units subject to internal performance conditions under the Management Incentive Plan. Vested awards may be settled in cash or Shares at the election of the Joint Nomination and Remuneration Committee. As of the date of this filing, 2,783,814 Shares remain available for issuance, with respect to awards that have been or may be granted from time to time under the Management Incentive Plan.

In addition, a limited number of shareholders own a substantial portion of Shares. Sales of a substantial number of Shares in the public markets, or even the perception that these sales might occur, could impair our ability to raise capital for our operations through a future sale of, or pay for acquisitions using, our equity securities. We may issue Shares or other securities from time to time as consideration for future acquisitions and investments. If any such acquisition or investment is significant, the number of Shares, or the number or aggregate principal amount, as the case may be, of other securities that we may issue may in turn be substantial. We may also grant registration rights covering those Shares or other securities in connection with any such acquisitions and investments. We cannot predict the effect that future sales of



Shares will have on the price at which Shares trade or the size of future issuances of Shares or the effect, if any, that future issuances will have on the market price of Shares. Sales of substantial amounts of Shares, or the perception that such sales could occur, may adversely affect the trading price of the Shares.

***Because we are a foreign corporation, you may not have the same rights that a shareholder in a U.S. corporation may have.***

We are incorporated under the laws of Bermuda, and substantially all of our assets are located outside of the United States. In addition, the majority of our directors and officers generally are or will be non-residents of the United States, and all or a substantial portion of the assets of these non-residents are located outside the United States. As a result, it may be difficult or impossible for you to effect service of process on these individuals in the United States or to enforce in the United States judgments obtained in U.S. courts against us or our directors and officers based on the civil liability provisions of applicable U.S. securities laws.

In addition, you should not assume that courts in the countries in which we are incorporated or where our assets are located (1) would enforce judgments of U.S. courts obtained in actions against us based upon the civil liability provisions of applicable U.S. securities laws or (2) would enforce, in original actions, liabilities against us based on those laws.

***Our Bye-Laws limit shareholders' ability to bring legal action against our officers and directors.***

Our Bye-Laws contain a broad waiver by the shareholders of any claim or right of action, both individually and on behalf of the Company, against any of our officers or directors. The waiver applies to any action taken by an officer or director, or the failure of an officer or director to take any action, in the performance of his or her duties, except with respect to any matter involving any fraud or dishonesty on the part of the officer or director. This waiver limits the right of shareholders to assert claims against our officers and directors unless the act or failure to act involves fraud or dishonesty.

***Legislation enacted in Bermuda as to Economic Substance may affect our operations.***

Pursuant to the Economic Substance Act 2018 (as amended) and related regulations (the "ESA"), which came into force on January 1, 2019, a registered entity other than an entity which is resident for tax purposes in certain jurisdictions outside Bermuda ("non-resident entity") that carries on as a business any one or more of the "relevant activities" referred to in the ESA must comply with economic substance requirements. The ESA may require in-scope Bermuda entities which are engaged in such "relevant activities" to be directed and managed in Bermuda, have an adequate level of qualified employees in Bermuda, incur an adequate level of annual expenditure in Bermuda, maintain physical offices and premises in Bermuda or perform core income-generating activities in Bermuda. The list of "relevant activities" includes carrying on any one or more of the following activities: banking, insurance, fund management, financing and leasing, headquarters, shipping, distribution and service center, intellectual property and holding entities (as such terms are defined in the ESA). An in-scope Bermuda entity that carries on a relevant activity is obliged under the ESA to file a declaration with the Bermuda Registrar of Companies on an annual basis containing certain information. The ESA could affect the manner in which we (or any of our Bermuda subsidiaries) operate our business, which could adversely affect our business, financial condition and operating results. If we were required to satisfy economic substance requirements in Bermuda but failed to do so, we could face automatic disclosure to competent authorities in the European Union of the information filed by the entity with the Bermuda Registrar of Companies in connection with the economic substance requirements and may also face financial penalties, restriction or regulation of its business activities and may be struck off as a registered entity in Bermuda.

***We may be subject to litigation, arbitration, other proceedings and regulatory investigations that could have an adverse effect on us.***

We are currently involved in various litigation and arbitration matters, and we anticipate that we will be involved in dispute matters from time to time in the future. The operating and other hazards inherent in our business expose us to disputes, including claims for personal injury, worker health and safety matters, environmental and climate change litigation, contractual disputes with customers or lessors of rigs that we have leased, or may in the future lease, intellectual property and patent disputes, tax or securities disputes, regulatory investigations and maritime lawsuits, including the possible arrest of our drilling units. We cannot predict, with certainty, the outcome or effect of any claim or other dispute matters, or a combination of these. If we are involved in any future disputes, or if our positions concerning current disputes are found to be incorrect, there may be an adverse effect on our business, financial position, operating results and available cash, because of potential negative outcomes, the costs associated with asserting our claims or defending such lawsuits or proceedings, and the diversion of management's attention to these matters. For additional information on litigation matters that we are currently involved in, please see Part I, Item 3, "Legal Proceedings".

***The loss of our status as a "foreign private issuer" could result in additional cost.***

Effective January 1, 2025, we no longer qualify as a "foreign private issuer" (as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act). As a foreign private issuer, we were exempt from certain rules under the Exchange Act that impose certain disclosure obligations and procedural requirements for proxy solicitations under Section 14 of the Exchange Act. In addition, (i) our officers, directors and principal shareholders were exempt from the reporting and "short-swing" profit recovery provisions of Section 16 of the Exchange Act and the rules under the Exchange Act with respect to their purchases and sales of our Shares, and (ii) we were not required to file periodic reports and financial statements with the SEC as frequently or as promptly as U.S. domestic issuers. We were also permitted to follow certain home country practices in relation to our corporate governance instead of the NYSE corporate governance listing standards. As a result of no longer qualifying as a foreign private issuer, we may incur significant additional costs related to the increased regulatory and compliance requirements of applicable U.S. securities laws and the NYSE corporate governance listing standards as a U.S. domestic issuer.



## **Item 1B. Unresolved Staff Comments**

None.

## **Item 1C. Cybersecurity**

Seadrill is dedicated to upholding comprehensive cybersecurity policies and procedures to safeguard our assets, data, and stakeholders. We achieve this by continuously assessing, identifying, and managing material risks associated with cybersecurity threats. Our cybersecurity program is built upon the U.S. Department of Commerce's National Institute of Standards and Technology ("NIST") Cybersecurity Framework. Cybersecurity risk is an integral part of our Enterprise Risk Management ("ERM") program, which evaluates potential impacts to our operations, financial stability, and reputation.

The Vice President of Technical Services serves as the Senior Management sponsor for cybersecurity risk and mitigation plans. Day-to-day management of cybersecurity risks falls under the responsibility of the Director of Information Security and Information Technology ("ISIT") and the Cybersecurity Manager. Our Cybersecurity Manager is a retired U.S. Military Cyber Warfare Officer with over 15 years of experience in Cybersecurity Operations and a member of the International Association of Drilling Contractors Cybersecurity Committee.

The governance of Seadrill's cybersecurity program is detailed in Directives and Procedures within our Management System. These documents are regularly reviewed and outline the roles of our Cybersecurity Steering Committee, Security Operations Center, and our comprehensive Cyber Incident Response Plan. This plan specifies procedures for assessing the risk of foreseeable cyber incidents, escalating incidents to Senior Management (including necessary disclosures), and systematically responding to incidents through isolation, containment, analysis, and resolution. A structured de-escalation process follows these actions to ensure resolution and recovery. Our processes also address cybersecurity risks associated with third-party service providers, including those in our supply chain or with access to our systems or data. We evaluate key third-party providers' cybersecurity postures and may recommend specific mitigation controls. The Company works with various assessors, consultants, auditors, and other third parties on a regular basis to ensure the effectiveness of our cybersecurity measures.

To maintain and enhance the strength of our cybersecurity controls while reducing risk exposure, Seadrill conducts vulnerability assessments and penetration testing. As a principal risk, cybersecurity is also included in our rolling Internal Audit & Assurance program and is subject to external ISO 9001 quality management certification, certified by DNV. Oversight of these efforts is provided by the Assurance, Quality & Enterprise Risk Function, which ensures the robustness of key mitigations and controls.

Senior Management oversee the cybersecurity program through weekly and monthly updates, and report on the cybersecurity program to the Audit and Risk Committee for oversight, on a quarterly basis. Additionally, cybersecurity risks are reviewed annually as part of the ERM program. The ISIT Function leads ongoing training and awareness initiatives that applies to all Seadrill personnel, including employees, contractors and contingent workers, emphasizing cybersecurity as a critical organizational priority and mitigating the potential human factor in cyber incidents.

To date, Seadrill's business strategy, operations, and financial condition have not been materially affected by large-scale cybersecurity threats or incidents. For more information on the risks related to Cybersecurity, please refer to Part I, Item 1A, "Risk Factors - Risks Relating to Our Business and Industry - Failure to adequately protect our sensitive information, operational technology systems and critical data, or our service providers' failure to protect their systems and data could have a material adverse effect on us."

## **Item 2. Properties**

### **1) Drilling units**

The description of our rig fleet included under Part I, Item 1, "Business" is incorporated by reference herein.

### **2) Office and Equipment**

We lease offices and other properties in several locations including Houston in the United States, Rio de Janeiro in Brazil, Stavanger in Norway, Luanda in Angola, and Liverpool in the United Kingdom. Our Consolidated Balance Sheet includes office equipment, IT equipment and leasehold improvements held in these locations. As previously announced, during 2024, we completed the closure of our London, England office and consolidated our corporate offices in Houston, Texas.

## **Item 3. Legal Proceedings**

Except as set forth in "Note 27 – Commitments and contingencies" to our consolidated financial statements included in Part II, Item 8, "Financial statements and Supplementary Data" of this annual report, we were involved in a number of lawsuits, regulatory matters, disputes, and claims, asserted and unasserted, all of which have arisen in the ordinary course of our business and for which we do not expect the liability, if any, to have a material adverse effect on our consolidated financial position, results of operations, or cash flows. We cannot predict with certainty the outcome or effect of any of the matters referred to above or of any such other pending or threatened litigation or legal proceedings. We can provide no assurance that our beliefs or expectations as to the outcome or effect of any lawsuit or claim or dispute will prove correct and the eventual outcome of these matters could materially differ from management's current estimates.

Additional information regarding legal proceedings is presented in "Note 27 – Commitments and Contingencies" to our consolidated financial statements included in Part II, Item 8, "Financial Statements and Supplementary Data" of this annual report.

## **Item 4. Mine Safety disclosures**

Not applicable



**PART II**

**Item 5. Market for Registrant's Common Equity, Related Shareholder Matters and Issuer Purchases of Equity Securities**

**Market for Shares and Related Shareholder Information**

Our Shares are listed on the New York Stock Exchange under the ticker symbol "SDRL." On February 20, 2025, we had 19 holders of record of our Shares.

**Dividends**

Pursuant to the Bye-Laws, the Board of Directors may declare cash dividends or distributions. The payment of any future dividends to shareholders will depend upon decisions that will be at the sole discretion of the Board of Directors and will depend on the then-existing conditions, including the Company's operating results, financial condition, contractual restrictions, corporate law restrictions, capital requirements, the applicable laws of Bermuda and business prospects. Under Bermuda law, a company may not declare or pay a dividend, or make a distribution out of contributed surplus, if there are reasonable grounds for believing that (a) it is, or would after the payment be, unable to pay its liabilities as they become due; or (b) the realizable value of its assets would thereby be less than its liabilities.

Although the Board of Directors may consider the payment of dividends, there can be no assurance that the Company will pay any dividend, or if declared, the amount of such dividend. The agreements governing the Company's secured debt may restrict the Company's ability to declare or pay dividends.

Further, as the Company is a holding company with no material assets other than the shares of its subsidiaries through which it conducts its operations, its ability to pay dividends will also depend on the subsidiaries distributing their respective earnings and cash flow to the Company.

Seadrill Limited was incorporated on October 15, 2021 and has not paid any dividends since its incorporation.

**Bermuda and Other Non-U.S. Tax Considerations**

As previously noted, the CIT Act was enacted in Bermuda on December 27, 2023 and tax is chargeable under the CIT Act for tax years starting on or after January 1, 2025. Entities subject to tax under the CIT Act are the Bermuda constituent entities of multi-national groups. A multi-national group is defined under the CIT Act as a group with entities in more than one jurisdiction with consolidated revenues of at least EUR750 million for two of the four previous fiscal years. If Bermuda constituent entities of a multi-national group are subject to tax under the CIT Act, such tax is charged at a rate of 15% of the net taxable income of such constituent entities as determined in accordance with and subject to the adjustments set out in the CIT Act (including in respect of foreign tax credits applicable to the Bermuda constituent entities).

The CIT Act does not impose any withholding tax, capital transfer tax, estate duty or inheritance tax and no such taxes are payable by the Company or its shareholders (who are non-residents of Bermuda) in respect a disposition of the Shares or in respect of distributions they receive from the Company with respect to the Shares. This discussion does not, however, apply to the taxation of persons ordinarily resident in Bermuda. Bermuda resident shareholders should consult their own tax advisors regarding possible Bermuda taxes with respect to dispositions of, and distributions received on, the Shares.

Bermuda currently has no tax treaties in place with other countries in relation to double-taxation or for the withholding of tax for foreign tax authorities.

**Issuer Repurchases of Equity Securities**

On August 14, 2023, the Board of Directors authorized a share repurchase program, which was announced on August 15, 2023 and completed in December 2023, under which the Company purchased \$250 million of its outstanding common shares. On November 27, 2023, the Board of Directors authorized, and the Company announced, an increase in the Company's aggregate share repurchase authorization, allowing the Company to repurchase an additional \$250 million of its outstanding common shares. Under such authorization, the Company purchased an additional \$250 million of its outstanding common shares.

During the second quarter of 2024, as announced on May 16, 2024, the Company's Board of Directors authorized a new \$500 million share repurchase program that will run for a period of two years from June 25, 2024, the date of completion for the programs initiated in 2023 (the "Current Repurchase Program").

For more information on Share repurchases, refer to Part II, Item 7, "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations - Liquidity and Capital Resources - 2) Capital allocation framework and share repurchase program"



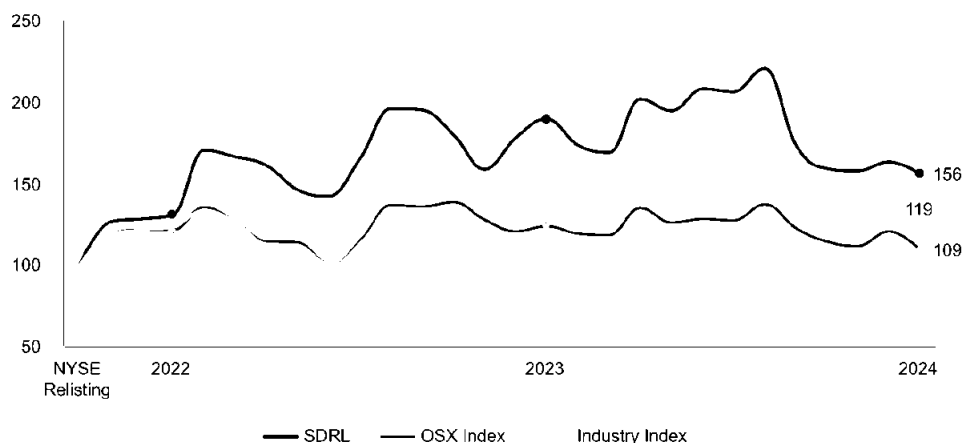
For the three months ended December 31, 2024, Seadrill repurchased outstanding common shares as follows:

Period	Total number of shares purchased	Average price paid per share	Total number of shares purchased as part of publicly announced programs	Maximum dollar value of shares that may yet be purchased under the programs <sup>(1)</sup>
October 1 - October 31	—	\$ —	—	\$ 307,755,016
November 1 - November 30	1,188,832	\$ 40.59	1,188,832	\$ 259,745,309
December 1 - December 31	1,312,071	\$ 39.44	1,312,071	\$ 207,997,229
<b>Total</b>	<b>2,500,903</b>	<b>\$ 39.99</b>	<b>2,500,903</b>	<b>\$ 207,997,229</b>

<sup>(1)</sup> Relates to the \$500 million share repurchase program authorized by the Company's Board of Directors and announced on May 16, 2024, which will run for a period of two years from June 25, 2024, the date of completion for the programs initiated in 2023.

### Cumulative Total Shareholder Return

The chart below presents a comparison of the cumulative total shareholder return, assuming \$100 invested on October 14, 2022 (first trading date on the NYSE after our emergence from the Chapter 11) for Seadrill Limited ("SDRL"), the PHLX Oil Service Sector Index (the "OSX Index") and Dow Jones US Select Oil Equipment & Services Index (the "Industry Index").



(Amounts in US\$)

Company/Index	Indexed Returns			
	October 14, 2022	December 31, 2022	December 31, 2023	December 31, 2024
SDRL	100.0	130.6	189.1	155.7
OSX Index	100.0	120.9	123.2	108.9
Industry Index	100.0	122.8	128.8	118.6

The above graph and related information shall not be deemed "soliciting material" or to be "filed" with the SEC, nor shall such information be incorporated by reference into any future filing under the Securities Act or the Exchange Act, except to the extent that we specifically incorporate it by reference into such filing.

Item 6. *Reserved*



## **Item 7. Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations**

In this section, we present management's discussion and analysis of results of operations and financial condition. It should be read in conjunction with our Consolidated Financial Statements and accompanying notes thereto included in this annual report for the year ended December 31, 2024. You should also carefully read the following sections of this annual report entitled "Forward-Looking Statements," Part I, Item 1, "Business" and Part I, Item 1A, "Risk Factors".

The discussion of our results of operations and liquidity in this section includes comparisons for the years ended December 31, 2024 and December 31, 2023. For a similar discussion, including comparisons for the year ended December 31, 2023, the periods from February 23, 2022 through December 31, 2022 (Successor) and from January 1, 2022 through February 22, 2022 (Predecessor), see Part I, Item 5, "Operating and Financial Review and Prospects" of our annual report on [Form 20-F for the year ended December 31, 2023](#), filed with the SEC on March 27, 2024.

### **Introduction**

Seadrill Limited (along with any one or more of its consolidated subsidiaries, or to all such entities, referred to as "Seadrill", "we", "us", "our", and "the Company") is an offshore drilling contractor providing worldwide offshore drilling services to the oil and gas industry. Our primary business is the ownership and operation of drillships and semi-submersible rigs for operations in shallow to ultra-deepwater in both benign and harsh environments. We contract our drilling units to drill wells for our customers on a dayrate basis. Our customers include oil super-majors, state-owned national oil companies, and independent oil and gas companies. In addition, we provide management services to certain affiliated entities.

As of December 31, 2024, we owned a total of 15 drilling units, of which 11 were operating (inclusive of one leased to the Sonadrill joint venture), one 6th generation drillship was undergoing contract preparations for a contract that commenced during February 2025, and three were cold stacked. The 11 operating units include 10 benign floaters (comprising seven 7th generation drillships, two 6th generation drillships and one benign environment semi-submersible) and one harsh environment unit (comprising of one jackup). In addition to our owned assets, as of December 31, 2024, we managed two drilling units owned by Sonangol.

For a detailed description of our business, please read Part I, Item 1, "Business".

### **Significant Developments**

#### **Share Repurchase Program**

On June 25, 2024, the Company announced it had completed the additional \$250 million of share repurchases initiated in December 2023, having repurchased an aggregate of 5,250,707 common shares, with a weighted average share price of \$47.61, amounting to \$250 million.

During the second quarter of 2024, as announced on May 16, 2024, the Company's Board of Directors authorized a new \$500 million share repurchase program that will run for a period of two years from June 25, 2024, the date of completion for the programs initiated in 2023. Under the Current Repurchase Program, the Company repurchased an aggregate of 6,714,252 Shares, with a weighted average share price of \$43.52, amounting to \$292 million. As of December 31, 2024, \$208 million of the \$500 million authorized amount remained available.

Refer to "Liquidity and Capital Resources - 2) Capital allocation framework and share repurchase program" and Note 22 - "Common shares" for additional information about the Company's share repurchases.

#### **Disposal of Jackup Rigs and Equity Interest in Gulfdrill Joint Venture**

On May 16, 2024, Seadrill entered into a definitive agreement to sell three jackup rigs, the *West Castor*, *West Teleso*, and *West Tucana*, and its 50% equity interest in the joint venture that operated these rigs offshore Qatar, to Seadrill's joint venture partner, Gulf Drilling International, for cash proceeds of \$338 million. The closing of the sale occurred in June 2024, and a gain of \$203 million, net of transaction costs, was recognized in the second quarter of 2024 associated with the disposal of these assets.

On November 23, 2024, Seadrill executed a Sale and Purchase Agreement with Petrovietnam Drilling & Well Service Corporation to divest the *West Prospero* for cash proceeds of \$45 million. The closing of the sale occurred in December 2024, and a gain of \$31 million, net of transaction costs, was recognized in the fourth quarter of 2024 associated with the disposal of the jackup rig.

#### **OSE Delisting**

As contemplated by our proxy statement, dated March 21, 2024, we submitted an application to delist our common shares on the OSE, on April 30, 2024. Oslo Bors approved the Company's delisting from the OSE, following an affirmative shareholder vote at the Company's Annual General Meeting in April 2024. The last day of trading our common shares on the OSE was September 9, 2024, with our common shares being delisted from the OSE on September 10, 2024.

#### **Loss of Foreign Private Issuer Status**

We determined the Company ceased to qualify as a foreign private issuer effective as of January 1, 2025 and commenced reporting as a domestic issuer under the Exchange Act from that date. As a result, among other consequences, we are no longer permitted to follow certain home country practices in relation to our corporate governance instead of NYSE rules. See Part I, Item 1A, "Risk Factors - Regulatory and Legal Risks - The loss of our status as a "foreign private issuer" could result in additional cost."



## Market Overview and Trends

The below table shows the average annual oil price over the period from 2020 to 2024. The Brent oil price on February 20, 2025 was \$76.48.

	2024	2023	2022	2021	2020
Average Brent oil price (\$/bbl)	80	82	101	71	42

Source: Bloomberg

In 2020, the oil and gas industry faced significant uncertainty due to a substantial reduction in oil and gas prices caused by the pandemic, despite Brent prices stabilizing in previous years. However, production cuts by OPEC and non-OPEC members, along with effective vaccination campaigns, had positive impacts on the industry, leading to a recovery in oil demand throughout 2021 and 2022.

The price of Brent crude oil averaged \$80 per barrel in 2024, down from \$82 per barrel in 2023. Global growth in the production of oil and slower demand growth has put downward pressure on prices, while heightened geopolitical risks and voluntary production restrictions among OPEC and non-OPEC members has supported prices.

Overall, in recent years, oil prices have generally remained at levels that are supportive of offshore exploration and development activity, and global rig demand has been steady. This level of demand has been sustained by the combination of growing confidence in commodity prices, heightened focus on energy security, and relative attractiveness of offshore plays with respect to both cost and carbon emissions.

During the first quarter of 2024, Brent oil prices generally rose due to heightened geopolitical risks largely associated with the growing Middle East conflict. Brent crude oil prices were highest in 2024 during April, closing at \$91 per barrel. Prices generally declined through the remainder of 2024, with smaller price rallies driven by OPEC and non-OPEC announcements in June and September regarding delayed production increases. Economic weakness and concerns about oil consumption, particularly regarding trends in consumption of diesel and gasoline in China weighed on prices during the second half of 2024.

As a result, uncertainty persists in the market, which is primarily driven by concerns over the global economic conditions. Such concerns have led to continued deferral of offshore capital expenditures and contracting of offshore drilling services, and could have a negative impact on future demand for offshore drilling services, as the industry faces volatility in oil prices and growth trajectory for oil demand. In addition, inflationary pressures may impact the cost base in our industry, including personnel costs, and the prices of goods and services required to reactivate or operate rigs.

The below table shows the global number of rigs on contract and marketed utilization for the year ended December 31, 2024, and for each of the four preceding years.

	2024	2023	2022	2021	2020
<b>Contracted rigs</b>					
Benign environment floater	124	119	111	106	107
Harsh environment floater	22	26	26	25	25
Harsh environment jackup	28	28	31	28	26
<b>Marketed utilization</b>					
Benign environment floater	84 %	85 %	81 %	80 %	77 %
Harsh environment floater	93 %	93 %	82 %	77 %	77 %
Harsh environment jackup	90 %	83 %	92 %	80 %	75 %

Source: S&P Global.

### **Global benign-environment floaters**

In 2024, marketed utilization declined slightly mainly due to an increase in supply and a larger number of units rolling off contract. As of December 31, 2024, the drillship utilization performed better at around 88 % compared to 78% for semi-submersibles. While the utilization for drillships declined year on year, the benign-environment semi-submersibles utilization saw a slight improvement compared to 2023.

### **Global harsh environment units**

Marketed utilization remained steady year on year in the harsh environment floater segment due to the supply and demand balance. Harsh environment jackup utilization improved at a faster rate through 2024 closing the year at 90%. The decrease in harsh environment floater contracted rigs is mainly attributable to the reduction in supply, as a number of harsh environment units were contracted in the benign environment segment.



## Changes to our fleet

The below table shows the number of owned drilling units included in our fleet for each of the periods covered by this report.

<b>Drilling units owned</b>	<b>December 31, 2024</b>	<b>December 31, 2023</b>	<b>December 31, 2022</b>
Benign environment drillships	10	10	6
Benign environment semi-submersible rigs	2	2	2
Benign environment jackup rigs	—	4	4
Harsh environment semi-submersible rig	2	2	1
Harsh environment jackup rig	1	1	1
<b>Total drilling units</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>14</b>

The decrease in benign environment jackup rigs during 2024 was due to the disposal of the *West Castor*, *West Tucana*, *West Telesto* and *West Prospero*. The increase in our owned fleet in 2023 was due to the acquisition of Aquadrill.

The below table shows the number of managed drilling units included in our fleet for each of the periods covered by this report:

<b>Drilling units managed</b>	<b>December 31, 2024</b>	<b>December 31, 2023</b>	<b>December 31, 2022</b>
<b>Managed rigs</b>			
Floater	2	2	2
Jackup rigs	—	—	5
<b>Total managed rigs</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>7</b>

The decrease in managed jackup rigs during 2023 was due to the termination of the SeaMex MSA on November 17, 2023.

## Contract backlog

Contract backlog includes all firm contracts at the contractual operating dayrate multiplied by the number of days remaining in the firm contract period. For contracts which include a market indexed rate mechanism, we utilize the current applicable dayrate multiplied by the number of days remaining in the firm contract period. Contract backlog includes management contract revenues and leasing revenues from bareboat charter arrangements, denoted as "other" in the tables below. Contract backlog excludes revenues for mobilization, demobilization and contract preparation or other incentive provisions and excludes backlog relating to non-consolidated entities.

The contract backlog for our fleet was as follows as of the dates specified:

(In \$ millions)

<b>Contract backlog</b>	<b>December 31, 2024</b>	<b>December 31, 2023</b>	<b>December 31, 2022</b>
Drilling contracts	3,034	2,612	1,925
Other <sup>(1)</sup>	146	408	390
<b>Total</b>	<b>3,180</b>	<b>3,020</b>	<b>2,315</b>

<sup>(1)</sup> Decrease is primarily due to divestment of three Qatar jackup rigs, partially offset by increased bareboat charter rate on *West Gemini*.

Our contract backlog includes only firm commitments represented by signed drilling contracts. The full contractual operating dayrate may differ to the actual dayrate we ultimately receive. For example, an alternative contractual dayrate, such as a waiting-on-weather rate, repair rate, standby rate or force majeure rate, may apply under certain circumstances. The contractual operating dayrate may also differ to the actual dayrate we ultimately receive because of several other factors, including rig downtime or suspension of operations. In certain contracts, the dayrate may be reduced to zero if, for example, repairs extend beyond a stated period.

We estimate the December 31, 2024 contract backlog to be realized over the following periods:

(In \$ millions)

<b>Contract backlog</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>2025</b>	<b>2026</b>	<b>2027</b>	<b>Thereafter</b>
Drilling units	3,034	1,059	852	737	386
Other	146	146	—	—	—
<b>Total</b>	<b>3,180</b>	<b>1,205</b>	<b>852</b>	<b>737</b>	<b>386</b>

The actual amounts of revenues earned and the actual periods during which revenues are earned will differ from the amounts and periods shown in the tables above due to various factors, including shipyard and maintenance, survey, upgrade and regulatory projects, unplanned downtime and other factors that result in lower applicable dayrates than the full contractual operating dayrate. Additional factors that could affect the amount and timing of actual revenue to be recognized include customer liquidity issues and contract terminations, which are available to our customers under certain circumstances.



## RESULTS OF OPERATIONS

The tables included below set out financial information for the years ended December 31, 2024 and December 31, 2023 (Successor).

(In \$ millions, except percentages)

	Year ended December 31, 2024	Year ended December 31, 2023	Change	Change %
Operating revenues	1,385	1,502	(117)	(8) %
Operating expenses	(1,223)	(1,187)	(36)	3 %
Other operating items	250	14	236	1686 %
<b>Operating profit</b>	<b>412</b>	<b>329</b>	<b>83</b>	<b>25 %</b>
Interest expense	(61)	(59)	(2)	3 %
Other financial and non-operating items	(18)	47	(65)	(138) %
<b>Profit before income taxes</b>	<b>333</b>	<b>317</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>5 %</b>
Income tax benefit/(expense)	113	(17)	130	(765) %
<b>Net income</b>	<b>446</b>	<b>300</b>	<b>146</b>	<b>49 %</b>

### 1) Operating revenues

Operating revenues consist of contract revenues, reimbursable revenues, management contract revenues, leasing revenues and other revenues.

(In \$ millions, except percentages)

	Year ended December 31, 2024	Year ended December 31, 2023	Change	Change %
Contract revenues <sup>(a)</sup>	1,009	1,154	(145)	(13) %
Reimbursable revenues <sup>(b)</sup>	70	58	12	21 %
Management contract revenues <sup>(c)</sup>	247	245	2	1 %
Leasing revenues <sup>(d)</sup>	54	33	21	64 %
Other revenues <sup>(e)</sup>	5	12	(7)	(58) %
<b>Operating revenues</b>	<b>1,385</b>	<b>1,502</b>	<b>(117)</b>	<b>(8) %</b>

#### a) Contract revenues

Contract revenues represent the revenues we earn from contracting drilling units to customers, primarily on a dayrate basis, and are primarily driven by the average number of rigs under contract during a period, the average dayrates earned and economic utilization achieved by those rigs under contract.

##### i. Average number of rigs on contract

We calculate the average number of rigs on contract by dividing the aggregate days our rigs were on contract during the reporting period by the number of days in that reporting period.

The average number of rigs on contract decreased from 11 in the year ended December 31, 2023 to 9 in the year ended December 31, 2024, resulting in a \$170 million decrease in contract revenues in the year ended December 31, 2024 compared to the year ended December 31, 2023. The decrease is primarily related to the *West Auriga* and *West Polaris* operating for fewer days during the year ended December 31, 2024, as the rigs underwent preparation work for contracts with Petrobras in Brazil, with the *West Auriga* commencing work in late December 2024, and the *West Polaris* commencing work in the first quarter of 2025. In addition, the *Sevan Louisiana* was not operating during the first quarter of 2024 due to its special periodic survey, and the *West Phoenix* was cold stacked in the fourth quarter of 2024. Therefore, each had fewer days on contract during the year ended December 31, 2024 compared to the year ended December 31, 2023.

These decreases were partially offset by the *West Capella* and *West Vela* operating for more days during the year ended December 31, 2024, compared to the year ended December 31, 2023, as the rigs were acquired in April 2023 as a part of the Aquadrill acquisition.

##### ii. Average contractual dayrates

We calculate the average contractual dayrate by dividing the aggregate contractual dayrates during a reporting period by the aggregate number of days for the reporting period.

The average contractual dayrate earned for the year ended December 31, 2024 was \$296 thousand compared to \$284 thousand for the year ended December 31, 2023, resulting in a \$22 million increase in contract revenues in the year ended December 31, 2024 compared to the year ended December 31, 2023. Improvements during the year ended December 31, 2024 included higher dayrates for the *West Neptune*, the *West Capella* operating at higher dayrates in Indonesia and South Korea, along with a lower contractual rate for the *T-15*, which was disposed of in July 2023. These improvements were partially offset by the *Sevan Louisiana* operating at a below average dayrate for a well intervention contract during the year ended December 31, 2024, and the *West Auriga* earning an above average contractual rate for more days during the year ended December 31, 2023, which ended February 2024.



### iii. Economic utilization for rigs on contract

We define economic utilization as dayrate revenue earned during the period, excluding bonuses, divided by the contractual operating dayrate multiplied by the number of days on contract in the period. If a drilling unit earns its full operating dayrate throughout a reporting period, its economic utilization would be 100%. However, there are many situations that give rise to a dayrate being earned that is less than a contractual operating rate, such as planned downtime for maintenance. In such situations, economic utilization reduces below 100%.

Economic utilization increased to 95% for the year ended December 31, 2024, compared to 93% for the year ended December 31, 2023, resulting in a \$24 million increase in contract revenues in the year ended December 31, 2024 compared to the year ended December 31, 2023. The increase was primarily due to planned downtime and operational events related to blowout preventer reliability and weather-related impacts on certain rigs within the fleet in 2023.

### iv. Deferred mobilization revenues

We receive fees for the mobilization of our rigs, where the associated revenue is recognized ratably over the expected term of the related drilling contract. As a result, we record a contract liability for mobilization fees received, which is amortized ratably to contract drilling revenue as services are rendered over the initial term of the related drilling contract.

Amortization of deferred mobilization revenues decreased by \$19 million during the year ended December 31, 2024, compared to the year ended December 31, 2023. This was primarily related to the *West Capella*, *West Polaris* and *West Phoenix*, as their respective contracts ended in 2024.

### b) Reimbursable revenues

We generally receive reimbursements from our customers for the purchase of supplies, equipment, personnel and other services provided at their request in accordance with a drilling contract. We classify such revenues as reimbursable revenues.

For the year ended December 31, 2024, reimbursable revenues primarily related to rigs managed for the Sonadrill joint venture for long term maintenance projects on the *Libongos* and *Quenguela*, and for the year ended December 31, 2023, reimbursable revenues related to services provided across various customers.

The increase for the year ended December 31, 2024 compared to the year ended December 31, 2023 was primarily due to additional reimbursable services provided to the *Libongos* and *Quenguela* for long-term maintenance.

Please refer to Note 1 - "General information" for reclassifications of reimbursable revenues and reimbursable expenses related to our joint ventures, including \$26 million of management contract revenues and management contract expenses for the year ended December 31, 2023, reclassified to reimbursable revenues and reimbursable expenses, respectively.

### c) Management contract revenues

Management contract revenues include revenues related to contracts where we provide management, operational and technical support services and comprise revenue from our joint venture, Sonadrill, relating to the *Libongos*, *Quenguela* and the *West Gemini*.

Management contract revenues for the year ended December 31, 2024 were relatively consistent with the year ended December 31, 2023. An increase in management fees on the three Sonadrill rigs during the year ended December 31, 2024 of \$16 million, was offset by a \$14 million decrease in management services provided to SeaMex during the year ended December 31, 2023, which ended in November 2023.

Refer to Note 24 - "Related party transactions" for further details on these related parties.

### d) Leasing revenues

Leasing revenues relate to the charter of the *West Castor*, *West Teleso* and *West Tucana* to Gulfdrill prior to disposal in June 2024, and *West Gemini* to Sonadrill.

The increase to leasing revenues of \$21 million for the year ended December 31, 2024, compared to the year ended December 31, 2023, is primarily due to an amended bareboat charter rate for *West Gemini*, retroactively effective from January 1, 2024, as well as a higher bareboat charter rate for the *West Castor*, which was effective in September 2023, partially offset by a decrease of leasing revenues attributable to the Gulfdrill rigs, disposed in June 2024.

Refer to Note 24 - "Related party transactions" for further details and to Note 1 - "General information" for reclassifications of leasing revenues, including \$33 million of other revenues for the year ended December 31, 2023, reclassified to leasing revenues.

## 2) Operating expenses

Total operating expenses include vessel and rig operating expenses, depreciation of drilling units and equipment, amortization of intangibles, reimbursable expenses, management contract expenses, selling, general and administrative expenses and merger and integration related expenses.



(In \$ millions, except percentages)

	Year ended December 31, 2024	Year ended December 31, 2023	Change	Change %
Vessel and rig operating expenses (i)	(681)	(705)	24	(3) %
Reimbursable expenses	(68)	(55)	(13)	24 %
Depreciation and amortization (ii)	(168)	(155)	(13)	8 %
Management contract expenses (iii)	(175)	(174)	(1)	1 %
Merger and integration related expenses	(24)	(24)	—	— %
Selling, general and administrative expenses (iv)	(107)	(74)	(33)	45 %
<b>Operating expenses</b>	<b>(1,223)</b>	<b>(1,187)</b>	<b>(36)</b>	<b>3 %</b>

*i. Vessel and rig operating expenses*

Vessel and rig operating expenses represent the costs we incur to operate a drilling unit that is either in operation or stacked. This includes the remuneration of offshore crews, rig supplies, expenses for repair and maintenance and onshore support costs. Vessel and rig operating expenses are mainly driven by rig activity. On average, we incur higher vessel and rig operating expenses when a rig is operating compared to when it is stacked. For stacked rigs, we incur higher vessel and rig expenses for warm stacked rigs compared to cold stacked rigs. We incur one-time costs for activities such as preservation and severance when we cold stack a rig. We also incur significant costs when re-activating a rig from cold stack, a proportion of which is expensed as incurred. Where a rig is leased to another operator, the majority of vessel and rig expenses are incurred by the operator.

The average number of rigs on contract decreased for the year ended December 31, 2024 compared to the year ended December 31, 2023, driven primarily by the *West Auriga* and *West Polaris* undergoing preparations for contracts with Petrobras in Brazil during the year ended December 31, 2024, with certain operating expenses being capitalized. In addition, there has also been a decrease in costs associated with MSA (as defined below) fees, as the majority of rigs acquired through the Aquadrill transaction are now managed by Seadrill, rather than by third parties. As a result, our vessel and rig operating expenses was \$57 million lower for the year ended December 31, 2024 compared to the year ended December 31, 2023. This was partially offset by a \$36 million increase in vessel and rig operating expenses attributable to the *West Vela* and *West Capella* operating for more days during the year ended December 31, 2024, compared to the year ended December 31, 2023, as the rigs were acquired in April 2023 as a part of the Aquadrill acquisition.

*ii. Depreciation and amortization*

The \$13 million increase in depreciation and amortization for the year ended December 31, 2024 compared to the year ended December 31, 2023, was primarily due to a \$10 million increase in the depreciation of drilling units and equipment as a result of the additional rigs from the Aquadrill acquisition completed in April 2023, partially offset by the disposal of the Gulfdrill rigs in June 2024.

*Depreciation of drilling units and equipment*

We record depreciation expense to reduce the carrying value of drilling unit and equipment balances to their residual value over their expected remaining useful economic lives.

Depreciation increased by \$10 million in the year ended December 31, 2024 compared to the year ended December 31, 2023, primarily due to the additional rigs from the Aquadrill acquisition completed in April 2023, partially offset by the disposal of the Gulfdrill rigs in June 2024.

*Amortization of intangibles*

Amortization increased by \$3 million during the year ended December 31, 2024 compared to the year ended December 31, 2023, primarily due to unfavorable contracts being fully amortized related to the *West Polaris*, which was fully amortized in 2023, and the *West Auriga* and *West Vela*, which were fully amortized in February 2024. These were partially offset by lower amortization related to favorable contracts for the *West Phoenix*, *Quenguela*, *West Capella* and *SeaMex*, which were fully amortized during 2023.

*iii. Management contract expenses*

Management contract expenses include costs related to Sonadrill's rigs, *Quenguela* and *Libongos*, and the Seadrill rig novated to Sonadrill, the *West Gemini*. For the year ended December 31, 2023, management contract expenses also included *SeaMex*'s five jackup units.

Management contract expenses remained consistent during the year ended December 31, 2024, compared to the year ended December 31, 2023. During the year ended December 31, 2024, there was an increase of \$11 million in the managed contract expenses, primarily related to higher repair and maintenance costs pertaining to the Sonadrill managed rigs. This was offset by a decrease of \$10 million in the managed contract expenses related to managing the *SeaMex* jackup units in the first quarter of 2023, and therefore, no longer managed by Seadrill during the year ended December 31, 2024.

*iv. Selling, general and administrative expenses*

Selling, general and administrative expenses include the cost of our corporate and regional offices, certain legal and professional fees as well as the remuneration and other compensation of our officers, directors and employees engaged in central management and administration activities. Selling, general and administrative expense increased by \$33 million during the year ended December 31, 2024 compared to the year ended December 31, 2023, due to increased onshore employee costs, additional costs attributable to the closure of our London office and increased professional service fees.



### 3) Other operating items

Other operating items include gains on the sale of assets and other operating income.

(In \$ millions, except percentages)

	Year ended December 31, 2024	Year ended December 31, 2023	Change	Change %
Gain on disposals (i)	234	14	220	1571 %
Other operating income (ii)	16	—	16	100 %
<b>Other operating items</b>	<b>250</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>236</b>	<b>1686 %</b>

#### i. Gain on disposals

Gain on disposals of \$234 million for the year ended December 31, 2024 relates to the disposal of the *West Castor*, *West Telesto* and *West Tucana* jackup rigs, along with our 50% equity interest in the *Gulfdrikk* joint venture during the second quarter of 2024, and the disposal of the *West Prospero* during the fourth quarter of 2024, compared to the gain on disposal of \$14 million during the year ended December 31, 2023 of capital spares relating to jackup rigs and to the *West Hercules*, and spare parts on previously recycled rigs.

#### ii. Other operating income

Other operating income for the year ended December 31, 2024 relates to the recovery of historical import duties in the form of tax credits following the approval by the applicable tax authorities.

### 4) Interest expense

(In \$ millions, except percentages)

	Year ended December 31, 2024	Year ended December 31, 2023	Change	Change %
Interest on debt facilities (i)	(54)	(54)	—	— %
Other	(7)	(5)	(2)	40 %
<b>Interest expense</b>	<b>(61)</b>	<b>(59)</b>	<b>(2)</b>	<b>3 %</b>

#### i. Interest on debt facilities

We incur interest on our debt facilities as summarized below.

(In \$ millions, except percentages)

	Year ended December 31, 2024	Year ended December 31, 2023	Change	Change %
\$575 million secured bond in issue	(48)	(21)	(27)	129 %
Post-emergence first lien senior secured	—	(12)	12	(100) %
Post-emergence second lien senior secured	—	(16)	16	(100) %
Post-emergence unsecured senior convertible bond	(6)	(5)	(1)	20 %
<b>Interest on debt facilities</b>	<b>(54)</b>	<b>(54)</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>— %</b>

### 5) Other financial and non-operating items

(In \$ millions, except percentages)

	Year ended December 31, 2024	Year ended December 31, 2023	Change	Change %
Interest income (i)	25	35	(10)	(29) %
Share in results from associated companies (net of tax) (ii)	(9)	37	(46)	(124) %
Other financial items (iii)	(34)	(25)	(9)	36 %
<b>Other financial and non-operating items</b>	<b>(18)</b>	<b>47</b>	<b>(65)</b>	<b>(138) %</b>

#### i. Interest income

Interest income relates to interest earned on bank deposits. The decrease in interest income for the year ended December 31, 2024 compared to the year ended December 31, 2023, is primarily attributable to the decrease in cash and cash equivalents.



## ii. Share in results in associated companies (net of tax)

Share in results in associated companies represents our share of profits or losses in our Sonadrill and Gulfdriill investments accounted under the equity method.

The decrease of \$46 million in the share in results from associated companies for the year ended December 31, 2024, compared to the year ended December 31, 2023 is due to a loss from Sonadrill, which primarily resulted from the amended bareboat charter rates and increased management fees for the *Libongos*, *Quenguela* and *West Gemini*, effective from January 1, 2024.

## iii. Other financial items

Other financial items remained relatively consistent for the year ended December 31, 2024 compared to the year ended December 31, 2023. Movements to other financial items included increased foreign exchange losses of \$19 million during the year ended December 31, 2024, primarily related to the strengthening of the U.S. Dollar against Brazilian Real, Indonesian Rupiah, Norwegian Krone and Angolan Kwanzas denominated cash, accounts receivable and prefunding balances. This was partially offset by other financial items during the year ended December 31, 2023, including a make-whole fee of \$10 million related to the prepayment of the first lien debt.

## 6) Income tax benefit/expense

Income tax expense consists of taxes currently payable and changes in deferred tax assets and liabilities related to our ownership and operation of drilling units and may vary significantly depending on jurisdictions and contractual arrangements. In most cases, the calculation of taxes is based on net income or deemed income, the latter generally being a function of gross revenue.

The change from an income tax expense of \$17 million for the year December 31, 2023, compared to an income tax benefit of \$113 million for the year ended December 31, 2024, is primarily related settlements reached with tax authorities, along with the recognition of deferred tax benefits related to the partial release of the valuation allowance in Switzerland and Brazil during the year ended December 31, 2024.

Refer to Note 11 – "Taxation" to the Consolidated Financial Statements included herein for further details.

## LIQUIDITY AND CAPITAL RESOURCES

### 1) Emergence from Chapter 11 Proceedings

Seadrill successfully completed its comprehensive restructuring and emerged from Chapter 11 proceedings on February 22, 2022 (refer to Note 4 – "Chapter 11" of the accompanying financial statements). Since our emergence from Chapter 11, we successfully refinanced the First Lien Facility (as defined below) and the secured second lien debt facility ("Second Lien Facility") in July 2023 (refer to Note 19 – "Debt" of the accompanying financial statements). Our cash on hand, available borrowings under the Revolving Credit Facility, and contract and other revenues are expected to generate sufficient cash flow to fund our anticipated debt service and working capital requirements for the next twelve months.

Financial information in this report has been prepared on a going concern basis of accounting, which presumes we will be able to realize our assets and discharge our liabilities in the normal course of business as they come due. Financial information in this report does not reflect the adjustments to the carrying values of assets, liabilities and the reported expenses and balance sheet classifications that would be necessary if we were unable to realize our assets and settle our liabilities as a going concern in the normal course of operations. Such adjustments could be material.

### 2) Capital allocation framework and share repurchase program

In July 2023, in connection with the issuance of the Notes (as defined herein), Seadrill announced capital allocation principles designed to prioritize a conservative capital structure and liquidity position, focused capital investment in its fleet, and returns to shareholders. Within this framework, Seadrill intends to maintain a net leverage target of less than 1.0x under current market conditions, with a maximum through-cycle net leverage target of less than 2.0x. Seadrill also intends to maintain a strong liquidity position to provide resilience even in a downturn scenario by establishing a target minimum cash-on-hand of \$250 million. Further, Seadrill intends to evaluate the potential for accretive additions in core asset categories.

So long as Seadrill is able to meet its net leverage and liquidity targets on a forward-looking basis, as well as comply with its Revolving Credit Facility covenant requirements, Seadrill would seek to provide a return to our shareholders of at least 50% of Free Cash Flow (defined as cash flows from operating activities minus capital expenditures) in the form of share repurchases or dividends. Seadrill will consider additional returns to shareholders from the proceeds of any asset sales in the absence of identified, accretive opportunities. Dividends and share repurchases will be authorized and determined by the Board of Directors in its sole discretion and depend upon a number of factors, including those described above, its future prospects, market trend evaluation and such other factors as the Board of Directors may deem relevant. Please see Part I, Item 1A, "Risk Factors — Financial and Tax Risks — We may be unable to meet our capital allocation framework goal of returning at least 50% of Free Cash Flow to shareholders through dividends and share repurchases, which could decrease expected returns on an investment in our Shares".

On August 14, 2023, the Board of Directors authorized a share repurchase program, which was announced on August 15, 2023, under which the Company completed its repurchase of \$250 million of its outstanding common shares on December 5, 2023. On November 27, 2023, the Board of Directors authorized, and the Company announced, an increase in the Company's aggregate share repurchase authorization, allowing the Company to repurchase an additional \$250 million of its outstanding common shares, taking the aggregate authorization to \$500 million. On June 25, 2024, the Company announced it had completed the additional \$250 million of repurchases, with the cancellation of 5,250,707 treasury shares acquired under the program on June 28, 2024.



During the second quarter of 2024, the Company's Board of Directors authorized a new \$500 million share repurchase program that will run for a period of two years from June 25, 2024, the date of completion for the programs initiated in 2023. In furtherance of the Current Repurchase Program, the Board authorized the Company to purchase up to \$200 million of the Company's common shares (the "First Tranche") by September 30, 2024. The Company repurchased an aggregate of 4,213,349 common shares, with a weighted average share price of \$46.77, amounting to \$192 million of the First Tranche. On September 30, 2024, the Company cancelled the 4,213,349 treasury shares repurchased under the First Tranche.

During the fourth quarter of 2024, in furtherance of the Current Repurchase Program, the Board authorized the Company to purchase up to \$100 million of the Company's common shares (the "Second Tranche") by December 31, 2024. The Company repurchased an aggregate of 2,500,903 common shares, with a weighted average share price of \$39.99, amounting to \$100 million. On December 16, 2024, the Company cancelled 2,500,903 treasury shares acquired under the Second Tranche.

In aggregate, during the year ended December 31, 2024, the Company repurchased approximately 11.6 million common shares amounting to \$527 million with a weighted average share price of \$45.31, compared to 6.2 million common shares amounting to \$266 million, with a weighted average share price of \$43.12, during the year ended December 31, 2023. As of December 31, 2024, \$208 million of the \$500 million authorized amount remained available under the Current Repurchase Program.

While the Current Repurchase Program has a fixed expiration, it may be modified, suspended or discontinued at any time. Shares may be repurchased at any time and from time to time under the program in open market purchases, privately negotiated purchases, block trades, tender offers, accelerated share repurchase transactions or other derivative transactions, through the purchase of call options or the sale of put options, or otherwise, or by any combination of the foregoing. The Company is under no obligation to purchase any Shares in respect of the repurchase program. The manner, timing, pricing and amount of any repurchases may be based upon a number of factors, including market conditions, the Company's financial position and capital requirements, financial conditions, competing uses for cash, statutory solvency requirements, the restrictions in the Company's debt agreements and other factors.

The Company may continue share repurchases pursuant to the Current Repurchase Program at the Board's discretion. While we intend to announce the initiation of any Board approved repurchase programs in the future, as well as periodic information required under U.S. securities laws and regulations, we do not intend to announce any sub-authorizations for share repurchases made pursuant to the Current Repurchase Program or any successor program given that we are no longer required to comply with European regulations requiring onerous disclosure in connection with repurchase programs.

### 3) Liquidity

Our level of liquidity fluctuates depending on a number of factors. These include, among others, our drilling units being on contract, economic utilization achieved, average contract dayrates, timing of accounts receivable collection, capital expenditures for rig upgrades and reactivation projects, and timing of payments for operating costs and other obligations.

As of December 31, 2024, Seadrill had available liquidity of \$703 million, which consisted of unrestricted cash of \$478 million, and available borrowings under our Revolving Credit Facility of \$225 million. The below table shows unrestricted cash balances, and total available liquidity, as of each date presented.

<i>(In \$ millions)</i>	<b>December 31, 2024</b>	<b>December 31, 2023</b>
Unrestricted cash	478	697
Undrawn revolving credit facility	225	225
<b>Total available liquidity</b>	<b>703</b>	<b>922</b>

We have shown our sources and uses of cash by category of cash flows in the table below:

*(In \$ millions, except percentages)*

	<b>Year ended December 31, 2024</b>	<b>Year ended December 31, 2023</b>	<b>Change</b>	<b>Change %</b>
Net cash provided by operating activities (a)	88	287	(199)	(69) %
Net cash provided by investing activities (b)	226	42	184	438 %
Net cash used in financing activities (c)	(532)	(200)	(332)	166 %
Effect of exchange rate changes in cash and cash equivalents	(5)	1	(6)	(600) %
<b>Change in period</b>	<b>(223)</b>	<b>130</b>	<b>(353)</b>	<b>(272)%</b>

#### a) Net cash provided by operating activities

Cash flows from operating activities include cash receipts from customers, cash paid to employees and suppliers (except for additions to drilling units and equipment), interest and dividends received (except for returns of capital), interest paid, income taxes paid and other operating cash payments and receipts.



Cash flows provided by operating activities during the year ended December 31, 2024 were \$88 million compared to \$287 million for the year ended December 31, 2023. The decrease is primarily related to outflows for long-term maintenance projects and contract preparation costs incurred related to the *West Auriga* and *West Polaris*, along with long-term maintenance related to *West Neptune* and long-lead items related to SPS activities across the fleet. These were partially offset by increased receipts from customers and decreased disbursements to other suppliers.

#### *b) Net cash provided by investing activities*

The \$226 million cash provided by investing activities during the year ended December 31, 2024 is primarily related to the proceeds received on disposal of our three jackup rigs, *West Castor*, *West Teleso* and *West Tucana*, together with our 50% equity interest in the Gulfdrill joint venture of \$338 million during the second quarter, and the proceeds related to the disposal of the *West Prospero* jackup rig of \$45 million during the fourth quarter. This was partially offset by capital expenditures of \$157 million primarily related to capital upgrades on the *West Auriga* and *West Polaris* during their preparations for Petrobras contracts, with the *West Auriga* having started in December 2024 and *West Polaris* starting during the first quarter of 2025.

The \$42 million cash provided by investing activities during the year ended December 31, 2023 was due to net proceeds of \$43 million received on disposal of PES in February 2023, \$24 million net cash received as a result of the Aquadrill acquisition, \$84 million cash received on disposal of the tender-assist units, and \$14 million from the disposal of equipment. This was offset by \$101 million of capital expenditures across the fleet and \$22 million paid out to settle indemnity costs associated with the disposal of the entities that own and operate seven jackup units in the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia.

#### *c) Net cash used in financing activities*

The \$532 million cash used in financing activities during the year ended December 31, 2024 is related to share repurchases.

The \$200 million cash used in financing activities during the year ended December 31, 2023 related to prepayments of debt principal of \$446 million and exit fees of \$22 million, a make-whole fee of \$10 million on the repayment of the First Lien Facility, Revolving Credit Facility costs of \$13 million, \$263 million of share repurchases, and share issuance costs of \$4 million. These were partially offset by proceeds of \$576 million from the issuance of the Notes, excluding issuance costs of \$18 million.

#### *4) Borrowing Activities*

An overview of our debt as of December 31, 2024, divided into (i) secured debt and (ii) unsecured senior convertible notes, is presented in the table below:

<i>(In \$ millions)</i>	Principal value as of December 31, 2024	Debt Premium	Debt Issuance Costs	Carrying value as of December 31, 2024	Maturity date
<b>Bonds</b>					
\$575 million secured bond	575	1	(16)	560	August 2030
<b>Unsecured</b>					
Senior convertible bond	50	—	—	50	August 2028
<b>Total debt</b>	<b>625</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>(16)</b>	<b>610</b>	

#### *Collateral package*

##### Revolving Credit Facility

In July 2023, the Company entered into a \$225 million, 5-year Senior Secured Revolving Credit Agreement in respect of the Revolving Credit Facility (the "Credit Agreement"). Seadrill Finance (as defined herein) is the borrower under the Credit Agreement, and the facility is secured by first priority liens on substantially all of the Company's drilling units and related assets, other than non-core assets. The Company, and certain of its subsidiaries that own collateral or are otherwise material, guarantee the obligations under the Credit Agreement. The loans outstanding under the Credit Agreement bear interest at a rate per annum equal to the applicable margin plus, at Seadrill Finance's option, either: (i) the Term SOFR (as defined in the Credit Agreement) plus 0.10%, or (ii) the Daily Simple SOFR (as defined in the Credit Agreement) plus 0.10%. For both the Term SOFR loans and Daily Simple SOFR loans, the applicable margin was 2.75% per annum as of December 31, 2024, and may vary based on Seadrill's Credit Ratings (as defined in the Credit Agreement), from 2.50% to 3.50% per annum. A commitment fee is incurred under the Revolving Credit Facility on undrawn amounts, at a rate of 0.5% per annum to and including July 27, 2026, 0.75% per annum from and including July 28, 2026 to and including July 27, 2027, and 1.00% per annum thereafter.

##### \$575 million Notes Offerings

Also in July 2023, Seadrill Finance issued the Notes in a private offering. The Notes mature on August 1, 2030. The Notes are guaranteed by the Company and the same subsidiaries of the Company that guarantee the Credit Agreement. The Notes are secured by a second priority lien on the same assets that secure the Credit Agreement.

Refer to Note 19 – Debt for further details of these facilities.



## Financial covenants

The Credit Agreement obligates Seadrill and its restricted subsidiaries to comply with the following financial covenants:

- as of the last day of each fiscal quarter, the Interest Coverage Ratio (as defined in the Credit Agreement) is not permitted to be less than 2.50 to 1.00; and
- as of the last day of each fiscal quarter, the Consolidated Total Net Leverage Ratio (as defined in the Credit Agreement) is not permitted to be greater than 3.00 to 1.00.

As of December 31, 2024, Seadrill was in compliance with these financial covenants.

## 5) Contractual Obligations

The following table summarizes our significant contractual obligations as of December 31, 2024 and the periods in which such obligations are due:

(In \$ millions)	Payments due by period				Total
	2025	2026 and 2027	2028 and 2029	Thereafter	
Principal payments on long-term debt	—	—	50	575	625
Interest payments on long-term debt	54	108	100	28	290
Operating leases	4	5	3	—	12
Total <sup>(1)</sup>	58	113	153	603	927

<sup>(1)</sup> Contractual obligations exclude \$55 million of uncertain tax position, inclusive of interest and penalties, included on our Consolidated Balance Sheet as of December 31, 2024. We are unable to specify with certainty whether we would be required to and in which periods we may be obligated to settle such amounts.

Additional information regarding legal proceedings is presented in "Note 27 — Commitments and Contingencies" to our consolidated financial statements included in Part II, Item 8, "Financial Statements and Supplementary Data" of this annual report.

## CRITICAL ACCOUNTING ESTIMATES

The preparation of the Consolidated Financial Statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States ("US GAAP") requires us to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets, liabilities, revenues and expenses and related disclosures about contingent assets and liabilities. We base these estimates and assumptions on historical experience and on various other information and assumptions that we believe to be reasonable. Critical accounting estimates are important to the portrayal of both our financial position and results of operations and require us to make subjective or complex assumptions or estimates about matters that are uncertain. Actual results may differ from these estimates.

Critical accounting estimates that are significant for the year ended December 31, 2024 are as follows:

### Impairment considerations (drilling units)

The carrying values of our long-lived assets are reviewed for impairment when certain triggering events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying amount of an asset may no longer be recoverable. Asset impairment evaluations are, by nature, highly subjective. They involve expectations about future cash flows generated by our assets and reflect management's assumptions and judgments regarding future industry conditions and their effect on future utilization levels, dayrates and costs. The use of different estimates and assumptions could result in significantly different carrying values of our assets and could materially affect our results of operations. An impairment loss is recorded in the period in which it is determined that the aggregate carrying amount is not recoverable.

### Income taxes

Seadrill is a Bermuda company that has subsidiaries and affiliates in various jurisdictions. As of December 31, 2024, Seadrill and our Bermudan subsidiaries and affiliates were not required to pay taxes in Bermuda on ordinary income or capital gains as they qualify as exempted companies. Certain subsidiaries operate in other jurisdictions where taxes are imposed. Consequently, income taxes have been recorded in these jurisdictions when applicable. Our income tax expense is based on our income and statutory tax rates in the jurisdictions we operate. Refer to "Note 11 – Taxation".

Our income tax expense is based on our interpretation of tax laws in various jurisdictions in which we operate and requires significant judgment and use of estimates and assumptions regarding significant future events, such as amounts, timing and character of income, deductions and tax credits. There are certain transactions for which the ultimate tax determination is unclear due to uncertainty in relation to the interpretation of tax law that arises in the ordinary course of business.

We recognize liabilities for uncertain tax positions based on a two-step process. The first step is to evaluate the tax position for recognition by determining if the weight of available evidence indicates that it is more likely than not that the position will be sustained on audit by relevant tax authorities, including resolution of related appeals or litigation processes, if any. The second step is to measure the tax benefit as the largest amount that is more likely than not of being realized upon settlement. While we believe we have appropriate support for the positions



taken on our tax returns, we regularly assess the potential outcomes of examinations by tax authorities in determining the adequacy of our provision for income taxes.

Income tax expense consists of taxes currently payable and changes in deferred tax assets and liabilities calculated according to local tax rules. We recognize the income tax effects of intercompany sales or transfers of assets, other than inventory, in the Consolidated Statement of Operations as income tax expense (or benefit) in the period of sale or transfer occurs.

Current income tax expense reflects an estimate of our income tax liability for the current year, withholding taxes, changes in prior year tax estimates as tax returns are filed, or from tax audit adjustments.

Deferred tax assets and liabilities are based on temporary differences that arise between carrying values used for financial reporting purposes and amounts used for taxation purposes of assets and liabilities and the future tax benefits of tax attributes.

Our deferred tax expense or benefit represents the change in the balance of deferred tax assets or liabilities as reflected on the balance sheet. Valuation allowances are determined to reduce deferred tax assets when it is more likely than not that some portion or all of the deferred tax assets will not be realized. To determine the amount of deferred tax assets and liabilities, as well as the valuation allowances, we must make estimates and certain assumptions regarding future taxable income, including where our drilling units are expected to be deployed, as well as other assumptions related to our future tax position. A change in such estimates and assumptions, along with any changes in tax laws, could require us to adjust the deferred tax assets, liabilities, or valuation allowances. The amount of deferred tax provided is based upon the expected manner of settlement of the carrying amount of assets and liabilities, using tax rates enacted at the balance sheet date. The impact of tax law changes is recognized in periods when the change is enacted.

#### ***Business combinations***

We apply the acquisition method of accounting for business combinations. Assets acquired and liabilities assumed are recorded at their estimated acquisition date fair value. The acquisition method of accounting requires us to make significant estimates and assumptions regarding the fair values of the elements of a business combination as of the date of acquisition, including the fair values of drilling units, identifiable intangible assets and liabilities, deferred tax asset valuation allowances, and liabilities related to uncertain tax positions, among others. Significant estimates and assumptions in determining the fair value of drilling units and intangible assets and liabilities include off-contract revenue estimates, off-contract operating expense assumptions, contract probabilities, the weighted average cost of capital ("WACC") rate used to discount free cash flow projections and drilling unit market valuations. This method also requires us to refine these estimates over a measurement period not to exceed one year to reflect new information obtained about facts and circumstances that existed as of the acquisition date that, if known, would have affected the measurement of the amounts recognized as of that date. If we are required to retroactively adjust provisional amounts that we have recorded for the fair values of assets and liabilities in connection with acquisitions, these adjustments could have a material impact on our financial condition and results of operations.

In addition, we have estimated the economic lives of certain acquired assets and assumed liabilities and these lives are used to calculate depreciation and amortization expense. If our estimates of the economic lives change, depreciation or amortization expenses could increase or decrease. Furthermore, if the subsequent actual results and updated projections of the underlying business activity change compared with the assumptions and projections used to develop these values, we could record impairment charges.

#### ***Fresh start accounting***

As set forth in the Disclosure Statement approved by the Bankruptcy Court, the Company was approved to have an enterprise valuation of between \$1,795 million and \$2,396 million. Using valuation models, we valued the Successor's enterprise value to be \$2.1 billion as of the Effective Date, which is equal to the mid-point of the court approved valuation range. Enterprise value represents the estimated fair value of an entity's shareholders' equity plus long-term debt and other interest-bearing liabilities less unrestricted cash and cash equivalents.

The enterprise value and corresponding equity value are dependent upon achieving future financial results set forth in our valuations, as well as the realization of certain other assumptions. All estimates, assumptions, valuations and financial projections, including the fair value adjustments, the enterprise value and equity value projections, are inherently subject to significant uncertainties and the resolution of contingencies beyond our control. Accordingly, the estimates, assumptions, valuations or financial projections may not be realized and actual results could vary materially.

Critical accounting estimates in relation to fresh-start valuation of our drilling units and investments included: Off-contract revenue estimates, off-contract operating expense assumptions, contract probabilities, the WACC rate used to discount free cash flow projections and drilling unit market valuations.

#### ***Sale of subsidiaries or groups of assets***

We account for the sale of a subsidiary or group of assets in accordance with ASC 810 - Consolidations. When we sell a subsidiary or group of assets, we recognize a gain or loss measured as the difference between 1) the aggregate of (i) the fair value of any consideration received, (ii) the fair value of any retained noncontrolling investment in the former subsidiary or group of assets & (iii) the carrying amount of any noncontrolling interest in the former subsidiary; and 2) the carrying amount of the former subsidiary's assets and liabilities or the carrying amount of the group of assets. Consideration transferred is the sum of the acquisition-date fair values of the assets transferred, the liabilities incurred by the acquirer to Seadrill, and the equity interests issued by the acquirer to Seadrill, but is net of any liabilities incurred by Seadrill, including warranties or indemnities made as part of the sale. The gain or loss on sale is net of any costs to sell the subsidiary or group of assets. Refer to Note 28 – "Discontinued Operations" for details of disposals during the comparative periods presented.



**Item 7A. Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures About Market Risk**

We are exposed to market risks, including foreign exchange risk and interest rate risk. Our policy is to reduce our exposure to these risks, where possible, within boundaries deemed appropriate by our management team. This may include the use of derivative instruments.

**Foreign exchange risk**

It is customary in the oil and gas industry that a majority of our revenues and expenses are denominated in U.S. dollars, which is the functional currency of our subsidiaries and equity method investees. However, a portion of the revenues and expenses of certain of our subsidiaries and equity method investees are denominated in other currencies. We are therefore exposed to foreign exchange gains and losses that may arise on the revaluation or settlement of monetary balances denominated in foreign currencies.

Our foreign exchange exposures primarily relate to cash and working capital balances denominated in foreign currencies. We do not expect these exposures to cause a significant amount of fluctuation in net income and do not currently hedge them. The effect of fluctuations in currency exchange rates arising from our international operations has not had a material impact on our overall operating results.

**Interest rate risk**

The majority of our debt portfolio is on a fixed interest rate. Please refer to Note 19 – "Debt" for further details.



**Item 8. Financial Statements and Supplementary Data**

The following financial statements are filed in this Item 8:

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## Management's Report on Internal Control over Financial Reporting

Our management is responsible for establishing and maintaining adequate internal control over financial reporting.

Internal control over financial reporting is defined in Rule 13a-15(f) and 15d-15(f) promulgated under the Exchange Act as a process designed by, or under the supervision of, the Company's principal executive and principal financial officers and effected by the Board, management and other personnel, to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles and includes those policies and procedures that:

- Pertain to the maintenance of records that, in reasonable detail, accurately and fairly reflect the transactions and dispositions of the assets of the Company;
- Provide reasonable assurance that transactions are recorded as necessary to permit the preparation of financial statements in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles, and that the Company's receipts and expenditures are being made only in accordance with authorizations of Company's management and directors; and
- Provide reasonable assurance regarding the prevention or timely detection of unauthorized acquisition, use or disposition of the Company's assets that could have a material effect on the financial statements.

Because of its inherent limitations, internal control over financial reporting may not prevent or detect all misstatements. Also, projections of any evaluation of effectiveness to future periods are subject to the risk that controls may become inadequate because of changes in conditions, or that the degree of compliance with the policies or procedures may deteriorate.

Our management, with the participation of the Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer assessed the effectiveness of the design and operation of our internal control over financial reporting pursuant to Rule 13a-15 of the Exchange Act as of December 31, 2024. In making our assessment, our management used the criteria established in the Internal Control- Integrated Framework (2013) issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission. Management reviewed the results of its assessment with the Audit Committee of our Board of Directors. On the basis of this evaluation, management concluded that, as of December 31, 2024, the Company's internal control over financial reporting was effective.

The effectiveness of the Company's internal control over financial reporting as of December 31, 2024 has been audited by PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP, an independent registered public accounting firm, as stated in their report which appears on page 50 of our consolidated financial statements.

February 27, 2025



## Report of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm

To the Board of Directors and Shareholders of Seadrill Limited

### *Opinions on the Financial Statements and Internal Control over Financial Reporting*

We have audited the accompanying consolidated balance sheets of Seadrill Limited and its subsidiaries (the "Company") as of December 31, 2024 and 2023 and the related consolidated statements of operations, comprehensive income, cash flows and changes in shareholders' equity for each of the two years ended December 31, 2024 and 2023, and the period from February 23, 2022 to December 31, 2022, including the related notes (collectively referred to as the "consolidated financial statements"). We also have audited the Company's internal control over financial reporting as of December 31, 2024, based on criteria established in Internal Control - Integrated Framework (2013) issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission (COSO).

In our opinion, the consolidated financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Company as of December 31, 2024 and 2023, and the results of its operations and its cash flows for each of the two years ended December 31, 2024 and 2023, and the period from February 23, 2022 to December 31, 2022, in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. Also in our opinion, the Company maintained, in all material respects, effective internal control over financial reporting as of December 31, 2024, based on criteria established in Internal Control - Integrated Framework (2013) issued by the COSO.

### *Basis for Opinions*

The Company's management is responsible for these consolidated financial statements, for maintaining effective internal control over financial reporting, and for its assessment of the effectiveness of internal control over financial reporting, included in Management's Report on Internal Control over Financial Reporting appearing under Item 8. Our responsibility is to express opinions on the Company's consolidated financial statements and on the Company's internal control over financial reporting based on our audits. We are a public accounting firm registered with the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States) (PCAOB) and are required to be independent with respect to the Company in accordance with the U.S. federal securities laws and the applicable rules and regulations of the Securities and Exchange Commission and the PCAOB.

We conducted our audits in accordance with the standards of the PCAOB. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audits to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the consolidated financial statements are free of material misstatement, whether due to error or fraud, and whether effective internal control over financial reporting was maintained in all material respects.

Our audits of the consolidated financial statements included performing procedures to assess the risks of material misstatement of the consolidated financial statements, whether due to error or fraud, and performing procedures that respond to those risks. Such procedures included examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the amounts and disclosures in the consolidated financial statements. Our audits also included evaluating the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the consolidated financial statements. Our audit of internal control over financial reporting included obtaining an understanding of internal control over financial reporting, assessing the risk that a material weakness exists, and testing and evaluating the design and operating effectiveness of internal control based on the assessed risk. Our audits also included performing such other procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances. We believe that our audits provide a reasonable basis for our opinions.

### *Definition and Limitations of Internal Control over Financial Reporting*

A company's internal control over financial reporting is a process designed to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles. A company's internal control over financial reporting includes those policies and procedures that (i) pertain to the maintenance of records that, in reasonable detail, accurately and fairly reflect the transactions and dispositions of the assets of the company; (ii) provide reasonable assurance that transactions are recorded as necessary to permit preparation of financial statements in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles, and that receipts and expenditures of the company are being made only in accordance with authorizations of management and directors of the company; and (iii) provide reasonable assurance regarding prevention or timely detection of unauthorized acquisition, use, or disposition of the company's assets that could have a material effect on the financial statements.

Because of its inherent limitations, internal control over financial reporting may not prevent or detect misstatements. Also, projections of any evaluation of effectiveness to future periods are subject to the risk that controls may become inadequate because of changes in conditions, or that the degree of compliance with the policies or procedures may deteriorate.

### *Critical Audit Matters*

The critical audit matter communicated below is a matter arising from the current period audit of the consolidated financial statements that was communicated or required to be communicated to the audit committee and that (i) relates to accounts or disclosures that are material to the consolidated financial statements and (ii) involved our especially challenging, subjective, or complex judgments. The communication of critical audit matters does not alter in any way our opinion on the consolidated financial statements, taken as a whole, and we are not, by communicating the critical audit matter below, providing a separate opinion on the critical audit matter or on the accounts or disclosures to which it relates.



## *Uncertain tax positions*

As described in Notes 2 and 11 to the consolidated financial statements, the Company had an unrecognized tax benefit of \$55 million as of December 31, 2024. The determination and evaluation of the Company's income tax provision involves the interpretation of tax laws in the various jurisdictions in which they operate and requires significant judgment by management. There are certain transactions for which the ultimate tax determination is unclear due to uncertainty in relation to the interpretation of tax law that arises in the ordinary course of business. As disclosed, management recognizes tax liabilities based on its assessment of whether the tax positions are more likely than not sustainable, based solely on the technical merits and considerations of the relevant taxing authorities widely understood administrative practices and precedence. Management recognizes liabilities for uncertain tax positions based on a two-step process. The first step is to evaluate the tax position for recognition by determining if the weight of available evidence indicates that it is more likely than not that the position will be sustained on audit by relevant tax authorities, including resolution of related appeals or litigation processes, if any. The second step is to measure the tax benefit as the largest amount that is more than 50% likely of being realized upon settlement. Management regularly assesses the potential outcomes of examinations by tax authorities in determining the adequacy of the provision for income taxes.

The principal considerations for our determination that performing procedures relating to uncertain tax positions is a critical audit matter are (i) the significant judgment and estimation by management in interpreting tax laws to identify uncertain tax positions, assessing the technical merits of those positions, and recognizing and measuring liabilities for those positions, (ii) a high degree of auditor judgment, subjectivity and complexity in evaluating evidence related to management's identification, recognition and measurement of uncertain tax positions, and (iii) the audit effort involved the use of professionals with specialized skill and knowledge.

Addressing the matter involved performing procedures and evaluating audit evidence in connection with forming our overall opinion on the consolidated financial statements. These procedures included testing the effectiveness of controls relating to the recognition and measurement of uncertain tax positions. These procedures also included, among others, evaluating the appropriateness of the uncertain tax positions recognized and the measurement amounts determined by management. Testing the recognition and measurement of uncertain tax positions involved: (i) testing management's two-step process by evaluating the appropriateness of management's assessment of the technical merits of tax positions and estimates of the amount of tax benefit expected to be sustained; (ii) evaluating the status and results of income tax audits with the relevant tax authorities; (iii) evaluating new information that may affect the measurement of existing provisions for uncertain tax positions; and (iv) testing the information used in the calculation of the unrecognized tax benefit. Professionals with specialized skill and knowledge were used to assist in the evaluation of the completeness of uncertain tax positions and measurement of the Company's uncertain tax positions.

/s/ PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP  
Watford, United Kingdom  
February 27, 2025

We have served as the Company's or its predecessors' auditor since 2013.



## Report of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm

To the Board of Directors and Shareholders of Seadrill Limited

### *Opinion on the Financial Statements*

We have audited the consolidated statements of operations, comprehensive income, cash flows and changes in shareholders' equity of Seadrill Limited and its subsidiaries (Predecessor) (the "Company") for the period from January 1, 2022 through February 22, 2022, including the related notes (collectively referred to as the "consolidated financial statements"). In our opinion, the consolidated financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the results of operations and cash flows of the Company for the period from January 1, 2022 through February 22, 2022 in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

### *Basis of Accounting*

As discussed in Note 4 to the consolidated financial statements, the Company filed petitions on February 7, 2021 and February 10, 2021 with the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Southern District of Texas for reorganization under the provisions of Chapter 11 of the Bankruptcy Code. The Company's Plan of Reorganization was substantially consummated on February 22, 2022 and the Company emerged from bankruptcy. In connection with its emergence from bankruptcy, the Company adopted fresh start accounting.

### *Basis for Opinion*

These consolidated financial statements are the responsibility of the Company's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the Company's consolidated financial statements based on our audits. We are a public accounting firm registered with the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States) (PCAOB) and are required to be independent with respect to the Company in accordance with the U.S. federal securities laws and the applicable rules and regulations of the Securities and Exchange Commission and the PCAOB.

We conducted our audits of these consolidated financial statements in accordance with the standards of the PCAOB. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the consolidated financial statements are free of material misstatement, whether due to error or fraud.

Our audits included performing procedures to assess the risks of material misstatement of the consolidated financial statements, whether due to error or fraud, and performing procedures that respond to those risks. Such procedures included examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the amounts and disclosures in the consolidated financial statements. Our audits also included evaluating the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the consolidated financial statements. We believe that our audits provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.

/s/ PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP  
Watford, United Kingdom  
April 19, 2023

We have served as the Company's or its predecessors' auditor since 2013.



**Seadrill Limited**  
**CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS**

*(In \$ millions, except per share data)*

	Successor			Predecessor
	Year ended December 31, 2024	Year ended December 31, 2023	Period from February 23, 2022 through December 31, 2022	Period from January 1, 2022 through February 22, 2022
<b>Operating revenues</b>				
Contract revenues	1,009	1,154	574	124
Reimbursable revenues <sup>(1)</sup>	70	58	52	24
Management contract revenues <sup>(1)</sup>	247	245	178	16
Leasing revenues <sup>(1)</sup>	54	33	24	4
Other revenues <sup>(1)</sup>	5	12	15	1
<b>Total operating revenues</b>	<b>1,385</b>	<b>1,502</b>	<b>843</b>	<b>169</b>
<b>Operating expenses</b>				
Vessel and rig operating expenses <sup>(1)</sup>	(681)	(705)	(445)	(76)
Reimbursable expenses	(68)	(55)	(49)	(24)
Depreciation and amortization	(168)	(155)	(135)	(17)
Management contract expenses	(175)	(174)	(123)	(11)
Merger and integration related expenses	(24)	(24)	(3)	—
Selling, general and administrative expenses	(107)	(74)	(54)	(6)
<b>Total operating expenses</b>	<b>(1,223)</b>	<b>(1,187)</b>	<b>(809)</b>	<b>(134)</b>
<b>Other operating items</b>				
Gain on disposals	234	14	1	2
Other operating income	16	—	—	—
<b>Total other operating items</b>	<b>250</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>
<b>Operating profit</b>	<b>412</b>	<b>329</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>37</b>
<b>Financial and other non-operating items</b>				
Interest income	25	35	14	—
Interest expense	(61)	(59)	(98)	(7)
Share in results from associated companies (net of tax)	(9)	37	(2)	(2)
Reorganization items, net	—	—	(15)	3,683
Other financial and non-operating items	(34)	(25)	3	30
<b>Total financial and other non-operating items, net</b>	<b>(79)</b>	<b>(12)</b>	<b>(98)</b>	<b>3,704</b>
<b>Profit/(loss) before income taxes</b>	<b>333</b>	<b>317</b>	<b>(63)</b>	<b>3,741</b>
Income tax benefit/(expense)	113	(17)	(10)	(2)
<b>Net income/(loss) from continuing operations</b>	<b>446</b>	<b>300</b>	<b>(73)</b>	<b>3,739</b>
Net income/(loss) after tax from discontinued operations	—	—	274	(33)
<b>Net income</b>	<b>446</b>	<b>300</b>	<b>201</b>	<b>3,706</b>
<b>Basic EPS/(LPS): continuing operations (\$)</b>	<b>6.56</b>	<b>4.23</b>	<b>(1.46)</b>	<b>37.25</b>
<b>Diluted EPS/(LPS): continuing operations (\$)</b>	<b>6.37</b>	<b>4.12</b>	<b>(1.46)</b>	<b>37.25</b>
<b>Basic EPS (\$)</b>	<b>6.56</b>	<b>4.23</b>	<b>4.02</b>	<b>36.92</b>
<b>Diluted EPS (\$)</b>	<b>6.37</b>	<b>4.12</b>	<b>3.88</b>	<b>36.92</b>

<sup>(1)</sup> Includes revenue received from related parties of \$319 million, \$298 million, \$216 million and \$19 million, and costs paid to related parties of nil, nil, nil and \$3 million, for the year ended December 31, 2024, December 31, 2023, period from February 23, 2022 through December 31, 2022 (Successor), and period from January 1, 2022 through February 22, 2022, (Predecessor), respectively. Refer to Note 24 – "Related party transactions" for further details.

See accompanying notes that are an integral part of these Consolidated Financial Statements.



**Seadrill Limited**  
**CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME**  
*(In \$ millions)*

	Successor			Predecessor
	Year ended December 31, 2024	Year ended December 31, 2023	Period from February 23, 2022 through December 31, 2022	Period from January 1, 2022 through February 22, 2022
<b>Net income</b>	446	300	201	3,706
<i>Other comprehensive (loss)/income, net of tax, relating to continuing operations:</i>				
Actuarial (loss)/gain relating to pensions	—	(1)	2	1
<i>Other comprehensive income/(loss), net of tax, relating to discontinued operations:</i>				
Recycling of accumulated other comprehensive loss on sale of Paratus Energy Services	—	—	—	16
Change in fair value of debt component of Archer convertible bond	—	—	—	(1)
Share of other comprehensive loss from associated companies	—	—	—	(2)
<b>Total other comprehensive (loss)/income</b>	<u>—</u>	<u>(1)</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>14</u>
<b>Total comprehensive income for the period</b>	<u>446</u>	<u>299</u>	<u>203</u>	<u>3,720</u>

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**Seadrill Limited**  
**CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS**  
*(In \$ millions, except share data)*

	<u>December 31, 2024</u>	<u>December 31, 2023</u>
<b>ASSETS</b>		
<b>Current assets</b>		
Cash and cash equivalents	478	697
Restricted cash	27	31
Accounts receivable, net	193	222
Amount due from related parties, net	—	9
Other current assets	230	199
<b>Total current assets</b>	<u>928</u>	<u>1,158</u>
<b>Non-current assets</b>		
Investments in associated companies	68	90
Drilling units	2,946	2,858
Deferred tax assets	63	46
Equipment	5	10
Other non-current assets	146	56
<b>Total non-current assets</b>	<u>3,228</u>	<u>3,060</u>
<b>Total assets</b>	<u>4,156</u>	<u>4,218</u>
<b>LIABILITIES AND SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY</b>		
<b>Current liabilities</b>		
Trade accounts payable	118	53
Other current liabilities	383	336
<b>Total current liabilities</b>	<u>501</u>	<u>389</u>
<b>Non-current liabilities</b>		
Long-term debt	610	608
Deferred tax liabilities	11	9
Other non-current liabilities	116	229
<b>Total non-current liabilities</b>	<u>737</u>	<u>846</u>
<b>Commitments and contingencies (Note 27)</b>		
<b>SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY</b>		
Common shares of par value US\$0.01 per share: 375,000,000 shares authorized at December 31, 2024 (December 31, 2023: 375,000,000) and 62,154,422 issued at December 31, 2024 (December 31, 2023: 74,048,962)	1	1
Additional paid-in capital	1,969	2,480
Accumulated other comprehensive income	1	1
Retained earnings	947	501
<b>Total shareholders' equity</b>	<u>2,918</u>	<u>2,983</u>
<b>Total liabilities and shareholders' equity</b>	<u>4,156</u>	<u>4,218</u>

*See accompanying notes that are an integral part of these Consolidated Financial Statements.*



**Seadrill Limited**  
**CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS**  
*(In \$ millions)*

	Successor			Predecessor
	Year ended December 31, 2024	Year ended December 31, 2023	Period from February 23, 2022 through December 31, 2022	Period from January 1, 2022 through February 22, 2022
<b>Cash Flows from Operating Activities</b>				
<b>Net income</b>	446	300	201	3,706
<i>Net income/(loss) from continuing operations</i>	446	300	(73)	3,739
<i>Net income/(loss) from discontinued operations</i>	—	—	274	(33)
<i>Adjustments related to discontinued operations <sup>(1)</sup></i>	—	—	(262)	38
<i>Adjustments to reconcile net loss to net cash used in operating activities:</i>				
Change in allowance for credit losses	—	(1)	1	(1)
Depreciation and amortization	168	155	135	17
Gain on disposals	(234)	(14)	(1)	(2)
Amortization of debt issuance costs and discount on debt	4	2	—	7
Payment in kind interest	—	—	30	—
Share in results from associated companies (net of tax)	9	(37)	2	2
Non-cash reorganization items, net	—	—	—	(3,487)
Fresh Start valuation adjustments	—	—	—	(266)
Deferred tax benefit	(13)	(13)	(3)	(4)
Share based compensation expense	17	8	—	—
Other	5	1	(7)	(7)
<i>Other cash movements in operating activities:</i>				
Payments for long-term maintenance	(261)	(108)	(83)	(2)
Repayments made under lease arrangements	—	—	—	(11)
<i>Changes in operating assets and liabilities, net of effect of acquisitions and disposals:</i>				
Trade accounts receivable	29	(25)	32	(11)
Trade accounts payable	65	(34)	23	—
Prepaid expenses/accrued revenue	(24)	(1)	9	—
Deferred revenue	22	1	44	(18)
Deferred mobilization costs	(92)	25	(111)	(4)
Related party receivables	9	19	(10)	(13)
Other assets	2	(22)	49	(4)
Other liabilities	(64)	31	16	4
<b>Net cash provided by/(used in) operating activities</b>	<b>88</b>	<b>287</b>	<b>65</b>	<b>(56)</b>

<sup>(1)</sup> Relates to adjustments made to the net income/loss from discontinued operations to reconcile to net cash flows in operating activities from discontinued operations. The adjustments reconcile net income/(loss) from discontinued operations to net cash provided by/(used in) operating activities, other cash movements in operating activities, and changes in operating assets and liabilities, net of effect of acquisitions and disposals. The net cash provided by operating activities for the year ended December 31, 2024 and December 31, 2023 was nil, for the successor period from February 23, 2022 through December 31, 2022 was \$12 million and for the predecessor period from January 1, 2022 through February 22, 2022 was \$5 million.



**Seadrill Limited**  
**CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS**  
*(In \$ millions)*

	Successor			Predecessor
	Year ended December 31, 2024	Year ended December 31, 2023	Period from February 23, 2022 through December 31, 2022	Period from January 1, 2022 through February 22, 2022
<b>Cash Flows from Investing Activities</b>				
Additions to drilling units and equipment	(157)	(101)	(131)	(18)
Proceeds from sales of tender-assist units	—	84	—	—
Proceeds from disposal of assets	383	14	1	2
Net proceeds on disposal of business and cash impact from deconsolidation	—	21	659	(94)
Acquisition of Subsidiary	—	24	—	—
Funds advanced to discontinued operations	—	—	(16)	(20)
Net cash used in investing activities - discontinued operations	—	—	(40)	—
<b>Net cash provided by/(used in) investing activities</b>	<b>226</b>	<b>42</b>	<b>473</b>	<b>(130)</b>
<b>Cash Flows from Financing Activities</b>				
Proceeds from debt	—	576	—	175
Proceeds from convertible bond issuance	—	—	—	50
Repayments of secured credit facilities	—	(478)	(464)	(160)
Share issuance costs	—	(4)	—	—
Debt issuance costs	—	(31)	—	—
Shares repurchased	(532)	(263)	—	—
Net cash provided by financing activities - discontinued operations	—	—	16	20
<b>Net cash (used in)/provided by financing activities</b>	<b>(532)</b>	<b>(200)</b>	<b>(448)</b>	<b>85</b>
Effect of exchange rate changes on cash and cash equivalents	(5)	1	(1)	6
<b>Net (decrease)/increase in cash and cash equivalents, including restricted cash</b>	<b>(223)</b>	<b>130</b>	<b>89</b>	<b>(95)</b>
Cash and cash equivalents, including restricted cash, at beginning of the year	728	598	509	604
<i>Cash and cash equivalents, including restricted cash, at the beginning of year - continuing operations</i>	728	598	490	516
<i>Cash and cash equivalents, including restricted cash, at the beginning of year - discontinued operations</i>	—	—	19	88
<b>Cash and cash equivalents, including restricted cash, at the end of year</b>	<b>505</b>	<b>728</b>	<b>598</b>	<b>509</b>
<i>Cash and cash equivalents, including restricted cash, at the end of year - continuing operations<sup>(2)</sup></i>	505	728	598	490
<i>Cash and cash equivalents, including restricted cash, at the end of year - discontinued operations</i>	—	—	—	19
<b>Supplementary disclosure of cash flow information</b>				
Interest paid	(54)	(36)	(57)	—
Net taxes paid	(17)	(24)	(5)	(1)
Reorganization items, net paid	—	—	(13)	(56)

<sup>(2)</sup> Comprised of cash and cash equivalents as of December 31, 2024 of \$478 million (2023: \$697 million, 2022: \$480 million), restricted cash of \$27 million (2023: \$31 million, 2022: \$44 million), and restricted cash included in non-current assets of nil (2023: nil, 2022: \$74 million).

See accompanying notes that are an integral part of these Consolidated Financial Statements.



Sadrill Limited

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CHANGES IN SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY

(In \$ millions)

	Predecessor Common Shares	Predecessor Additional paid-in capital	Successor Common Shares	Successor Additional paid-in capital	Accumulated other comprehensive (loss)/ income	Retained (loss)/earnings	Total shareholders' equity/(deficit)
<b>Balance as of January 1, 2022 (Predecessor)</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>3,504</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>(15)</b>	<b>(7,215)</b>	<b>(3,716)</b>
Other comprehensive income from continued operations	—	—	—	—	1	—	1
Other comprehensive loss from discontinued operations	—	—	—	—	(3)	—	(3)
Recycling of PES AOCI on deconsolidation	—	—	—	—	16	—	16
Net profit from continuing operations	—	—	—	—	—	3,739	3,739
Net loss from discontinued operations	—	—	—	—	—	(33)	(33)
Issuance of Successor common stock	—	—	—	1,499	—	(4)	1,495
Cancellation of Predecessor equity	(10)	(3,504)	—	—	1	3,513	—
<b>Balance as of February 22, 2022 (Predecessor)</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>1,499</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>1,499</b>
<b>Balance as of February 23, 2022 (Successor)</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>1,499</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>1,499</b>
Net loss from continuing operations	—	—	—	—	—	(73)	(73)
Net income from discontinued operations	—	—	—	—	—	274	274
Other comprehensive income from continued operations	—	—	—	—	2	—	2
<b>Balance as of December 31, 2022 (Successor)</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>1,499</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>201</b>	<b>1,702</b>
Net income	—	—	—	—	—	300	300
Shares issued on closing of Aquadrill acquisition	—	—	1	1,243	—	—	1,244
Share issuance costs	—	—	—	(4)	—	—	(4)
Shares repurchased and cancelled	—	—	—	(267)	—	—	(267)
Other comprehensive loss	—	—	—	—	(1)	—	(1)
Share based compensation	—	—	—	9	—	—	9
<b>Balance as of December 31, 2023 (Successor)</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2,480</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>501</b>	<b>2,983</b>
Net income	—	—	—	—	—	446	446
Share repurchased and cancelled	—	—	—	(528)	—	—	(528)
Share based compensation	—	—	—	17	—	—	17
<b>Balance as of December 31, 2024 (Successor)</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1,969</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>947</b>	<b>2,918</b>

See accompanying notes that are an integral part of these Consolidated Financial Statements.



## Seadrill Limited NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

### Note 1 - General Information

Seadrill Limited is incorporated in Bermuda. We are an offshore drilling contractor providing worldwide offshore drilling services to the oil and gas industry. Our primary business is the ownership and operation of drilling units for operations in shallow to ultra-deepwater in both benign and harsh environments. We contract our drilling units to drill wells for our customers on a dayrate basis. Our customers include oil super-majors, state-owned national oil companies and independent oil and gas companies. In addition, we provide management services to certain affiliated entities. As of December 31, 2024, we owned a total of 15 drilling units, of which 11 were operating (inclusive of one leased to the Sonadrill joint venture), one was undergoing contract preparations for a contract that commenced during February 2025, and three were cold stacked. In addition to our owned assets, as of December 31, 2024, we managed two rigs owned by Sonangol.

As used herein, the term "Predecessor" refers to the financial position and results of operations of Seadrill Limited prior to, and including, February 22, 2022. This is also applicable to terms "we", "our", "Group" or "Company" in the context of events on and prior to February 22, 2022. As used herein, the term "Successor" refers to the financial position and results of operations of Seadrill Limited (previously Seadrill 2021 Limited) after February 22, 2022 (the "Effective Date"). This is also applicable to terms, "we", "our", "Group" or "Company" in the context of events after February 22, 2022 (Successor).

The use herein of such terms as "Group", "organization", "we", "us", "our" and "its", or references to specific entities, is not intended to be a precise description of corporate relationships.

### Basis of presentation

The Consolidated Financial Statements comply with US GAAP and are presented in U.S. dollars ("US dollar", "\$" or "US\$") rounded to the nearest million, unless stated otherwise. They include the financial statements of Seadrill Limited and its consolidated subsidiaries.

In January 2022, we disposed of 65% of our equity interest in Paratus Energy Services Ltd ("PES") and in October 2022, we disposed of seven jackup units contracted in the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia (the "KSA Business"). Both transactions represented strategic shifts in Seadrill's operations, which were deemed to have a major effect on its operations and financial results in 2022 and going forward, and therefore, both were reclassified as discontinued operations, including the comparative periods.

Following the sale of the KSA Business, our organizational structure was simplified, consolidating our operations into a single segment. In light of this change, the information provided to the Chief Operating Decision Maker ("CODM") was adapted to reflect the updated operational structure during the year ended December 31, 2023. As a result, we updated the reportable segments disclosed externally from Harsh Environment, Floaters, and Jackup Rigs to a single operating segment in 2023. This has been reflected for all periods covered by the report.

The financial information in this report has been prepared on the basis we will continue as a going concern, which presumes we will be able to realize our assets and discharge liabilities in the normal course of business as they come due.

### Use of estimates

The preparation of the Consolidated Financial Statements in accordance US GAAP requires us to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets, liabilities, and related disclosures about contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. We base these estimates and assumptions on historical experience and on various other information and assumptions that we believe to be reasonable. Critical accounting estimates are important to the portrayal of both our financial position and results of operations and require us to make subjective or complex assumptions or estimates about matters that are uncertain. Actual results may differ from these estimates.

### Basis of consolidation

We consolidate companies where we control over 50% of voting rights, and entities where we hold a variable interest and are the primary beneficiary. A variable interest entity ("VIE") is a legal entity where equity at risk is not enough to finance its activities, or equity interest holders lack power to direct activities or receive expected returns. We are the primary beneficiary of a VIE when we have the power to direct activities that impact economic performance and the right to receive benefits or absorb losses. We exclude subsidiaries, even if fully owned, if we are not the primary beneficiary under the variable interest model. All intercompany balances and transactions have been eliminated.

### Reclassifications

Effective in the first quarter of 2024, we have classified reimbursable revenues and expenses associated with joint ventures as "Reimbursable revenues" and "Reimbursable expenses", respectively, in order to enhance the presentation of the arrangements and to reflect the underlying nature of these transactions. To conform to current period presentation, \$26 million, \$25 million and \$20 million of "Management contract revenues" and "Management contract expenses" for the year ended December 31, 2023 (Successor), Period from February 23, 2022 through December 31, 2022 (Successor), and Period from January 1, 2022 through February 22, 2022 (Predecessor) have been reclassified to "Reimbursable revenues" and "Reimbursable expenses", respectively.

Effective in the second quarter of 2024, we have classified revenues from our bareboat charter agreements as "Leasing revenues", in order to enhance the presentation of the arrangements. To conform to current period presentations, \$33 million, \$24 million and \$4 million of "Other revenues" for the year ended December 31, 2023 (Successor), Period from February 23, 2022 through December 31, 2022 (Successor), and Period from January 1, 2022 through February 22, 2022 (Predecessor), respectively, have been reclassified to "Leasing revenues".



## **Acquisition of Aquadrill LLC**

On April 3, 2023 (the "Closing Date"), Seadrill completed the acquisition of Aquadrill LLC ("Aquadrill"), an offshore drilling unit owner. Pursuant to the Agreement and Plan of Merger (the "Merger Agreement") dated December 22, 2022, by and among Seadrill, Aquadrill (formerly Seadrill Partners LLC) and Seadrill Merger Sub, LLC, a Marshall Islands limited liability company ("Merger Sub"), Merger Sub merged with and into Aquadrill, with Aquadrill surviving the merger as a wholly owned subsidiary of Seadrill (the "Merger"). In connection with the Merger, and pursuant to the Merger Agreement, Seadrill exchanged consideration consisting of (i) 29.9 million Seadrill common shares, (ii) \$30 million settled by tax withholding in lieu of common shares, and (iii) cash consideration of \$1 million.

Through the acquisition of Aquadrill in April 2023, we added four drillships, one semi-submersible, and three tender-assist units to our fleet. Refer to Note 29 – "Business combinations" for further detail. The three tender-assist units were sold on July 28, 2023.

## **Emergence from Chapter 11 proceedings**

On February 22, 2022, Seadrill Limited and certain of its subsidiaries which filed voluntary petitions for reorganization under Chapter 11 of the United States Bankruptcy Code in the Bankruptcy Court ("Debtors"), completed its comprehensive restructuring and emerged from Chapter 11 proceedings. Please refer to Note 4 – "Chapter 11" for further details.

## **Fresh start accounting**

Seadrill qualified for fresh start accounting following its emergence from bankruptcy on the Effective Date, in accordance with the provisions set forth in ASC 852. This resulted in a new entity, the Successor, for financial reporting purposes, with no beginning retained earnings or loss as of the Effective Date.

Under fresh start accounting, Seadrill allocated the court approved reorganization value to its individual assets based on their estimated fair values on the Effective Date. Reorganization value represents the value of the reconstituted entity before considering liabilities and it approximates the amount a willing buyer would pay for the assets of the entity immediately after the restructuring.

Seadrill will continue to present financial information for the period before the adoption of fresh start accounting for the Predecessor. The Predecessor and Successor companies lack comparability, as required by ASC Topic 205, Presentation of Financial Statements. Therefore, "black-line" financial statements are presented to distinguish between the Predecessor and Successor companies.

Refer to Note 5 – "Fresh Start Accounting" for further details.

## **Note 2 – Accounting policies**

### **Revenue from contracts with customers**

The activities that primarily drive the revenue earned from our drilling contracts include (i) providing a drilling unit and the crew and supplies necessary to operate the rig, (ii) mobilizing and demobilizing the rig to and from the drill site and (iii) performing rig preparation activities or modifications required for the contract with a customer. Consideration received for performing these activities may consist of dayrate drilling revenue, mobilization and demobilization revenue, contract preparation revenue and reimbursement revenue. We account for these integrated services as a single performance obligation that is (i) satisfied over time and (ii) comprised of a series of distinct time increments of service.

We recognize revenues for activities that correspond to a distinct time increment of service within the contract term in the period when the services are performed. We recognize consideration for activities that are (i) not distinct within the context of our contracts and (ii) do not correspond to a distinct time increment of service, ratably over the estimated contract term.

We determine the total transaction price for each individual contract by estimating both fixed and variable consideration expected to be earned over the term of the contract. The amount estimated for variable consideration may be constrained and is only included in the transaction price to the extent that it is probable that a significant reversal of previously recognized revenue will not occur throughout the term of the contract. When determining if variable consideration should be constrained, we consider whether there are factors outside of our control that could result in a significant reversal of revenue as well as the likelihood and magnitude of a potential reversal of revenue. We re-assess these estimates each reporting period as required. For further information please refer to Note 7 – "Revenue from contracts with customers".

Our drilling contracts generally provide for payment on a dayrate basis, with higher rates for periods when the drilling unit is operating and lower rates or zero rates for periods when drilling operations are interrupted or restricted. The dayrate invoices billed to the customer are typically determined based on the varying rates applicable to the specific activities performed on an hourly basis. Such dayrate consideration is allocated to the distinct hourly incremental service it relates to. Revenue is recognized in line with the contractual rate billed for the services provided for any given hour.

We may receive fees (on either a fixed lump-sum or variable dayrate basis) for the mobilization of our rigs. These activities are not considered to be distinct within the context of the contract. The associated revenue is allocated to the overall performance obligation and recognized ratably over the expected term of the related drilling contract. We record a contract liability for mobilization fees received, which is amortized ratably to contract drilling revenue as services are rendered over the initial term of the related drilling contract.

We may receive fees (on either a fixed lump-sum or variable dayrate basis) for the demobilization of our rigs. Demobilization revenue expected to be received upon contract completion is estimated as part of the overall transaction price at contract inception and recognized over the term of the contract. In most of our contracts, there is uncertainty as to the likelihood and amount of expected demobilization revenue to be received. For example, the amount may vary dependent upon whether or not the rig has additional contracted work following the contract. Therefore, the estimate for such revenue may be constrained, as described above, depending on the facts and circumstances pertaining to the specific contract. We assess the likelihood of receiving such revenue based on past experience and knowledge of the market conditions.

We generally receive reimbursements from our customers for the purchase of supplies, equipment, personnel services and other services provided at their request in accordance with a drilling contract or other agreement. Such reimbursable revenue is variable and subject to



uncertainty, as the amounts received and timing thereof are highly dependent on factors outside of our influence. Accordingly, reimbursable revenue is fully constrained and not included in the total transaction price until the uncertainty is resolved, which typically occurs when the related costs are incurred on behalf of a customer. We are generally considered a principal in such transactions and record the associated revenue at the gross amount billed to the customer, at a point in time, as "Reimbursable revenues" in our Consolidated Statements of Operations.

In some countries, the local government or taxing authority may assess taxes on our revenues. Such taxes may include sales taxes, use taxes, value-added taxes, gross receipts taxes and excise taxes. We generally record tax-assessed revenue transactions on a net basis.

Certain direct and incremental costs incurred for upfront preparation, initial mobilization and modifications of contracted rigs represent costs of fulfilling a contract as they relate directly to a contract, enhance resources that will be used in satisfying our performance obligations in the future and are expected to be recovered. Such costs are deferred and amortized ratably to contract drilling expense as services are rendered over the initial term of the related drilling contract.

Any costs incurred for delays in commencement of drilling contracts are treated as variable consideration that is allocated to the firm term of the drilling contract.

#### ***Arrangements with MSA managers***

On completion of the Aquadrill acquisition on the Closing Date, Seadrill assumed arrangements related to the management of the former Aquadrill rigs. These arrangements were with offshore drilling contractors including affiliates of Diamond Offshore Drilling, Inc., Vantage Drilling International, and Energy Drilling Management Pte Ltd. (collectively, the "MSA Managers"), governed by master service or similar agreements ("MSAs").

Under the MSAs, certain former Aquadrill rigs were chartered to an MSA Manager who then contracted with a third-party customer to provide drilling services, providing all necessary crew and other required services and supplies needed to provide those services. The charter arrangements were structured such that all revenues from the end customer and all contract expenses were passed through to Seadrill. The MSA Manager also charged a fee for the services provided. While this fee was variable to align contract objectives between us and the Manager, the majority of economic risk and reward over the arrangement resided with Seadrill.

For accounting purposes, we consider each arrangement as a single unified contract between Seadrill and the end customer with the MSA Manager acting as both a lease broker and subcontractor in providing services to the end customer. Similar to arrangements where Seadrill provides drilling services directly to an end-customer using its owned rigs, the arrangement has both lease and non-lease components. We apply the practical expedient per ASC 842-10-15-42 which permits us to account for the arrangement based on the predominant component in the arrangement, which we consider to be the non-lease component.

Accordingly, we account for these arrangements under the guidance of ASC 606 – Revenue from Contracts with Customers. We recognize all revenues from the end-customers and all operating expenditures incurred by the MSA Manager and passed back to us, together with all MSA Manager fees, as operating expenses. In addition, where the MSA Manager incurs capital or long-term-maintenance expenditures on the units, these costs are also passed to us and accounted for as drilling unit additions. More generally, the accounting for revenue and expenses related to these arrangements follows our accounting policies.

#### ***Management contract revenues***

Seadrill has provided management and operational support services to Sonadrill, SeaMex, and in the Predecessor period, Aquadrill. These services are typically charged on either a cost-plus or dayrate basis. In addition, Seadrill has recorded reimbursable revenues on certain project work conducted on behalf of such parties.

#### ***Other revenues***

Other revenues comprise the sale of inventories and termination fees earned when drilling contracts are terminated before the contract end date. Termination fees are recognized daily as any contingencies or uncertainties are resolved.

#### ***Vessel and Rig Operating Expenses***

Vessel and rig operating expenses are costs associated with operating a drilling unit that is either in operation or stacked and include the remuneration of offshore crews and related costs, rig supplies, insurance costs, expenses for repairs and maintenance and costs for onshore support personnel. We expense such costs as incurred.

#### ***Mobilization and demobilization expenses***

We incur costs to prepare a drilling unit for a new customer contract and to move the rig to a new contract location. We capitalize the mobilization and preparation costs for a rig's first contract as a part of the rig value and recognize these costs as depreciation expense over the expected useful life of the rig (i.e. 30 years). For subsequent contracts, we defer these costs over the expected contract term, unless we do not expect the costs to be recoverable, in which case we expense them as incurred.

We incur costs to transfer a drilling unit to a safe harbor or different geographic area at the end of a contract. We expense such demobilization costs as incurred. We also expense any costs incurred to relocate drilling units that are not under contract.

#### ***Repairs, maintenance and periodic surveys***

Costs related to periodic overhauls of drilling units are capitalized and amortized over the anticipated period between overhauls, which is generally five years. Related costs are primarily shipyard costs and the cost of employees directly involved in the work. We include amortization costs for periodic overhauls in depreciation expense. Costs for other repair and maintenance activities are included in vessel and rig operating expenses and are expensed as incurred. Repairs, maintenance and periodic surveys are classified as operating activities within our Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows.



## **Income taxes**

Seadrill is a Bermuda company that has subsidiaries and affiliates in various jurisdictions. As of December 31, 2024, Seadrill and our Bermudan subsidiaries and affiliates were not required to pay taxes in Bermuda on ordinary income or capital gains as they qualify as exempted companies. Certain subsidiaries operate in other jurisdictions where taxes are imposed. Consequently, income taxes have been recorded in these jurisdictions when applicable. Our income tax expense is based on our income and statutory tax rates in the jurisdictions we operate. Refer to "Note 11 – Taxation".

Our income tax expense is based on our interpretation of tax laws in various jurisdictions in which we operate and requires significant judgment and use of estimates and assumptions regarding significant future events, such as amounts, timing and character of income, deductions and tax credits. There are certain transactions for which the ultimate tax consequence is unclear due to uncertainty in relation to the interpretation of tax law that arises in the ordinary course of business.

We recognize liabilities for uncertain tax positions based on a two-step process. The first step is to evaluate the tax position for recognition by determining if the weight of available evidence indicates that it is more likely than not that the position will be sustained on audit by relevant tax authorities, including resolution of related appeals or litigation processes, if any. The second step is to measure the tax benefit as the largest amount that is more likely than not of being realized upon settlement. While we believe we have the required support for the positions taken on our tax returns, we regularly assess the potential outcomes of examinations by tax authorities in determining the adequacy of our provision for income taxes.

Income tax expense consists of taxes currently payable and changes in deferred tax assets and liabilities calculated according to local tax rules. We recognize the income tax effects of intercompany sales or transfers of assets, other than inventory, in the Consolidated Statement of Operations as income tax expense (or benefit) in the period of sale or transfer occurs.

Current income tax expense reflects an estimate of our income tax liability for the current year, withholding taxes, changes in prior year tax estimates as tax returns are filed, or from tax audit adjustments.

Deferred tax assets and liabilities are based on temporary differences that arise between carrying values used for financial reporting purposes and amounts used for taxation purposes of assets and liabilities and the future tax benefits of tax attributes.

Our deferred tax expense or benefit represents the change in the balance of deferred tax assets or liabilities as reflected on the balance sheet. Valuation allowances are determined to reduce deferred tax assets when it is more likely than not that some portion or all of the deferred tax assets will not be realized. To determine the amount of deferred tax assets and liabilities, as well as the valuation allowances, we must make estimates and certain assumptions regarding future taxable income, including where our drilling units are expected to be deployed, as well as other assumptions related to our future tax position. A change in such estimates and assumptions, along with any changes in tax laws, could require us to adjust the deferred tax assets, liabilities, or valuation allowances. The amount of deferred tax provided is based upon the expected manner of settlement of the carrying amount of assets and liabilities, using tax rates enacted at the balance sheet date. The impact of tax law changes is recognized in periods when the change is enacted.

## **Foreign currencies**

The majority of our revenues and expenses are denominated in U.S. dollars and therefore all of our subsidiaries use U.S. dollars as their functional currency. Our reporting currency is also U.S. dollars.

Transactions in foreign currencies are translated into U.S. dollars at the rates of exchange in effect at the date of the transaction. Foreign currency denominated monetary assets and liabilities are remeasured using rates of exchange at the balance sheet date. Gains and losses on foreign currency transactions are included within "Other financial and non-operating items, net" in the Consolidated Statements of Operations.

## **Earnings/(loss) per share**

Basic earnings/(loss) per share ("EPS/LPS") is calculated based on the income or loss for the period available to common shareholders divided by the weighted average number of Shares outstanding. Diluted income or loss per share includes the effect of the assumed conversion of potentially dilutive instruments such as our restricted stock units, performance stock units and convertible bond. The determination of dilutive income or loss per share may require us to make adjustments to net income or loss and the weighted average Shares outstanding. Refer to Note 12 – "Earnings/(loss) per share".

## **Fair value measurements**

We estimate fair value at a price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants in the principal market for the asset or liability. Hierarchy Levels 1, 2 and 3 are terms for the priority of inputs to valuation techniques used to measure fair value. Hierarchy Level 1 inputs are unadjusted quoted prices for identical assets or liabilities in active markets. Hierarchy Level 2 inputs are significant other observable inputs, including direct or indirect market data for similar assets or liabilities in active markets or identical assets or liabilities in less active markets. Hierarchy Level 3 inputs are significant unobservable inputs, including those that require considerable judgment for which there is little or no market data. When a valuation requires multiple input levels, we categorize the entire fair value measurement according to the lowest level of input that is significant to the measurement even though we may have also utilized inputs that are more readily observable.

## **Cash and cash equivalents and restricted cash**

Cash and cash equivalents consist of cash, bank deposits and highly liquid financial instruments with maturities of three months or less. Amounts are presented net of allowances for credit losses.



Restricted cash consists of bank deposits which are subject to restrictions due to legislation, regulation or contractual arrangements. Restricted cash amounts that are expected to be used after one year from the balance sheet date are classified as non-current assets. Amounts are presented net of allowances for credit losses, which are assessed based on consideration of maturity date and the counterparty's credit rating. Refer to Note 13 – "Restricted cash".

#### **Receivables**

Receivables, including accounts receivable, are recorded in the balance sheet at their nominal amount net of expected credit losses and write-offs. Interest income on receivables is recognized as earned.

#### **Allowance for credit losses**

The current expected credit loss ("CECL") model requires recognition of expected credit losses over the life of a financial asset upon its initial recognition. The CECL model contemplates a broader range of information to estimate expected credit losses over the contractual lifetime of an asset. It also requires consideration of the risk of loss even if it is remote. We estimate expected credit losses based on relevant information about past events, including historical experience, current conditions, and reasonable and supportable forecasts of events, which may affect the collectability. The allowance for credit losses reflects the net amount expected to be collected on the financial asset. Any change in credit allowance is reflected in the Consolidated Statement of Operations based on the nature of the financial asset receivable.

Amounts are written off against the allowance in the period when efforts to collect a balance have been exhausted. Any write-offs in excess of credit allowance by category of financial asset reduces the asset's carrying amount and is reflected in the Consolidated Statement of Operations. Expected recoveries will not exceed the amounts previously written-off or current credit loss allowance by financial asset category and are recognized in the Consolidated Statement of Operations in the period of receipt.

#### **Contract assets and liabilities**

Accounts receivable are recognized when the right to consideration becomes unconditional based upon contractual billing schedules. If we recognize revenue ahead of this point, we also recognize a contract asset. Contract assets balances relate primarily to demobilization revenues recognized during the period associated with probable future demobilization activities.

Contract liabilities include payments received for mobilization, rig preparation and upgrade activities which are allocated to the overall performance obligation and recognized ratably over the initial term of the contract.

#### **Equity investments**

Investments in common stock are accounted for using the equity method if we have the ability to significantly influence, but not control, the investee. Significant influence is presumed to exist if our ownership interest in the voting stock of the investee is between 20% and 50%. We also consider other factors such as representation on the investee's board of directors and the nature of commercial arrangements. We classify our equity investees as "Investments in Associated Companies" on the Consolidated Balance Sheets. We recognize our share of earnings or losses from our equity method investments in the Consolidated Statements of Operations as "Share in results from associated companies". Refer to Note 15 – "Investment in associated companies".

We assess our equity method investments for impairment at each reporting period when events or circumstances suggest that the carrying amount of the investments may be impaired. We record an impairment charge for other-than-temporary declines in value when the value is not anticipated to recover above the cost within a reasonable period after the measurement date. We consider (1) the length of time and extent to which fair value is below carrying value, (2) the financial condition and near-term prospects of the investee, and (3) our intent and ability to hold the investment until any anticipated recovery. If an impairment loss is recognized, subsequent recoveries in value are not reflected in earnings until sale of the equity method investee occurs.

#### **Held for sale and discontinued operations**

Assets are classified as held for sale when all of the following criteria are met: management commits to a plan to sell the asset (disposal group), the asset is available for immediate sale in its present condition subject only to terms that are usual and customary for sales of such assets, an active program to locate a buyer and other actions required to complete the plan to sell the asset (disposal group) have been initiated, the sale of the asset is probable, and transfer of the asset is expected to qualify for recognition as a completed sale, within one year. The term probable refers to a future sale that is likely to occur, the asset is being actively marketed for sale at a price that is reasonable in relation to its current fair value and actions required to complete the plan indicate that it is unlikely that significant changes to the plan will be made or that the plan will be withdrawn. Assets held for sale are measured at the lower of carrying value or fair value less costs to sell.

Management assesses whether an operation should be reported as discontinued operations under the three criteria set out in ASC 205:1) a discontinued operation may include a component of the business or group of components of the business, 2) the component of the business (or group of components) meets the held for sale criteria, is disposed of by sale, or is disposed of other than by sale (i.e. abandonment), and 3) the component of the business (or group of components) represents a strategic shift that has (or will have) a major effect on an the business' operations and financial results. When an operation meets these criteria, the results of that operation are reported as "discontinued operations" in the Statement of Operations and all comparative periods of the consolidated financial statements and associated notes are recast for this classification. Refer to Note 28 – "Discontinued Operations".

#### **Drilling units**

Rigs, vessels and related equipment are recorded at historical cost less accumulated depreciation. The cost of these assets, less estimated residual value is depreciated on a straight-line basis over their estimated remaining economic useful lives. Rig upgrade costs incurred that increase the marketability of the rig beyond the current contract are depreciated over the remaining lives of the rigs. The estimated economic useful life of our floaters and jackup rigs, when new, is 30 years.



Drilling units acquired in a business combination are measured at fair value at the date of acquisition. Cost of property and equipment sold or retired, with the related accumulated depreciation and impairment, are removed from the Consolidated Balance Sheet, and resulting gains or losses are included in the Consolidated Statement of Operations.

We re-assess the remaining useful lives of our drilling units when events occur which may impact our assessment of their remaining useful lives. These include changes in the operating condition or functional capability of our rigs, technological advances, changes in market and economic conditions as well as changes in laws or regulations affecting the drilling industry.

#### **Equipment**

Equipment is recorded at historical cost less accumulated depreciation and impairment and is depreciated over its estimated remaining useful life. The estimated economic useful life of equipment, when new, is between three and five years depending on the type of asset. Refer to Note 17 – "Equipment".

#### **Rig reactivation project costs**

Most reactivation costs are capitalized. The incremental cost of equipment de-preservation activities and one-time major equipment overhaul or replacement of systems and equipment, certain directly identifiable personnel costs and costs to move rigs from stacking locations to the shipyards are capitalized and depreciated over the remaining lives of the rigs. General and administrative and overhead costs related to reactivation projects are accounted for as operating expenses.

Rig upgrade costs incurred as part of reactivation projects that increase the marketability of the rig beyond the current contract are depreciated over the remaining lives of the rig. Costs incurred as part of reactivation projects to install equipment or modify to current rig specifications that will not increase the marketability of the rig beyond the current contract and rig mobilization costs are deferred and amortized over the contract period.

The cost of reactivation project related long-term maintenance activities such as major classification surveys and other major certifications are capitalized and depreciated over a period of between two and five years (depending on the period covered by the re-certification).

#### **Leases**

*Lessee* - When we enter into a new contract, or modify an existing contract, we identify whether that contract has a finance or operating lease component. We do not have any leases classified as finance leases. We determine the lease commencement date by reference to the date the leased asset is available for use and transfer of control has occurred from the lessor. At the lease commencement date, we measure and recognize a lease liability and a right of use ("ROU") asset in the financial statements. The lease liability is measured at the present value of the lease payments not yet paid, discounted using the estimated incremental borrowing rate at lease commencement. The ROU asset is measured at the initial measurement of the lease liability, plus any lease payments made to the lessor at or before the commencement date, minus any lease incentives received, plus any initial direct costs incurred by us.

After the commencement date, we adjust the carrying amount of the lease liability by the amount of payments made in the period as well as the unwinding of the discount over the lease term using the effective interest method. After commencement date, we amortize the ROU asset by the amount required to keep total lease expense including interest constant (straight-line over the lease term).

Seadrill assesses ROU assets for impairment and recognizes any impairment loss in accordance with the accounting policy on impairment of long-lived assets.

We applied the following significant assumptions and judgments in accounting for our leases.

- We apply judgment in determining whether a contract contains a lease or a lease component as defined by Topic 842.
- We have elected to combine leases and non-lease components. As a result, we do not allocate our consideration between leases and non-lease components.
- The discount rate applied to our operating leases is our incremental borrowing rate. We estimated our incremental borrowing rate based on the rate for our traded debt.
- Within the terms and conditions of some of our operating leases we have options to extend or terminate the lease. In instances where we are reasonably certain to exercise available options to extend or terminate, then the option is included in determining the appropriate lease term to apply.
- Where a leasing arrangement is a failed sale and leaseback transaction as no transfer of control has occurred as defined by Topic 606, any monies received will be treated as a financing transaction.

*Lessor* - When we enter into a new contract, or modify an existing contract, we identify whether that contract has a sales-type, direct financing or operating lease. We do not have any leases classified as sales-type or direct financing. For our operating leases, the underlying asset remains on the balance sheet and we record periodic depreciation expense and lease revenue.

#### **Impairment of long-lived assets**

We review the carrying value of our long-lived assets for impairment whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying amount of an asset may no longer be appropriate. We first assess recoverability of the carrying value of the asset by estimating the undiscounted future net cash flows expected to be generated from the asset, including eventual disposal. If the undiscounted future net cash flows are less than the carrying value of the asset, then we compare the carrying value of the asset to its fair value as determined using the discounted future net cash flows, using a relevant weighted-average cost of capital. The impairment loss to be recognized during the period, is the amount by which the carrying value of the asset exceeds its fair value.



## ***Other intangible assets and liabilities***

Intangible assets and liabilities were recorded at fair value on the date of Seadrill's emergence from Chapter 11 in February 2022 and on acquisition of Aquadrill in April 2023. The amounts of these assets and liabilities less any estimated residual value are amortized on a straight-line basis over the estimated remaining economic useful life or contractual period. We classify amortization of these intangible assets and liabilities within operating expenses. Our intangible assets include favorable and unfavorable drilling contracts, management services contracts and management incentive fees. In accordance with ASC 360, our intangible assets are reviewed for impairment when indicators of impairment are present, which include events or changes in circumstances that indicate that the carrying amount of an asset may not be recoverable. In the event an impairment loss is recognized, the adjusted carrying amount of the intangible asset is its new accounting basis. Refer to Note 14 – "Other current and non-current assets". Our intangible liabilities include unfavorable drilling contracts. Refer to Note 20 – "Other current and non-current liabilities".

## ***Debt***

At the inception of a term debt arrangement, or whenever we make the initial drawdown on a revolving debt arrangement, we incur a liability for the principal to be repaid. Debt issuance costs and lender fees related to the term loan are netted against the liability and amortized over the term of the loan. Issuance costs and lender fees related to the revolving debt arrangement are amortized straight-line over the term of the revolver. Refer to Note 19 – "Debt" for more information on our debt instruments.

## ***Pension benefits***

We make contributions to personal defined contribution plans. These are charged as operational expenses as they become payable. Some of our Norwegian employees are covered by defined benefit plans. The ongoing liability for these schemes is not material and therefore disclosures related to these schemes have not been presented.

## ***Loss contingencies***

We recognize a loss contingency in the Consolidated Balance Sheets where we have a present obligation as a result of a past event, it is probable that an outflow of economic benefits will be required to settle the obligation, and the amount is reasonably estimable. Refer to Note 27 – "Commitments and contingencies".

## ***Share repurchases***

Repurchased Shares are recognized at cost as a component of shareholders' equity. If our Shares are acquired for purposes other than retirement, or if ultimate disposition has not yet been decided, the cost of the Shares is recognized as a direct reduction in shareholders' equity as treasury stock. At the point where it is deemed reasonably certain that the acquired Shares will be cancelled/retired, the nominal value of the Shares is recorded as a reduction in share capital with the excess paid over the nominal value recorded as a reduction in additional paid in capital ("APIC").

## ***Share-based compensation***

After emerging from Chapter 11 in February 2022, we made awards of restricted stock units ("RSUs") and performance stock units ("PSUs") under the Management Incentive Plan (as defined herein) (see Note 23 – "Share based compensation"). We account for our share based compensation in accordance with ASC 718, which utilizes a "modified grant-date" approach, where the fair value of an equity award is estimated on the grant date without regard to service or performance conditions. The subsequent accounting then depends on whether the award is classified as equity settled or liability settled, based on the conditions provided in ASC 718. If any of the conditions set out in ASC 718 are met, we classify the award as liability settled, otherwise the award is classified as equity settled. The fair value of equity settled awards is fixed on the grant date and not remeasured unless the award is modified. The fair value of liability settled awards is remeasured at the end of each reporting period until settlement. The fair value is recorded as operating expense over the service period for all awards that vest. No cost is recorded for awards that do not vest because service conditions are not satisfied. We account for forfeitures on an actual basis.

## ***Guarantees***

Guarantees issued by us, excluding those that are guaranteeing our own performance, are recognized at fair value at the time that the guarantees are issued and reported in "Other current liabilities" and "Other non-current liabilities". If it becomes probable that we will have to perform under a guarantee, we remeasure the liability if the amount of the loss can be reasonably estimated. Financial guarantees written are assessed for credit losses and any allowance is presented as a liability for off-balance sheet credit exposures where the balance exceeds the collateral provided over the remaining instrument life. The allowance is assessed at the individual guarantee level, calculated by multiplying the balance exposed on default by the probability of default and loss given default over the term of the guarantee.

## ***Business combinations***

We account for acquisitions in accordance with ASC 805 - Business Combinations. When a transaction qualifies as a business combination under ASC 805 because (i) the acquiree meets the definition of a business and (ii) Seadrill as the acquirer obtains control of an acquiree, the acquisition method is used and the identifiable assets acquired and liabilities assumed are recognized at fair value on the acquisition date. Under ASC 805, the excess of the cost of an acquired entity over the net of the amounts assigned to assets acquired and liabilities assumed is recognized as an asset referred to as goodwill. If the fair value of the net assets acquired and liabilities assumed is greater than the purchase price, a bargain purchase gain is recognized in the Consolidated Statement of Operations at the acquisition date.

## ***Sale of subsidiaries or groups of assets***

We account for the sale of a subsidiary or group of assets in accordance with ASC 810 - Consolidations. When we sell a subsidiary or group of assets, we recognize a gain or loss measured as the difference between 1) the aggregate of (i) the fair value of any consideration received, (ii) the fair value of any retained noncontrolling investment in the former subsidiary or group of assets & (iii) the carrying amount of any noncontrolling interest in the former subsidiary; and 2) the carrying amount of the former subsidiary's assets and liabilities or the carrying



amount of the group of assets. Consideration transferred is the sum of the acquisition-date fair values of the assets transferred, the liabilities incurred by the acquirer to Seadrill, and the equity interests issued by the acquirer to Seadrill, but is net of any liabilities incurred by Seadrill. The gain or loss on sale is net of any costs to sell the subsidiary or group of assets. Refer to Note 28 – "Discontinued Operations" for details of disposals during the comparative periods presented.

## Note 3 – Recent Accounting Standards

### *Recently adopted accounting standards*

In November 2023, the Financial Accounting Standards Board ("FASB") issued Accounting Standards Update ("ASU") 2023-07, Segment Disclosures (Topic 280): Improvements to Reportable Segment Disclosures to improve reportable segment disclosures by requiring more detailed information about a reportable segment's expenses and how the chief operating decision maker uses reported segment profit or loss information to assess segment performance and allocate resources. ASU 2023-07 is effective for annual reporting periods beginning after December 15, 2023 and interim periods beginning after December 15, 2024. The adoption of ASU 2023-07 had no material impact on the Company's disclosures.

### *Recent accounting pronouncements*

In November 2024, the FASB issued ASU 2024-03, "Disaggregation of Income Statement Expenses", which requires additional disclosure of the nature of expenses included in the income statement. The guidance is effective for annual reporting periods beginning after December 15, 2026 and interim reporting periods beginning after December 15, 2027. ASU 2024-03 will be applied prospectively with the option for retrospective application. Early adoption is permitted. The Company is currently evaluating the impact this standard will have on its consolidated financial statements.

In December 2023, the FASB issued ASU 2023-09, Income Taxes (Topic 740): Improvements to Income Tax Disclosures. The standard requires disaggregated information about a reporting entity's effective tax rate reconciliation and information on income taxes paid. The new requirement is effective for annual periods beginning after December 15, 2024. The guidance will be applied on a prospective basis with the option to apply the standard retrospectively, with early adoption permitted. Upon adoption, this standard will require additional disclosures to be included in our financial statements. The Company is currently evaluating the impact this standard will have on its consolidated financial statements.

## Note 4 – Chapter 11

### *Seadrill Chapter 11 Process*

#### *i. Chapter 11 filing*

The Debtors filed voluntary petitions for reorganization under the Chapter 11 proceedings in the Bankruptcy Court on February 7, 2021 and February 10, 2021 (the "Petition Date"). These filings triggered a stay on enforcement of remedies with respect to our debt obligations.

These filings excluded the Seadrill New Finance Limited group ("NSNCo"), as Seadrill and the NSNCo noteholders negotiated a refinancing outside of this bankruptcy.

#### *ii. Plan of Reorganization*

On July 23, 2021, the Company entered into a Plan Support and Lock-Up Agreement (the "Plan Support Agreement") with certain holders of claims under the Company's 12 prepetition credit facilities (the "Prepetition Credit Agreements"), and Hemen Holdings Ltd ("Hemen"). On July 24, 2021, the Company filed the first versions of the Joint Chapter 11 Plan of Reorganization and Disclosure Statement. On August 31, 2021, the Company filed the First Amended Plan of Reorganization and the First Amended Disclosure Statement (the "Disclosure Statement") and on September 2, 2021, the Court approved the First Amended Disclosure Statement (as Modified) and the solicitation of the Plan of Reorganization. On October 11, 2021, the Company's creditor classes voted to accept the plan of reorganization. On October 26, 2021, Seadrill's Plan of Reorganization (the "Plan") was confirmed by the U.S. Bankruptcy Court for the Southern District of Texas.

#### *iii. Amendment to terms of existing facilities*

The Plan, among other things, provided that holders of allowed Prepetition Credit Agreement claims (a) received \$683 million (adjusted for the Asia Offshore Drilling Limited ("AOD") cash out option) of take-back debt (the "Second Lien Facility") and (b) were entitled to participate in a \$300 million new-money raise under a first lien facility (the "First Lien Facility"), and (c) received 83.00% of pre-diluted equity in successor Seadrill on account of their allowed Prepetition Credit Agreement claims, and 16.75% of equity in successor Seadrill for such holders participation in a rights offering (the "Rights Offering").

#### *iv. Rights Offering and backstop of new \$300 million facility*

Holders of the subscription rights, which included the backstop parties (the "Backstop Parties" and together, the "Rights Offering Participants"), received the right to lend up to \$300 million under the First Lien Facility. The Rights Offering Participants also received, in consideration for their participation in the Rights Offering, 12.50% of the issued and outstanding pre-diluted Shares as of the Effective Date. The First Lien Facility was structured as (i) a \$175 million term loan (the "Term Loan Facility") and (ii) a \$125 million revolving credit facility.

As consideration for the backstop commitment of each Backstop Party, the Backstop Parties were (a) issued 4.25% of the issued and outstanding pre-diluted Shares as of the Effective Date (the "Equity Commitment Premium"); and (b) paid in cash a premium (the "Commitment Premium") equal to 7.50% of the \$300 million in total commitments under the First Lien Facility. The Commitment Premium was revised to \$20 million and paid within one business day following the backstop approval order on October 27, 2021.



*v. Hemen \$50 million convertible bond*

\$50 million aggregate principal amount of convertible bond (the "Convertible Bond") was issued to Hemen at par upon emergence. The Convertible Bond is convertible into Shares (the "Conversion Shares") at an initial conversion rate of 52.6316 Shares per \$1,000 principal amount of the Convertible Bond, subject to certain adjustments. The Convertible Bond is convertible (in full and not in part) into the Conversion Shares at the option of the lender on any business day that is ten business days prior to the maturity of the Convertible Bond.

Management considered the accounting treatment for the Conversion using the embedded derivative model, substantial premium model, and the no proceeds allocated model. The Company determined that on the Effective Date that the substantial premium model was applicable, and the recognition of the Convertible Bond should follow the treatment prescribed under this model. Pursuant to the substantial premium model, the principal was recorded as a liability at par and the excess premium was recorded to additional paid-in-capital.

*vi. Emergence and New Seadrill equity allocation table*

Seadrill met the requirements of the Plan and emerged from Chapter 11 proceedings on the Effective Date.

Under the Plan and prior to any equity dilution on conversion of the convertible bond, the Company issued 83.00% of the Company's equity to Prepetition Credit Agreement claimants, 12.50% to the Rights Offering Participants, 4.25% to the Backstop Parties through the Equity Commitment Premium, and the remaining 0.25% to Class 9 Predecessor shareholders. The table below shows the equity allocation before and after the conversion of the Convertible Bond.

Recipient of Shares	Number of shares	% Allocation	Equity dilution on conversion of convertible bond
Allocation to predecessor senior secured lenders	41,499,999	83.00 %	78.85 %
Allocation to new money lenders - holders of subscription rights	6,250,001	12.50 %	11.87 %
Allocation to new money lenders - backstop parties	2,125,000	4.25 %	4.04 %
Allocation to predecessor shareholders	124,998	0.25 %	0.24 %
Allocation to convertible bondholder	—	— %	5.00 %
<b>Total shares issued on emergence</b>	<b>49,999,998</b>	<b>100.00 %</b>	<b>100.00 %</b>

*NSNCo Restructuring*

As part of Seadrill's wider process, NSNCo, the holding company for investments in SeaMex, Seabras Sapura, and Archer, concluded a separate restructuring process on January 20, 2022.

The restructuring was achieved using a pre-packaged Chapter 11 process and had the following major impacts:

1. Holders of the senior secured notes issued by NSNCo released Seadrill from all guarantees and securities previously provided by Seadrill in respect of the notes;
2. Seadrill disposed of 65% of its equity interest in NSNCo to the holders of NSNCo senior secured notes. Seadrill's equity interest thereby decreased to 35%, which was recognized as an equity method investment; and
3. Reinstatement of the notes in full on amended terms.

Related to the NSNCo restructuring, the noteholders also financed a restructuring of the bank debt of the SeaMex joint venture. This enabled NSNCo to subsequently acquire a 100% equity interest in the SeaMex joint venture by way of a credit bid, which was executed on November 2, 2021.

Upon effectiveness of NSNCo's bankruptcy on January 20, 2022, Seadrill sold 65% of its equity interest in NSNCo, recognizing its 35% retained interest as an equity method investment. The ceding of control occurred 9 days prior on January 11, 2022, the petition date when the Bankruptcy Court first assumed the power to approve all significant actions in the entity. Separately, the determination of held-for-sale and discontinued operations was made at year end and described in the Company's 2021 Form 20-F. Subsequent to its emergence from its pre-packaged bankruptcy, NSNCo was renamed Paratus Energy Services Ltd.

*Renegotiation of leases with SFL*

Under the sale and leaseback arrangements with certain subsidiaries of SFL Corporation Ltd ("SFL"), the semi-submersible rigs *West Taurus* and *West Hercules* and the jackup rig *West Linus* were leased to certain wholly owned Seadrill entities under long term charter agreements. The Chapter 11 proceedings afforded Seadrill the option to reject or amend the leases.

On March 9, 2021, the *West Taurus* lease rejection motion was approved by the Bankruptcy Court, and the rig was redelivered to SFL on May 6, 2021, in accordance with the *West Taurus* settlement agreement. The lease termination led to a remeasurement of the outstanding amounts due to SFL held within liabilities subject to compromise to the claim value which was settled at emergence.

On August 27, 2021, the Bankruptcy Court of the Southern District of Texas entered an approval order for an amendment to the original SFL Hercules charter. The amended charter was accounted for as an operating lease, resulting in the recognition of a ROU asset and an associated lease liability. The removal of the call options and purchase obligations meant that sale recognition was no longer precluded.

In February 2022, Seadrill signed a transition agreement with SFL pursuant to which the *West Linus* rig would be redelivered to SFL upon assignment of the ConocoPhillips drilling contract to SFL. The interim transition bareboat agreement with SFL provided that Seadrill would continue to operate the *West Linus* until the rig was delivered back to SFL for a period of time that was estimated to last approximately 6 to 9



months from Seadrill's emergence. The amended charter no longer contained a purchase obligation and resulted in the derecognition of the rig asset of \$175 million and a liability of \$161 million at emergence from Chapter 11 proceedings on February 22, 2022. Additionally, \$7 million of cash held as collateral was returned to SFL. The interim transition bareboat agreement was accounted for as a short-term operating lease.

## Other matters

### i. Liabilities subject to compromise

Liabilities subject to compromise distinguish prepetition liabilities which may be affected by the Chapter 11 proceedings from those that will not. The liabilities held as subject to compromise prior to the Company's emergence from Chapter 11 proceedings are disclosed on a separate line on the Consolidated Balance Sheet.

Liabilities subject to compromise prior to emergence from Chapter 11 proceedings, as presented on the Consolidated Balance Sheet at February 22, 2022 immediately prior to emergence, included the following:

<i>(In \$ millions)</i>	<b>February 22, 2022 (Predecessor)</b>
Senior under-secured external debt	5,662
Accounts payable and other liabilities	35
Accrued interest on external debt	34
Amount due to SFL Corporation Ltd under leases for the <i>West Taurus</i> and <i>West Limus</i>	506
<b>Liabilities subject to compromise</b>	<b>6,237</b>
<i>Attributable to:</i>	
Continuing operations	6,119
Discontinued operations	118

### ii. Interest expense

The Debtors discontinued recording interest on the under-secured debt facilities from the Petition Date, in line with the guidance of ASC 852-10. Contractual interest on liabilities subject to compromise not reflected in the Consolidated Statements of Operations was \$48 million for the period from January 1, 2022 through February 22, 2022 (Predecessor).

### iii. Reorganization items, net

Incremental costs incurred directly as a result of the bankruptcy filing and any gains or losses on adjustment to the expected allowed claim value under the plan of reorganization are classified as "Reorganization items, net" in the Consolidated Statements of Operations. The following table summarizes the reorganization items recognized in the year ended December 31, 2024, December 31, 2023, period from February 23, 2022 through December 31, 2022 (Successor) and period from January 1, 2022 through February 22, 2022 (Predecessor).

<i>(In \$ millions)</i>	<b>Successor</b>			<b>Predecessor</b>
	<b>Year ended December 31, 2024</b>	<b>Year ended December 31, 2023</b>	<b>Period from February 23, 2022 through December 31, 2022</b>	<b>Period from January 1, 2022 through February 22, 2022</b>
Gain on settlement of liabilities subject to compromise (a)	—	—	—	3,581
Fresh Start valuation adjustments (b)	—	—	—	242
Loss on deconsolidation of Paratus Energy Services (c)	—	—	—	(112)
Advisory and professional fees (d)	—	—	(15)	(44)
Expense of predecessor Directors & Officers insurance policy	—	—	—	(17)
Interest income on surplus cash	—	—	—	1
<b>Total reorganization items, net</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>(15)</b>	<b>3,651</b>
<i>Attributable to:</i>				
Continuing operations	—	—	(15)	3,683
Discontinued operations	—	—	—	(32)

#### a. Gain on liabilities subject to compromise

On emergence from Chapter 11 proceedings, we settled liabilities subject to compromise in accordance with the Plan. This includes extinguishment of our secured external debt and amounts due under our sale and leaseback agreements with SFL Corporation Ltd. Refer to Note 5 – "Fresh Start accounting" for further information.



*b. Fresh Start valuation adjustments*

On emergence from Chapter 11 proceedings and under the application of Fresh Start accounting, we allocated the reorganization value to our assets and liabilities based on their estimated fair values. The effects of the application of Fresh Start accounting applied as of February 22, 2022. The new basis of our assets and liabilities are reflected in the Consolidated Balance Sheet at December 31, 2024 and 2023 (Successor) and the related adjustments were recorded in the Consolidated Statements of Operations in the Predecessor. Refer to Note 5 – "Fresh Start accounting" for further information.

*c. Loss on deconsolidation of Paratus Energy Services Ltd*

The loss on deconsolidation reflects the impact of the sale of 65% of Seadrill's interest in Paratus Energy Services Ltd (formerly NSNCo), as we deconsolidated the carrying value of the net assets of Paratus and recorded the 35% retained interest at fair value. The difference between the net assets deconsolidated and retained 35% interest represents a loss on deconsolidation.

<i>(In \$ millions)</i>	<b>January 20, 2022</b>
Carrying value of Paratus Energy Services Ltd equity at January 20, 2022	(152)
Fair value of retained 35% interest in Paratus Energy Services Ltd	56
Reclassification of NSNCo accumulated other comprehensive losses to income on disposal	(16)
<b>Loss on deconsolidation of Paratus Energy Services Ltd</b>	<b>(112)</b>

*d. Advisory and professional fees*

Professional and advisory fees incurred for post-petition Chapter 11 expenses. Professional and advisory expenses have been incurred post-emergence but relate to our Chapter 11 proceedings.

**Note 5 – Fresh Start Accounting**

***Fresh Start accounting***

Upon emergence from bankruptcy, Seadrill qualified for and adopted Fresh Start accounting in accordance with the provisions set forth in ASC 852, which resulted in a new entity, the Successor, for financial reporting purposes, with no beginning retained earnings or loss as of the Effective Date.

The criteria requiring Fresh Start accounting are: (i) the reorganization value of Seadrill's assets immediately prior to confirmation of the Plan was less than the total of all post-petition liabilities and allowed claims and (ii) the holders of the then-existing voting shares of the Predecessor (or legacy entity prior to the Effective Date) received less than 50% of the voting Shares of the Successor outstanding upon emergence from bankruptcy.

Fresh Start accounting requires a reporting entity to present its assets, liabilities, and equity at their reorganization value amounts as of the date of emergence from bankruptcy on February 22, 2022. However, the Company will continue to present financial information for any periods before the adoption of Fresh Start accounting for the Predecessor. The Predecessor and Successor Companies lack comparability, as is required in ASC Topic 205, *Presentation of Financial Statements ("ASC 205")*. ASC 205 states that financial statements are required to be presented comparably from year to year, with any exceptions to comparability clearly disclosed. Therefore, "black-line" financial statements are presented to distinguish between the Predecessor and Successor Companies.

***Reorganization Value***

Under Fresh Start accounting, we allocated the reorganization value to Seadrill's individual assets based on their estimated fair values in conformity with ASC Topic 805, *Business Combinations ("ASC 805")*, and ASC Topic 820, *Fair Value Measurement*. Deferred income taxes were calculated in conformity with ASC Topic 740, *Income Taxes ("ASC 740")*. Reorganization value is viewed as the value of the reconstituted entity before considering liabilities and it approximates the amount a willing buyer would pay for the assets of the entity immediately after the restructuring.

Enterprise value represents the estimated fair value of an entity's shareholders' equity plus long-term debt and other interest-bearing liabilities less unrestricted cash and cash equivalents. As set forth in the Disclosure Statement approved by the Bankruptcy Court, the valuation analysis resulted in an enterprise value between \$1,795 million and \$2,396 million, with a mid-point of \$2,095 million. For US GAAP purposes, we valued our individual assets, liabilities, and equity instruments using valuation models and determined the value of the enterprise was \$2,095 million as of the Effective Date, which fell in line within the forecasted enterprise value ranges approved by the Bankruptcy Court. Specific valuation approaches and key assumptions used to arrive at reorganization value, and the value of discrete assets and liabilities resulting from the application of Fresh Start accounting, are described in greater detail within the valuation process below.



The following table reconciles the enterprise value to the estimated fair value of the Successor's common shares as of the Effective Date:

	As of February 23, 2022 (Successor)
<i>(In \$ millions, except per share amount)</i>	
Enterprise value	2,095
Plus: Cash and cash equivalents at emergence	355
Less: Fair value of long-term debt	(951)
Implied value of Successor equity	<u>1,499</u>
Shares issued upon emergence	49,999,998
Per share value (US\$)	29.98

The following table reconciles enterprise value to the reorganization value of the Successor (i.e., value of the total assets of the Successor) as of the Effective Date:

	As of February 23, 2022 (Successor)
<i>(In \$ millions)</i>	
Enterprise value	2,095
Plus: Cash and cash equivalents at emergence	355
Plus: Non-interest-bearing current liabilities	350
Plus: Non-interest-bearing non-current liabilities	179
<b>Total value of Successor Entity's assets on Emergence</b>	<u><b>2,979</b></u>

The enterprise value and corresponding equity value are derived from expected future financial results set forth in our valuations, as well as the realization of certain other assumptions. All estimates, assumptions, valuations and financial projections, including the fair value adjustments, the enterprise value and equity value projections, are inherently subject to significant uncertainties and the resolution of contingencies beyond our control. Accordingly, the estimates, assumptions, valuations or financial projections may not be realized and actual results could vary materially.

#### Valuation Process

To apply Fresh Start accounting, we conducted an analysis of the Consolidated Balance Sheet to determine if any of our net assets would require a fair value adjustment as of the Effective Date. The results of our analysis indicated that our drilling units, equipment, drilling and management services contracts, leases, investments in associated companies, certain working capital balances and long-term debt would require a fair value adjustment on the Effective Date. Any deferred tax on the fair value adjustments have been made in accordance with ASC 740. The rest of our net assets were determined to have carrying values that approximated fair value on the Effective Date. Further details regarding the valuation process are described below.

##### i. Drilling units

Seadrill's principal assets comprise its fleet of drilling units. For the working fleet, we determined the fair value of drilling units based primarily on an income approach utilizing a discounted cash flow analysis. For long-term cold stacked units, we have applied a market approach methodology. Assumptions used in our assessment of the discounted free cash flows included, but were not limited to, the contracted and market dayrates, operating costs, overheads, economic utilization, effective tax rates, capital expenditures, working capital requirements, and estimated useful economic lives.

The cash flows were discounted at a market participant weighted average cost of capital ("WACC"), which was derived from a blend of market participant after-tax cost of debt and market participant cost of equity and computed using public share price information for similar offshore drilling market participants, certain U.S. Treasury rates, and certain risk premiums specific to the assets of the Company. For rigs expected to be long-term stacked, the market approach was used to estimate the fair value of the assets which involved gathering and analyzing recent market data of comparable assets.

##### ii. Capital Spares and Equipment

The valuation of our capital spares and equipment, including spare parts and capitalized IT software, was determined utilizing the cost approach, in which the estimated replacement cost of the assets was adjusted for physical depreciation and economic obsolescence.

##### iii. Drilling and management services contracts

We recognized both favorable and unfavorable contracts based on the income approach utilizing a discounted cash flow analysis, comparing the signed contractual dayrate against the global contract assumptions applied in our drilling unit fair value assessment. The cash flows were discounted at an adjusted market participant WACC.

The management services contracts were fair valued based on an excess earnings methodology, adjusted for the incremental cost of services, working capital, tax, and contributory asset charges, with future cash flows discounted at an adjusted market participant WACC.

For the management incentive fee payable to Seadrill as part of the management service agreement with PES, an option pricing model was used to estimate the fair value of the fee.



*iv. Leases*

The fair value of the *West Limus* and *West Hercules* leases were estimated by comparing against assumed global market contract assumptions over the same time period.

*v. Investments in associated companies*

The fair value of the equity investments in associated companies was based primarily on the income approach, using projected discounted cash flows of the underlying assets, a risk-adjusted discount rate, and an estimated tax rate.

*vi. Long-term debt*

The fair values of the Term Loan Facility and Second Lien Facility were determined using relevant market data as of the Effective Date and the terms of each of the respective instruments. Given the interest rates for both facilities were outside of the range of assumed market rates, we selected discount rates based on the data and used a yield to worst case analysis to estimate the fair values of the respective instruments.

The fair value of the Convertible Bond was split in two components: (i) straight debt and (ii) conversion option. The straight debt component was derived through a discounted cash flow analysis. The conversion option component was based on an option pricing model, which forecasts equity volatility and compares the potential conversion redemption against equity movements in industry peers.



## Consolidated Balance Sheet

The adjustments included in the following Consolidated Balance Sheet reflect the consummation of the transactions contemplated by the Plan and carried out by the Company ("Reorganization Adjustments") and the fair value adjustments as a result of the application of Fresh Start accounting ("Fresh Start Adjustments"). The explanatory notes provide additional information with regard to the adjustments recorded, the methods used to determine fair value and significant assumptions or inputs.

(In \$ millions)	February 22, 2022			February 23, 2022
	Predecessor	Reorganization Adjustments	Fresh Start Adjustments	Successor
<b>ASSETS</b>				
<b>Current assets</b>				
Cash and cash equivalents	262	74 (a)	—	336
Restricted cash	135	(50) (b)	—	85
Accounts receivable, net	169	—	—	169
Amount due from related parties, net	42	—	—	42
Asset held for sale - current	63	—	11 (k)	74
Other current assets	194	(17) (c)	20 (k)	197
<b>Total current assets</b>	<b>865</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>903</b>
<b>Non-current assets</b>				
Investment in associated companies	81	—	(17) (l)	64
Drilling units	1,434	(175) (d)	316 (m)	1,575
Restricted cash	69	—	—	69
Deferred tax assets	8	—	1 (n)	9
Equipment	11	—	(2) (o)	9
Asset held for sale - non-current	345	—	(34) (m,p)	311
Other non-current assets	13	—	26 (p)	39
<b>Total non-current assets</b>	<b>1,961</b>	<b>(175)</b>	<b>290</b>	<b>2,076</b>
<b>Total assets</b>	<b>2,826</b>	<b>(168)</b>	<b>321</b>	<b>2,979</b>
<b>LIABILITIES AND SHAREHOLDERS'S EQUITY</b>				
<b>Current liabilities</b>				
Trade accounts payable	53	—	—	53
Liabilities associated with asset held for sale - current	64	—	—	64
Other current liabilities	164	52 (e)	17 (q)	233
<b>Total current liabilities</b>	<b>281</b>	<b>52</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>350</b>
<b>Liabilities subject to compromise</b>	<b>6,119</b>	<b>(6,119) (f)</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>—</b>
<b>Liabilities subject to compromise associated with asset held for sale</b>	<b>118</b>	<b>(118) (f)</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>—</b>
<b>Non-current liabilities</b>				
Long-term debt	—	951 (g)	—	951
Deferred tax liabilities	7	—	(1) (r)	6
Liabilities associated with asset held for sale - non-current	2	—	—	2
Other non-current liabilities	108	—	63 (s)	171
<b>Total non-current liabilities</b>	<b>117</b>	<b>951</b>	<b>62</b>	<b>1,130</b>
<b>SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY</b>				
Predecessor common shares of par value	10	(10) (h)	—	—
Predecessor additional paid-in capital	3,504	(3,504) (h)	—	—
Accumulated other comprehensive loss	(1)	1 (h)	—	—
Retained (deficit)/earnings	(7,322)	7,080 (i)	242 (t)	—
Successor common shares of par value	—	—	—	—
Successor additional paid-in capital	—	1,499 (j)	—	1,499
<b>Total shareholders' (deficit)/equity</b>	<b>(3,809)</b>	<b>5,066</b>	<b>242</b>	<b>1,499</b>
<b>Total liabilities and shareholders' equity</b>	<b>2,826</b>	<b>(168)</b>	<b>321</b>	<b>2,979</b>

\* The total valuation of drilling units amounted to \$1,882 million, of which \$1,575 million related to continuing operations and \$307 million related to discontinued operations.



## Reorganization Adjustments

(a) Reflects the net cash receipts that occurred on the Effective Date as follows:

<i>(In \$ millions)</i>	<b>February 22, 2022 (Predecessor)</b>
Receipt of cash from the issuance of the Term Loan Facility	175
Receipt of cash from the issuance of the Convertible Bond	50
Proceeds from the issuance of the Second Lien Facility	683
Settlement of the Prepetition Credit Agreement	(683)
Payment of the AOD cash out option	(116)
Payment of success-based advisor fees	(28)
Payment of the arrangement & financing fee for the Term Loan Facility	(5)
Transfer of cash to restricted cash for the professional fee escrow account funding	(2)
<b>Change in cash and cash equivalents</b>	<b>74</b>

(b) Reflects the net restricted cash payments that occurred on the Effective Date as follows:

<i>(In \$ millions)</i>	<b>February 22, 2022 (Predecessor)</b>
Payment of net scrap rig proceeds to holders of Prepetition Credit Agreement claims	(45)
Return of cash collateral to SFL for the amended <i>West Linus</i> lease agreement	(7)
Cash transferred from unrestricted cash for the professional fee escrow account funding	2
<b>Change in restricted cash</b>	<b>(50)</b>

(c) Reflects the change in other current assets for the following activities:

<i>(In \$ millions)</i>	<b>February 22, 2022 (Predecessor)</b>
Expense of Predecessor Directors & Officers insurance policy	(17)
Expense of the Commitment Premium and other capitalized debt issuance costs	(24)
Recognition of the right-of-use asset associated with the modified <i>West Linus</i> bareboat lease	24
<b>Change in other current assets</b>	<b>(17)</b>

(d) Reflects the change in drilling units for the derecognition of the *West Linus* of \$175 million associated with modification of lease.

(e) Reflects the change in other current liabilities:

<i>(In \$ millions)</i>	<b>February 22, 2022 (Predecessor)</b>
Accrued liability due to holders of Prepetition Credit Agreement claims for sold rig proceeds	27
Recognition of lease liability and other accrued liability associated with the amended <i>West Linus</i> lease	25
<b>Change in other current liabilities</b>	<b>52</b>



(f) Liabilities subject to compromise were settled as follows in accordance with the Plan:

	<b>February 22, 2022 (Predecessor)</b>
<i>(In \$ millions)</i>	
Senior under-secured external debt	5,662
Accounts payable and other liabilities	35
Accrued interest on external debt	34
Amounts due to SFL Corporation Ltd under leases for the <i>West Taurus</i> and <i>West Linus</i>	506
<b>Total liabilities subject to compromise</b>	<b>6,237</b>
<i>Attributable to:</i>	
Continuing operations	6,119
Discontinued operations	118
Payment of the AOD cash out option	(116)
Issuance of the Second Lien Facility	(717)
Premium associated with the Term Loan Facility	(9)
Debt issuance costs	(30)
Payment of the rig sale proceeds	(45)
Amounts due to Prepetition Credit Agreement claims for sold rig proceeds not yet paid	(27)
Issuance of Shares to holders of Prepetition Credit Agreement claims	(1,244)
Issuance of Shares to the Rights Offering Participants	(187)
Issuance of Shares associated with the Equity Commitment Premium	(64)
Derecognition of <i>West Linus</i> rig and return of cash collateral	(182)
Reversal of the release of certain general unsecured operating accruals	(35)
<b>Pre-tax gain on settlement of liabilities subject to compromise</b>	<b>3,581</b>

(g) Reflects the changes in long-term debt for the following activities:

	<b>February 22, 2022 (Predecessor)</b>
<i>(In \$ millions)</i>	
Issuance of the Term Loan Facility	175
Issuance of the Second Lien Facility	683
Issuance of the Convertible Bond	50
Record the premium on the Term Loan Facility and Second Lien Facility	43
<b>Change in long-term debt</b>	<b>951</b>

(h) Reflects the cancellation of the Predecessor's common shares, additional paid in capital, and accumulated other comprehensive income.

(i) Reflects the cumulative net impact on retained loss as follows:

	<b>February 22, 2022 (Predecessor)</b>
<i>(In \$ millions)</i>	
Pre-tax gain on settlement of liabilities subject to compromise	3,581
Release of general unsecured operating accruals	35
Payment of success fees recognized on the Effective Date	(28)
Expense of Predecessor Directors & Officers insurance policy	(17)
<b>Impact to net income</b>	<b>3,571</b>
Cancellation of Predecessor common shares and additional paid in capital	3,513
Issuance of Shares to Predecessor equity holders	(4)
<b>Net impact to retained loss</b>	<b>7,080</b>



(j) Reflects the reorganization adjustments made to the Successor additional paid-in capital:

<i>(In \$ millions)</i>	<b>February 22, 2022 (Predecessor)</b>
Fair value of Shares issued to holders of Prepetition Credit Agreement claims	1,456
Fair value of Shares issued to Predecessor equity holders	4
Fair value of the conversion option on the Convertible Bond	39
<b>Successor additional paid-in capital</b>	<b>1,499</b>

#### *Fresh Start Adjustments*

(k) Reflects the fair value adjustment to other current assets for the following:

<i>(In \$ millions)</i>	<b>February 22, 2022 (Predecessor)</b>
Record fair value adjustment for favorable drilling and management service contracts	68
Write-off of current portion of deferred mobilization costs held at amortized cost	(15)
Off-market right-of-use asset adjustment for the <i>West Hercules</i> and <i>West Linus</i>	(22)
<b>Change in other current assets</b>	<b>31</b>
<i>Attributable to:</i>	
Continuing operations	20
Discontinued operations	11

(l) Reflects the fair value adjustment to the investments in PES of \$14 million and in Sonadrill of \$3 million.

(m) Reflects the fair value adjustment to drilling units and the elimination of accumulated depreciation.

<i>(In \$ millions)</i>	<b>February 22, 2022 (Predecessor)</b>
Total Fresh start adjustments	279
<i>Attributable to:</i>	
Continuing operations	316
Discontinued operations	(37)

(n) Reflects the fair value adjustment to deferred tax assets of \$1 million for favorable management contracts.

(o) Reflects the fair value adjustment to equipment and the elimination of accumulated depreciation.

(p) Reflects fair value adjustment to other non-current assets for the following:

<i>(In \$ millions)</i>	<b>February 22, 2022 (Predecessor)</b>
Record fair value adjustment for favorable drilling and management service contracts	42
Write-off of non-current portion of historical favorable contracts held at amortized cost	(9)
Write-off of non-current portion of deferred mobilization costs held at amortized cost	(4)
<b>Change in other non-current assets</b>	<b>29</b>
<i>Attributable to:</i>	
Continuing operations	26
Discontinued operations	3



(q) Reflects the fair value adjustment to other current liabilities for the following:

<i>(In \$ millions)</i>	February 22, 2022 (Predecessor)
Record fair value adjustment for unfavorable drilling contracts	18
Write-off of current portion of historical unfavorable contracts held at amortized cost	(1)
<b>Change in other current liabilities</b>	<b>17</b>

(r) Reflects the fair value adjustment to deferred tax liabilities of \$1 million to write-off previously recognized Fresh Start balances.

(s) Reflects the fair value adjustment to other non-current liabilities for the following:

<i>(In \$ millions)</i>	February 22, 2022 (Predecessor)
Record fair value adjustment for unfavorable drilling contracts	67
Write-off of non-current portion of historical unfavorable contracts held at amortized cost	(4)
<b>Change in other non-current liabilities</b>	<b>63</b>

(t) Reflects the cumulative impact of the Fresh Start accounting adjustments discussed above.

<i>(In \$ millions)</i>	February 22, 2022 (Predecessor)
Total Fresh start adjustments	242
<i>Attributable to:</i>	
Continuing operations	266
Discontinued operations	(24)

## Note 6 - Segment information

### Operating segments

Following the sale of the KSA Business in October 2022, our organizational structure was simplified, consolidating our operations into a single organization. In light of these changes, the information provided to our CODM, the Board of Directors, was adapted to reflect the updated operational structure. As a result, we view our operations and manage our business as one operating segment, using Operating Profit as presented in our Consolidated Statements of Operations.

### Geographic data

#### Revenues

Revenues are attributed to geographical areas based on the country where the revenues are generated. The following presents our revenues and fixed assets by geographic area:

<i>(In \$ millions)</i>	Successor			Predecessor
	Year ended December 31, 2024	Year ended December 31, 2023	Period from February 23, 2022 through December 31, 2022	Period from January 1, 2022 through February 22, 2022
United States	366	446	146	20
Brazil	343	343	95	19
Angola	335	271	220	43
Norway	188	213	231	78
Canada	—	—	98	—
Others <sup>(1)</sup>	153	229	53	9
<b>Total operating revenues</b>	<b>1,385</b>	<b>1,502</b>	<b>843</b>	<b>169</b>

<sup>(1)</sup> Others represent countries each with less than 10% of total revenues earned for any of the periods presented.



## Fixed assets – drilling units <sup>(1)</sup>

Drilling unit fixed assets by geographic area based on location as of the end of the year are as follows:

(In \$ millions)

	December 31, 2024	December 31, 2023
Brazil	1,427	719
United States	678	959
Norway	420	420
Others <sup>(2)</sup>	421	760
<b>Total</b>	<b>2,946</b>	<b>2,858</b>

<sup>(1)</sup> Asset locations at the end of the period are not necessarily indicative of the geographic distribution of the revenues or operating profits generated by such assets during such period.

<sup>(2)</sup> Others represent countries in which we operate that individually had fixed assets representing less than 10% of total fixed assets for any of the periods presented.

## Major customers

During the years ended December 31, 2024, December 31, 2023, period from February 23, 2022 through December 31, 2022 (Successor) and period from January 1, 2022 through February 22, 2022 (Predecessor), we had the following customers with total revenues greater than 10% in any of the periods presented:

	Successor			Predecessor
	Year ended December 31, 2024	Year ended December 31, 2023	Period from February 23, 2022 through December 31, 2022	Period from January 1, 2022 through February 22, 2022
Sonadrill	22 %	17 %	21 %	9 %
Petrobras	18 %	16 %	— %	— %
Var Energi	7 %	9 %	14 %	11 %
Equinor	7 %	6 %	14 %	10 %
ConocoPhillips	7 %	5 %	13 %	13 %
Lundin	— %	— %	1 %	12 %
Other	39 %	47 %	37 %	45 %
	<b>100 %</b>	<b>100 %</b>	<b>100 %</b>	<b>100 %</b>

## Significant expenses

The significant expense category regularly provided to our CODM to manage operations is Total Operating Expenses, which is presented in the Consolidated Statements of Operations.

## Note 7 – Revenue from contracts with customers

The following table provides information about receivables, contract assets and contract liabilities from our contracts with customers:

(In \$ millions)

	December 31, 2024	December 31, 2023
Accounts receivable, net	193	222
Current contract liabilities (classified within other current liabilities)	(63)	(31)
Non-current contract liabilities (classified within other non-current liabilities)	(48)	(33)

Changes to contract liabilities balances during the year ended December 31, 2024 were as follows:

(In \$ millions)

	Contract Liabilities
<b>Net contract liability at January 1, 2024</b>	<b>(64)</b>
Amortization of revenue that was included in the beginning contract liability balance	29
Additional contract liabilities recognized, excluding amounts recognized as revenue	(76)
<b>Net contract liability at December 31, 2024</b>	<b>(111)</b>



Changes to contract liabilities balances during the year ended December 31, 2023 were as follows:

(In \$ millions)

	<b>Contract Liabilities</b>
<b>Net contract liability at January 1, 2023</b>	<b>(61)</b>
Aquadrill Acquisition	(1)
Amortization of revenue that was included in the beginning contract liability balance	19
Additional contract liabilities recognized, excluding amounts recognized as revenue	(21)
<b>Net contract liability at December 31, 2023</b>	<b>(64)</b>

The deferred revenue consists primarily of mobilization and upgrade revenue for both wholly and partially unsatisfied performance obligations as well as expected variable mobilization and upgrade revenue for partially unsatisfied performance obligations, which has been estimated for purposes of allocating across the entire corresponding performance obligations.

## Note 8 – Other revenues

Other revenues consist of the following:

(In \$ millions)

	<b>Successor</b>			<b>Predecessor</b>
	Year ended December 31, 2024	Year ended December 31, 2023	Period from February 23, 2022 through December 31, 2022	Period from January 1, 2022 through February 22, 2022
Inventory sales <sup>(i)</sup>	—	—	9	—
Other <sup>(ii)</sup>	5	12	6	1
<b>Total other revenues</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>1</b>

### i. Inventory sales

Sales of spare parts inventory from the *West Tucana*, *West Castor* and *West Telesto* to Gulf Drilling International.

### ii. Other

On July 1, 2022, Seadrill novated its drilling contract for the *West Gemini* in Angola to the Sonadrill joint venture and leased the *West Gemini* to Sonadrill for the duration of that contract and the follow-on contract, entered into directly by Sonadrill, at a nominal charter rate, based on a commitment made under the terms of the joint venture agreement. At the commencement of the lease, we recorded a liability representing the fair value of the lease commitment which we amortize as other revenue, on a straight-line basis, over the lease term. This lease is considered to form part of Seadrill's investment in the joint venture, Sonadrill. Accordingly, we recorded a \$21 million increase to our investment in Sonadrill at the commencement of the *West Gemini* lease to Sonadrill on July 1, 2022.

In May 2024, the *West Gemini* bareboat lease was amended retroactively to January 1, 2024 to reflect the fair market value of the rig lease, resulting in the derecognition of the lease commitment liability and cessation of amortization.

## Note 9 – Other operating items

Other operating items consist of the following:

(In \$ millions)

	<b>Successor</b>			<b>Predecessor</b>
	Year ended December 31, 2024	Year ended December 31, 2023	Period from February 23, 2022 through December 31, 2022	Period from January 1, 2022 through February 22, 2022
Gain on disposals <sup>(i)</sup>	234	14	1	2
Other operating income <sup>(ii)</sup>	16	—	—	—
<b>Total other operating items</b>	<b>250</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>

### i. Gain on disposals

The gain on disposals of \$234 million for the year ended December 31, 2024 relates to the disposal of the *West Castor*, *West Telesto* and *West Tucana* jackup rigs, along with our 50% equity interest in the Gulfdriill joint venture during the second quarter of 2024, and the disposal of the *West Prospero* during the fourth quarter of 2024, compared to the gain on disposal during the year ended December 31, 2023 comprised of sales of capital spares relating to jackup rigs and to the *West Hercules*, and spare parts on previously recycled rigs.

The gain on disposals during the 2022 Successor period relates to the sale of sundry assets of the *West Tucana* and *West Carina*, the sale of capital spares on the *West Hercules* and the sale of parts on the *West Navigator*. The gain on disposal during the 2022 Predecessor period relates to the sale of the *West Venture*.



## ii. Other operating income

The \$16 million gain in 2024 relates to the recovery of historical imports duties in the form of tax credits following the approval by the applicable tax authorities.

## Note 10 – Interest expense

Interest expense consists of the following:

(In \$ millions)	Successor			Predecessor
	Year ended December 31, 2024	Year ended December 31, 2023	Period from February 23, 2022 through December 31, 2022	Period from January 1, 2022 through February 22, 2022
Interest on debt facilities <sup>(a)</sup>	(54)	(54)	(95)	—
Interest on SFL leases <sup>(b)</sup>	—	—	—	(7)
Other	(7)	(5)	(3)	—
<b>Interest expense</b>	<b>(61)</b>	<b>(59)</b>	<b>(98)</b>	<b>(7)</b>

### (a) Interest on debt facilities

Interest on our debt facilities is summarized below. Please refer to Note 19 – "Debt" for more information on these debt facilities.

(In \$ millions)	Successor			Predecessor
	Year ended December 31, 2024	Year ended December 31, 2023	Period from February 23, 2022 through December 31, 2022	Period from January 1, 2022 through February 22, 2022
\$575 million secured bond	(48)	(21)	—	—
First lien senior secured	—	(12)	(14)	—
Second lien senior secured	—	(16)	(78)	—
Unsecured senior convertible bond	(6)	(5)	(3)	—
<b>Interest on debt facilities</b>	<b>(54)</b>	<b>(54)</b>	<b>(95)</b>	<b>—</b>

### (b) Interest on SFL leases

Interest on SFL leases reflects the cost incurred on capital lease agreements between Seadrill and SFL for the *West Taurus*, *West Linus* and *West Hercules*. During the reorganization, the *West Taurus* lease was rejected and the *West Linus* and *West Hercules* were modified to operating leases, resulting in no further expense being recorded through this line item for the Successor.

For information on our debt facilities please refer to Note 19 – "Debt".



**Note 11 – Taxation**

Income taxes consist of the following:

*(In \$ millions, except percentages)*

	Successor			Predecessor
	Year ended December 31, 2024	Year ended December 31, 2023	Period from February 23, 2022 through December 31, 2022	Period from January 1, 2022 through February 22, 2022
<b>Current tax (benefit)/expense:</b>				
Bermuda	—	—	—	—
Foreign	(95)	30	15	3
<b>Deferred tax benefit:</b>				
Bermuda	—	—	—	—
Foreign	(18)	(13)	(5)	(1)
<b>Total income tax (benefit)/expense</b>	<b>(113)</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>2</b>
Effective tax rate	(33.9)%	5.4 %	16.0 %	— %

The effective tax rate for the years ended December 31, 2024, December 31, 2023, the period from February 23, 2022 through December 31, 2022 (Successor), and the period from January 1, 2022 through February 22, 2022 (Predecessor), was (33.9)%, 5.4%, 16.0% and 0% respectively.

The income taxes for the years ended December 31, 2024 and December 31, 2023, the period from February 23, 2022 through December 31, 2022 (Successor) and the period from January 1, 2022 through February 22, 2022 (Predecessor), differed from the amount computed by applying the Bermuda statutory income tax rate of 0% as follows:

*(In \$ millions)*

	Successor			Predecessor
	Year ended December 31, 2024	Year ended December 31, 2023	Period from February 23, 2022 through December 31, 2022	Period from January 1, 2022 through February 22, 2022
Effect of change on unrecognized tax benefits	(115)	4	(5)	—
Effect of unremitted earnings of subsidiaries	1	1	1	(1)
Effect of taxable income in various countries	1	12	14	3
<b>Total tax (benefit)/expense</b>	<b>(113)</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>2</b>

**Deferred income taxes**

Deferred income taxes reflect the impact of temporary differences between the amount of assets and liabilities recognized for financial reporting purposes and such amounts recognized for tax purposes. The net deferred tax assets are comprised of the following:

**Deferred tax assets:**

*(In \$ millions)*

	December 31, 2024	December 31, 2023
Net operating losses carried forward	1,025	1,097
Property, plant and equipment	245	210
Provisions	29	37
Intangibles	3	5
Pensions and stock options	5	3
Other	13	11
<b>Gross deferred tax assets</b>	<b>1,320</b>	<b>1,363</b>
Valuation allowance	(1,257)	(1,317)
<b>Deferred tax assets, net of valuation allowance</b>	<b>63</b>	<b>46</b>



**Deferred tax liabilities:**

(In \$ millions)

	December 31, 2024	December 31, 2023
Unremitted earnings of subsidiaries	11	9
<b>Gross deferred tax liabilities</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>9</b>
<b>Net deferred tax assets</b>	<b>52</b>	<b>37</b>

In December 2023, the legislation implementing a corporate income tax in Bermuda received governor's assent. The Bermuda income tax is effective beginning on January 1, 2025 with a statutory income tax rate of 15%. The new law allows corporations to carry forward tax losses incurred in the five fiscal years preceding the effective date and allows for an increase in the tax basis of assets and liabilities.

As of December 31, 2024, deferred tax assets related to net operating loss ("NOL") carryforward was \$1,025 million (December 31, 2023: \$1,097 million), which can be used to offset future taxable income. NOL carryforwards which were generated in various jurisdictions, include \$627 million (December 31, 2023: \$675 million) that will not expire and \$398 million (December 31, 2023: \$422 million) that will expire between 2025 and 2044 if not utilized.

We establish a valuation allowance for deferred tax assets when it is more likely than not that the benefit from the deferred tax asset will not be realized. The amount of deferred tax assets considered realizable could increase or decrease in the near term if our estimates of future taxable income change. Our valuation allowance consists primarily of \$968 million on NOL carryforwards as of December 31, 2024 (December 31, 2023: \$1,051 million).

**Uncertain tax positions**

As of December 31, 2024, we had a total amount of unrecognized tax benefits of \$42 million excluding interest and penalties. The changes related to unrecognized tax benefits were as follows:

(In \$ millions)	Successor			Predecessor
	Year ended December 31, 2024	Year ended December 31, 2023	Period from February 23, 2022 through December 31, 2022	Period from January 1, 2022 through February 22, 2022
Balance at the beginning of the period	150	82	84	83
Increases as a result of acquisition of Aquadrill	—	71	—	—
Increases as a result of positions taken in prior periods	—	5	1	1
Increases as a result of positions taken during the current period	—	1	—	—
Decreases as a result of positions taken in prior periods	(3)	(8)	—	—
Decreases due to settlements	(105)	—	(1)	—
Decreases as a result of a lapse of the applicable statute of limitations	—	(1)	(2)	—
<b>Balance at the end of the period</b>	<b>42</b>	<b>150</b>	<b>82</b>	<b>84</b>

The uncertain tax positions are included in "Other non-current liabilities" on our Consolidated Balance Sheets and are comprised as follows:

(In \$ millions)	December 31, 2024	December 31, 2023
Gross unrecognized tax benefits excluding interest and penalties	42	150
Aquadrill interest and penalties acquired	—	11
Interest and penalties	28	27
Offset against deferred tax assets	(15)	(18)
<b>Total unrecognized tax benefits included as "Other non-current liabilities"</b>	<b>55</b>	<b>170</b>

The decrease in the gross unrecognized tax benefits excluding interest and penalties compared to December 31, 2023 was primarily attributable to settlements with the Nigerian tax authorities during the year ended December 31, 2024. We have no open tax years in Nigeria.

Accrued interest and penalties totaled \$28 million at December 31, 2024 (December 31, 2023: \$38 million) and are included in "Other non-current liabilities" on our Consolidated Balance Sheets. We recognized a benefit of \$10 million and expense of \$6 million during the years ended December 31, 2024 and December 31, 2023, respectively, related to interest and penalties for unrecognized tax benefits on the income tax benefit/(expense) line in the Consolidated Statement of Operations.

As of December 31, 2024, \$55 million (December 31, 2023: \$170 million) of our unrecognized tax benefits, including penalties and interest, would have a favorable impact on the Company's effective tax rate if recognized.



## Tax returns and open years

We are subject to taxation in various jurisdictions. Tax authorities in certain jurisdictions examine our tax returns and some have issued assessments. We are defending our tax positions in those jurisdictions.

The Brazilian tax authorities have issued a series of assessments with respect to our returns for certain years up to 2017 for an aggregate amount equivalent to \$134 million including interest and penalties. The assessment for the 2009 and 2010 years is being litigated through the Brazilian courts. Please refer to Note 27 - "Commitments and contingencies" for further details.

The Mexican tax authorities have issued a series of assessments with respect to our returns for certain years up to 2014 for an aggregate amount equivalent to \$93 million. We are robustly contesting these assessments including filing relevant appeals.

An adverse outcome on these proposed assessments could result in a material adverse impact on our Consolidated Balance Sheets, Statements of Operations and Cash Flows.

The following table summarizes the earliest tax years that remain subject to examination by major taxable jurisdictions in which we operate.

Jurisdiction	<u>Earliest open year</u>
Brazil	2009
Norway	2016
Switzerland	2020
United States	2021

## Other

On December 20, 2021, the Organization for Economic Co-operation and Development released Pillar Two Model Rules defining the global minimum tax, which calls for the taxation of large corporations at a minimum rate of 15%, which was effective for the Company as of January 1, 2024. For the year ended December 31, 2024, Pillar Two did not have a material impact on the Company.

## Note 12 – Earnings(loss) per share

The computation of basic earnings per share ("EPS")/loss per share ("LPS") is based on the weighted average number of Shares outstanding during the period. Diluted EPS/LPS includes the effect of the assumed conversion of potentially dilutive instruments related to the effect of the convertible note and share based compensation. Refer to Note 19 – "Debt", for details.

The components of the numerator for the calculation of basic and diluted EPS/LPS are as follows:

<i>(In \$ millions)</i>	<u>Successor</u>			<u>Predecessor</u>
	<u>Year ended December 31, 2024</u>	<u>Year ended December 31, 2023</u>	<u>Period from February 23, 2022 through December 31, 2022</u>	<u>Period from January 1, 2022 through February 22, 2022</u>
Net income/(loss) from continuing operations	446	300	(73)	3,739
Income/(loss) after tax from discontinued operations	—	—	274	(33)
<b>Net income available to stockholders</b>	<b>446</b>	<b>300</b>	<b>201</b>	<b>3,706</b>
Effect of dilution - interest on unsecured senior convertible bond (Note 10)	6	5	3	—
<b>Diluted net income available to stockholders</b>	<b>452</b>	<b>305</b>	<b>204</b>	<b>3,706</b>



The components of the denominator for the calculation of basic and diluted EPS/LPS are as follows:

<i>(In millions)</i>	Successor			Predecessor
	Year ended December 31, 2024	Year ended December 31, 2023	Period from February 23, 2022 through December 31, 2022	Period from January 1, 2022 through February 22, 2022
<i>Basic earnings per share:</i>				
Weighted average number of common shares outstanding <sup>(1)</sup>	68	71	50	100
<i>Diluted earnings per share:</i>				
Effect of dilution	3	3	3	—
<b>Weighted average number of common shares outstanding adjusted for the effects of dilution</b>	<b>71</b>	<b>74</b>	<b>53</b>	<b>100</b>

<sup>(1)</sup> Weighted average number of common shares outstanding in the years ended December 31, 2024 and December 31, 2023, excludes shares repurchased during the period. Please refer to Note 22 – "Common Shares" for details on Shares repurchased.

The basic and diluted EPS/LPS are as follows:

	Successor			Predecessor
	Year ended December 31, 2024	Year ended December 31, 2023	Period from February 23, 2022 through December 31, 2022	Period from January 1, 2022 through February 22, 2022
Basic EPS/(LPS): continuing operations (\$)	6.56	4.23	(1.46)	37.25
Diluted EPS/(LPS): continuing operations (\$)	6.37	4.12	(1.46)	37.25
Basic EPS (\$)	6.56	4.23	4.02	36.92
Diluted EPS (\$)	6.37	4.12	3.88	36.92

**Note 13 – Restricted cash**

Restricted cash consists of the following:

<i>(In \$ millions)</i>	December 31, 2024	December 31, 2023
Cash held in escrow	23	23
Other	4	8
<b>Total restricted cash</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>31</b>

Restricted cash is presented in our Consolidated Balance Sheets as follows:

<i>(In \$ millions)</i>	December 31, 2024	December 31, 2023
Current restricted cash	27	31



## Note 14 – Other current and non-current assets

### Other current assets

As of December 31, 2024 and December 31, 2023, other current assets included the following:

<i>(In \$ millions)</i>	<u>December 31, 2024</u>	<u>December 31, 2023</u>
Taxes receivable	55	67
Prepaid expenses	57	54
Deferred contract costs <sup>(1)</sup>	83	41
Pre-funding of MSA manager arrangements	13	23
Other	22	14
<b>Total other current assets</b>	<b><u>230</u></b>	<b><u>199</u></b>

### Other non-current assets

As of December 31, 2024 and December 31, 2023, other non-current assets included the following:

<i>(In \$ millions)</i>	<u>December 31, 2024</u>	<u>December 31, 2023</u>
Deferred contract costs <sup>(1)</sup>	94	44
Taxes receivable	25	8
Right-of-use asset	11	4
Deferred software costs	16	—
<b>Total other non-current assets</b>	<b><u>146</u></b>	<b><u>56</u></b>

<sup>(1)</sup> During the years ended December 31, 2024 and December 31, 2023, period from February 23, 2022 to December 31, 2022 (Successor) and period from January 1, 2022 to February 22, 2022 (Predecessor), amortization of deferred contract costs amounted to \$43 million, \$43 million, \$19 million and \$2 million, respectively. The amortization was recorded in the Consolidated Statements of Operations as "Vessel and rig operating expenses".

### Favorable drilling contracts and management services contracts

The following tables summarize the movement in favorable drilling contracts and management services contracts for the year ended December 31, 2024 and December 31, 2023:

<i>(In \$ millions)</i>	<u>Net carrying amount</u>
<b>As of January 1, 2023</b>	<b>42</b>
PES disposal	(13)
Aquadrill acquisition	7
Amortization	(35)
<b>As of December 31, 2023</b>	<b>1</b>
Amortization	(1)
<b>As of December 31, 2024</b>	<b><u>—</u></b>

Upon emergence from Chapter 11 proceedings and the application of Fresh Start accounting in 2022, and in connection with the acquisition of Aquadrill in 2023, favorable drilling contract and management service contract intangible assets were recognized. The favorable drilling contracts and management services contracts were fully amortized in 2024. The amortization was recorded in the Consolidated Statements of Operations as "Depreciation and amortization". For further information refer to Note 29 – "Business combinations" and Note 5 – "Fresh Start Accounting" respectively.

### Note 15 – Investment in associated companies

We had the following investments in associated companies as of December 31, 2024 and December 31, 2023:

<i>Ownership percentage</i>	<u>December 31, 2024</u>	<u>December 31, 2023</u>
Sonadrill <sup>(a)</sup>	50 %	50 %
Gulfdrill <sup>(a)</sup>	— %	50 %

We account for our investments in associates under the equity method. For transactions with related parties refer to Note 24 – "Related party transactions".



## i. Sonadrill

Sonadrill is a joint venture that presently operates three drillships focusing on opportunities in Angolan waters. Seadrill owns a 50% stake in Sonadrill, with the remaining 50% interest owned by Sonangol EP ("Sonangol"). Both companies initially committed to charter two units each into the joint venture. As of December 31, 2024, Sonadrill leased three drillships, including the *Libongos* and *Quenguela* from Sonangol, and the *West Gemini* from Seadrill. Seadrill manages all three units for the joint venture.

The *Libongos* has been operating within the joint venture since 2019, and the *Quenguela* commenced operations on its maiden contract in March 2022. On July 1, 2022, Seadrill novated its drilling contract for the *West Gemini* in Angola to the Sonadrill joint venture and leased the *West Gemini* to Sonadrill for the duration of that contract and the follow-on contract. The *West Gemini* was leased to Sonadrill at a nominal charter rate based on a commitment made under the terms of the joint venture agreement. In May 2024, the charter rate was amended retroactively to January 1, 2024 to reflect the fair market value of the rig.

Seadrill's investment in the Sonadrill joint venture includes initial equity capital and certain other contingent commitments, including the commitment to charter up to two drillships to the joint venture at a nominal charter rate, contingent on Sonadrill obtaining drilling contracts for the units. The lease of the *West Gemini* to Sonadrill for the duration of the contracts for a nominal charter rate is considered part of Seadrill's investment in the joint venture. As such, the company recorded a liability equal to the fair value of the lease at the commencement of the *West Gemini* lease to Sonadrill, with the offsetting entry being a basis difference against the investment in Sonadrill. In May 2024, the Company derecognized the liability when the charter rate was amended retroactively stated to January 1, 2024 to reflect the fair market value of the rig lease.

The remaining committed Seadrill rig will be leased to the joint venture once Sonadrill secures a drilling contract.

## ii. Gulfdrill

Seadrill owned a 50% stake in Gulfdrill, a joint venture that operates jackup rigs in Qatar. On May 16, 2024, Seadrill entered into a definitive agreement to sell three jackup rigs, the *West Castor*, *West Teleso*, and *West Tucana*, and its 50% equity interest in the joint venture that operated these rigs offshore Qatar, to Seadrill's joint venture partner, Gulf Drilling International, for cash proceeds of \$338 million. The closing of the sale occurred in June 2024, and a gain of \$203 million, net of transaction costs, was recognized in the second quarter of 2024 associated with the disposal of these assets.

## Share in results from associated companies

Our share in results of our associated companies were as follows:

(In \$ millions)	Successor			Predecessor
	Year ended December 31, 2024	Year ended December 31, 2023	Period from February 23, 2022 through December 31, 2022	Period from January 1, 2022 through February 22, 2022
Sonadrill	(9)	31	2	1
Gulfdrill	—	6	4	—
PES <sup>(i)</sup>	—	—	(8)	(3)
<b>Total share in results from associated companies (net of tax)</b>	<b>(9)</b>	<b>37</b>	<b>(2)</b>	<b>(2)</b>

## i. Paratus Energy Services Ltd ("PES")

PES, formerly known as Seadrill New Finance Limited or "NSNCo", holds investments in SeaMex (100%), Seabras Sapura (50%), and Archer (15.7%). As part of Seadrill's comprehensive restructuring process, we disposed of 65% of our equity interest in PES in January 2022, reducing our shareholding to 35%. As a result, the carrying value of PES's net assets were deconsolidated from Seadrill's Consolidated Balance Sheet and were replaced with an equity method investment representing the fair value of the retained 35% interest. This resulted in a loss of \$112 million that was reported through reorganization items, as set out in Note 4 – "Chapter 11".

On September 30, 2022, Seadrill entered into share purchase agreements with certain other existing shareholders of PES to dispose of the remaining 35% shareholding in PES. The sale closed on February 24, 2023 for total consideration of \$44 million. As the total consideration received approximated the book value disposed, a minor gain was recognized in the Consolidated Statement of Operations. In connection with the sale, on March 14, 2023, we provided each of PES and SeaMex Holdings Ltd ("SeaMex Holdings") with a termination notice regarding (i) the Master Services Agreement by and between PES and Seadrill Management Ltd, dated January 20, 2022 (the "Paratus MSA"), and (ii) the Master Services Agreement by and among SeaMex Holdings, certain operating companies party thereto and SML, dated January 20, 2022 (the "SeaMex MSA"), respectively. The Paratus MSA terminated on November 30, 2023; and the SeaMex MSA terminated on November 17, 2023. The termination of the Paratus MSA and SeaMex MSA did not have a material effect on the Company's financial results.

For further information on Seadrill's comprehensive restructuring, including the disposal of the 65% interest in Paratus Energy Services Ltd, please refer to Note 4 – "Chapter 11".



## Summary of Consolidated Statements of Operations for our investments in associated companies

The results of Sonadrill and our share in those results is summarized below:

Sonadrill (In \$ millions)	Successor			Predecessor
	Year ended December 31, 2024	Year ended December 31, 2023	Period from February 23, 2022 through December 31, 2022	Period from January 1, 2022 through February 22, 2022
Operating revenues	380	357	200	14
Net operating income	19	101	21	2
Net income	(8)	79	10	2
Seadrill ownership percentage	50 %	50 %	50 %	50 %
Share in results from Sonadrill (net of tax)	(4)	39	5	1
Basis difference amortization	(5)	(8)	(3)	—
Net share in results from Sonadrill	(9)	31	2	1

The results of Gulfdrill and our share in those results is summarized below:

Gulfdrill (In \$ millions)	Successor			Predecessor
	Year ended December 31, 2024	Year ended December 31, 2023	Period from February 23, 2022 through December 31, 2022	Period from January 1, 2022 through February 22, 2022
Operating revenues	51	199	167	28
Net operating income/(loss)	2	16	14	2
Net income	—	12	9	1
Seadrill ownership percentage	50 %	50 %	50 %	50 %
Share in results from Gulfdrill (net of tax)	—	6	4	—

## Book value of our investments in associated companies

The book values of our investments in our associated companies as of December 31, 2024 and December 31, 2023 were as follows:

(In \$ millions)	December 31, 2024	December 31, 2023
Sonadrill	68	80
Gulfdrill	—	10
<b>Total</b>	<b>68</b>	<b>90</b>

## Summarized balance sheets for our investments in associated companies

The summarized balance sheets of the Sonadrill companies and our share of recorded equity in those companies was as follows:

(In \$ millions)	December 31, 2024	December 31, 2023
Current assets	160	169
Non-current assets	—	—
Current liabilities	(24)	(25)
Non-current liabilities	—	—
<b>Net assets</b>	<b>136</b>	<b>144</b>
Seadrill ownership percentage	50 %	50 %
<b>Book value of Seadrill investment</b>	<b>68</b>	<b>72</b>
Basis difference net of amortization <sup>(i)</sup>	—	8
<b>Net book value of Seadrill investment</b>	<b>68</b>	<b>80</b>

<sup>(i)</sup> On July 1, 2022, Seadrill recorded a liability of \$21 million reflecting the fair value of the lease of the *West Gemini* to the Sonadrill joint venture at a nominal charter rate, with the offsetting entry being a basis difference in the joint venture. This basis difference was amortized



over the lease term. The Company derecognized the unamortized portion and ceased the amortization of the basis difference in May 2024 following the amendment of charter rate retroactively stated to January 1, 2024 to reflect the fair market value of the rig lease.

The summarized balance sheet of the Gulfdrill companies and our share of recorded equity in those companies, which we divested in the second quarter of 2024, was as follows:

<i>(In \$ millions)</i>	<b>December 31, 2023</b>
Current assets	118
Non-current assets	114
Current liabilities	(78)
Non-current liabilities	(134)
<b>Net assets</b>	<b>20</b>
Seadrill ownership percentage	50 %
<b>Book value of Seadrill investment</b>	<b>10</b>

#### Note 16 – Drilling units

The following table summarizes the movement for the year ended December 31, 2024:

<i>(In \$ millions)</i>	<b>Cost</b>	<b>Accumulated depreciation</b>	<b>Net book value</b>
<b>As of January 1, 2024</b>	<b>3,133</b>	<b>(275)</b>	<b>2,858</b>
Additions	418	—	418
Depreciation	—	(193)	(193)
Disposals <sup>(1)</sup>	(175)	38	(137)
<b>As of December 31, 2024</b>	<b>3,376</b>	<b>(430)</b>	<b>2,946</b>

<sup>(1)</sup> Relates to the disposal of the *West Castor*, *West Tucana*, *West Telesto* and *West Prospero*.

The following table summarizes the movement for the year ended December 31, 2023:

<i>(In \$ millions)</i>	<b>Cost</b>	<b>Accumulated depreciation</b>	<b>Net book value</b>
<b>As of January 1, 2023</b>	<b>1,761</b>	<b>(93)</b>	<b>1,668</b>
Aquadrill acquisition	1,252	—	1,252
Additions	206	—	206
Depreciation	—	(183)	(183)
Disposals <sup>(1)</sup>	(86)	1	(85)
<b>As of December 31, 2023</b>	<b>3,133</b>	<b>(275)</b>	<b>2,858</b>

<sup>(1)</sup> Primarily relates to the disposal of the tender-assist units acquired under the Aquadrill acquisition.



## Note 17 – Equipment

Equipment consists of office equipment, software, furniture and fittings. The following table summarizes the movement for the year ended December 31, 2024:

(In \$ millions)

	Cost	Accumulated depreciation	Net book value
As of January 1, 2024	17	(7)	10
Depreciation	—	(5)	(5)
As of December 31, 2024	17	(12)	5

The following table summarizes the movement for the year ended December 31, 2023:

(In \$ millions)

	Cost	Accumulated depreciation	Net book value
As of January 1, 2023	13	(3)	10
Additions	3	—	3
Aquadrill acquisition	1	—	1
Depreciation	—	(4)	(4)
As of December 31, 2023	17	(7)	10

## Note 18 – Disposal of Assets

On May 15, 2024, Seadrill entered into a definitive agreement to sell three jackup rigs, the *West Castor*, *West Teleso*, and *West Tucana*, and its 50% equity interest in the joint venture that operated these rigs offshore Qatar, to Seadrill's joint venture partner, Gulf Drilling International, for cash proceeds of \$338 million. The closing of the sale occurred in June 2024, and a gain of \$203 million, net of transaction costs, was recognized in the second quarter of 2024 associated with the disposal of these assets.

On November 23, 2024, Seadrill executed a Sale and Purchase Agreement with Petrovietnam Drilling & Well Service Corporation to divest the *West Prospero* for cash proceeds of \$45 million. The closing of the sale occurred in December 2024, and a gain of \$31 million, net of transaction costs, was recognized in the fourth quarter of 2024 associated with the disposal of the jackup rig.

## Note 19 – Debt

The table below sets our debt agreements as of December 31, 2024 and December 31, 2023:

(In \$ millions)

	December 31, 2024	December 31, 2023
<b>Secured debt:</b>		
\$575 million secured bond	575	575
<b>Total secured debt</b>	<b>575</b>	<b>575</b>
<b>Unsecured bond:</b>		
Unsecured senior convertible bond	50	50
<b>Total unsecured bond</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>50</b>
<b>Total principal debt</b>	<b>625</b>	<b>625</b>
<b>Debt premium and exit fees:</b>		
Premium on bond issuance	1	1
<b>Total debt premium and exit fees</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>
Less: bond issuance costs	(16)	(18)
<b>Total debt</b>	<b>610</b>	<b>608</b>

### \$575 million secured bond

In July 2023, Seadrill issued \$500 million in aggregate principal amount of 8.375% Senior Secured Second Lien Notes due 2030 in an offering conducted pursuant to Rule 144A and Regulation S under the Securities Act. Subsequently, in August 2023, Seadrill issued an additional \$75 million in aggregate principal amount of 8.375% Senior Secured Second Lien Notes due 2030 (the "Incremental Notes"), maturing on August 1, 2030 (together the "Notes"). The Incremental Notes were issued at 100.75% of par.

The net proceeds from the issuance of the Notes were used to: (i) prepay in full the outstanding amounts under our then-existing secured debt facilities and (ii) pay fees associated with exiting such secured debt facilities. A total of \$187 million was paid to satisfy the First Lien Facility, including principal, interest, and exit fees, along with an additional make-whole payment of \$10 million. The Second Lien Facility was completely repaid with a total payment of \$123 million, which covered principal, interest, and exit fees.



## **Revolving credit facility**

On July 27, 2023, Seadrill Limited, along with its subsidiary, Seadrill Finance Limited ("Seadrill Finance"), established a Senior Secured Revolving Credit Facility (the "Revolving Credit Facility"). The commitments under the Revolving Credit Facility, which carries a five-year term, became available for drawdown on July 27, 2023. The Revolving Credit Facility permits borrowings of up to \$225 million in revolving credit for working capital and other corporate purposes and includes an "accordion feature" allowing Seadrill to increase this limit by up to an additional \$100 million, subject to agreement from the lenders. It also includes a provision for issuing letters of credit up to \$50 million. The Revolving Credit Facility incurs interest at a rate equal to a specified margin plus SOFR. This facility has not been drawn to date. In addition, Seadrill is required to pay a quarterly commitment fee on any unused portion of the Revolving Credit Facility.

## **Unsecured senior convertible bond**

The \$50 million unsecured senior convertible bond, issued on emergence from Chapter 11, has a maturity of August 2028 and bears interest, payable quarterly in cash, at the Term SOFR (as defined in the Note Purchase Agreement dated as of February 22, 2022, as amended (the "Note Purchase Agreement")), plus 6% on the aggregate principal amount of \$50 million. The bond is convertible (in full and not in part) into Shares at a conversion rate of 52.6316 Shares per \$1,000 principal amount of the bond, subject to certain adjustments set forth in the Note Purchase Agreement relating to the convertible bond. If not converted, a bullet repayment will become due on the maturity date.

## **Note 20 – Other current and non-current liabilities**

### **Other current liabilities**

As of December 31, 2024 and December 31, 2023, other current liabilities included the following:

*(In \$ millions)*

	<b>December 31, 2024</b>	<b>December 31, 2023</b>
Accrued expenses	163	117
Employee withheld taxes, social security and vacation payments	64	54
Taxes payable	20	33
Contract liabilities <sup>(1)</sup>	63	31
Unfavorable drilling contracts	19	30
Accrued interest expense	21	21
Other liabilities	33	50
<b>Total other current liabilities</b>	<b>383</b>	<b>336</b>

<sup>(1)</sup> Contract liabilities include \$7 million deferred revenue associated with our related party Sonadrill.

### **Other non-current liabilities**

As of December 31, 2024 and December 31, 2023, other non-current liabilities included the following:

*(In \$ millions)*

	<b>December 31, 2024</b>	<b>December 31, 2023</b>
Uncertain tax positions	55	170
Contract liabilities	48	33
Unfavorable drilling contracts	3	22
Lease liabilities	8	2
Other liabilities	2	2
<b>Total other non-current liabilities</b>	<b>116</b>	<b>229</b>



## Unfavorable drilling contracts and management services contracts

The following tables summarize the movement in unfavorable drilling contracts and management services contracts for the year ended December 31, 2024, and December 31, 2023:

<i>(In \$ millions)</i>	<u>Net carrying amount</u>
<b>As of January 1, 2023</b>	<b>70</b>
Aquadrill acquisition	49
Amortization	<u>(67)</u>
<b>As of December 31, 2023</b>	<b>52</b>
Amortization	<u>(30)</u>
<b>As of December 31, 2024</b>	<b>22</b>

Upon emergence from Chapter 11 proceedings and the application of Fresh Start accounting in 2022, and in connection with the acquisition of Aquadrill in 2023, unfavorable drilling contract and management service contract intangible liabilities were recognized. The amortization is recognized in the Consolidated Statements of Operations as "Depreciation and amortization". The weighted average remaining amortization period for unfavorable contracts is 13 months.

The table below shows the amortization related to unfavorable contracts to be recognized over the following periods:

<i>(In \$ millions)</i>	<u>Year ended December 31,</u>		
	<u>2025</u>	<u>2026</u>	<u>Total</u>
Amortization of unfavorable contracts	19	3	22

## Note 21 – Leases

### *Lease arrangements*

We have operating leases relating to our premises, for which we are the lessee. The most significant leases are for offices in Houston, Liverpool, Stavanger, and Rio de Janeiro.

We also leased three benign environment jackup rigs, namely the *West Castor*, *West Teleso*, and *West Tucana*, to Gulfdriill, a joint venture, for a contract with Gulf Drilling International in Qatar. In June 2024, the Company sold these rigs, along with our 50% equity interest in the Gulfdriill joint venture.

On July 1, 2022, we commenced a lease for our benign environment floater, *West Gemini*, to our Sonadrill joint venture at a nominal charter rate. In May 2024, the charter rate was amended retroactively to January 1, 2024 to reflect the fair market value of the rig.

### *Undiscounted cashflows of operating leases*

For operating leases where we are the lessee, our future undiscounted cash flows as of December 31, 2024, were as follows:

<i>(In \$ millions)</i>	<u>December 31, 2024</u>
2025	4
2026	3
2027	2
2028	2
2029 and thereafter	<u>1</u>
<b>Total</b>	<b>12</b>



## Reconciliation between undiscounted cashflows and operating lease liability

The following table gives a reconciliation between the undiscounted cash flows and the related operating lease liability recognized in our Consolidated Balance Sheet as of December 31, 2024:

<i>(In \$ millions)</i>	December 31, 2024	December 31, 2023
<b>Total undiscounted cash flows</b>	12	6
Less discount	(1)	(2)
<b>Operating lease liability</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>4</b>
Of which:		
Current	3	2
Non-current	8	2
<b>Total</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>4</b>

## Other supplementary information

The following table gives supplementary information regarding our lease accounting at December 31, 2024:

<i>(In \$ million)</i>	Successor			Predecessor
	Year ended December 31, 2024	Year ended December 31, 2023	Period from February 23, 2022 through December 31, 2022	Period from January 1, 2022 through February 22, 2022
<b>Operating lease cost:</b>				
Operating lease cost	3	4	36	4
Short-term lease cost	—	—	3	1
<b>Total lease cost</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>39</b>	<b>5</b>
<b>Other information:</b>				
Cash paid for lease liabilities- operating cash flows	3	4	39	5
ROU assets obtained in exchange for lease liabilities	—	—	—	24
Weighted-average remaining lease term in months	50	47	52	22
Weighted-average discount rate	6%	10%	10%	9%

## Undiscounted cashflows under lessor arrangement

For our operating lease where we are the lessor, which represents charter revenue from the *West Gemini*, our estimated future undiscounted cashflows as of December 31, 2024, was as follows:

<i>(In \$ millions)</i>	Year ended December 31,
2025	14
2026	—
2027	—
<b>Total</b>	<b>14</b>

Refer to Note 24 – "Related party transactions" for details of the revenues recorded related to the *West Gemini*.



## Note 22 – Common shares

Share capital as of December 31, 2024 and December 31, 2023 was as follows:

	Issued and fully paid share capital		
	Shares	Par value each	\$ thousands
<b>As of January 1, 2023</b>	<b>49,999,998</b>	<b>\$ 0.01</b>	<b>500</b>
Shares issued to Aquadrill unitholders and equity award holders	29,866,543	\$ 0.01	299
Shares repurchased and cancelled	(5,817,579)	\$ 0.01	(58)
<b>As of December 31, 2023 <sup>(1)</sup></b>	<b>74,048,962</b>	<b>\$ 0.01</b>	<b>741</b>
Shares repurchased and cancelled	(11,966,515)	\$ 0.01	(120)
Vesting of restricted stock units	71,975	\$ 0.01	1
<b>As of December 31, 2024</b>	<b>62,154,422</b>	<b>\$ 0.01</b>	<b>622</b>

<sup>(1)</sup> As of December 31, 2023 there were 74,048,962 total common shares issued, which included 343,619 common shares repurchased, pending cancellation. These shares are considered retired for accounting purposes.

### *Common share transactions for periods presented*

#### Share issued to Aquadrill unitholders and equity award holders

In connection with the Aquadrill acquisition, Seadrill issued approximately 29.9 million shares to Aquadrill unitholders and equity award holders, representing approximately 37% of the post-Merger issued and outstanding Shares. Please refer to Note 29 – "Business combinations" for further details.

#### Shares repurchased and cancelled

On August 14, 2023, the Board of Directors authorized a share repurchase program, which was announced on August 15, 2023, under which the Company repurchased \$250 million of its outstanding common shares. The Company completed this share repurchase program on December 5, 2023, with a weighted average share price of \$42.97, and cancelled the associated 5,817,579 treasury shares on December 20, 2023.

On November 27, 2023, the Board of Directors authorized, and the Company announced, an increase in the Company's aggregate share repurchase authorization, allowing the Company to repurchase an additional \$250 million of its outstanding common shares, taking the aggregate authorization to \$500 million. On June 25, 2024, the Company announced it had completed the additional \$250 million of repurchases, with a weighted average share price of \$47.61, with the cancellation of 5,250,707 treasury shares acquired under the program on June 28, 2024. An additional 1,556 treasury shares were also cancelled on this date, which in aggregate, constituted fractional shares not permitted to be distributed in connection with past share issuances.

During the second quarter of 2024, the Company's Board of Directors authorized a new \$500 million share repurchase program that will run for a period of two years from June 25, 2024, the date of completion for the programs initiated in 2023.

Under the new \$500 million share repurchase program initiated during the second quarter of 2024, the Company repurchased an aggregate of 6,714,252 Shares, with a weighted average share price of \$43.52, amounting to \$292 million. On September 30, 2024 and December 16, 2024, the Company cancelled 4,213,349 and 2,500,903 treasury shares, respectively, repurchased under this program.

In aggregate, during the year ended December 31, 2024, the Company repurchased approximately 11.6 million common shares amounting to \$527 million with a weighted average share price of \$45.31, compared to 6.2 million common shares amounting to \$266 million with a weighted average share price of \$43.12, during the year ended December 31, 2023.

#### Vesting of restricted stock units

During the year ended December 31, 2024, 71,975 common shares were issued relating to the vesting of restricted units under the Company's share based compensation plan (December 31, 2023: nil).

Refer to Note 23 – "Share based compensation" for further details.

## Note 23 – Share based compensation

On August 6, 2022, the Board of Directors adopted the Seadrill Limited 2022 Management Incentive Plan, which was amended and restated on September 25, 2023 and approved by the shareholders at Seadrill's annual general meeting held on November 17, 2023 (the "Management Incentive Plan") and reserved 2,910,053 common shares of the Company for issuance thereunder. As of the date of this filing, 2,783,814 Shares remain available for issuance with respect to awards that have been or may be granted from time to time under the Management Incentive Plan.

In accordance with the Chapter 11 Plan, the number of Shares reserved constituted 5.5% of the Company's share capital on a fully diluted and fully distributed basis on the date the Management Incentive Plan was adopted. During the year ended December 31, 2022, members of management were granted 125,553 time-based restricted stock units ("MIP 2022 RSUs") and 292,955 performance-based restricted stock units ("MIP 2022 PSUs"), and during the year ended December 31, 2023, the Company granted an additional 6,412 MIP 2022 RSUs and 14,960 MIP 2022 PSUs.



On February 1, 2023, the Company granted 65,492 restricted stock units ("LTIP 2023 RSUs") and 58,481 performance stock units ("LTIP 2023 PSUs") with similar terms to the 2022 grants. On September 25, 2023, under the same Management Incentive Plan, the Company granted 125,841 time-based restricted stock units ("MIP 2023 TRSUs") and 293,629 performance-based restricted stock units ("MIP 2023 PRSUs") to employees, 60% of which are subject to the achievement of a total shareholder return ("TSR") market condition and 40% of which are subject to the achievement of a performance condition based on free cash flow metrics ("FCF"). The time-based restricted stock units vest in three equal installments over a period of three years. The performance-based restricted stock units cliff vest over an explicit service period of two to three years.

These awards were to be settled only in cash until November 17, 2023 (the "Modification Date"), when a shareholder approval of the Management Incentive Plan was obtained. From and after the Modification Date, these awards may be settled in cash or common shares of the Company at the election of the Joint Nomination and Remuneration Committee (the "Committee").

Since the liability-classified awards were modified to equity-classified awards without changing any other terms of the awards, the fair value of the units at the Modification Date became the measurement basis from that point forward. For the MIP 2022 RSU, LTIP 2023 RSU, MIP 2023 TRSU and MIP 2023 PRSU – FCF, the Company used the market price of the underlying share listed on the NYSE on the Modification Date of \$41.83. For the MIP 2022 PSU, LTIP 2023 PSU and MIP 2023 PRSU – TSR, the Modification Date fair values were \$32.48, \$16.96 and \$51.24 respectively.

On April 17, 2024, the Company granted 22,283 time-based restricted stock units ("Board LTIP 2024 TRSUs") to the Board of Directors, vesting over a period of one year. The Company also granted 176,340 time-based restricted stock units ("LTIP 2024 TRSUs") and 220,454 performance-based restricted stock units ("LTIP 2024 PRSUs") to employees, 60% of which are subject to the achievement of a total shareholder return ("TSR") market condition and 40% of which are subject to the achievement of a performance condition based on free cash flow metrics ("FCF"). The time-based restricted stock units vest in three equal installments over a period of three years, and the performance-based restricted stock units cliff vest over an explicit service period of three years. For the Board LTIP 2024 TRSU, LTIP 2024 TRSU and LTIP 2024 PRSU – FCF, the grant date fair value was \$49.81. For the LTIP 2024 PRSU - TSR, the grant date fair value was \$63.18.

The fair value of performance-based restricted stock units subject to the achievement of a total shareholder return is estimated using a Monte Carlo simulation to model future share prices of the Company and a peer group of companies. The volatility assumption is based on historical experience, and the risk-free interest rate is based on a U.S. Constant Maturity Yield Curve, with a maturity similar to the remaining term of the restricted stock units. The assumptions for volatility, dividend yield and risk-free interest rate are presented in the table below:

	<u>Expected volatility</u>	<u>Expected dividend yield</u>	<u>Risk-free interest rate</u>
<b>Period from February 23, 2022 through December 2022</b>			
MIP 2022 PSU	45.0 %	— %	4.9 %
<b>Year ended December 31, 2023</b>			
LTIP 2023 PSU	45.0 %	— %	4.8 %
MIP 2023 PRSU - TSR	45.0 %	— %	4.8 %
<b>Year ended December 31, 2024</b>			
LTIP 2024 PRSU - TSR	45.0 %	— %	4.8 %

A summary of the time-based restricted stock units and performance-based restricted stock units granted and vested, is presented below:

	<u>Year ended December 31, 2024</u>	<u>Year ended December 31, 2023</u>	<u>Period from February 23, 2022 through December 2022</u>
<b>Awards subject to service or external market conditions</b>			
Weighted-average grant date/modification date fair value (per share)	55.15	38.74	—
Total fair value of share awards vested during the period (in millions) <sup>(1)</sup>	4	2	—
<b>Awards subject to internal performance conditions</b>			
Weighted-average grant date/modification date fair value (per share)	49.81	41.83	—
Total fair value of share awards vested during the period (in millions)	—	—	—

<sup>(1)</sup> During 2023, 43,988 awards vested prior to the Modification Date and were cash-settled at the settlement date fair value.



The following table summarizes time-based share awards activity for the year ended December 31, 2024:

	Awards subject to service or external market conditions			Awards subject to internal performance conditions		
	Shares	Weighted average grant date fair value (in \$)	Weighted average remaining contractual term (in years)	Shares	Weighted average grant date fair value (in \$)	Weighted average remaining contractual term (in years)
<b>Non-vested restricted share units at January 1, 2024</b>	<b>660,436</b>	<b>38.98</b>	<b>1.78</b>	<b>100,494</b>	<b>41.83</b>	<b>2.00</b>
Granted during the year	330,895	55.15	—	88,182	49.81	—
Vested during the year	(105,918)	41.83	—	—	—	—
Forfeited during the year	(28,063)	39.67	—	(2,304)	49.81	—
Change in units based on performance	—	—	—	38,468	42.37	—
<b>Non-vested restricted share units at December 31, 2024</b>	<b>857,350</b>	<b>44.86</b>	<b>1.31</b>	<b>224,840</b>	<b>44.96</b>	<b>1.51</b>

The Company accounts for forfeitures as they occur. Using the straight-line method of expensing the restricted stock grants, the weighted average estimated value of the Shares calculated at the Modification Date or grant date are recognized as compensation cost in the Consolidated Statements of Operations over the period (ranging from one to three years) to the vesting date.

A summary of share based compensation expense is presented below:

<i>(In \$ millions)</i>	Successor			Predecessor
	Year ended December 31, 2024	Year ended December 31, 2023	Period from February 23, 2022 through December 31, 2022	Period from January 1, 2022 through February 22, 2022
Selling, general and administration expense	16	11	—	—
Vessel and rig operating expense	1	1	—	—
Income tax benefit	2	2	—	—

As of December 31, 2024, there was \$27 million of total estimated unrecognized share based compensation expense, which will be recognized over a remaining weighted average period of 1.4 years.

#### Note 24 – Related party transactions

As of December 31, 2024, our major related party is the Sonadrill joint venture, over which we hold significant influence. Previously, our related parties included a 50% interest in the Gulfdrill joint venture, which was sold in June 2024, and a 35% interest in PES, including its wholly-owned subsidiary, SeaMex, which was sold in February 2023.

Prior to emerging from Chapter 11 proceedings on February 22, 2022, our related parties also included companies who were either controlled by or whose operating policies were significantly influenced by Hemen, who was a major shareholder of the Predecessor Company. On emergence, Hemen's equity interest in Seadrill substantially decreased, and as a result, companies who were either controlled by or whose policies were significantly influenced by Hemen were no longer related parties. These include SFL, Northern Ocean, Northern Drilling, Archer, Frontline, and Seatankers.

In the following sections, we provide an analysis of transactions with related parties and balances outstanding with related parties.



## Related party revenue

The below table provides an analysis of related party revenues for periods presented in this report.

(In \$ millions)	Successor			Predecessor
	Year ended December 31, 2024	Year ended December 31, 2023	Period from February 23, 2022 through December 31, 2022	Period from January 1, 2022 through February 22, 2022
Management fee revenues <sup>(a)</sup>	235	222	159	12
Add-on Services	12	13	15	—
Reimbursable revenues <sup>(b)</sup>	13	18	12	3
Leasing revenues <sup>(c)</sup>	54	33	24	4
Other <sup>(d)</sup>	5	12	6	—
<b>Total related party operating revenues</b>	<b>319</b>	<b>298</b>	<b>216</b>	<b>19</b>

(a) Seadrill has provided management and administrative services to Sonadrill, SeaMex, and PES, and operational and technical support services to SeaMex and Sonadrill. These services were charged to our affiliates on a cost-plus mark-up or dayrate basis. Following the disposal of our remaining 35% equity interest in PES on February 24, 2023, PES and SeaMex are no longer related parties of Seadrill and any revenue subsequent to that date has been excluded from the above results.

(b) Reimbursable revenues primarily relate to Sonadrill project work on *Libongos*, *Quenguela*, and *West Gemini* rigs.

(c) Leasing revenues earned on the charter of the *West Gemini* to Sonadrill, as well as the *West Castor*, *West Telesto* and *West Tucana* to Gulfdriill, up to the disposal of these rigs in June 2024.

(d) On July 1, 2022, Seadrill novated its drilling contract for the *West Gemini* in Angola to the Sonadrill joint venture and leased the *West Gemini* to Sonadrill for the duration of that contract and the follow-on contract, entered into directly by Sonadrill, at a nominal charter rate, based on a commitment made under the terms of the joint venture agreement. At the commencement of the lease, we recorded a liability representing the fair value of the lease commitment which we amortized as other revenue, on a straight-line basis, over the lease term. In May 2024, the *West Gemini* bareboat lease was amended to reflect the fair market value of the rig lease, resulting in the derecognition of the lease commitment liability and cessation of amortization.

## Related party operating expenses

The below table provides an analysis of related party operating expenses for periods presented in this report.

(In \$ millions)	Successor			Predecessor
	Year ended December 31, 2024	Year ended December 31, 2023	Period from February 23, 2022 through December 31, 2022	Period from January 1, 2022 through February 22, 2022
<i>West Hercules</i> lease <sup>(e)</sup>	—	—	—	(3)
<b>Total related party operating expenses</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>(3)</b>

(e) Operating lease expense related to the *West Hercules*. Following emergence from Chapter 11 proceedings, SFL was no longer a related party.

## Related party receivable balances

The below table provides an analysis of related party receivable balances for periods presented in this report.

(In \$ millions)	December 31, 2024	December 31, 2023
Trading balances <sup>(f)</sup>	—	9
<b>Total related party receivables</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>9</b>
Of which:		
Amounts due from related parties - current	—	9
<b>Total amounts due from related parties</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>9</b>

(f) Trading balances as of December 31, 2023, are comprised of receivables from Sonadrill. Per our contractual terms, these balances are either settled monthly or quarterly in arrears, or in certain cases, in advance.



As of December 31, 2024 Sonadrill prepaid management fees of \$7 million to Seadrill. This balance has been recorded in other current liabilities within our Consolidated Balance Sheet.

## Note 25 – Financial instruments and risk management

We are exposed to several market risks, including credit risk, foreign currency risk and interest rate risk. Our policy is to reduce our exposure to these risks, where possible, within boundaries deemed appropriate by our management team. This may include the use of derivative instruments.

### Credit risk

We have financial assets, including cash and cash equivalents, trade receivables, related party receivables, and other receivables. These assets expose us to credit risk arising from possible default by the counterparty. Most of the counterparties are creditworthy financial institutions or large oil and gas companies. We do not expect any significant loss to result from non-performance by such counterparties. We do not typically demand collateral in the normal course of business. Credit risk is considered as part of our expected credit loss provision.

### Concentration of risk

There is a concentration of credit risk with respect to cash and cash equivalents to the extent that most of the amounts are carried with Citibank, DNB, and JP Morgan. We consider these risks to be remote, but, from time to time, we utilize instruments such as money market deposits to manage concentration of risk with respect to cash and cash equivalents. We also have a concentration of risk with respect to customers, including affiliated companies. For details on the customers with greater than 10% of contract revenues, refer to Note 6 – "Segment information". For details on amounts due from affiliated companies, refer to Note 24 – "Related party transactions".

### Foreign exchange risk

It is customary in the oil and gas industry that a majority of our revenues and expenses are denominated in U.S. dollars, which is the functional currency of our subsidiaries and equity method investees. However, a portion of the revenues and expenses of certain of our subsidiaries and equity method investees are denominated in other currencies. We are therefore exposed to foreign exchange gains and losses that may arise on the revaluation or settlement of monetary balances denominated in foreign currencies.

Our foreign exchange exposures primarily relate to cash and working capital balances denominated in foreign currencies. We do not expect these exposures to cause a significant amount of fluctuation in net income and do not currently hedge them. The effect of fluctuations in currency exchange rates arising from our international operations has not had a material impact on our overall operating results.

### Interest rate risk

The majority of our debt portfolio is on a fixed interest rate. Please refer to Note 19 – "Debt" for further details.

## Note 26 – Fair values of financial instruments

### Fair value of financial instruments measured at amortized cost

The carrying value and estimated fair value of our financial instruments that are measured at amortized cost as of December 31, 2024 and December 31, 2023 are as follows:

(In \$ millions)	December 31, 2024		December 31, 2023	
	Fair value	Carrying value	Fair value	Carrying value
<b>Liabilities</b>				
\$575 million secured bond in issue (Level 1)	587	560	597	558
Unsecured Convertible Bond - debt component (Level 3)	56	50	49	50

Fair value is a market-based measurement, not an entity-specific measurement, and is determined based on the assumptions that market participants would use in pricing the asset or liability. As a basis for considering market participant assumptions in fair value measurements, a fair value hierarchy distinguishes between market participant assumptions based on market data obtained from sources independent of the reporting entity (observable inputs that are classified within levels 1 and 2 of the hierarchy) and the reporting entity's own assumptions about market participant assumptions (unobservable inputs classified within level 3 of the hierarchy).

### Financial instruments categorized as level 1

The fair value of the \$575 million bond is based on market traded value. We have categorized this at level 1 on the fair value measurement hierarchy.

### Financial instruments categorized as level 3

The fair value attributed to the unsecured convertible bond is bifurcated into two elements: the straight debt component is derived through a discounted cash flow approach, and the conversion option that is derived through an option pricing model, which forecasts equity volatility and compares the potential conversion redemption against historical and implied equity movements in comparable companies in our industry. The conversion option was recorded in equity at the point the bond was issued and, therefore, has not been included in the table above.

Our accounts receivable, amounts due from related parties and accounts payable are, by their nature, short-term. As a result, the carrying values included in our Consolidated Balance Sheets approximate fair value and have not been included in the above table.



## Financial instruments measured at fair value on a recurring basis

The carrying value and estimated fair value of our financial instruments that are measured at fair value on a recurring basis as of December 31, 2024 and December 31, 2023 are as follows:

(In \$ millions)	December 31, 2024		December 31, 2023	
	Fair value	Carrying value	Fair value	Carrying value
<b>Assets</b>				
Cash and cash equivalents (Level 1)	478	478	697	697
Restricted cash (Level 1)	27	27	31	31

### Level 1 fair value measurements

The carrying value of cash and cash equivalents and restricted cash, which are highly liquid, is a reasonable estimate of fair value and are categorized at level 1 of the fair value hierarchy.

### Note 27 – Commitments and contingencies

#### SFL Hercules Ltd

On March 5, 2023, Seadrill was served with a claim from SFL Hercules Ltd., filed in the Oslo District Court in Norway, relating to our redelivery of the rig *West Hercules* to SFL in December 2022. On February 6, 2025, the Oslo District Court delivered a judgment in favor of SFL Hercules Ltd. ordering Seadrill to pay SFL approximately \$37 million plus interest and legal costs of approximately \$11 million. Seadrill intends to vigorously contest the judgment and anticipates appealing to the Court of Appeal prior to the March 5, 2025 deadline for appeal. The timing of resolution and ultimate amount due, if any, cannot be predicted at this time. An adverse outcome in this matter could have an adverse effect on Seadrill's operating results, cash flows and financial position.

#### Sonadrill fees claim

In March 2023, Seadrill was served with a claim from an individual (the "Claimant") filed in the High Court of Justice, Business and Property Courts of England and Wales, King's Bench Division, Commercial Court. The Claimant alleges breach of contract and unjust enrichment damages of approximately \$72 million related to an alleged failure by the Company to pay the Claimant a fee for services in arranging the Sonadrill joint venture. We do not believe that the Claimant is entitled to the fee claimed and intend to vigorously defend our position.

#### Nigerian Cabotage Act litigation

In November 2015, the Nigerian Maritime Administration and Safety Agency ("NIMASA") issued a detention in respect of the rig *West Capella* for failure to comply with requirements of the Coastal and Inland Shipping (Cabotage) Act 2003 (the "Cabotage Act"), specifically, failure to pay a Cabotage fee of 2% on contract revenue. While the named party is Seadrill Mobile Units Nigeria Ltd (previously an Aquadrill entity, acquired by Seadrill upon the merger of Seadrill and Aquadrill) ("SMUNL"), the matter relates to three rigs: the *West Capella*, *West Saturn* and *West Jupiter*. SMUNL commenced proceedings in May 2016 against the Honourable Minister for Transportation, the Attorney General of the Federation and NIMASA with respect to interpretation of the Cabotage Act. On June 14, 2019, the Federal High Court of Nigeria delivered a judgment finding that: (1) Drilling operations fall within the definition of "Coastal Trade" or "Cabotage" under the Cabotage Act and (2) Drilling Rigs fall within the definition of "Vessels" under the Cabotage Act. On the basis of this decision, SMUNL and Seadrill were required to deduct 2%, or approximately \$69 million, of their contract value and remit the same to NIMASA. On June 24, 2019, the Court of Appeals sitting in Lagos ("COA") issued a conflicting judgment in *Transocean Support Services Nigeria & Ors v NIMASA & Anor*, finding drilling units cannot be deemed vessels under the Cabotage Act pending appeal. Due to the volume of cases currently being handled by the COA, the Registry of the COA is yet to schedule the hearing date for the appeal. Although we intend to strongly pursue this appeal, we cannot predict the outcome of this case.

#### Brazil tax audit

Seadrill Serviços de Petróleo Ltda ("Seadrill Brazil") has a long-standing tax audit relating to years 2009 and 2010, which is being litigated through the Brazilian courts. The initial court ruled in favor of Seadrill Brazil, but the appellate court reversed the lower court decision in September 2023 and ruled in favor of the tax authorities, assessing a tax and interest thereon of approximately \$65 million. We will vigorously defend our position and, in the first quarter of 2024, our appeal was admitted by the higher courts, but the ultimate timing and outcome of this litigation cannot be determined. There are additional open cases relating to 2012, 2016, and 2017, where a similar principle is being contested but they are not as far advanced through the courts, for an aggregate assessed amount, including tax and interest, of approximately \$69 million.

In order to litigate the tax audit relating to years 2009 and 2010, Seadrill Brazil has entered into an agreement for an insurance bond of BRL396 million (\$64 million as of December 31, 2024), which is supported by a parent company guarantee.

#### Sete Brazil claim

On January 6, 2025, Seadrill Serviços de Petróleo Ltda. ("Seadrill Brazil") received notices from Petrobras asserting delay penalties against Seadrill Brazil relating to drillships to be operated in Brazil by Seadrill Brazil pursuant to the Sete Brazil Project, an initiative aimed at constructing a fleet of 28 offshore drilling rigs to support Petrobras. The alleged penalties arise from contracts awarded in relation to the Sete Brazil Project in 2012 for three drillships that were to be constructed by Sete Brazil and operated by Seadrill, but were never completed. Sete Brazil was eventually declared bankrupt in December 2024 although that bankruptcy is presently suspended. The aggregate amount claimed by Petrobras as of the date of receipt of the notices was approximately \$213 million in delay penalties, with the potential for further delay.



penalties to be assessed ratably over the remaining term of the drilling contracts for the three Sete drillships. The contracts limit aggregate delay penalties to 10% of the total "estimated contract value," as defined in the contract. Petrobras has indicated it may exercise set-off rights against certain amounts payable to Seadrill Brazil under its contracts with Petrobras for our five drillships currently operating in Brazil, revenues related to which are included in our backlog as of December 31, 2024. No set-off right has been exercised to date. While Seadrill Brazil is engaged in discussions with Petrobras to suspend the penalties, it is evaluating its legal options, which may include seeking injunctive relief and asserting counterclaims against Petrobras. This matter is in its early stages, and we are not able to predict its timing or outcome. In addition, the nature, timing, calculation and ultimate amount of the purported penalties are subject to principles of contract interpretation before Brazilian courts. Seadrill intends to vigorously defend its position, but an adverse outcome in this matter could have a material adverse effect on Seadrill's operating results, cash flows and financial position.

**Other material disputes or litigation**

In addition to the foregoing, from time to time we are a named defendant or party in certain other lawsuits, claims or proceedings arising in the ordinary course of business or in connection with our acquisition and disposal activities. Although the outcome of such lawsuits or other proceedings cannot be predicted with certainty, and the amount of any liability that could arise with respect to such lawsuits or other proceedings cannot be predicted accurately, we currently do not expect these other matters to have a material adverse effect on our financial position, operating results and cash flows.

**Guarantees**

We have issued performance guarantees for potential liabilities that may result from drilling activities under current or previous managed rig arrangements with Sonadrill and Northern Ocean. As of December 31, 2024, we had not recognized any liabilities for these guarantees as we do not consider it probable that the guarantees will be called. The guarantees provided on behalf of Sonadrill have been capped at \$1.1 billion (December 31, 2023: \$1.1 billion), in the aggregate, across the three rigs operating in the joint venture on three active, and one future, contract. The guarantees provided on behalf of Northern Ocean have been capped at \$100 million (December 31, 2023 : \$100 million).

**Note 28 – Discontinued Operations**

The table below shows net income/(loss) from discontinued operations:

	<b>Successor</b>	<b>Predecessor</b>
	<b>Period from February 23, 2022 through December 31, 2022</b>	<b>Period from January 1, 2022 through February 22, 2022</b>
<i>(In \$ millions, except per share data)</i>		
Net loss of Paratus Energy Services Ltd	—	(4)
Net income/(loss) of KSA Business	8	(29)
Gain on disposal of KSA Business	276	—
Exit cost associated with disposal of KSA Business	(10)	—
<b>Net income/(loss) from discontinued operations</b>	<b>274</b>	<b>(33)</b>
<b>Basic EPS: discontinued operations (\$)</b>	<b>5.48</b>	<b>(0.33)</b>
<b>Diluted EPS: discontinued operations (\$)</b>	<b>5.21</b>	<b>(0.33)</b>

The table below analyses the cash flows from discontinued operations between our two discontinued operations:

	<b>Successor</b>	<b>Predecessor</b>
	<b>Period from February 23, 2022 through December 31, 2022</b>	<b>Period from January 1, 2022 through February 22, 2022</b>
<i>(In \$ millions)</i>		
Paratus Energy Services Ltd	—	(69)
KSA Business	5	(20)
<b>Net cash provided by/(used in) operating activities</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>(89)</b>
Paratus Energy Services Ltd	—	—
KSA Business	(40)	—
<b>Net cash (used in) investing activities</b>	<b>(40)</b>	<b>—</b>
Paratus Energy Services Ltd	—	—
KSA Business	16	20
<b>Net cash provided by financing activities</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>20</b>



## Disposal of interest in Paratus Energy Services Ltd

PES, formerly known as Seadrill New Finance Limited or "NSNCo", holds investments in SeaMex (100%), Seabras Sapura (50%), and Archer (15.7%). As part of Seadrill's comprehensive restructuring process, we disposed of 65% of our equity interest in PES in January 2022, reducing our shareholding to 35%. As a result, the carrying value of PES's net assets were deconsolidated from Seadrill's Consolidated Balance Sheet and were replaced with an equity method investment representing the fair value of the retained 35% interest. This resulted in a loss of \$112 million that was reported through reorganization items, as set out further in Note 4 – "Chapter 11".

The sale represented a strategic shift in Seadrill's operations, which had a major effect on its operations and financial results going forward, and therefore, we reclassified PES as a discontinued operation, including comparative periods.

On September 30, 2022, Seadrill entered into share purchase agreements with certain other existing shareholders of PES to dispose of the remaining 35% shareholding in PES. The sale closed on February 24, 2023. The net gain on disposal, which is reported within Other financial items in our Consolidated Statement of Operations, and the sale proceeds, which is reported in our Consolidated Statement of Cash Flows as "Net proceeds on disposal of business and cash impact from deconsolidation", are summarized further in the table below:

<i>(In \$ millions)</i>	<b>Year ended December 31, 2023</b>
Initial purchase price	43
Lender incentive fee	1
<b>Total consideration</b>	<b>44</b>
Less: Book value of PES investment	(31)
Less: Management incentive fee intangible	(13)
<b>Gain on disposal</b>	<b>—</b>

In connection with the sale, on March 14, 2023, we provided each of PES and SeaMex Holdings with a termination notice regarding (i) the Paratus MSA and (ii) the SeaMex MSA, respectively. The Paratus MSA terminated on November 30, 2023, and the SeaMex MSA terminated on November 17, 2023. The terminations of the Paratus MSA and SeaMex MSA did not have a material impact on the Company's financial results.

For further information on Seadrill's comprehensive restructuring, including the sale of the 65% interest in Paratus Energy Services Ltd, please refer to Note 4 – "Chapter 11".

## Sale of jackup units in the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia

On September 1, 2022, Seadrill entered into a share purchase agreement with subsidiaries of ADES Arabia Holding Ltd (together, "ADES") for the sale of the entities that own and operate seven jackup units (the "Jackup Sale") in the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia (the "KSA Business"). The Jackup Sale closed on October 18, 2022, with ADES owning the rigs *AOD I*, *AOD II*, *AOD III*, *West Callisto*, *West Ariel*, *West Cressida*, and *West Leda*, as well as the drilling contracts related to the rigs.

The gain on sale, which is reported within discontinued operations in our Consolidated Statement of Operations, and the sale proceeds, which is reported in our Consolidated Statement of Cash Flows, are summarized further in the table below:

<i>(In \$ millions)</i>	<b>Gain on sale</b>	<b>Received/(paid) to date</b>	
	<b>2022</b>	<b>2022</b>	<b>2023</b>
Initial Purchase Price	628	628	—
Adjustment for working capital, cash, and reimbursement of reactivation costs	53	50	3
Less: Deal costs	(11)	(11)	—
Less: Fair value of indemnities and warranties	(36)	(8)	(25)
<b>Net sales price</b>	<b>634</b>	<b>659</b>	<b>(22)</b>
Less: Book value of KSA Business	(358)	—	—
<b>Total</b>	<b>276</b>	<b>659</b>	<b>(22)</b>

The sale represented a strategic shift in Seadrill's operations, which had a major effect on its operations and financial results going forward, and therefore, we reclassified the KSA Business as a discontinued operation and its results have been reported separately from Seadrill's continuing operations, including comparative periods.



**Major classes of line items constituting profit/(loss) of discontinued operations:**

The table below summarizes the profit and loss statement for the KSA Business for periods when it was a fully consolidated subsidiary of Seadrill. The net income/(loss) by the KSA Business during these periods was reported through the discontinued operations line item.

<i>(In \$ millions)</i>	<b>Successor</b> Period from February 23, 2022 through December 31, 2022	<b>Predecessor</b> Period from January 1, 2022 through February 22, 2022
<b>Operating revenues</b>		
Contract revenues	86	18
<b>Total operating revenues</b>	<b>86</b>	<b>18</b>
<b>Operating expenses</b>		
Vessel and rig operating expenses	(45)	(10)
Depreciation and amortization	(22)	(4)
Selling, general and administrative expenses	(8)	(1)
<b>Total operating expenses</b>	<b>(75)</b>	<b>(15)</b>
<b>Operating profit</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>3</b>
<b>Financial and other non-operating items</b>		
Reorganization items, net	—	(32)
Other financial items	(1)	—
<b>Profit/(loss) before income taxes</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>(29)</b>
Income tax expense	(2)	—
<b>Net income/(loss)</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>(29)</b>

The table below summarizes the profit and loss statement for PES during the period when it was a fully consolidated subsidiary of Seadrill. The net loss by PES during this period was reported through the discontinued operations line item.

<i>(In \$ millions)</i>	<b>Predecessor</b> Period from January 1, 2022 through February 22, 2022
<b>Operating revenues</b>	
Contract revenues	12
<b>Total operating revenues</b>	<b>12</b>
<b>Operating expenses</b>	
Operating expenses	(8)
<b>Total operating expenses</b>	<b>(8)</b>
<b>Operating profit</b>	<b>4</b>
<b>Financial and other non-operating items</b>	
Interest expense	(4)
Share in results from associated companies (net of tax)	(1)
Other financial items	(2)
<b>Total financial items</b>	<b>(7)</b>
<b>Loss before income taxes</b>	<b>(3)</b>
Income tax expense	(1)
<b>Net loss</b>	<b>(4)</b>



## Note 29 – Business combinations

### Aquadrill acquisition

On the Closing Date, Seadrill completed the acquisition of Aquadrill, an offshore drilling unit owner. Pursuant to the Merger Agreement, Merger Sub merged with and into Aquadrill, with Aquadrill surviving the Merger as a wholly owned subsidiary of Seadrill. In connection with the Merger, and pursuant to the Merger Agreement, Seadrill exchanged consideration consisting of (i) 29.9 million Seadrill common shares, (ii) \$30 million settled by tax withholding in lieu of common shares, and (iii) cash consideration of \$1 million. At the Closing Date, Aquadrill unitholders represented approximately 37% of Seadrill's post-Merger issued and outstanding Shares.

As previously disclosed, the Board of Directors viewed the following factors, among others, as generally favorable in its determination and approval of the Merger: (A) the combined company is expected to (i) be in a position to serve a broader range of customers, (ii) have a more substantial presence in the offshore drilling market, (iii) take on Aquadrill drilling units without taking on a substantial cost structure, (iv) have a diversified portfolio of contract coverage and (v) given the extensive history between Aquadrill and Seadrill, be positioned to rapidly integrate the two businesses, and (B) the Seadrill management team's familiarity with the business, assets and competitive position of Aquadrill.

As a result of the Merger, Seadrill acquired Aquadrill's four drillships, one semi-submersible and three tender-assist units. On May 19, 2023, Seadrill entered into definitive sale and purchase agreements to sell the three tender-assist units (*T-15*, *T-16*, and *West Vencedor*), acquired in the Merger, with an agreed aggregate sale price of approximately \$84 million. The sale completed on July 28, 2023.

In connection with this acquisition, the Company incurred \$24 million, \$24 million and \$3 million of acquisition and integration related expenses during the years ended December 31, 2024, December 31, 2023 and for the period from February 23, 2022 through December 31, 2022, respectively. These expenses are included in "Merger and integration related expenses" on the Consolidated Statements of Operations. In addition, the Company incurred \$4 million of issuance costs which have been reflected against the fair value of the Shares as a reduction to Additional paid-in capital in the Consolidated Statements of Changes in Shareholders' Equity.

Merger and integration related expenses primarily consist of legal and advisory costs incurred to facilitate the closure of the Aquadrill acquisition, as well as expenses associated with integrating Aquadrill into Seadrill's existing operating structure and closing out the MSA agreements.

We used a convenience date of April 1, 2023 (the "Convenience Date") to account for this acquisition and have recorded activity from the Convenience Date in Seadrill's results.

### Purchase price allocation

The Merger was accounted for as a business combination under the acquisition method of accounting in accordance with Accounting Standards Codification ("ASC") Topic 805, Business Combinations, with Seadrill being treated as the accounting acquirer. Under this method, the purchase consideration in the Merger reflects (i) the Shares issued in connection with the Merger, (ii) tax withholding liability, and (iii) cash consideration, as described above. The issued Shares were recorded at \$41.62 per share, the fair value on the Closing Date. Concurrently, the assets acquired and liabilities assumed were recorded on Seadrill's Consolidated Balance Sheets at their respective fair values. During the first quarter of 2024, we completed the analysis to assign fair value to all tangible and intangible assets acquired and liabilities assumed. Our estimate is that the fair value of the net assets and liabilities acquired is equal to the purchase price, and therefore, no goodwill or bargain purchase gain has been recognized in the financial statements.

Determining the fair values of the assets and liabilities of Aquadrill required judgment and certain assumptions to be made, the most significant of these being related to the valuation of Aquadrill's drilling units and other related tangible assets. Further details regarding the valuation process are described below.

#### i. Drilling units

To estimate the fair value of the drilling units, management primarily relied upon the income approach. The market approach was considered to substantiate a floor value for rigs where the income approach indicated a value lower than a value in-exchange. In the application of the income approach, we utilized the discounted cash flow ("DCF") method. The DCF method involves estimating the future free cash flows of an asset and discounting these cash flows to present value. Free cash flows are generally defined as debt-free operating cash flows adjusted to reflect capital expenditure requirements.

Assumptions used in our assessment included, but were not limited to, future marketability of each drilling unit in light of the current market conditions and its current technical specifications, timing of existing and future contract awards and expected operating dayrates, operating costs, utilization rates, tax rates, discount rates, capital expenditures, market values, reactivation costs, and estimated economic useful lives. We included an allocation for corporate overhead when calculating the discounted cash flows expected to be generated from our drilling units over their remaining useful lives. The cash flows were discounted at a market participant WACC, which was derived from a blend of market participant after-tax costs of debt and market participant costs of equity, weighted by the respective percentage of debt and equity to total capital, and computed using public share price information for similar publicly traded guideline companies, certain U.S. Treasury rates, and certain risk premiums specific to the Company. The inputs and assumptions related to these assets are categorized as Level 3 in the fair value hierarchy.

#### ii. Drilling and management services contracts

The Company recognized intangible assets and liabilities related to drilling and management service contracts that had favorable and unfavorable terms compared to the current market at the Closing Date. The Company recorded the fair value adjustment for the off-market contract liabilities and assets to "Other current liabilities", "Other current assets", and "Other non-current assets" in the amounts of \$49 million, \$6 million, and \$1 million respectively.



The table below summarizes the total consideration transferred at the Closing Date:

<i>(In \$ millions, except share data)</i>	<b>Aquadrill Shares</b>	<b>Final Exchange Ratio<sup>(4)</sup></b>	<b>As of Acquisition</b>
Aquadrill outstanding shares as of April 3, 2023	20,000,000	1.41	28,258,965
Aquadrill restricted stock units	122,104	1.41	172,527
Aquadrill phantom award units	105,700	1.41	149,349
Aquadrill phantom appreciation rights	570,000	0.70	399,576
<b>Total Aquadrill shares converted to Seadrill shares</b>	<b>20,797,804</b>		<b>28,980,416</b>
Company Sale Bonus <sup>(1)</sup>			1,664,743
Total Seadrill shares eligible for purchase of Aquadrill			30,645,159
Less: Tax withholding in lieu of common shares <sup>(2)</sup>			(744,150)
Less: Seadrill shares settled in cash <sup>(3)</sup>			(34,505)
<b>Seadrill shares issued for purchase of Aquadrill</b>			<b>29,866,505</b>
Seadrill share price at April 3, 2023 market close			41.62
Consideration issued in Seadrill shares			1,243
Consideration settled by tax withholding <sup>(2)</sup>			30
Consideration settled in cash <sup>(3)</sup>			1
<b>Total consideration transferred</b>			<b>1,274</b>

<sup>(1)</sup> Immediately prior to the Closing Date, the Sale Bonus Award Agreement, dated as of May 24, 2021, by and between Aquadrill and Steven Newman, the Chief Executive Officer and a director of Aquadrill, was terminated and in connection with such termination at the Effective Time and in accordance with the Merger Agreement, Mr. Newman received 1,013,405 Seadrill common shares and \$26 million tax withholding, paid on his behalf, in lieu of Seadrill common shares.

<sup>(2)</sup> Pursuant to the Merger Agreement, in lieu of issuing Seadrill common shares, the Company elected to pay \$30 million of tax withholding. These Shares were settled at a per share value agreed upon between the Company and the Aquadrill board of directors.

<sup>(3)</sup> Pursuant to the Merger Agreement, in lieu of issuing Seadrill common shares, certain non-employee board members elected to receive \$1 million cash in lieu of Seadrill common shares. These Shares were settled at a per share value agreed upon between the Company and the Aquadrill board of directors.

<sup>(4)</sup> Final exchange ratios calculated pursuant to the Merger Agreement.



The table below represents the final purchase price allocation to the identifiable assets acquired and liabilities assumed at the Closing Date and subsequent adjustments made during the measurement period:

<i>(In \$ millions)</i>	<u>As of Acquisition</u>	<u>Measurement Period Adjustments</u>	<u>Updated As of Acquisition</u>
<b>Assets acquired:</b>			
Cash and cash equivalents	51	—	51
Restricted cash	5	—	5
Accounts receivable	60	—	60
Other current assets	36	7	43
<b>Total current assets</b>	<b>152</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>159</b>
Drilling units	1,255	(3)	1,252
Deferred tax assets	19	—	19
Equipment	1	—	1
Other non-current assets	5	—	5
<b>Total non-current assets</b>	<b>1,280</b>	<b>(3)</b>	<b>1,277</b>
<b>Total assets acquired</b>	<b>1,432</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>1,436</b>
<b>Liabilities assumed:</b>			
Trade accounts payable	11	—	11
Other current liabilities	69	4	73
<b>Total current liabilities</b>	<b>80</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>84</b>
Other non-current liabilities	78	—	78
<b>Total non-current liabilities</b>	<b>78</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>78</b>
<b>Total liabilities assumed</b>	<b>158</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>162</b>
<b>Net asset acquired</b>	<b>1,274</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>1,274</b>

#### *Post-merger operating results*

The following table reflects Aquadrill's operating revenue and net income from continuing operations included in Seadrill's consolidated statement of operations subsequent to the Convenience Date.

<i>(In \$ millions)</i>	<u>Year ended December 31, 2023</u>
Operating revenue	383
Net income from continuing operations	145

#### *Pro forma financial information*

The following unaudited pro forma summary presents the results of operations as if the Merger had occurred on February 23, 2022, the date of emergence from Chapter 11 for the Successor company. The pro forma summary uses estimates and assumptions based on information available at the time. We believe the estimates and assumptions are reasonable; however, actual results may have differed significantly from this pro forma financial information. The pro forma information does not purport to be indicative of results of operations that would have occurred had the Merger occurred on the basis assumed above, nor is such information indicative of our expected future results. The pro forma results of operations do not reflect any cost savings or other synergies that might have been achieved from combining the operations or any estimated costs that have not yet been incurred to integrate Aquadrill assets.

<i>(In \$ millions, except per share data)</i>	<u>Year ended December 31, 2023</u>	<u>Period from February 23, 2022 through December 31, 2022</u>
Operating revenue	1,580	1,009
Net income/(loss) from continuing operations	262	(111)
Basic EPS/(LPS): continuing operations (\$)	3.34	(1.39)
Diluted EPS/(LPS): continuing operations (\$)	3.29	(1.39)



These pro forma amounts have been calculated after adjusting the results to reflect (i) the additional depreciation and amortization that would have been charged assuming the fair value adjustments to drilling units and off-market contract liabilities had been applied from February 23, 2022, (ii) certain acquisition related expenses incurred directly in connection with the Merger as if it had occurred on February 23, 2022, and (iii) removal of any pre-acquisition revenues and expenses between Seadrill and Aquadrill.

Seadrill and Aquadrill incurred total acquisition related expenses of \$11 million and \$5 million, respectively, of which \$3 million and \$2 million, respectively, were incurred during the fourth quarter of 2022. Seadrill's acquisition related expenses are included in "Merger and integration related expenses" on the Consolidated Statements of Operations. These expenses are reflected in pro forma earnings for the period from February 23, 2022 through December 31, 2022.

On July 28, 2023, the Company completed the sale of the tender-assist units. The table below summarizes the results of operations related to the tender-assist units included in the pro forma results of operations:

<i>(in \$ millions)</i>	<b>Year ended December 31, 2023</b>	<b>Period from February 23, 2022 through December 31, 2022</b>
<i>Tender-assist units</i>		
Operating revenue	13	10
Loss from continuing operations	(8)	(3)

**Item 9. Changes in and Disagreements with Accountants on Accounting and Financial Disclosure**

Not applicable.

**Item 9A. Controls and Procedures**

**Disclosure Controls and Procedures**

Our management, with participation from the Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer, assessed the effectiveness of the design and operation of our disclosure controls and procedures pursuant to Rule 13a-15 and Rule 15d-15 of the Exchange Act as of December 31, 2024. Based upon that evaluation, the Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer concluded that our disclosure controls and procedures are effective as of the evaluation date.

**Changes in Internal Control over Financial Reporting**

There were no changes in these internal controls during the quarter ended December 31, 2024 that have materially affected, or are reasonably likely to materially affect, our internal control over financial reporting.

See Part II, Item 8, "Financial Statements and Supplementary Data" for Management's Report on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting.

**Item 9B. Other Information**

Not applicable.

**Item 9C. Disclosure Regarding Foreign Jurisdictions that Prevent Inspections**

Not applicable.



## PART III

### Item 10. Directors, Executive Officers and Corporate Governance

Information in response to this item, to the extent not set forth in Part I, Item 1, "Business – Information About Our Executive Officers", is incorporated by reference to our Proxy Statement relating to our 2025 Annual Meeting of Shareholders. The Proxy Statement will be filed with the SEC pursuant to Regulation 14A under the Exchange Act within 120 days of December 31, 2024.

### Item 11. Executive Compensation

Information in response to this item is incorporated by reference to our Proxy Statement relating to our 2025 Annual Meeting of Shareholders. The Proxy Statement will be filed with the SEC pursuant to Regulation 14A under the Exchange Act within 120 days of December 31, 2024.

### Item 12. Security Ownership of Certain Beneficial Owners and Management and Related Stockholder Matters

Information in response to this item is incorporated by reference to our Proxy Statement relating to our 2025 Annual Meeting of Shareholders. The Proxy Statement will be filed with the SEC pursuant to Regulation 14A under the Exchange Act within 120 days of December 31, 2024.

### Item 13. Certain Relationships and Related Transactions, and Director Independence

Information in response to this item is incorporated by reference to our Proxy Statement relating to our 2025 Annual Meeting of Shareholders. The Proxy Statement will be filed with the SEC pursuant to Regulation 14A under the Exchange Act within 120 days of December 31, 2024.

### Item 14. Principal Accountant Fees and Services

Information in response to this item is incorporated by reference to our Proxy Statement relating to our 2025 Annual Meeting of Shareholders. The Proxy Statement will be filed with the SEC pursuant to Regulation 14A under the Exchange Act within 120 days of December 31, 2024.

## PART IV

### Item 15. Exhibits and Financial Statement Schedules

(a) The following documents are filed as part of this report:

1. A list of the financial statements filed as a part of this report is set forth in [Part II, Item 8, "Financial Statements and Supplementary Data"](#) of this annual report and is incorporated herein by reference.
2. Financial Statement Schedules:  
All schedules are omitted because they are either not applicable or required information is shown in the financial statements or notes thereto.
3. Exhibits

Exhibit Number	Description
2.1	<a href="#">Second Amended Joint Chapter 11 Plan (as modified) of Reorganization, as confirmed by the Bankruptcy Court on October 26, 2021 (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 2.1 to Seadrill Limited's Annual Report on Form 20-F filed with the SEC on April 29, 2022).</a>
2.2†	<a href="#">Agreement and Plan of Merger, by and among Seadrill Limited, Aquadrill LLC and Seadrill Merger Sub, LLC, dated as of December 22, 2022 (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 4.1 to Seadrill Limited's Report on Form 6-K furnished to the SEC on December 23, 2022).</a>
2.3	<a href="#">Share and Asset Purchase Agreement, dated 16 May 2024, by and among Seadrill RIG Holding Company Limited, Seadrill Castor PTE, LTD., Seadrill Telesto LTD., Seadrill Tucana LTD., Seadrill Jack Up Holding Ltd., (the "Seadrill Parties") and Gulf Drilling International Limited and Gulf Jackup SPC LLC (the "GDI Parties") (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 4.1 to Seadrill Limited's Report on Form 6-K furnished to the SEC on August 5, 2024).</a>
2.4	<a href="#">Share and Asset Purchase Agreement Amendment, dated 14 June 2024 between the Seadrill Parties and the GDI Parties (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 4.2 to Seadrill Limited's Report on Form 6-K furnished to the SEC on August 5, 2024).</a>
3.1	<a href="#">Certificate of Incorporation of Seadrill 2021 Limited delivered October 21, 2021 (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 1.1 to Seadrill Limited's Annual Report on Form 20-F filed with the SEC on April 29, 2022).</a>
3.2	<a href="#">Memorandum of Association of Seadrill 2021 Limited (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 1.2 to Seadrill Limited's Annual Report on Form 20-F filed with the SEC on April 29, 2022).</a>
3.3	<a href="#">Certificate of Deposit of Memorandum of Increase of Share Capital of Seadrill Limited (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 1.3 to Seadrill Limited's Annual Report on Form 20-F filed with the SEC on April 29, 2022).</a>
3.4	<a href="#">Certificate of Change of Name from Seadrill 2021 Limited to Seadrill Limited delivered February 22, 2022 (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 1.5 to Seadrill Limited's Annual Report on Form 20-F filed with the SEC on April 29, 2022).</a>
3.5	<a href="#">Bye-Laws of Seadrill Limited (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 1.4 to Seadrill Limited's Annual Report on Form 20-F filed with the SEC on April 29, 2022).</a>
4.1*	<a href="#">Description of Securities Registered Under Section 12 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as Amended.</a>

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- 4.2 [Convertible Note Purchase Agreement, dated as of February 22, 2022, by and among Seadrill Limited and Hemen Holding Limited \(incorporated by reference to Exhibit 4.3 to Seadrill Limited's Annual Report on Form 20-F filed with the SEC on April 29, 2022\).](#)
- 4.3 [Indenture, dated as of July 27, 2023, by and among Seadrill Finance Limited, as issuer, Seadrill Limited and the other guarantors party thereto, as guarantors, and GLAS Trust Company LLC, as trustee and collateral trustee \(incorporated by reference to Exhibit 4.1 to Seadrill Limited's Report on Form 6-K furnished to the SEC on July 27, 2023\).](#)
- 4.4 [Form of 8.375% Senior Secured Second Lien Note due 2030 \(incorporated by reference to Exhibit A of Exhibit 4.1 to Seadrill Limited's Report on Form 6-K furnished to the SEC on July 27, 2023\).](#)
- 4.5 [First Supplemental Indenture, dated as of August 8, 2023, by and among Seadrill Finance Limited, as issuer, Seadrill Limited and the other guarantors party thereto, as guarantors, and GLAS Trust Company LLC, as trustee and collateral trustee \(incorporated by reference to Exhibit 4.1 to Seadrill Limited's Report on Form 6-K furnished to the SEC on August 8, 2023\).](#)
- 4.6\* [Second Supplemental Indenture, dated as of September 20, 2023, by and among Seadrill Finance Limited, as issuer, Seadrill Servico de Petroleo Ltda., and GLAS Trust Company LLC, as trustee and collateral trustee.](#)
- 4.7 [Third Supplemental Indenture, dated as of October 15, 2024, by and among Seadrill Finance Limited, as issuer, Seadrill Mobile Units \(Nigeria\) Limited, and GLAS Trust Company LLC, as trustee and collateral trustee. \(incorporated by reference to Exhibit 4.1 to Seadrill Limited's Report on Form 6-K furnished to the SEC on November 13, 2024\).](#)
- 4.8\* [Fourth Supplemental Indenture, dated as of December 12, 2024, by and among Seadrill Finance Limited, as issuer, Seadrill T-16 Ltd., and GLAS Trust Company LLC, as trustee and collateral trustee.](#)
- 4.9\* [Fifth Supplemental Indenture, dated as of December 12, 2024, by and among Seadrill Finance Limited, as issuer, Seadrill Switzerland GmbH, Seadrill Rig Holdco Kft., Seadrill Hungary Kft., and GLAS Trust Company, as trustee and collateral trustee.](#)
- 10.1† [Registration Rights Agreement, dated as of February 22, 2022, by and among Seadrill Limited and the holders party thereto \(incorporated by reference to Exhibit 2.2 to Seadrill Limited's Annual Report on Form 20-F filed with the SEC on April 29, 2022\).](#)
- 10.2†† [Registration Rights Agreement, dated as of April 3, 2023, by and among Seadrill Limited and the holders party thereto \(incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.1 to Seadrill Limited's Report on Form 6-K furnished to the SEC on April 3, 2023\).](#)
- 10.3† [Senior Secured Revolving Credit Agreement, dated as of July 11, 2023, by and among Seadrill Finance Limited, as borrower, Seadrill Limited, the lenders party thereto, J.P Morgan SE, as administrative agent, GLAS Trust Company LLC, as common security agent, and the issuing banks party thereto \(incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.1 to Seadrill Limited's Report on Form 6-K furnished to the SEC on July 11, 2023\).](#)
- 10.4 [Collateral Trust Agreement, dated as of July 27, 2023, by and among Seadrill Limited, Seadrill Finance Limited, the other grantors party thereto, J.P Morgan SE, as administrative agent under the Senior Secured Revolving Credit Agreement, GLAS Trust Company LLC, as trustee and collateral trustee under the Indenture \(incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.1 to Seadrill Limited's Report on Form 6-K furnished to the SEC on July 27, 2023\).](#)
- 10.5+ [Seadrill Limited 2022 Management Incentive Plan \(incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.4 to Seadrill Limited's Registration Statement on Form F-4, filed with the SEC on February 27, 2023\).](#)
- 10.6+ [Amended and Restated Seadrill Limited 2022 Management Incentive Plan \(incorporated by reference to Exhibit 99.2 to Seadrill Limited's Report on Form 6-K furnished to the SEC on November 20, 2023\).](#)
- 10.7+\* [2022 Form of TRSU Award Agreement \(Executive Officers\) under the Seadrill Limited 2022 Management Incentive Plan.](#)
- 10.8+\* [2022 Form of PRSU Award Agreement \(Executive Officers\) under the Seadrill Limited 2022 Management Incentive Plan.](#)
- 10.9+\* [2023 Form of TRSU Award Agreement \(Non-Executive Officers\) under the Seadrill Limited 2022 Management Incentive Plan.](#)
- 10.10+\* [2023 Form of PRSU Award Agreement \(Non-Executive Officers\) under the Seadrill Limited 2022 Management Incentive Plan.](#)
- 10.11+\* [2023 Form of TRSU Award Agreement \(Executive Officers\) under the Seadrill Limited 2022 Management Incentive Plan.](#)
- 10.12+\* [2023 Form of PRSU Award Agreement \(Executive Officers\) under the Seadrill Limited 2022 Management Incentive Plan.](#)
- 10.13+\* [2024 Form of TRSU Award Agreement \(Executive Officers\) under the Amended and Restated Seadrill Limited 2022 Management Incentive Plan.](#)
- 10.14+\* [2024 Form of PRSU Award Agreement \(Executive Officers\) under the Amended and Restated Seadrill Limited 2022 Management Incentive Plan.](#)
- 10.15+\* [2024 Form of TRSU Award Agreement \(Directors\) under the Amended and Restated Seadrill Limited 2022 Management Incentive Plan.](#)
- 10.16+†\* [2024 Seadrill Short Term Incentive Plan.](#)
- 10.17+^\* [Employment Agreement, dated as of November 21, 2023, by and among Seadrill Americas, Inc., Seadrill Management Limited, and Simon Johnson.](#)
- 10.18+^\* [Employment Agreement, dated as of November 21, 2023, by and among Seadrill Americas, Inc., Seadrill Management Limited, and Grant Creed.](#)
- 10.19+^\* [Employment Agreement, dated as of November 21, 2023, by and between Seadrill Americas, Inc. and Samir Ali.](#)



- 10.20+^\* [Employment Agreement, dated as of November 21, 2023, by and among Seadrill Americas, Inc., Seadrill Management Limited, and Torsten Sauer-Petersen.](#)
- 10.21+^\* [Employment Agreement, dated as of November 21, 2023, by and between Seadrill Americas, Inc. and Todd Strickler.](#)
- 10.22+^\* [Employment Agreement, dated as of December 14, 2023, by and between Seadrill Americas, Inc. and Marcel Wieggers.](#)
- 10.23+\* [Amendment No. 1 to Employment Agreement, dated as of September 30, 2024, by and between Seadrill Americas, Inc. and Simon Johnson.](#)
- 10.24+\* [Amendment No. 1 to Employment Agreement, dated as of October 8, 2024, by and between Seadrill Americas, Inc. and Grant Creed.](#)
- 10.25+\* [Amendment No. 1 to Employment Agreement, dated as of October 2, 2024, by and between Seadrill Americas, Inc. and Samir Ali.](#)
- 10.26+\* [Amendment No. 1 to Employment Agreement, dated as of September 30, 2024, by and between Seadrill Americas, Inc. and Torsten Sauer-Petersen.](#)
- 10.27+\* [Amendment No. 1 to Employment Agreement, dated as of September 30, 2024, by and between Seadrill Americas, Inc. and Todd Strickler.](#)
- 10.28+\* [Amendment No. 1 to Employment Agreement, dated as of October 1, 2024, by and between Seadrill Americas, Inc. and Marcel Wieggers.](#)
- 10.29+\* [Form of Deed of Indemnity, by and between Seadrill Limited and its directors.](#)
- 10.30+\* [Form of Deed of Indemnity \(Employee\), by and between Seadrill Limited and certain of its executive officers.](#)
- 10.31+\* [Form of Deed of Indemnity \(Senior Employee\), by and between Seadrill Limited and certain of its executive officers.](#)
- 19.1\* [Insider trading policy](#)
- 21.1\* [List of subsidiaries of Seadrill Limited](#)
- 23.1\* [Consent of PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP, independent registered public accounting firm \(Seadrill Limited\) \(Successor\).](#)
- 23.2\* [Consent of PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP, independent registered public accounting firm \(Seadrill Limited\) \(Predecessor\).](#)
- 31.1\* [Certification of the Principal Executive Officer pursuant to Rule 13a-14\(a\) and Rule 15d-14\(a\) of the Securities Exchange Act, as amended.](#)
- 31.2\* [Certification of the Principal Financial Officer pursuant to Rule 13a-14\(a\) and Rule 15d-14\(a\) of the Securities Exchange Act, as amended.](#)
- 32.1\*\* [Certification of the Principal Executive Officer pursuant to 18 USC Section 1350, as adopted, pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.](#)
- 32.2\*\* [Certification of the Principal Financial Officer pursuant to 18 USC Section 1350, as adopted, pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.](#)
- 97.1 [Seadrill Limited Policy for the Recovery of Erroneously Awarded Compensation \(incorporated by reference to Exhibit 97.1 to Seadrill Limited's Report on Form 20-F filed with the SEC on March 27, 2024\).](#)
- 101.INS \* Inline XBRL Instance Document
- 101.SCH \* Inline XBRL Taxonomy Extension Schema
- 101.CAL \* Inline XBRL Taxonomy Extension Schema Calculation Linkbase
- 101.DEF \* Inline XBRL Taxonomy Extension Definition Linkbase
- 101.LAB \* Inline XBRL Taxonomy Extension Label Linkbase
- 101.PRE \* Inline XBRL Taxonomy Extension Presentation Linkbase
- 104 \* Cover Page Interactive Data File (embedded within the Inline XBRL document and contained in Exhibit 101)

- † Certain of the exhibits and schedules to this Exhibit have been omitted in accordance with Item 601(a)(5) of Regulation S-K and will be provided to the SEC upon request.
- ‡ Certain portions of this Exhibit have been redacted in accordance with Item 601(b)(10)(iv) of Regulation S-K. The registrant agrees to furnish supplementally an unredacted copy of this Exhibit to the SEC upon request.
- ^ Certain personally identifiable information contained in this Exhibit has been redacted pursuant to Item 601(a)(6) of Regulation S-K.
- + Management contract or compensatory plan or arrangement.
- \* Filed herewith.
- \*\* Furnished herewith

**Item 16. Form 10-K Summary**

None.

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## SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized, on February 27, 2025.

Seadrill Limited  
(Registrant)

By: /s/ Simon Johnson  
Name: Simon Johnson  
Title: President and Chief Executive Officer

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, this report has been signed below by the following persons on behalf of the registrant and in the capacities and on the dates indicated.

<u>Signatures</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Date</u>
<u>/s/ Simon Johnson</u> Simon Johnson	President and Chief Executive Officer (principal executive officer)	February 27, 2025
<u>/s/ Grant Creed</u> Grant Creed	Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer (principal financial officer, principal accounting officer)	February 27, 2025
<u>/s/ Julie Johnson Robertson</u> Julie Johnson Robertson	Chair of the Board	February 27, 2025
<u>/s/ Mark A. McCollum</u> Mark A. McCollum	Director	February 27, 2025
<u>/s/ Jean Cahuzac</u> Jean Cahuzac	Director	February 27, 2025
<u>/s/ Jan B. Kjærвик</u> Jan B. Kjærвик	Director	February 27, 2025
<u>/s/ Andrew Schultz</u> Andrew Schultz	Director	February 27, 2025
<u>/s/ Paul Smith</u> Paul Smith	Director	February 27, 2025
<u>/s/ Ana Zambelli</u> Ana Zambelli	Director	February 27, 2025
<u>/s/ Harry Quarls</u> Harry Quarls	Director	February 27, 2025
<u>/s/ Jonathan Swinney</u> Jonathan Swinney	Director	February 27, 2025



Exhibit 4.1

## Description of Securities Registered Pursuant to Section 12 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Seadrill Limited (previously known as Seadrill 2021 Limited) (the "Company") has the following series of securities registered pursuant to Section 12 of the U.S. Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended:

<u>Title of class</u>	<u>Trading Symbol</u>	<u>Name of U.S. exchange on which registered</u>
Common Shares, par value \$0.01 per share	SDRL	New York Stock Exchange ("NYSE")

The following is a description of the common shares, par value \$0.01 per share (the "Common Shares"), of the Company, and related provisions of the Company's certificate of incorporation, memorandum of association and bye-laws (the "Bye-Laws"). This description is only a summary and does not purport to be complete and is qualified in its entirety by reference to, and should be read in conjunction with, the full text of such documents, which are filed as Exhibit 3.1, Exhibit 3.2 and Exhibit 3.5, respectively, to the Company's annual report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2024 (the "Annual Report"), and the applicable provisions of Bermuda law. You are urged to read the exhibits for a complete understanding of the Company's certificate of incorporation, memorandum of association and Bye-Laws. Capitalized terms used in this section that are not defined herein have the meanings given to them in the Bye-Laws.

The Company is an exempted company limited by shares incorporated under the laws of Bermuda with registration number 202100496 and in accordance with the Companies Act 1981 of Bermuda (the "BCA"). The Company was incorporated on October 15, 2021 under the name Seadrill 2021 Limited. On the Emergence Effective Date (as defined below), its name was changed to Seadrill Limited.

On February 7, 2021 and February 10, 2021, the Company and the majority of its subsidiaries filed voluntary petitions for reorganization under Chapter 11 of the U.S. Bankruptcy Code in the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Southern District of Texas (the "Bankruptcy Court"). On July 23, 2021, the Company entered into a Plan Support and Lock-Up Agreement. On July 24, 2021, the Company filed the first versions of the Joint Chapter 11 Plan of Reorganization and Disclosure Statement. On August 31, 2021, the Company filed the First Amended Plan of Reorganization and the First Amended Disclosure Statement and on September 2, 2021, the Bankruptcy Court approved the First Amended Disclosure Statement (as Modified) and the solicitation of the Plan of Reorganization. On October 11, 2021, the Company's creditor classes voted to accept the plan of reorganization. On October 26, 2021, the Company's Plan of Reorganization was confirmed by the Bankruptcy Court (as so confirmed, the "Plan"). On February 22, 2022 (the "Emergence Effective Date"), the Company concluded its comprehensive restructuring process and emerged from Chapter 11 bankruptcy protection.

### Authorized Capitalization

The Company has an authorised share capital of 375,000,000 Common Shares.

### Common Shares

#### Voting

At any general meeting of shareholders, every holder of Common Shares present in person and every person holding a valid proxy shall have one vote on a show of hands. If a poll vote has been demanded in accordance with the provisions of the Bye-Laws, every holder of Common Shares present in person or by proxy shall have one vote for every Common Share held, however a shareholder entitled to more than one vote need not use all their votes or cast all their votes in the same way. Unless a different majority is required by law or by the Bye-Laws, resolutions to be approved by the holders of Common Shares require approval by a simple majority of votes cast at a meeting at



which a quorum is present. Pursuant to the Bye-Laws, the quorum required for a general meeting of shareholders is two or more persons present throughout the meeting representing in person or by proxy any issued and outstanding Common Shares.

Except where a greater majority is required by the BCA or the Bye-Laws, any question proposed for the consideration of the shareholders at a general meeting shall be decided by the affirmative votes of a majority of the votes cast in accordance with the provisions of the Bye-Laws. In case of an equality of votes, the chairman of such meeting shall not be entitled to a second or deciding vote and the resolution shall fail.

Directors will be elected at each annual general meeting to serve until the next annual general meeting or until their office is otherwise vacated in accordance with the Bye-Laws. Directors may also be elected at a special general meeting. There is no classification of the board of directors of the Company (the "Board") and cumulative voting for directors is not permitted. Directors will be elected or re-elected by a majority of votes cast in accordance with the Bye-Laws.

#### *Conversion, Redemption and Preemptive Rights*

The holders of Common Shares have no conversion, redemption or pre-emptive rights.

#### *Dividend Rights*

Under Bermuda law, a company may not declare or pay a dividend or make a distribution out of the contributed surplus, if there are reasonable grounds for believing that: (i) the company is, or would after the payment be, unable to pay its liabilities as they become due; or (ii) that the realizable value of its assets would thereby be less than its liabilities. Under the Bye-Laws, each Common Share is entitled to dividends if, and when dividends are declared by the Board, subject to any preferred dividend right of the holders of any preference shares.

Pursuant to the Bye-Laws, any dividend and/or other moneys payable in respect of a share which has remained unclaimed for six (6) years from the date when it became due for payment shall, if the Board so resolves, be forfeited and cease to remain owing by the Company.

#### *Capitalization of Profits and Reserves*

Pursuant to the Bye-Laws, the Board may (i) capitalize any amount for the time being standing to the credit of the Company's share premium or other reserve accounts or any amount credited to the Company's profit and loss account or otherwise available for distribution by applying such sum in paying up unissued shares to be allotted as fully paid bonus shares pro-rata (except in connection with the conversion of shares of one class to shares of another class) to the shareholders; or (ii) capitalize any amount for the time being standing to the credit of a reserve account or amounts otherwise available for dividend or distribution by applying such amounts in full, partly paid or nil paid shares of those shareholders who would have been entitled to such sums if they were distributed by way of dividend or distribution.

#### *Rights Upon Liquidation*

In the event of a dissolution or winding up of the Company, whether voluntary or involuntary or for the purpose of a reorganization or otherwise or upon any distribution of capital, the holders of Common Shares are entitled to the surplus assets of the Company available for distribution among all shareholders of Common Shares on a *pari passu* and pro rata basis.

#### *No Liability for Further Calls or Assessments*

The Common Shares are duly and validly issued, fully paid and non-assessable (which term means that no further sums are required to be paid by the holders thereof in connection with the issue of such Common Shares).



#### *No Sinking Fund*

The Common Shares have no sinking fund rights.

#### *Repurchase*

The Company may purchase its own shares for cancellation or acquire them as treasury shares in accordance with the BCA on such terms as the Board shall think fit. The Board may exercise all the powers of the Company to purchase or acquire all or any part of its own shares in accordance with the BCA.

#### *Restriction on Transfer*

Subject to the BCA and to such of the restrictions contained in the Bye-laws as may be applicable and to the provisions of any applicable United States securities laws (including, without limitation, the U.S. Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "Securities Act"), and the rules promulgated thereunder), the shares of the Company are freely transferable. However, the Bye-Laws provide that the Board may decline to register, and may require any registrar appointed by the Company to decline to register, a transfer of a share of the Company or any interest therein held through the Norwegian Central Securities Depository ("VPS") if such transfer would be likely, in the opinion of the Board, to result in 50% or more of the issued share capital (or of the votes attaching all issued shares in the Company) being held or owned directly or indirectly by persons resident for tax purposes in Norway. A failure to notify the Company of such correction or change can lead to the shareholder's entitlement to vote, exercise other rights attaching to the shares of the Company or interests therein being sold at the best price reasonably obtainable in all the circumstances. Furthermore, if such holding of 50% or more by individuals or legal persons resident for tax purposes in Norway or connected to a Norwegian business activity, the Bye-Laws require the Board to make an announcement through the Oslo Stock Exchange (the "OSE"), and the Board and the registrar appointed by the Company are then entitled to dispose of Common Shares or interests therein to bring such holding by an individual or legal person resident for tax purposes in Norway or connected to a Norwegian business below 50%—the shares of the Company or interests therein to be sold being first those held by holders who failed to comply with the above notification requirement, and thereafter those that were acquired most recently by the shareholders.

The Company has been designated by the Bermuda Monetary Authority as a non-resident for Bermuda exchange control purposes. This designation allows the Company to engage in transactions in currencies other than the Bermuda dollar, and there are no restrictions on its ability to transfer funds (other than funds denominated in Bermuda dollars) in and out of Bermuda or to pay dividends to United States residents who are holders of Common Shares. The Bermuda Monetary Authority has given its consent for the issue and free transferability of all Common Shares from and/or to non-residents and residents of Bermuda for exchange control purposes, provided the Common Shares remain listed on an Appointed Stock Exchange (as such term is defined under the BCA), which includes the OSE and the NYSE. Consents or permissions given by the Bermuda Monetary Authority do not constitute a guarantee by the Bermuda Monetary Authority as to the Company's performance or creditworthiness. Accordingly, in giving such consent or permissions, the Bermuda Monetary Authority shall not be liable for the financial soundness, performance or default of the Company's business or for the correctness of any opinions or statements expressed in this registration statement. Certain issues and transfers of Common Shares involving persons deemed resident in Bermuda for exchange control purposes require the specific consent of the Bermuda Monetary Authority.

Notwithstanding anything else to the contrary in the Bye-Laws, shares that are listed or admitted to trading on an Appointed Stock Exchange may be transferred in accordance with the rules and regulations of such exchange. All transfers of uncertificated shares shall be made in accordance with and be subject to the facilities and requirements of the transfer of title to shares in that class by means of the VPS or any other relevant system concerned and, subject thereto, in accordance with any arrangements made by the Board in its discretion in accordance with the Bye-Laws. The Board may in its absolute discretion refuse to register the transfer of a share that is not fully paid. The Board may also refuse to recognize an instrument of transfer of a share unless (i) the instrument is duly stamped and lodged with the Company accompanied by the relevant share certificate to which it relates (if one has been issued) and such other evidence of the transferor's right to make the transfer as the Board may reasonably require, (ii) the instrument of transfer is in respect of only one class of share and/or (iii) all applicable consents, authorizations and permissions of any governmental body or agency in Bermuda (including the Bermuda Monetary Authority) with respect thereto have been obtained. Pursuant to the Bye-Laws, if the Board is of the opinion that a



transfer may breach any law or requirement of any authority or any stock exchange or quotation system upon which any of the Common Shares are listed (from time to time), then registration of the transfer shall be declined until the Board receives satisfactory evidence that no such breach would occur. Subject to these restrictions and any other restrictions in the Bye-Laws and to the BCA and applicable United States laws (including, without limitation, the Securities Act and related regulations), a holder of Common Shares may transfer the title to all or any of its Common Shares by completing an instrument of transfer in the usual common form or in such other form as the Board may approve. The instrument of transfer must be signed by the transferor and, in the case of a share that is not fully paid, the transferee. The Board may also implement arrangements in relation to the evidencing of title to and the transfer of uncertified shares.

In accordance with Bermuda law, share certificates are only issued in the names of companies, partnerships or individuals. In the case of a shareholder acting in a special capacity (for example as a trustee), certificates may, at the request of the shareholder, record the capacity in which the shareholder is acting. Notwithstanding such recording of any special capacity, the Company is not bound to investigate or see to the execution of any such trust. The Company will take no notice of any trust applicable to any of the Common Shares, whether or not the Company has been notified of such trust.

#### *Meetings of Shareholders*

Under Bermuda law, a company is required to convene at least one general meeting of shareholders in each calendar year (the "annual general meeting"). However, the shareholders of a company may by resolution waive this requirement, either for a specific year or period of time, or indefinitely. When the requirement has been so waived, any shareholder may, on notice to the company, terminate the waiver, in which case an annual general meeting must be called. The annual general meeting of the Company shall be held once in every year at such time and place as the Board appoints but in no event shall any such annual general meeting be held in Norway or the United Kingdom.

Pursuant to Bermuda law and the Bye-Laws, the Board may call for a special general meeting whenever they think fit, and the Board must call for a special general meeting upon the request of shareholders holding not less than 10% of the paid-up capital of the Company carrying the right to vote at general meetings. Bermuda law also requires that shareholders of a company are given at least five (5) days' advance notice of a special general meeting, unless notice is waived. The Bye-Laws provide that the Board may convene a special general meeting whenever in their judgement such meeting is necessary, but in no event shall any such special general meeting be held in Norway or the United Kingdom. Under the Bye-Laws, at least ten (10) days' notice of an annual general meeting must be given to each shareholder entitled to attend and vote thereat, stating the date, place and time at which the meeting is to be held. At least ten (10) days' notice of a special general meeting must be given to each shareholder entitled to attend and vote thereat, stating the date, place and time and the general nature of the business to be considered at the meeting. No business shall be conducted at any annual general meeting or any a special general meeting except for the business set forth in the notice of such meeting provided to each shareholder of the Company. This notice requirement is subject to the ability to hold such meetings on shorter notice if such notice is agreed: (i) in the case of an annual general meeting, by all of the shareholders entitled to attend and vote at such meeting; and (ii) in the case of a special general meeting, by a majority in number of the shareholders having the right to attend and vote at the meeting, being a majority together holding not less than 95% in nominal value of the shares giving the right to attend and vote at such meeting. Pursuant to the Bye-Laws, the quorum required for a general meeting of shareholders is two or more persons present throughout the meeting representing in person or by proxy any issued and outstanding Common Shares.

The accidental omission to give notice of a general meeting to, or the non-receipt of a notice of a general meeting by, any person entitled to receive notice does not invalidate the proceedings at that meeting.

The BCA provides that, unless otherwise provided in a company's bye-laws, shareholders may take any action by resolution in writing provided that notice of such resolution is circulated, along with a copy of the resolution, to all shareholders who would be entitled to attend a meeting and vote on the resolution. Such resolution in writing must be signed by the shareholders of the company who, at the date of the notice, represent such majority of votes as would be required if the resolution had been voted on at a meeting of the shareholders. The BCA provides that the



following actions may not be taken by resolution in writing: (1) the removal of the company's auditors and (2) the removal of a director before the expiration of his or her term of office.

The Bye-Laws provide that anything which may be done by resolution of the Company in a general meeting or by resolution of a meeting of any class of the shareholders may be done by written resolution in accordance with the Bye-Laws.

#### *Shareholder Proposals*

Under Bermuda law, shareholders may, as set forth below and at their own expense (unless the company otherwise resolves), require the company to: (i) give notice to all shareholders entitled to receive notice of the annual general meeting of any resolution that the shareholders may properly move at the next annual general meeting; and/or (ii) circulate to all shareholders entitled to receive notice of any general meeting a statement (of not more than one thousand words) in respect of any matter referred to in the proposed resolution or any business to be conducted at such general meeting. The number of shareholders necessary for such a requisition is either: (i) any number of shareholders representing not less than 5% of the total voting rights of all shareholders entitled to vote at the meeting to which the requisition relates; or (ii) not less than 100 shareholders.

The Bye-Laws establish an advance notice procedure that must be followed by shareholders if they wish to nominate candidates for election as directors at a general meeting of shareholders. The Bye-Laws provide generally that, if a shareholder desires to propose a candidate for election as a director at (a) an annual general meeting, then such shareholder must give notice not less than 90 days nor more than 120 days prior to the anniversary of the last annual general meeting or, in the event the annual general meeting is called for a date that is greater than 30 days before or after such anniversary, the notice must be given not later than 10 days following the earlier of the date on which notice of the annual general meeting was posted to shareholders or the date on which public disclosure of the date of the annual general meeting was made; and (b) a special general meeting, such notice must be given not later than 10 days following the earlier of the date on which notice of the special general meeting was posted to shareholders or the date on which public disclosure of the date of the special general meeting was made. The notice must contain specified information concerning the nominee and the shareholder submitting the proposal including such shareholder's beneficial owner, if any. Any shareholder may propose or nominate persons to the Board, however only nominees proposed by one or more shareholders holding at least 10% of the issued and outstanding shares of the Company must be included on the slate of nominees put before the shareholders for consideration.

#### *Amalgamations and Mergers*

The amalgamation or merger of a Bermuda company with another company or corporation (other than certain affiliated companies) requires the amalgamation or merger agreement to be approved by the Board and by the Company's shareholders. Pursuant to Bermuda law, unless the bye-laws provide otherwise, the approval of 75% of the shareholders voting at such meeting is required to approve the amalgamation or merger agreement, and the quorum for such meeting must be two persons holding or representing more than one-third of the issued shares of the company. The Bye-Laws provide that any such amalgamation or merger must be approved by the affirmative vote of at least a majority of the votes cast at a general meeting of the Company at which the quorum shall be two or more shareholders throughout the meeting and representing in person or by proxy in excess of 25% of the total voting rights of all issued and outstanding shares of the Company.

Under Bermuda law, in the event of an amalgamation or merger of a Bermuda company with another company or corporation, a shareholder of the Bermuda company who did not vote in favor of the amalgamation or merger and who is not satisfied that fair value has been offered for such shareholder's shares may, within one month of notice of the relevant general meeting of shareholders, apply to the Supreme Court of Bermuda to appraise the fair value of those shares.

#### *Compulsory Acquisition of Shares Held by Minority Shareholders*



An acquiring party is generally able to acquire compulsorily the common shares of a minority shareholder of a Bermuda company in the following ways:

- By procedure under the BCA known as a “scheme of arrangement”. A scheme of arrangement could be effected by obtaining the agreement of the company and of holders of common shares, representing in the aggregate a majority in number and at least 75% in value of the common shareholders present and voting at a court ordered meeting held to consider the scheme of arrangement. The scheme of arrangement must then be sanctioned by the Bermuda Supreme Court. If a scheme of arrangement receives all necessary agreements and sanctions, upon the filing of the court order with the Bermuda Registrar of Companies, all holders of common shares could be compelled to sell their common shares under the terms of the scheme of arrangement.
- If the acquiring party is a company it may compulsorily acquire all the shares of the target company, by acquiring pursuant to a tender offer 90% of the shares or class of shares not already owned by, or by a nominee for, the acquiring party (the offeror), or any of its subsidiaries. If an offeror has, within four months after the making of an offer for all the shares or class of shares not owned by, or by a nominee for, the offeror, or any of its subsidiaries, obtained the approval of the holders of 90% or more of all the shares to which the offer relates, the offeror may, at any time within two months beginning with the date on which the approval was obtained, require by notice any non-tendering shareholder to transfer its shares on the same terms as the original offer. In those circumstances, non-tendering shareholders will be compelled to sell their shares unless the Supreme Court of Bermuda (on application made within a one-month period from the date of the offeror’s notice of its intention to acquire such shares) orders otherwise.
- Where the acquiring party or parties hold not less than 95% of the shares or class of shares of the company, such holder(s) may, pursuant to a notice given to the remaining shareholders or class of shareholders, acquire the shares of such remaining shareholders or class of shareholders. When this notice is given, the acquiring party is entitled and bound to acquire the shares of the remaining shareholders on the terms set out in the notice, unless a remaining shareholder, within one month of receiving such notice, applies to the Supreme Court of Bermuda for an appraisal of the value of their shares. This provision only applies where the acquiring party offers the same terms to all holders of shares whose shares are being acquired.

#### *Restrictions on Business Combinations.*

As a Bermuda company, the Company is not subject to Section 203 of the Delaware General Corporation Law, which restricts business combinations with interested shareholders.

#### **Anti-Takeover Considerations**

Some provisions of Bermuda law and the Bye-Laws summarized above could make certain change of control transactions or changes to management more difficult. It is possible that these provisions would make it more difficult to accomplish or deter transactions that a shareholder might consider in its best interest.

#### **Amendment of the Memorandum of Association and Bye-Laws**

Bermuda law provides that the memorandum of association of a company may be amended in the manner provided for in the BCA, *i.e.*, by a resolution passed by the Board and resolution at a general meeting of shareholders. Pursuant to the Bye-Laws, no bye-law may be rescinded, altered or amended and no new bye-law may be made, save in accordance with the BCA, and until the same has been approved by a resolution of the Board and by a resolution of the shareholders including the affirmative vote of not less than two-thirds of all votes cast at a general meeting.

Under Bermuda law, the holders of an aggregate of not less than 20% in par value of the Company’s issued share capital or any class thereof have the right to apply to the Supreme Court of Bermuda for an annulment of any amendment of the memorandum of association adopted by shareholders at any general meeting, other than an amendment which alters or reduces a company’s share capital as provided in the BCA. Where such an application is made, the amendment becomes effective only to the extent that it is confirmed by the Supreme Court of Bermuda.



An application for an annulment of an amendment of the memorandum of association must be made within 21 days after the date on which the resolution altering the Company's memorandum of association is passed and may be made on behalf of persons entitled to make the application or by one or more of their numbers as they may appoint in writing for the purpose. No application may be made by shareholders voting in favor of the amendment.

#### **Transfer Agent and Registrar**

The transfer agent and registrar for the Common Shares is Computershare Inc.

#### **Bankruptcy Registration Rights Agreement**

Pursuant to the Plan, on February 22, 2022, the Company entered into a registration rights agreement (the "Bankruptcy Registration Rights Agreement") with certain holders of Common Shares and the Company's convertible notes ("Holders"). The Bankruptcy Registration Rights Agreement, among other things, grants Holders demand and shelf registration rights as well as piggyback registration rights, subject to the limitations set forth in the Bankruptcy Registration Rights Agreement. Pursuant to their registration rights, Holders have the right to request in writing that the Company register for resale all or part of the Registrable Securities (as defined in the Bankruptcy Registration Rights Agreement) pursuant to an effective registration statement, subject to certain conditions.

The foregoing description does not purport to be complete and is qualified in its entirety by reference to the full text of the Bankruptcy Registration Rights Agreement, which is filed as Exhibit 10.1 to the Annual Report.

#### **Merger Registration Rights Agreement**

Pursuant to the Agreement and Plan of Merger, by and among the Company, Aquadrill LLC (formerly Seadrill Partners LLC) ("Aquadrill") and Seadrill Merger Sub, LLC ("Merger Sub"), pursuant to which Merger Sub merged with and into Aquadrill, with Aquadrill surviving the merger as a wholly owned subsidiary of the Company (the "Merger"), on April 3, 2023, in connection with the closing of the Merger, the Company entered into a registration rights agreement (the "Merger Registration Rights Agreement") in favor of certain holders and beneficial owners of Aquadrill common units, collectively holding more than 75% of the issued and outstanding Aquadrill common units and each of which, either individually or together with its affiliated investment funds or other entities managed or advised by it, held over five percent of the issued and outstanding Aquadrill common units. The Merger Registration Rights Agreement provides for customary demand and piggyback registration rights consistent with the Company's existing obligations under the Bankruptcy Registration Rights Agreement.

The foregoing description does not purport to be complete and is qualified in its entirety by reference to the full text of the Merger Registration Rights Agreement, which is filed as Exhibit 10.3 to the Annual Report.

#### **Indemnification of Directors and Officers**

Section 98 of the BCA provides generally that a Bermuda company may indemnify its directors, officers and auditors against any liability which by virtue of any rule of law would otherwise be imposed on them in respect of any negligence, default, breach of duty or breach of trust, except in cases where such liability arises from fraud or dishonesty of which such director, officer or auditor may be guilty in relation to the company or any subsidiary thereof. Section 98 further provides that a Bermuda company may indemnify its directors, officers and auditors against any liability incurred by them in defending any proceedings, whether civil or criminal, in which judgment is awarded in their favor or in which they are acquitted or granted relief by the Supreme Court of Bermuda pursuant to section 281 of the BCA.

The Bye-Laws provide that the Directors, Resident Representative, Secretary and other Officers (such terms to include any person appointed to any committee by the Board and are as defined in the Bye-Laws) of the Company acting in relation to any of the affairs of the Company or any subsidiary thereof and the liquidator or trustees (if any) acting in relation to any of the affairs of the Company or any subsidiary thereof and every one of them (whether for the time being or formerly), and their heirs, executors and administrators (each of which an "indemnified party"),



shall be indemnified and secured harmless out of the assets of the Company from and against all actions, costs, charges, losses, damages and expenses which they or any of them, their heirs, executors or administrators, shall or may incur or sustain by or by reason of any act done, concurred in or omitted in or about the execution of their duty, or supposed duty, or in their respective offices or trusts, and no indemnified party shall be answerable for the acts, receipts, neglects or defaults of the others of them or for joining in any receipts for the sake of conformity, or for any bankers or other persons with whom any moneys or effects belonging to the Company shall be lodged or deposited for safe custody, or for insufficiency or deficiency of any security upon which any moneys of or belonging to the Company shall be placed out on or invested, or for any other loss, misfortune or damage which may happen in the execution of their respective offices or trusts, or in relation thereto, provided that such indemnity shall not extend to any matter in respect of any fraud or dishonesty in relation to the Company which may attach to any of the indemnified parties. Each shareholder agrees to waive any claim or right of action such shareholder might have, whether individually or by or in the right of the Company, against any Director or Officer of the Company on account of any action taken by such Director or Officer, or the failure of such Director or Officer to take any action in the performance of his duties with or for the Company or any subsidiary thereof, provided that such waiver shall not extend to any matter in respect of any fraud or dishonesty in relation to the Company which may attach to such Director or Officer.

The Company may purchase and maintain insurance for the benefit of any Director or Officer of the Company against any liability incurred by them under the BCA in his capacity as a Director or Officer or indemnifying such Director or Officer in respect of any loss arising or liability attaching to them by virtue of any rule of law in respect of any negligence, default, breach of duty or breach of trust of which the Director or Officer may be guilty in relation to the Company or any subsidiary thereof.

The Company may advance moneys to a Director or Officer of the Company for the costs, charges and expenses incurred by the Director or Officer in defending any civil or criminal proceedings against them, on condition that the Director or Officer shall repay the advance if any allegation of fraud or dishonesty in relation to the Company is proved against them.



Exhibit 4.6

## SECOND SUPPLEMENTAL INDENTURE

THIS SECOND SUPPLEMENTAL INDENTURE (this “**Second Supplemental Indenture**”), entered into as of September 20, 2023 among SEADRILL FINANCE LIMITED, an exempted company incorporated under the laws of Bermuda (the “**Issuer**”), and Seadrill Serviços de Petróleo Ltda., a limited liability company incorporated under the laws of Brazil (the “**Undersigned**”), and GLAS TRUST COMPANY LLC, as trustee (the “**Trustee**”) and collateral trustee (the “**Collateral Trustee**”).

### RECITALS

WHEREAS, the Issuer, SEADRILL LIMITED, an exempted company incorporated under the laws of Bermuda (the “**Company**”), the Guarantors party thereto, the Trustee and the Collateral Trustee entered into an Indenture, dated as of July 27, 2023 (as amended and supplemented to date, the “**Indenture**”), relating to the Issuer’s 8.375% Senior Secured Second Lien Notes due 2030 (the “**Notes**”); and WHEREAS, as a condition to the Trustee entering into the Indenture and the purchase of the Notes by the Holders, the Issuer agreed pursuant to the Indenture to cause any Restricted Subsidiary of the Company (other than the Issuer) that guarantees any Debt of the Issuer or any Guarantor under the Credit Agreement or any other syndicated credit facility or capital markets debt in an aggregate principal amount in excess of \$35,000,000 to provide a Note Guaranty.

### AGREEMENT

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the premises and mutual covenants herein contained and intending to be legally bound, the parties to this Second Supplemental Indenture hereby agree as follows:

Section 1. Capitalized terms used herein and not otherwise defined herein are used as defined in the Indenture.

Section 2. The Undersigned, by its execution of this Second Supplemental Indenture, agrees to be a Guarantor under the Indenture and to be bound by the terms of the Indenture applicable to Guarantors, including, but not limited to, Article 10 thereof.

Section 3. This Second Supplemental Indenture shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of New York, but without giving effect to applicable principles of conflicts of law to the extent that the application of the laws of another jurisdiction would be required thereby. For the avoidance of doubt, any disputes arising under or relating to this Second Supplemental Indenture or any Related Proceedings shall be subject to the non-exclusive jurisdiction of any New York State or United States Federal court sitting in The City of New York, Borough of Manhattan and each party to this Second Supplemental Indenture agrees that Section 12.09 of the Indenture shall continue to apply to this Second Supplemental Indenture.

Section 4. This Second Supplemental Indenture may be signed in various counterparts which together will constitute one and the same instrument. Delivery of an executed signature page by facsimile or electronic transmission (e.g. “pdf” or “tif”), or any electronic signature complying with the U.S. federal ESIGN Act of 2000, Uniform Electronic

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Transactions Act or other applicable law, e.g., [www.docusign.com](http://www.docusign.com), shall be effective as delivery of a manually executed counterpart hereof.

Section 5. This Second Supplemental Indenture is an amendment supplemental to the Indenture, and the Indenture and this Second Supplemental Indenture will henceforth be read together.

Section 6. The recitals and statements herein are deemed to be those of the Issuer and the Undersigned and not the Trustee or the Collateral Trustee. The Trustee and the Collateral Trustee shall not be responsible in any manner whatsoever for or in respect of the validity or sufficiency of this Second Supplemental Indenture or the Note Guaranty provided by the Guarantors party to this Second Supplemental Indenture.

Section 7. All notices or other communications to the Issuer and the Guarantors shall be given as provided in Section 12.02 of the Indenture.

Section 8.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have caused this Second Supplemental Indenture to be duly executed as of the date first above written.

EXECUTED as a deed by SEADRILL FINANCE LIMITED

acting by an authorized signatory

in the presence of:

Witness' Signature /s/ Temi Bankole

Name: Temi Bankole

Address: ADDRESS REDACTED

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) /s/ Grant Creed

) *Signature of authorized signatory*

*Name: Grant Creed*

*Signature Page to Second Supplemental Indenture*

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SERVIÇOS DE PETRÓLEO LTDA.

By: /s/ Leonardo de Andrade Oliveira

Name: Leonardo de Andrade Oliveira

Title: Director

Witnesses:

/s/ Adriana G. da Fonseca Lontra Zeldenrust /s/ Julia Pinto de Oliveira

Name: Adriana G. da Fonseca Lontra Zeldenrust Name: Julia Pinto de Oliveira

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GLAS TRUST COMPANY LLC, as Trustee

By: /s/ Katie Fischer

Name: Katie Fischer

Title: Vice President

GLAS TRUST COMPANY LLC, as Collateral Trustee

By: /s/ Katie Fischer

Name: Katie Fischer

Title: Vice President

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#### FOURTH SUPPLEMENTAL INDENTURE

THIS FOURTH SUPPLEMENTAL INDENTURE (this “**Fourth Supplemental Indenture**”), entered into as of December 12, 2024 among SEADRILL FINANCE LIMITED, an exempted company incorporated under the laws of Bermuda (the “**Issuer**”), Seadrill T-16 Ltd., an exempted company incorporated under the laws of Bermuda (the “**Undersigned**”), and GLAS TRUST COMPANY LLC, as trustee (the “**Trustee**”) and collateral trustee (the “**Collateral Trustee**”).

#### RECITALS

WHEREAS, the Issuer, SEADRILL LIMITED, an exempted company incorporated under the laws of Bermuda (the “**Company**”), the other Guarantors party thereto, the Trustee and the Collateral Trustee entered into an Indenture, dated as of July 27, 2023 (as amended by (i) a first supplemental indenture dated August 8, 2023, (ii) a second supplemental indenture dated September 20, 2023 and (iii) a third supplemental indenture dated October 15, 2024, and as further amended, restated and supplemented or otherwise modified from time to time, the “**Indenture**”), relating to the Issuer’s 8.375% Senior Secured Second Lien Notes due 2030 (the “**Notes**”); and WHEREAS, as a condition to the Trustee entering into the Indenture and the purchase of the Notes by the Holders, the Issuer agreed pursuant to the Indenture to cause any Restricted Subsidiary of the Company (other than the Issuer) that guarantees any Debt of the Issuer or any Guarantor under the Credit Agreement or any other syndicated credit facility or capital markets debt in an aggregate principal amount in excess of \$35,000,000 to provide a Note Guaranty.

#### AGREEMENT

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the premises and mutual covenants herein contained and intending to be legally bound, the parties to this Fourth Supplemental Indenture hereby agree as follows:

Section 1. Capitalized terms used herein and not otherwise defined herein are used as defined in the Indenture.

Section 2. The Undersigned, by its execution of this Fourth Supplemental Indenture, agrees to be a Guarantor under the Indenture and to be bound by the terms of the Indenture applicable to Guarantors, including, but not limited to, Article 10 thereof.

Section 3. This Fourth Supplemental Indenture shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of New York, but without giving effect to applicable principles of conflicts of law to the extent that the application of the laws of another jurisdiction would be required thereby.

Section 4. This Fourth Supplemental Indenture may be signed in various counterparts which together will constitute one and the same instrument. Delivery of an executed signature page by facsimile or electronic transmission (*e.g.* “pdf” or “tif”), or any electronic signature complying with the U.S. federal ESIGN Act of 2000, Uniform Electronic Transactions Act or other applicable law, *e.g.*, [www.docusign.com](http://www.docusign.com), shall be effective as delivery of a manually executed counterpart hereof.



Section 5. This Fourth Supplemental Indenture is an amendment supplemental to the Indenture, and the Indenture and this Fourth Supplemental Indenture will henceforth be read together.

Section 6. The recitals and statements herein are deemed to be those of the Issuer and the Undersigned and not the Trustee or the Collateral Trustee. The Trustee and the Collateral Trustee shall not be responsible in any manner whatsoever for or in respect of the validity or sufficiency of this Fourth Supplemental Indenture or the Note Guaranty provided by the Guarantor party to this Fourth Supplemental Indenture.

Section 7. All notices or other communications to the Issuer and the Guarantors shall be given as provided in Section 12.02 of the Indenture.

Section 8. The Trustee and the Collateral Trustee are entering into this Fourth Supplemental Indenture not in their individual capacities but solely in their capacities as Trustee and Collateral Trustee under the Indenture and the Collateral Trust Agreement. In entering into this Fourth Supplemental Indenture and acting hereunder, the Trustee and the Collateral Trustee shall be entitled to all rights, protections, indemnities and immunities granted to them under the Indenture, the Collateral Trust Agreement and any other Note Documents.

Section 9.

Section 10.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have caused this Fourth Supplemental Indenture to be duly executed as of the date first above written.

SEADRILL FINANCE LIMITED

By: /s/ Martyn David Svensen  
Name: Martyn David Svensen  
Title: Director

SEADRILL T-16 LTD.

By: /s/ Martyn David Svensen  
Name: Martyn David Svensen  
Title: Director

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GLAS TRUST COMPANY LLC, as Trustee

By: /s/ Robert Peschler

Name: Robert Peschler

Title: Vice President

GLAS TRUST COMPANY LLC, as Collateral Trustee

By: /s/ Robert Peschler

Name: Robert Peschler

Title: Vice President



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#### FIFTH SUPPLEMENTAL INDENTURE

THIS FIFTH SUPPLEMENTAL INDENTURE (this “**Fifth Supplemental Indenture**”), entered into as of December 12, 2024 among SEADRILL FINANCE LIMITED, an exempted company incorporated under the laws of Bermuda (the “**Issuer**”), Seadrill Switzerland GmbH, a Swiss limited liability company (“**Switzerland**”), Seadrill Rig Holdco Kft., a Hungarian corporation (“**Holdco**”), Seadrill Hungary Kft., a Hungarian corporation (“**Hungary**”, and together with Switzerland and Holdco, the “**Undersigned**”), and GLAS TRUST COMPANY LLC, as trustee (the “**Trustee**”) and collateral trustee (the “**Collateral Trustee**”).

#### RECITALS

WHEREAS, the Issuer, SEADRILL LIMITED, an exempted company incorporated under the laws of Bermuda (the “**Company**”), the other Guarantors party thereto, the Trustee and the Collateral Trustee entered into an Indenture, dated as of July 27, 2023 (as amended by (i) a first supplemental indenture dated August 8, 2023, (ii) a second supplemental indenture dated September 20, 2023 and (iii) a third supplemental indenture dated October 15, 2024, and as further amended, restated and supplemented or otherwise modified from time to time, the “**Indenture**”), relating to the Issuer’s 8.375% Senior Secured Second Lien Notes due 2030 (the “**Notes**”); and WHEREAS, as a condition to the Trustee entering into the Indenture and the purchase of the Notes by the Holders, the Issuer agreed pursuant to the Indenture to cause any Restricted Subsidiary of the Company (other than the Issuer) that guarantees any Debt of the Issuer or any Guarantor under the Credit Agreement or any other syndicated credit facility or capital markets debt in an aggregate principal amount in excess of \$35,000,000 to provide a Note Guaranty.

#### AGREEMENT

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the premises and mutual covenants herein contained and intending to be legally bound, the parties to this Fifth Supplemental Indenture hereby agree as follows:

Section 1. Capitalized terms used herein and not otherwise defined herein are used as defined in the Indenture.

Section 2. Each Undersigned, by its execution of this Fifth Supplemental Indenture, agrees to be a Guarantor under the Indenture and to be bound by the terms of the Indenture applicable to Guarantors, including, but not limited to, Article 10 thereof.

Section 3. This Fifth Supplemental Indenture shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of New York, but without giving effect to applicable principles of conflicts of law to the extent that the application of the laws of another jurisdiction would be required thereby.

Section 4. This Fifth Supplemental Indenture may be signed in various counterparts which together will constitute one and the same instrument. Delivery of an executed signature page by facsimile or electronic transmission (e.g. “pdf” or “tif”), or any electronic signature complying with the U.S. federal E-SIGN Act of 2000, Uniform Electronic Transactions Act or

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other applicable law, e.g., [www.docusign.com](http://www.docusign.com), shall be effective as delivery of a manually executed counterpart hereof.

Section 5. This Fifth Supplemental Indenture is an amendment supplemental to the Indenture, and the Indenture and this Fifth Supplemental Indenture will henceforth be read together.

Section 6. The recitals and statements herein are deemed to be those of the Issuer and each Undersigned and not the Trustee or the Collateral Trustee. The Trustee and the Collateral Trustee shall not be responsible in any manner whatsoever for or in respect of the validity or sufficiency of this Fifth Supplemental Indenture or the Note Guaranty provided by the Guarantor party to this Fifth Supplemental Indenture.

Section 7. All notices or other communications to the Issuer and the Guarantors shall be given as provided in Section 12.02 of the Indenture.

Section 8. The Trustee and the Collateral Trustee are entering into this Fifth Supplemental Indenture not in their individual capacities but solely in their capacities as Trustee and Collateral Trustee under the Indenture and the Collateral Trust Agreement. In entering into this Fifth Supplemental Indenture and acting hereunder, the Trustee and the Collateral Trustee shall be entitled to all rights, protections, indemnities and immunities granted to them under the Indenture, the Collateral Trust Agreement and any other Note Documents.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have caused this Fifth Supplemental Indenture to be duly executed as of the date first above written.

SEADRILL FINANCE LIMITED

By: /s/ Martyn David Svensen  
Name: Martyn David Svensen  
Title: Director

SEADRILL SWITZERLAND GMBH

By: /s/ Martyn David Svensen  
Name: Martyn David Svensen  
Title: Director

SEADRILL RIG HOLDCO KFT.

By: /s/ Martyn David Svensen  
Name: Martyn David Svensen  
Title: Director

SEADRILL HUNGARY KFT.

By: /s/ Martyn David Svensen  
Name: Martyn David Svensen  
Title: Director

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GLAS TRUST COMPANY LLC, as Trustee

By: /s/ Robert Peschler

Name: Robert Peschler

Title: Vice President

GLAS TRUST COMPANY LLC, as Collateral Trustee

By: /s/ Robert Peschler

Name: Robert Peschler

Title: Vice President

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**SEADRILL LIMITED  
2022 MANAGEMENT INCENTIVE PLAN**

**TIME-VESTED RESTRICTED STOCK UNIT AWARD AGREEMENT**

THIS AWARD AGREEMENT (this "Agreement"), made as of the \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2022 (the "Grant Date") by Seadrill Limited, an exempted company incorporated and existing under the laws of Bermuda (the "Company") evidences the time-vested Restricted Stock Units (as defined in the Plan) awarded hereunder to \_\_\_\_\_ ("Participant"), subject to Participant signing and returning the signature page hereto to the Company, and sets forth the restrictions, terms and conditions that apply thereto. Capitalized terms used in this Agreement and not otherwise defined in this Agreement shall have the meanings set forth in the Plan.

**WITNESSETH**

WHEREAS, the Committee acting under the Seadrill Limited 2022 Management Incentive Plan, as may be amended (the "Plan") has determined that it is desirable to award time-vested Restricted Stock Units to Participant pursuant to the Plan; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Plan, the Committee has determined that the time-vested Restricted Stock Units so awarded shall be subject to the restrictions, terms and conditions set forth in this Agreement;

NOW, THEREFORE, subject to the terms of this Agreement, the award of time-vested Restricted Stock Units is hereby granted to Participant as follows:

- Time-Vested Restricted Stock Unit Award.** On the terms and conditions and subject to the restrictions, including forfeiture to or acquisition for no further consideration by the Company, hereinafter set forth, the Company hereby awards \_\_\_\_\_ Restricted Stock Units (the "Awarded Restricted Stock Units") to Participant pursuant to the Plan. The Awarded Restricted Stock Units are being awarded to Participant effective as of the Grant Date and shall vest or be forfeited in accordance with (and otherwise be subject to) the provisions of this Agreement. The Awarded Restricted Stock Units are being awarded to Participant without the payment of any cash consideration by Participant, except that payment of the aggregate par value in respect of any Shares delivered hereunder may be required by the Committee or pursuant to procedures of the Committee in respect of the allotment and issuance, transfer or delivery of such Shares.
- Vesting and Forfeiture.** Except as set forth in Section 3 or Section 4 of this Agreement, the Awarded Restricted Stock Units shall vest and the forfeiture restrictions applicable to them under this Agreement shall terminate in accordance with the provisions of the attached Schedule I, provided that Participant remains continuously employed by the Company or a Subsidiary of the Company from the Grant Date through the applicable Vesting Date (as set forth on Schedule I hereto). Unless otherwise determined by the Committee and except as otherwise provided in Section 3 or Section 4 of this Agreement, any Awarded Restricted



Stock Units that have not already vested shall be forfeited by Participant upon the termination of Participant's employment with the Company or a Subsidiary of the Company. For purposes of this Agreement, transfers of employment without interruption of service between or among the Company and a Subsidiary of the Company shall not be considered a termination of employment.

**3. Acceleration of Vesting.**

- (a) Notwithstanding Section 2 of this Agreement, and except as provided in Section 4, a Pro Rata Portion of the next Tranche of the Awarded Restricted Stock Units shall become vested under this Agreement if, after the first anniversary of the Grant Date, Participant's employment with the Company or a Subsidiary of the Company terminates pursuant to a Qualifying Termination Event (as defined below). "Qualifying Termination Events" means a termination of Participant's employment with the Company or a Subsidiary of the Company:
- i) by reason of Participant's death,
  - ii) by reason of Participant's Disability, or
  - iii) by reason of the Company's termination of Participant's employment other than for Cause.
- (b) For purposes of this Agreement, (i) the "Pro Rata Portion" shall be equal to the product of "A" multiplied by "B," where "A" equals the number of Awarded Restricted Stock Units in the next Tranche that are not vested on the date of Participant's termination of employment, and "B" is a fraction, the numerator of which is the number of full months from the prior Vesting Date (as defined in Schedule I hereto) through the date of Participant's termination of employment, and the denominator of which is 12 and (ii) a "Tranche" shall refer to each portion of the Awarded Restricted Stock Units that would vest on a particular Vesting Date (that is, one-third of the Awarded Restricted Stock Units).
- (c) Awarded Restricted Stock Units shall become vested pursuant to Section 3(a)(i), Section 3(a)(ii), and Section 3(a)(iii) only upon Participant's (or Participant's legal representative's, heir's, legatee's or distributee's, as applicable) timely execution of a general release of claims no later than 45 days following such Qualifying Termination Event in a form satisfactory to the Company and, if applicable, Participant's (or Participant's legal representative's, heir's, legatee's or distributee's, as applicable) failure to revoke such execution or signature in accordance with the terms of such release, (any such period to execute and revoke such release of claims, the "Consideration Period"). If the Consideration Period spans two calendar years, then, subject to such execution and non-revocation of the release, the Pro Rata Portion of the next Tranche of the Awarded Restricted Stock Units shall become vested and be settled in Shares in the second calendar year.
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- (d) For the avoidance of doubt, all Awarded Restricted Stock Units that do not vest in accordance with this [Section 3](#) or [Section 4](#) shall be forfeited by Participant upon the termination of Participant's employment with the Company or a Subsidiary of the Company or the expiration of the Consideration Period, if applicable.

**4. Change in Control.**

- (a) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this Agreement, in the event of a Change in Control, if the Awarded Restricted Stock Units are not continued or assumed, or substituted or replaced with an award with respect to cash or shares of the acquiror or surviving entity in such Change in Control, in each case, with substantially equivalent terms and value as the Awarded Restricted Stock Units ("[Assumed](#)"), any unvested Awarded Restricted Stock Units shall become vested.
- (b) In the event of a Change in Control in which the Awarded Restricted Stock Units are Assumed, the Awarded Restricted Stock Units shall remain subject to the terms and conditions of this Agreement, provided, that, notwithstanding [Section 3\(a\)](#), if Participant's employment with the Company or a Subsidiary of the Company terminates pursuant to a Qualifying Termination Event within the 12-month period beginning on the Change in Control and ending at the end of the first anniversary of the Change in Control, any unvested Awarded Restricted Stock Units shall become vested subject to Participant's (or Participant's legal representative's, heir's, legatee's or distributee's, as applicable) timely execution of a general release of claims no later than 45 days following such Qualifying Termination Event in a form satisfactory to the Company and, if applicable, Participant's (or Participant's legal representative's, heir's, legatee's or distributee's, as applicable) failure to revoke such execution or signature in accordance with the terms of such release during the Consideration Period. If the Consideration Period spans two calendar years, then, subject to execution and non-revocation of the release, any unvested Awarded Restricted Stock Units shall become vested and be settled in the second calendar year.
- 5. Allotment and Issuance of Shares.** As soon as practicable following the date any such Awarded Restricted Stock Units vest, but in any event no later than 70 days following the date on which the Awarded Restricted Stock Units vest, the Company shall either (a) settle in cash the Awarded Restricted Stock Units in which Participant vests or (b) allot and issue or transfer to Participant one Share in settlement of any such Awarded Restricted Stock Units and, in each case, in full satisfaction of such Awarded Restricted Stock Units. The determination of whether the Awarded Restricted Stock Units that become vested shall be settled in cash or in Shares shall be made at the sole discretion of the Committee and, the Committee's ability to determine that the Awarded Restricted Stock Units that become vested be settled in Shares is contingent upon shareholder approval of the Plan at the Annual General Meeting, expected to occur on or before 22 March 2023.
- 6. No Rights as Shareholder.** Except as provided in [Section 7](#), Participant shall have no rights as a shareholder of the Company, including, without limitation, voting rights or the right to receive dividends and distributions as a shareholder, with respect to the Shares subject to the



Awarded Restricted Stock Units, unless and until and to the extent such Shares are allotted and issued or transferred to Participant as provided herein.

7. **Dividend Equivalents.** In connection with the Awarded Restricted Stock Units the Company hereby awards to Participant Dividend Equivalents with respect to any cash dividends payable with respect to the Shares. Such cash Dividend Equivalents shall be payable at the same time, and shall be subject to the same conditions, that are applicable to the Awarded Restricted Stock Units, and shall be payable in cash at the same time of settlement of the underlying Awarded Restricted Stock Unit that ultimately vest. Accordingly, the right to receive such cash Dividend Equivalent payments shall be forfeited to the extent that the Awarded Restricted Stock Units do not vest, are forfeited, are acquired by the Company or are otherwise cancelled pursuant to this Agreement.

8. **Arrangements and Procedures Regarding Withholding Taxes.**

(a) Participant shall make arrangements satisfactory to the Committee for the payment of taxes and social security obligations of any kind that are required by law to be withheld with respect to the Awarded Restricted Stock Units or the Dividend Equivalents awarded under this Agreement, including, without limitation, taxes applicable to (i) the awarding of the Awarded Restricted Stock Units or the payment of cash or allotment and issuance or transfer of Shares in settlement thereof, or (ii) the awarding of the Dividend Equivalents or the payments made with respect thereto.

(b) Unless and until the Committee shall determine otherwise and provide notice to Participant in accordance with Section 8(c), any obligation of Participant under Section 8(a) that arises with respect to the payment of cash or allotment and issuance, transfer or delivery of Shares in settlement of Awarded Restricted Stock Units that have become vested may be satisfied, in accordance with procedures adopted by the Committee, by (i) Participant's forfeiture or surrender of the right to require the Company to allot and issue, transfer or deliver Shares subject to such Awarded Restricted Stock Units, (ii) causing such Awarded Restricted Stock Units to be settled partly in cash or (iii) otherwise reducing the number of Shares to be issued and/or reacquiring a portion of such Shares. In the case of Shares as to which the right to require allotment and issuance, transfer or delivery is forfeited or surrendered pursuant to clause (i) and Shares not issued or reacquired pursuant to clause (iii) such Shares or rights shall be valued at the Fair Market Value (of such Shares or the Shares to which such rights relate, as the case may be) as of the date on which the taxable event that gives rise to the withholding requirement occurs.

(c) The Committee may determine, after the Grant Date and on notice to Participant, to authorize one or more arrangements (in addition to or in lieu of the arrangement described in Section 8(b)) satisfactory to the Committee for Participant to satisfy the obligation of Participant under Section 8(a).

(d) If Participant does not, for whatever reason, satisfy the obligation of Participant under Section 8(a), then the Company and its Subsidiaries shall, to the extent permitted by law,



have the right to deduct from any payments of any kind otherwise due to Participant the amount required to satisfy the obligation of Participant under such [Section 8\(a\)](#).

9. **Restrictive Covenants.** Without limiting any other non-competition, non-solicitation, non-disparagement or non-disclosure or other similar agreement to which Participant may be a party, Participant shall be subject to the confidentiality and restrictive covenants set forth in this [Section 9](#).

- (a) **Non-Competition.** Participant shall not, for the duration of Participant's employment and for the six-month period following the termination of Participant's employment, be employed in, or carry on for Participant's own account or for any other person, or provide advisory services to (whether directly or indirectly), or be a director of any company, business or venture, which is, or is about to be in competition with the Company, or is likely to result in the intentional or unintentional disclosure or use of Confidential Information by Participant in order for Participant to properly discharge Participant's duties.
- (b) **Non-Solicitation.** Participant shall not, for the duration of Participant's employment and for the six-month period following the termination of Participant's employment (either on Participant's own behalf or for or with any other person), whether directly or indirectly, (i) solicit or entice or endeavor to solicit or entice any Employee to leave such Employee's employment with or cease such Employee's directorship or consultancy with the Company or a Subsidiary of the Company, whether or not that person would breach any obligations owed to the Company or any Subsidiary of the Company by so doing or offer employment or any contract for services to or employ or engage any Employee, or (ii) in respect of any Goods or Services, solicit, facilitate the solicitation of, or canvass the custom or business of any Customer solicit, facilitate the solicitation of, or canvas the custom or business of any Prospective Customer.
- (c) **Non-Interference.** Participant shall not, for the duration of Participant's employment and for the six-month period following the termination of Participant's employment, (either on Participant's own behalf or for or with any other person), whether directly or indirectly, (i) in regards to any Customer or Prospective Customer, (A) deal with or supply any Customer, or (B) deal with or supply any Prospective Customer; or (ii) in regards to any Supplier, (A) deal with or accept the supply of any goods or services from any Supplier where such supply is likely to be to the detriment of any Company whether by causing the Supplier to reduce or alter the terms or quantity of supply to the Company or, where the value of the Company's arrangement with the Supplier is diminished; or (B) solicit, facilitate the solicitation of, or canvass the supply of any goods or services from any Supplier where such supply is likely to be to the detriment of any Company whether by causing the Supplier to reduce or alter the terms or quantity of supply to the Company, or where the value of the Company's arrangement with the Supplier is diminished.
- (d) **Confidential Information.** Participant shall not (except in the proper performance of Participant's duties) use or disclose to any person, company or other organization (and shall use every reasonable endeavor to prevent the publication or disclosure of) any of the



trade secrets or confidential information of the Company or any Subsidiary of the Company. This restriction shall continue to apply after the termination of Participant's employment but will not apply to information or knowledge which may come into the public domain other than through unauthorized disclosure, or any use or disclosure authorized by the Board or required by law. For purposes of this [Section 9\(c\)](#), "trade secrets" and "confidential information" will include but not be limited to: (i) information relating to the business methods, corporate plans, management systems, finances, new business opportunities, research and development projects, marketing or sales of any past, present or future product or serve of the Company; (ii) secret formulae, processes, inventions, designed, know-how discoveries, technical specifications and other technical information relating to the creation, production or supply of any past, present or future product or services of the Company; (iii) lists or details of customers, potential customers or suppliers of the arrangements made with any customer or supplier of the Company; (iv) any information in respect of which the Company owes an obligation of confidentiality to any third party (provided that with respect to such third party Participant knows or reasonably should have known that the third party provided it to the Company on a confidential basis); (v) information and details of and concerning the engagement, employment and termination of employment of Participant and any other personnel; (vi) information concerning any litigation proposed, in progress or settled; and, (vii) any other information in whatever form (written, oral, visual and electronic) concerning the confidential affairs of the Company.

(e) **Non-Disparagement.** During the term of Participant's employment with the Company or a Subsidiary of the Company and thereafter in perpetuity, Participant shall not, directly or indirectly, knowingly disparage, criticize, or otherwise make derogatory statements regarding the Company or any Subsidiary of the Company, successors, directors or officers. The foregoing shall not be violated by Participant's truthful responses to legal process or inquiry by a governmental authority.

(f) **Definitions.** For purposes of this [Section 9](#):

- i) "[Company](#)" shall mean, for purposes of this [Section 9](#) only, the Company and any and all direct and indirect subsidiary, parent, affiliated, or related companies of the Company for which Participant worked or had responsibility at the time of termination of Participant's employment and at any time during the twelve (12) month period prior to such termination.
- ii) "[Confidential Information](#)" shall have the meaning given to trade secrets and confidential information in [Section 9\(d\)](#).
- iii) "[Customer](#)" shall mean any person who at any time during the 12 months immediately preceding the termination of Participant's employment was a customer of the Company with whom Participant had material dealings or in relation to whom he acquired confidential information.



- iv) “Employee” shall mean any individual who is employed or engaged by the Company, or any person who, during the 12 months immediately preceding the termination of Participant’s employment, is or was employed or engaged by the Company.
- v) “Goods and/or Services” shall mean any goods and/or services competitive with those supplied by the Company at any time during the 12 months immediately preceding the termination of Participant’s employment and in relation to which Participant was materially involved or concerned or for which Participant was directly responsible during that time.
- vi) “Prospective Customer” shall mean any person who was at any time during the 12 months immediately preceding the termination of Participant’s employment engaged in negotiations, with which Participant was personally involved, with the Company with a view to obtaining Goods and/or Services from the Company or in relation to whom Participant has acquired Confidential Information.
- vii) “Supplier” shall mean any person with whom Participant had material dealings at any time during the 12 months immediately preceding the termination of Participant’s employment and who during that period supplied goods or services to the Company on terms other than those available to another purchaser in the market during that period, whether by reason of exclusivity (either de facto or contractually obliged), price or otherwise.

10. **Forfeiture Events.** Participant expressly acknowledges and agrees that his or her rights, and those of any permitted transferee of the Awarded Restricted Stock Units, under the Awarded Restricted Stock Units, including the right to any cash or Shares acquired upon the vesting of the Awarded Restricted Stock Units or proceeds from the disposition thereof are subject to any clawback or recoupment policy of the Company. In addition, if Participant (i) is terminated for Cause (or, within one year following Participant’s termination other than for Cause, the Committee determines that the Company had grounds to terminate the Participant for Cause) or (ii) violates any restrictive covenants to which Participant is subject, whether set forth in this Agreement or elsewhere, the Committee, in its sole discretion, may require Participant to surrender and return to the Company all or any cash or sell or transfer to the Company (for no further consideration) Shares received in connection with the vesting of the Awarded Restricted Stock Units, or to disgorge all or any profits or any other economic value (however defined by the Committee) made or realized by Participant on the sale of such Shares.

11. **Non-Assignability.** This Agreement is not assignable or transferable by Participant. No right or interest of Participant under this Agreement or the Plan may be assigned, transferred or alienated, in whole or in part, either directly or by operation of law (except pursuant to a qualified domestic relations order within the meaning of Section 414(p) of the Code or a similar domestic relations order under applicable foreign law, either in such form as is acceptable to the committee), and no such right or interest shall be liable for or subject to any debt, obligation or liability of Participant.



12. **Plan Provisions.** The Awarded Restricted Stock Units and the Dividend Equivalents subject to this Agreement shall be governed by and subject to all applicable provisions of the Plan. This Agreement is subject to the Plan, and the Plan shall govern where there is any inconsistency between the Plan and this Agreement.
13. **Governing Law.** This Agreement shall be governed by and construed and enforced in accordance with the laws of the State of Delaware, without regard to the principles of conflicts of laws thereof, except to the extent the laws of the State of Delaware are preempted by federal law of the United States or by the laws of England.
14. **Binding Effect.** This Agreement shall be binding upon and inure to the benefit of the parties hereto and their respective heirs, personal representatives, successors and permitted assigns.
15. **Prior Communications; Amendment.** This Agreement, together with any Schedules and Exhibits and any other writings referred to herein or delivered pursuant hereto, evidences the Award granted hereunder, which shall be subject to the restrictions, terms and conditions hereof, and supersedes all prior agreements and understandings, whether written or oral, between the parties with respect to the subject matter hereof. To the fullest extent provided by applicable law, this Agreement may only be amended, modified and supplemented in accordance with the applicable terms and conditions set forth in the Plan.
16. **Notices.** All notices and other communications hereunder shall be in writing and shall be deemed given if directed in the manner specified below, to the parties at the following addresses and numbers:
- (a) If to the Company, when delivered by hand or mail (registered or certified mail with postage prepaid) to:
- Seadrill Management Limited,  
2<sup>nd</sup> Floor,  
Building 11  
Chiswick Business Park  
566 Chiswick High Road London  
United Kingdom W4 5YS  
Attention: General Counsel
- (b) If to Participant, when delivered by hand or mail (registered or certified mail with postage prepaid) to:
- The last known address and number for Participant as maintained in the personnel records of the Company.
- For purposes of this [Section 16](#), the Company shall provide Participant with written notice of any change of the Company's address, and Participant shall be responsible for providing the Company with proper notice of any change of Participant's address
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pursuant to the Company's personnel policies, and from and after the giving of such notice the address or addresses therein specified will be deemed to be the address of such party for the purposes of giving notice hereunder.

17. **Severability.** If any provision of this Agreement is held to be unenforceable, this Agreement shall be considered divisible and such provision shall be deemed inoperative to the extent it is deemed unenforceable, and in all other respects the restrictions, terms and conditions set forth in this Agreement shall remain in full force and effect; provided, however, that if any such provision may be made enforceable by limitation thereof, then such provision shall be deemed to be so limited and shall be enforceable to the maximum extent permitted by applicable law.
18. **Description Headings.** The descriptive headings herein are inserted for convenience of reference only, do not constitute a part of this Agreement, and shall not affect in any manner the meaning or interpretation of this Agreement.
19. **Gender.** Pronouns in masculine, feminine and neuter genders shall be construed to include any other gender, and words in the singular form shall be construed to include the plural and vice versa, unless the context otherwise requires.
20. **References.** The words "this Agreement," "herein," "hereof," "hereby," "hereunder" and words of similar import refer to this Agreement as a whole and not to any particular subdivision unless expressly so limited. Whenever the words "include," "includes" and "including" are used in this Agreement, such words shall be deemed to be followed by the words "without limitation."
21. **Unfunded Awards.** The awards made under this Agreement are unfunded and unsecured obligations and rights to provide or receive compensation in accordance with the provisions hereof, and to the extent that Participant acquires a right to receive compensation from the Company or a Subsidiary of the Company pursuant to this Agreement, such right shall be no greater than the right of any unsecured general creditor of the Company or such affiliate.
22. **Compliance with Code Section 409A.** The compensation payable to or with respect to Participant pursuant to the Awarded Restricted Stock Units is intended to be compensation that is exempt from Code Section 409A or, to the extent subject to Code Section 409A, compliant with Code Section 409A or not subject to the tax imposed by Code Section 409A, and this Agreement shall be administered and construed to the fullest extent possible to reflect and implement such intent.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Company has signed and delivered this Agreement as of the date first above written.

**Seadrill Limited**

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By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Name:  
Title:

Acknowledged, Agreed and Accepted:

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[Participant]

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**SCHEDULE I**

**SEADRILL LIMITED  
2022 MANAGEMENT INCENTIVE PLAN**

**VESTING DATES**

**FOR AWARD OF TIME-VESTED RESTRICTED STOCK UNITS**

The Committee has determined that the following specified vesting dates shall be applicable to the Awarded Restricted Stock Units awarded pursuant to this Agreement:

**Vesting Dates**

- (i) One-third of the Awarded Restricted Stock Units shall vest on the first anniversary of the Grant Date; and
- (ii) One-third of the Awarded Restricted Stock Units shall vest on the second anniversary of the Grant Date; and
- (iii) One-third of the Awarded Restricted Stock Units shall vest on the third anniversary of the Grant Date.

For purposes of this Agreement, each date on which the Awarded Restricted Stock Units vest shall be referred to as a "Vesting Date."



Exhibit 10.8

**SEADRILL LIMITED  
2022 MANAGEMENT INCENTIVE PLAN**

**PERFORMANCE-BASED RESTRICTED STOCK UNIT AWARD AGREEMENT**

THIS AWARD AGREEMENT (this "Agreement"), made effective as of the \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2022 (the "Grant Date") by Seadrill Limited, an exempted company incorporated and existing under the laws of Bermuda (the "Company") evidences the performance-based Restricted Stock Units (as defined in the Plan) awarded hereunder to \_\_\_\_\_ ("Participant"), subject to Participant signing and returning the signature page hereto to the Company, and sets forth the restrictions, terms and conditions that apply thereto. Capitalized terms used in this Agreement and not otherwise defined in this Agreement shall have the meanings set forth in the Plan.

**WITNESSETH**

WHEREAS, the Committee acting under the Seadrill Limited 2022 Management Incentive Plan, as may be amended (the "Plan") has determined that it is desirable to award performance-based Restricted Stock Units to Participant pursuant to the Plan; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Plan, the Committee has determined that the performance-based Restricted Stock Units so awarded shall be subject to the restrictions, terms and conditions set forth in this Agreement;

NOW, THEREFORE, subject to the terms of this Agreement, the award of performance-based Restricted Stock Units is hereby granted to Participant as follows:

1. **Performance-Based Restricted Stock Unit Award.** On the terms and conditions and subject to the restrictions, including forfeiture to or acquisition for no further consideration by the Company, hereinafter set forth, the Company hereby awards \_\_\_\_\_ Restricted Stock Units (the "Awarded Restricted Stock Units") to Participant pursuant to the Plan. The Awarded Restricted Stock Units are being awarded to Participant effective as of the Grant Date and shall vest or be forfeited in accordance with (and otherwise be subject to) the provisions of this Agreement. The Awarded Restricted Stock Units are being awarded to Participant without the payment of any cash consideration by Participant, except that payment of the aggregate par value in respect of any Shares delivered hereunder may be required by the Committee or pursuant to procedures of the Committee in respect of the allotment and issuance, transfer or delivery of such Shares.
2. **Vesting and Forfeiture.** The number of Awarded Restricted Stock Units, if any, that are earned shall be determined by the Committee based on the level of achievement of the Performance Goals set forth on Schedule I, attached hereto, which determination shall be made by the Committee as soon as practicable and, in any event, within 60 days following the end of each of the first, second and third years of the Performance Period (as defined in Schedule 1 hereto) with final determination being made within 60 days following the end of the Performance Period. Unless otherwise determined by the Committee and except as



otherwise provided in Section 3 or Section 4 of this Agreement, such number of Awarded Restricted Stock Units so earned, if any, shall vest subject to the Participant remaining continuously employed by the Company or a Subsidiary of the Company from the Grant Date through the last day of the Performance Period. Unless otherwise determined by the Committee and except as otherwise provided in Section 3 or Section 4 of this Agreement, any Awarded Restricted Stock Units that have not already vested in accordance with this Section 2 shall be forfeited by Participant upon the termination of Participant's employment with the Company or a Subsidiary of the Company. For purposes of this Agreement, transfers of employment without interruption of service between or among the Company and a Subsidiary of the Company shall not be considered a termination of employment.

**3. Acceleration of Vesting.**

- (a) Notwithstanding Section 2 of this Agreement, and except as provided in Section 4, if Participant's employment with the Company or a Subsidiary of the Company terminates after the first anniversary of the Grant Date and prior to the end of the Performance Period pursuant to a Qualifying Termination Event (as defined below), the Awarded Restricted Stock Units will remain outstanding until the end of the Performance Period and thereafter a Pro Rata Portion (as defined below) shall become vested in accordance with Section 2 as if the Participant had remained employed through the last day of the Performance Period. "Qualifying Termination Events" means a termination of Participant's employment with the Company or a Subsidiary of the Company:
- i) by reason of Participant's death,
  - ii) by reason of Participant's Disability, or
  - iii) by reason of the Company's termination of Participant's employment other than for Cause.
- (b) For purposes of this Agreement, the "Pro Rata Portion" shall be equal to the product of "A" multiplied by "B," where "A" equals the number of Awarded Restricted Stock Units determined by the Committee to have been earned based on the level of achievement of the Performance Goals set forth on Schedule I, and "B" is a fraction, the numerator of which is the number of full months the Participant worked during the Performance Period through the date of Participant's termination of employment, and the denominator of which is the number of full months in the Performance Period.
- (c) Awarded Restricted Stock Units shall be eligible to become earned and vested pursuant to Section 3(a)(i), Section 3(a)(ii), and Section 3(a)(iii) only upon Participant's (or Participant's legal representative's, heir's, legatee's or distributee's, as applicable) timely execution of a general release of claims no later than 45 days following such Qualifying Termination Event in a form satisfactory to the Company and, if applicable, Participant's (or Participant's legal representative's, heir's, legatee's or distributee's, as applicable) failure to revoke such execution or signature in accordance with the terms of such release



(any such period to execute and revoke such release of claims, the "Consideration Period").

- (d) For the avoidance of doubt, all Awarded Restricted Stock Units that do not vest in accordance with this Section 3 or Section 4 shall be forfeited by Participant upon the termination of Participant's employment with the Company or a Subsidiary of the Company during the Performance Period or the expiration of the Consideration Period, if applicable. All Awarded Restricted Stock Units shall be forfeited by Participant upon the termination of Participant's employment by the Company for Cause and any Shares issued to the Participant pursuant to such Award would be acquired by the Company for no consideration.

**4. Change in Control.**

- (a) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this Agreement, in the event of a Change in Control, if the Awarded Restricted Stock Units are not continued or assumed, or substituted or replaced with an award with respect to cash or shares of the acquiror or surviving entity in such Change in Control, in each case, with substantially equivalent terms and value as the Awarded Restricted Stock Units ("Assumed"), the Performance Period shall end as of the latest practicable date prior to the Change in Control and the Committee shall determine the number of Shares earned with respect to such Awarded Restricted Stock Units based on the level of achievement of the Performance Goals through such date, or such greater amount as determined by the Committee, and shall thereafter vest immediately prior to the Change in Control.
- (b) In the event of a Change in Control in which the Awarded Restricted Stock Units are Assumed, the Awarded Restricted Stock Units shall remain subject to the terms and conditions of this Agreement, with the Committee making such adjustments to the Performance Goals as it deems necessary as a result of the transaction, provided, that, notwithstanding Section 3(a), if Participant's employment with the Company or a Subsidiary of the Company terminates pursuant to a Qualifying Termination Event within the 12-month period beginning on the Change in Control and ending at the end of the first anniversary of the Change in Control, any unvested Awarded Restricted Stock Units shall become vested subject to Participant's (or Participant's legal representative's, heir's, legatee's or distributee's, as applicable) timely execution of a general release of claims no later than 45 days following such Qualifying Termination Event in a form satisfactory to the Company and, if applicable, Participant's (or Participant's legal representative's, heir's, legatee's or distributee's, as applicable) failure to revoke such execution or signature in accordance with the terms of such release during the Consideration Period. If the Consideration Period spans two calendar years, then, subject to such execution and non-revocation of the release, any unvested Awarded Restricted Stock Units shall become vested and be settled in the second calendar year.
- 5. Allotment and Issuance of Shares.** As soon as practicable following the end of the Performance Period (or, the applicable vesting date described in Section 4 of this Agreement, if applicable), but in any event no later than 70 days following such date, the Company shall
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either (a) settle in cash the Awarded Restricted Stock Units that are earned and in which Participant vests or (b) allot and issue or transfer to Participant one Share in settlement of any such Awarded Restricted Stock Units and, in each case, in full satisfaction of such Awarded Restricted Stock Units. The determination of whether the Awarded Restricted Stock Units that are earned and become vested shall be settled in cash or in Shares shall be made at the sole discretion of the Committee and, the Committee's ability to determine that the Awarded Restricted Stock Units that become vested be settled in Shares is contingent upon shareholder approval of the Plan at the Annual General Meeting, expected to occur on or before 22 March 2023.

6. **No Rights as Shareholder.** Except as provided in [Section 7](#), Participant shall have no rights as a shareholder of the Company, including, without limitation, voting rights or the right to receive dividends and distributions as a shareholder, with respect to the Shares subject to the Awarded Restricted Stock Units, unless and until and to the extent such Shares are allotted and issued or transferred to Participant as provided herein.
7. **Dividend Equivalents.** In connection with the Awarded Restricted Stock Units the Company hereby awards to Participant Dividend Equivalents with respect to any cash dividends payable with respect to the Shares. Such cash Dividend Equivalents shall be payable at the same time, and shall be subject to the same conditions (including the Performance Goals), that are applicable to the Awarded Restricted Stock Units, and shall be payable in cash at the same time of settlement of the underlying Awarded Restricted Stock Unit that ultimately vest. Accordingly, the right to receive such cash Dividend Equivalent payments shall be forfeited to the extent that the Awarded Restricted Stock Units do not vest, are forfeited, are acquired by the Company or are otherwise cancelled pursuant to this Agreement.
8. **Arrangements and Procedures Regarding Withholding Taxes.**
  - (a) Participant shall make arrangements satisfactory to the Committee for the payment of taxes and social security obligations of any kind that are required by law to be withheld with respect to the Awarded Restricted Stock Units or the Dividend Equivalents awarded under this Agreement, including, without limitation, taxes applicable to (i) the awarding of the Awarded Restricted Stock Units or the payment of cash or allotment and issuance or transfer of Shares in settlement thereof, or (ii) the awarding of the Dividend Equivalents or the payments made with respect thereto.
  - (b) Unless and until the Committee shall determine otherwise and provide notice to Participant in accordance with [Section 8\(c\)](#), any obligation of Participant under [Section 8\(a\)](#) that arises with respect to the payment of cash or allotment and issuance, transfer or delivery of Shares in settlement of Awarded Restricted Stock Units that have become vested may be satisfied, in accordance with procedures adopted by the Committee, by (i) Participant's forfeiture or surrender of the right to require the Company to allot and issue, transfer or deliver Shares subject to such Awarded Restricted Stock Units, (ii) causing such Awarded Restricted Stock Units to be settled partly in cash or (iii) otherwise reducing the number of Shares to be issued and/or reacquiring a portion of such Shares.



In the case of Shares as to which the right to require allotment and issuance, transfer or delivery is forfeited or surrendered pursuant to clause (i) and Shares not issued or reacquired pursuant to clause (iii) such Shares or rights shall be valued at the Fair Market Value (of such Shares or the Shares to which such rights relate, as the case may be) as of the date on which the taxable event that gives rise to the withholding requirement occurs.

- (c) The Committee may determine, after the Grant Date and on notice to Participant, to authorize one or more arrangements (in addition to or in lieu of the arrangement described in [Section 8\(b\)](#)) satisfactory to the Committee for Participant to satisfy the obligation of Participant under [Section 8\(a\)](#).
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9. **Restrictive Covenants.** Without limiting any other non-competition, non-solicitation, non-disparagement or non-disclosure or other similar agreement to which Participant may be a party, Participant shall be subject to the confidentiality and restrictive covenants set forth in this [Section 9](#).
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  - (b) **Non-Solicitation.** Participant shall not, for the duration of Participant's employment and for the six-month period following the termination of Participant's employment (either on Participant's own behalf or for or with any other person), whether directly or indirectly, (i) solicit or entice or endeavor to solicit or entice any Employee to leave such Employee's employment with or cease such Employee's directorship or consultancy with the Company or a Subsidiary of the Company, whether or not that person would breach any obligations owed to the Company or any Subsidiary of the Company by so doing or offer employment or any contract for services to or employ or engage any Employee, or (ii) in respect of any Goods or Services, solicit, facilitate the solicitation of, or canvass the custom or business of any Customer solicit, facilitate the solicitation of, or canvas the custom or business of any Prospective Customer.
  - (c) **Non-Interference.** Participant shall not, for the duration of Participant's employment and for the six-month period following the termination of Participant's employment, (either on Participant's own behalf or for or with any other person), whether directly or indirectly, (i) in regards to any Customer or Prospective Customer, (A) deal with or



supply any Customer, or (B) deal with or supply any Prospective Customer; or (ii) in regards to any Supplier, (A) deal with or accept the supply of any goods or services from any Supplier where such supply is likely to be to the detriment of any Company whether by causing the Supplier to reduce or alter the terms or quantity of supply to the Company or, where the value of the Company's arrangement with the Supplier is diminished; or (B) solicit, facilitate the solicitation of, or canvass the supply of any goods or services from any Supplier where such supply is likely to be to the detriment of any Company whether by causing the Supplier to reduce or alter the terms or quantity of supply to the Company, or where the value of the Company's arrangement with the Supplier is diminished.

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- (e) **Non-Disparagement.** During the term of Participant's employment with the Company or a Subsidiary of the Company and thereafter in perpetuity, Participant shall not, directly or indirectly, knowingly disparage, criticize, or otherwise make derogatory statements regarding the Company or any Subsidiary of the Company, successors, directors or officers. The foregoing shall not be violated by Participant's truthful responses to legal process or inquiry by a governmental authority.
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- ii) “Confidential Information” shall have the meaning given to trade secrets and confidential information in Section 9(d).
- iii) “Customer” shall mean any person who at any time during the 12 months immediately preceding the termination of Participant’s employment was a customer of the Company with whom Participant had material dealings or in relation to whom he acquired confidential information.
- iv) “Employee” shall mean any individual who is employed or engaged by the Company, or any person who, during the 12 months immediately preceding the termination of Participant’s employment, is or was employed or engaged by the Company.
- v) “Goods and/or Services” shall mean any goods and/or services competitive with those supplied by the Company at any time during the 12 months immediately preceding the termination of Participant’s employment and in relation to which Participant was materially involved or concerned or for which Participant was directly responsible during that time.
- vi) “Prospective Customer” shall mean any person who was at any time during the 12 months immediately preceding the termination of Participant’s employment engaged in negotiations, with which Participant was personally involved, with the Company with a view to obtaining Goods and/or Services from the Company or in relation to whom Participant has acquired Confidential Information.
- vii) “Supplier” shall mean any person with whom Participant had material dealings at any time during the 12 months immediately preceding the termination of Participant’s employment and who during that period supplied goods or services to the Company on terms other than those available to another purchaser in the market during that period, whether by reason of exclusivity (either de facto or contractually obliged), price or otherwise.

**10. Forfeiture Events.** Participant expressly acknowledges and agrees that his or her rights, and those of any permitted transferee of the Awarded Restricted Stock Units, under the Awarded Restricted Stock Units, including the right to any cash or Shares acquired upon the vesting of the Awarded Restricted Stock Units or proceeds from the disposition thereof are subject to any clawback or recoupment policy of the Company. In addition, if Participant (i) is terminated for Cause (or, within one year following Participant’s termination other than for Cause, the Committee determines that the Company had grounds to terminate the Participant for Cause) or (ii) violates any restrictive covenants to which Participant is subject, whether set forth in this Agreement or elsewhere, the Committee, in its sole discretion, may require



Participant to surrender and return to the Company all or any cash or sell or transfer to the Company (for no further consideration) Shares received in connection with the vesting of the Awarded Restricted Stock Units, or to disgorge all or any profits or any other economic value (however defined by the Committee) made or realized by Participant on the sale of such Shares.

11. **Non-Assignability.** This Agreement is not assignable or transferable by Participant. No right or interest of Participant under this Agreement or the Plan may be assigned, transferred or alienated, in whole or in part, either directly or by operation of law (except pursuant to a qualified domestic relations order within the meaning of Section 414(p) of the Code or a similar domestic relations order under applicable foreign law, either in such form as is acceptable to the committee), and no such right or interest shall be liable for or subject to any debt, obligation or liability of Participant.
12. **Plan Provisions.** The Awarded Restricted Stock Units and the Dividend Equivalents subject to this Agreement shall be governed by and subject to all applicable provisions of the Plan. This Agreement is subject to the Plan, and the Plan shall govern where there is any inconsistency between the Plan and this Agreement.
13. **Governing Law.** This Agreement shall be governed by and construed and enforced in accordance with the laws of the State of Delaware, without regard to the principles of conflicts of laws thereof, except to the extent the laws of the State of Delaware are preempted by federal law of the United States or by the laws of England.
14. **Binding Effect.** This Agreement shall be binding upon and inure to the benefit of the parties hereto and their respective heirs, personal representatives, successors and permitted assigns.
15. **Prior Communications; Amendment.** This Agreement, together with any Schedules and Exhibits and any other writings referred to herein or delivered pursuant hereto, evidences the Award granted hereunder, which shall be subject to the restrictions, terms and conditions hereof, and supersedes all prior agreements and understandings, whether written or oral, between the parties with respect to the subject matter hereof. To the fullest extent provided by applicable law, this Agreement may only be amended, modified and supplemented in accordance with the applicable terms and conditions set forth in the Plan.
16. **Notices.** All notices and other communications hereunder shall be in writing and shall be deemed given if directed in the manner specified below, to the parties at the following addresses and numbers:

(a) If to the Company, when delivered by hand or mail (registered or certified mail with postage prepaid) to:

Seadrill Management Limited,  
2<sup>nd</sup> Floor,  
Building 11  
Chiswick Business Park



566 Chiswick High Road London  
United Kingdom W4 5YS  
Attention: General Counsel

(b) If to Participant, when delivered by hand or mail (registered or certified mail with postage prepaid) to:

The last known address and number for Participant as maintained in the personnel records of the Company.

For purposes of this Section 16, the Company shall provide Participant with written notice of any change of the Company's address, and Participant shall be responsible for providing the Company with proper notice of any change of Participant's address pursuant to the Company's personnel policies, and from and after the giving of such notice the address or addresses therein specified will be deemed to be the address of such party for the purposes of giving notice hereunder.

17. **Severability.** If any provision of this Agreement is held to be unenforceable, this Agreement shall be considered divisible and such provision shall be deemed inoperative to the extent it is deemed unenforceable, and in all other respects the restrictions, terms and conditions set forth in this Agreement shall remain in full force and effect; provided, however, that if any such provision may be made enforceable by limitation thereof, then such provision shall be deemed to be so limited and shall be enforceable to the maximum extent permitted by applicable law.
18. **Description Headings.** The descriptive headings herein are inserted for convenience of reference only, do not constitute a part of this Agreement, and shall not affect in any manner the meaning or interpretation of this Agreement.
19. **Gender.** Pronouns in masculine, feminine and neuter genders shall be construed to include any other gender, and words in the singular form shall be construed to include the plural and vice versa, unless the context otherwise requires.
20. **References.** The words "this Agreement," "herein," "hereof," "hereby," "hereunder" and words of similar import refer to this Agreement as a whole and not to any particular subdivision unless expressly so limited. Whenever the words "include," "includes" and "including" are used in this Agreement, such words shall be deemed to be followed by the words "without limitation."
21. **Unfunded Awards.** The awards made under this Agreement are unfunded and unsecured obligations and rights to provide or receive compensation in accordance with the provisions hereof, and to the extent that Participant acquires a right to receive compensation from the Company or a Subsidiary of the Company pursuant to this Agreement, such right shall be no greater than the right of any unsecured general creditor of the Company or such affiliate.
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22. **Compliance with Code Section 409A.** The compensation payable to or with respect to Participant pursuant to the Awarded Restricted Stock Units is intended to be compensation that is exempt from Code Section 409A or, to the extent subject to Code Section 409A, compliant with Code Section 409A or not subject to the tax imposed by Code Section 409A, and this Agreement shall be administered and construed to the fullest extent possible to reflect and implement such intent.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Company has signed and delivered this Agreement as of the date first above written.

**Seadrill Limited**

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Name:  
Title:

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Acknowledged, Agreed and Accepted:

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[Participant]

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**SCHEDULE I**

**SEADRILL LIMITED  
2022 MANAGEMENT INCENTIVE PLAN**

**PERFORMANCE GOALS AND PERFORMANCE PERIOD**

**FOR AWARD OF PERFORMANCE-BASED RESTRICTED STOCK UNITS**

The Committee has determined that the Awarded Restricted Stock Units shall vest based on the level at which the below Performance Goals are achieved over the period beginning on the Grant Date and ending on the third anniversary of the Grant Date (the “Performance Period”):

**Performance Goals**

The Awarded Restricted Stock Units may be earned, if at all, based on the extent to which the Sustained Per Share Value is achieved at the levels described below at any point from the Grant Date through the last day of the Performance Period as follows:

<b>Percentage of Awarded Restricted Stock Units that will be Earned</b>	<b>Sustained Per Share Value Achieved During the Performance Period</b>
0%	Sustained Per Share Value does not reach 1.5X the Originating Share Value
50%	Sustained Per Share Value of 1.5X the Originating Share Value is achieved
75%	Sustained Per Share Value of 2X the Originating Share Value is achieved
100%	Sustained Per Share Value equal to or greater than 2.5X the Originating Share Value is achieved

Results between levels will be determined using straight line interpolation.

For purposes of this Agreement:

“Originating Share Value” shall mean NOK \_\_\_\_\_ or \$ \_\_\_\_\_.

“Sustained Per Share Value” shall mean that the Fair Market Value of a Share equals or exceeds the particular price for a period of at least 45 consecutive trading days at any time during the Performance Period. Whether or not a Sustained Per Share Value shall have been met shall be determined by the Committee in its sole discretion.



Exhibit 10.9

**SEADRILL LIMITED  
LONG TERM INCENTIVE PLAN  
TIME-VESTED RESTRICTED STOCK UNIT AWARD AGREEMENT**

THIS AWARD AGREEMENT (this "Agreement"), made as of the \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2023 (the "Grant Date") by Seadrill Limited, an exempted company incorporated and existing under the laws of Bermuda (the "Company") evidences the time-vested Restricted Stock Units (as defined in the Plan) awarded hereunder to \_\_\_\_\_ ("Participant"), subject to Participant signing and returning the signature page hereto to the Company, and sets forth the restrictions, terms and conditions that apply thereto. Capitalized terms used in this Agreement and not otherwise defined in this Agreement shall have the meanings set forth in the Plan.

**WITNESSETH**

WHEREAS, the Committee acting under the Seadrill Limited 2022 Management Incentive Plan, as may be amended (the "Plan") has determined that it is desirable to award time-vested Restricted Stock Units to Participant pursuant to the Plan; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Plan, the Committee has determined that the time-vested Restricted Stock Units so awarded shall be subject to the restrictions, terms and conditions set forth in this Agreement;

NOW, THEREFORE, subject to the terms of this Agreement, the award of time-vested Restricted Stock Units is hereby granted to Participant as follows:

- Time-Vested Restricted Stock Unit Award.** On the terms and conditions and subject to the restrictions, including forfeiture to or acquisition for no further consideration by the Company, hereinafter set forth, the Company hereby awards \_\_\_\_\_ Restricted Stock Units (the "Awarded Restricted Stock Units") to Participant pursuant to the Plan. The Awarded Restricted Stock Units are being awarded to Participant effective as of the Grant Date and shall vest or be forfeited in accordance with (and otherwise be subject to) the provisions of this Agreement. The Awarded Restricted Stock Units are being awarded to Participant without the payment of any cash consideration by Participant, except that payment of the aggregate par value in respect of any Shares delivered hereunder may be required by the Committee or pursuant to procedures of the Committee in respect of the allotment and issuance, transfer or delivery of such Shares.
- Vesting and Forfeiture.** Except as set forth in Section 3 or Section 4 of this Agreement, the Awarded Restricted Stock Units shall vest and the forfeiture restrictions applicable to them under this Agreement shall terminate in accordance with the provisions of the attached Schedule I, provided that Participant remains continuously employed by the Company or a Subsidiary of the Company from the Grant Date through the applicable Vesting Date (as set forth on Schedule I hereto). Unless otherwise determined by the Committee and except as otherwise provided in Section 3 or Section 4 of this Agreement, any Awarded Restricted Stock Units that have not already vested shall be forfeited by Participant upon the termination of Participant's employment with the Company or a Subsidiary of the Company. For purposes of this Agreement, transfers of employment without interruption of service



between or among the Company and a Subsidiary of the Company shall not be considered a termination of employment.

**3. Acceleration of Vesting.**

- (a) Notwithstanding Section 2 of this Agreement, and except as provided in Section 4, a Pro Rata Portion of the next Tranche of the Awarded Restricted Stock Units shall become vested under this Agreement if, after the first anniversary of the Grant Date, Participant's employment with the Company or a Subsidiary of the Company terminates pursuant to a Qualifying Termination Event (as defined below). "Qualifying Termination Events" means a termination of Participant's employment with the Company or a Subsidiary of the Company:
- i) by reason of Participant's death,
  - ii) by reason of Participant's Disability, or
  - iii) by reason of the Company's termination of Participant's employment other than for Cause.
- (b) For purposes of this Agreement, (i) the "Pro Rata Portion" shall be equal to the product of "A" multiplied by "B," where "A" equals the number of Awarded Restricted Stock Units in the next Tranche that are not vested on the date of Participant's termination of employment, and "B" is a fraction, the numerator of which is the number of full months from the prior Vesting Date (as defined in Schedule I hereto) through the date of Participant's termination of employment, and the denominator of which is 12 and (ii) a "Tranche" shall refer to each portion of the Awarded Restricted Stock Units that would vest on a particular Vesting Date (that is, one-third of the Awarded Restricted Stock Units).
- (c) Awarded Restricted Stock Units shall become vested pursuant to Section 3(a)(i), Section 3(a)(ii), and Section 3(a)(iii) only upon Participant's (or Participant's legal representative's, heir's, legatee's or distributee's, as applicable) timely execution of a general release of claims no later than 45 days following such Qualifying Termination Event in a form satisfactory to the Company and, if applicable, Participant's (or Participant's legal representative's, heir's, legatee's or distributee's, as applicable) failure to revoke such execution or signature in accordance with the terms of such release, (any such period to execute and revoke such release of claims, the "Consideration Period"). If the Consideration Period spans two calendar years, then, subject to such execution and non-revocation of the release, the Pro Rata Portion of the next Tranche of the Awarded Restricted Stock Units shall become vested and be settled in Shares in the second calendar year.
- (d) For the avoidance of doubt, all Awarded Restricted Stock Units that do not vest in accordance with this Section 3 or Section 4 shall be forfeited by Participant upon the termination of Participant's employment with the Company or a Subsidiary of the Company or the expiration of the Consideration Period, if applicable.

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**4. Change in Control.**

(a) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this Agreement, in the event of a Change in Control, if the Awarded Restricted Stock Units are not continued or assumed, or substituted or replaced with an award with respect to cash or shares of the acquiror or surviving entity in such Change in Control, in each case, with substantially equivalent terms and value as the Awarded Restricted Stock Units (“Assumed”), any unvested Awarded Restricted Stock Units shall become vested.

(b) In the event of a Change in Control in which the Awarded Restricted Stock Units are Assumed, the Awarded Restricted Stock Units shall remain subject to the terms and conditions of this Agreement, provided, that, notwithstanding Section 3(a), if Participant’s employment with the Company or a Subsidiary of the Company terminates pursuant to a Qualifying Termination Event within the 12-month period beginning on the Change in Control and ending at the end of the first anniversary of the Change in Control, any unvested Awarded Restricted Stock Units shall become vested subject to Participant’s (or Participant’s legal representative’s, heir’s, legatee’s or distributee’s, as applicable) timely execution of a general release of claims no later than 45 days following such Qualifying Termination Event in a form satisfactory to the Company and, if applicable, Participant’s (or Participant’s legal representative’s, heir’s, legatee’s or distributee’s, as applicable) failure to revoke such execution or signature in accordance with the terms of such release during the Consideration Period. If the Consideration Period spans two calendar years, then, subject to execution and non-revocation of the release, any unvested Awarded Restricted Stock Units shall become vested and be settled in the second calendar year.

**5. Allotment and Issuance of Shares.** As soon as practicable following the date any such Awarded Restricted Stock Units vest, but in any event no later than 70 days following the date on which the Awarded Restricted Stock Units vest, the Company shall either (a) settle in cash the Awarded Restricted Stock Units in which Participant vests or (b) allot and issue or transfer to Participant one Share in settlement of any such Awarded Restricted Stock Units and, in each case, in full satisfaction of such Awarded Restricted Stock Units. The determination of whether the Awarded Restricted Stock Units that become vested shall be settled in cash or in Shares shall be made at the sole discretion of the Committee and, the Committee’s ability to determine that the Awarded Restricted Stock Units that become vested be settled in Shares is contingent upon shareholder approval of the Plan at the Annual General Meeting, expected to occur on or before 22 March 2023.

**6. No Rights as Shareholder.** Except as provided in Section 7, Participant shall have no rights as a shareholder of the Company, including, without limitation, voting rights or the right to receive dividends and distributions as a shareholder, with respect to the Shares subject to the Awarded Restricted Stock Units, unless and until and to the extent such Shares are allotted and issued or transferred to Participant as provided herein.

**7. Dividend Equivalents.** In connection with the Awarded Restricted Stock Units the Company hereby awards to Participant Dividend Equivalents with respect to any cash dividends payable with respect to the Shares. Such cash Dividend Equivalents shall be payable at the same time, and shall be subject to the same conditions, that are applicable to the Awarded Restricted Stock Units, and shall be payable in cash at the same time of settlement of the

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underlying Awarded Restricted Stock Unit that ultimately vest. Accordingly, the right to receive such cash Dividend Equivalent payments shall be forfeited to the extent that the Awarded Restricted Stock Units do not vest, are forfeited, are acquired by the Company or are otherwise cancelled pursuant to this Agreement.

**8. Arrangements and Procedures Regarding Withholding Taxes.**

(a) Participant shall make arrangements satisfactory to the Committee for the payment of taxes and social security obligations of any kind that are required by law to be withheld with respect to the Awarded Restricted Stock Units or the Dividend Equivalents awarded under this Agreement, including, without limitation, taxes applicable to (i) the awarding of the Awarded Restricted Stock Units or the payment of cash or allotment and issuance or transfer of Shares in settlement thereof, or (ii) the awarding of the Dividend Equivalents or the payments made with respect thereto.

(b) Unless and until the Committee shall determine otherwise and provide notice to Participant in accordance with Section 8(c), any obligation of Participant under Section 8(a) that arises with respect to the payment of cash or allotment and issuance, transfer or delivery of Shares in settlement of Awarded Restricted Stock Units that have become vested may be satisfied, in accordance with procedures adopted by the Committee, by (i) Participant's forfeiture or surrender of the right to require the Company to allot and issue, transfer or deliver Shares subject to such Awarded Restricted Stock Units, (ii) causing such Awarded Restricted Stock Units to be settled partly in cash or (iii) otherwise reducing the number of Shares to be issued and/or reacquiring a portion of such Shares. In the case of Shares as to which the right to require allotment and issuance, transfer or delivery is forfeited or surrendered pursuant to clause (i) and Shares not issued or reacquired pursuant to clause (iii) such Shares or rights shall be valued at the Fair Market Value (of such Shares or the Shares to which such rights relate, as the case may be) as of the date on which the taxable event that gives rise to the withholding requirement occurs.

(c) The Committee may determine, after the Grant Date and on notice to Participant, to authorize one or more arrangements (in addition to or in lieu of the arrangement described in Section 8(b)) satisfactory to the Committee for Participant to satisfy the obligation of Participant under Section 8(a).

(d) If Participant does not, for whatever reason, satisfy the obligation of Participant under Section 8(a), then the Company and its Subsidiaries shall, to the extent permitted by law, have the right to deduct from any payments of any kind otherwise due to Participant the amount required to satisfy the obligation of Participant under such Section 8(a).

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- (c) **Non-Interference.** Participant shall not, for the duration of Participant's employment and for the six-month period following the termination of Participant's employment, (either on Participant's own behalf or for or with any other person), whether directly or indirectly, (i) in regards to any Customer or Prospective Customer, (A) deal with or supply any Customer, or (B) deal with or supply any Prospective Customer; or (ii) in regards to any Supplier, (A) deal with or accept the supply of any goods or services from any Supplier where such supply is likely to be to the detriment of any Company whether by causing the Supplier to reduce or alter the terms or quantity of supply to the Company or, where the value of the Company's arrangement with the Supplier is diminished; or (B) solicit, facilitate the solicitation of, or canvass the supply of any goods or services from any Supplier where such supply is likely to be to the detriment of any Company whether by causing the Supplier to reduce or alter the terms or quantity of supply to the Company, or where the value of the Company's arrangement with the Supplier is diminished.
- (d) **Confidential Information.** Participant shall not (except in the proper performance of Participant's duties) use or disclose to any person, company or other organization (and shall use every reasonable endeavor to prevent the publication or disclosure of) any of the trade secrets or confidential information of the Company or any Subsidiary of the Company. This restriction shall continue to apply after the termination of Participant's employment but will not apply to information or knowledge which may come into the public domain other than through unauthorized disclosure, or any use or disclosure authorized by the Board or required by law. For purposes of this [Section 9\(c\)](#), "trade secrets" and "confidential information" will include but not be limited to: (i) information relating to the business methods, corporate plans, management systems, finances, new business opportunities, research and development projects, marketing or sales of any past, present or future product or serve of the Company; (ii) secret formulae, processes,



inventions, designed, know-how discoveries, technical specifications and other technical information relating to the creation, production or supply of any past, present or future product or services of the Company; (iii) lists or details or customers, potential customers or suppliers of the arrangements made with any customer or supplier of the Company; (iv) any information in respect of which the Company owes an obligation of confidentiality to any third party (provided that with respect to such third party Participant knows or reasonably should have known that the third party provided it to the Company on a confidential basis); (v) information and details of and concerning the engagement, employment and termination of employment of Participant and any other personnel; (vi) information concerning any litigation proposed, in progress or settled; and, (vii) any other information in whatever form (written, oral, visual and electronic) concerning the confidential affairs of the Company.

(e) **Non-Disparagement.** During the term of Participant's employment with the Company or a Subsidiary of the Company and thereafter in perpetuity, Participant shall not, directly or indirectly, knowingly disparage, criticize, or otherwise make derogatory statements regarding the Company or any Subsidiary of the Company, successors, directors or officers. The foregoing shall not be violated by Participant's truthful responses to legal process or inquiry by a governmental authority.

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- ii) "[Confidential Information](#)" shall have the meaning given to trade secrets and confidential information in [Section 9\(d\)](#).
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- vi) "[Prospective Customer](#)" shall mean any person who was at any time during the 12 months immediately preceding the termination of Participant's employment engaged



in negotiations, with which Participant was personally involved, with the Company with a view to obtaining Goods and/or Services from the Company or in relation to whom Participant has acquired Confidential Information.

vii) “**Supplier**” shall mean any person with whom Participant had material dealings at any time during the 12 months immediately preceding the termination of Participant’s employment and who during that period supplied goods or services to the Company on terms other than those available to another purchaser in the market during that period, whether by reason of exclusivity (either de facto or contractually obliged), price or otherwise.

10. **Forfeiture Events.** Participant expressly acknowledges and agrees that his or her rights, and those of any permitted transferee of the Awarded Restricted Stock Units, under the Awarded Restricted Stock Units, including the right to any cash or Shares acquired upon the vesting of the Awarded Restricted Stock Units or proceeds from the disposition thereof are subject to any clawback or recoupment policy of the Company. In addition, if Participant (i) is terminated for Cause (or, within one year following Participant’s termination other than for Cause, the Committee determines that the Company had grounds to terminate the Participant for Cause) or (ii) violates any restrictive covenants to which Participant is subject, whether set forth in this Agreement or elsewhere, the Committee, in its sole discretion, may require Participant to surrender and return to the Company all or any cash or sell or transfer to the Company (for no further consideration) Shares received in connection with the vesting of the Awarded Restricted Stock Units, or to disgorge all or any profits or any other economic value (however defined by the Committee) made or realized by Participant on the sale of such Shares.
11. **Non-Assignability.** This Agreement is not assignable or transferable by Participant. No right or interest of Participant under this Agreement or the Plan may be assigned, transferred or alienated, in whole or in part, either directly or by operation of law (except pursuant to a qualified domestic relations order within the meaning of Section 414(p) of the Code or a similar domestic relations order under applicable foreign law, either in such form as is acceptable to the committee), and no such right or interest shall be liable for or subject to any debt, obligation or liability of Participant.
12. **Plan Provisions.** The Awarded Restricted Stock Units and the Dividend Equivalents subject to this Agreement shall be governed by and subject to all applicable provisions of the Plan. This Agreement is subject to the Plan, and the Plan shall govern where there is any inconsistency between the Plan and this Agreement.
13. **Governing Law.** This Agreement shall be governed by and construed and enforced in accordance with the laws of the State of Delaware, without regard to the principles of conflicts of laws thereof, except to the extent the laws of the State of Delaware are preempted by federal law of the United States or by the laws of England.
14. **Binding Effect.** This Agreement shall be binding upon and inure to the benefit of the parties hereto and their respective heirs, personal representatives, successors and permitted assigns.



15. **Prior Communications; Amendment.** This Agreement, together with any Schedules and Exhibits and any other writings referred to herein or delivered pursuant hereto, evidences the Award granted hereunder, which shall be subject to the restrictions, terms and conditions hereof, and supersedes all prior agreements and understandings, whether written or oral, between the parties with respect to the subject matter hereof. To the fullest extent provided by applicable law, this Agreement may only be amended, modified and supplemented in accordance with the applicable terms and conditions set forth in the Plan.
16. **Notices.** All notices and other communications hereunder shall be in writing and shall be deemed given if directed in the manner specified below, to the parties at the following addresses and numbers:
- (a) If to the Company, when delivered by hand or mail (registered or certified mail with postage prepaid) to:
- Seadrill Management Limited, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor,  
Building 11  
Chiswick Business Park  
566 Chiswick High Road London United Kingdom W4 5YS  
Attention:General Counsel
- (b) If to Participant, when delivered by hand or mail (registered or certified mail with postage prepaid) to:
- The last known address and number for Participant as maintained in the personnel records of the Company.
- For purposes of this Section 16, the Company shall provide Participant with written notice of any change of the Company's address, and Participant shall be responsible for providing the Company with proper notice of any change of Participant's address pursuant to the Company's personnel policies, and from and after the giving of such notice the address or addresses therein specified will be deemed to be the address of such party for the purposes of giving notice hereunder.
17. **Severability.** If any provision of this Agreement is held to be unenforceable, this Agreement shall be considered divisible and such provision shall be deemed inoperative to the extent it is deemed unenforceable, and in all other respects the restrictions, terms and conditions set forth in this Agreement shall remain in full force and effect; provided, however, that if any such provision may be made enforceable by limitation thereof, then such provision shall be deemed to be so limited and shall be enforceable to the maximum extent permitted by applicable law.
18. **Description Headings.** The descriptive headings herein are inserted for convenience of reference only, do not constitute a part of this Agreement, and shall not affect in any manner the meaning or interpretation of this Agreement.



19. **Gender.** Pronouns in masculine, feminine and neuter genders shall be construed to include any other gender, and words in the singular form shall be construed to include the plural and vice versa, unless the context otherwise requires.
20. **References.** The words “this Agreement,” “herein,” “hereof,” “hereby,” “hereunder” and words of similar import refer to this Agreement as a whole and not to any particular subdivision unless expressly so limited. Whenever the words “include,” “includes” and “including” are used in this Agreement, such words shall be deemed to be followed by the words “without limitation.”
21. **Unfunded Awards.** The awards made under this Agreement are unfunded and unsecured obligations and rights to provide or receive compensation in accordance with the provisions hereof, and to the extent that Participant acquires a right to receive compensation from the Company or a Subsidiary of the Company pursuant to this Agreement, such right shall be no greater than the right of any unsecured general creditor of the Company or such affiliate.
22. **Compliance with Code Section 409A.** The compensation payable to or with respect to Participant pursuant to the Awarded Restricted Stock Units is intended to be compensation that is exempt from Code Section 409A or, to the extent subject to Code Section 409A, compliant with Code Section 409A or not subject to the tax imposed by Code Section 409A, and this Agreement shall be administered and construed to the fullest extent possible to reflect and implement such intent.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Company has signed and delivered this Agreement as of the date first above written.

**Seadrill Limited**

By:

\_\_ Name:

Title:

Acknowledged, Agreed and Accepted:

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[Participant]



**SCHEDULE I**

**SEADRILL LIMITED**

**VESTING DATES**

**FOR AWARD OF TIME-VESTED RESTRICTED STOCK UNITS**

The Committee has determined that the following specified vesting dates shall be applicable to the Awarded Restricted Stock Units awarded pursuant to this Agreement:

**Vesting Dates**

- (i) One-third of the Awarded Restricted Stock Units shall vest on the first anniversary of the Grant Date; and
- (ii) One-third of the Awarded Restricted Stock Units shall vest on the second anniversary of the Grant Date; and
- (iii) One-third of the Awarded Restricted Stock Units shall vest on the third anniversary of the Grant Date.

For purposes of this Agreement, each date on which the Awarded Restricted Stock Units vest shall be referred to as a "Vesting Date."

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*Exhibit 10.10*

**SEADRILL LIMITED  
LONG TERM INCENTIVE PLAN**

**PERFORMANCE-BASED RESTRICTED STOCK UNIT AWARD AGREEMENT**

THIS AWARD AGREEMENT (this "Agreement"), made effective as of the \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2023 (the "Grant Date") by Seadrill Limited, an exempted company incorporated and existing under the laws of Bermuda (the "Company") evidences the performance-based Restricted Stock Units (as defined in the Plan) awarded hereunder to \_\_\_\_\_ ("Participant"), subject to Participant signing and returning the signature page hereto to the Company, and sets forth the restrictions, terms and conditions that apply thereto. Capitalized terms used in this Agreement and not otherwise defined in this Agreement shall have the meanings set forth in the Plan.

**WITNESSETH**

WHEREAS, the Committee acting under the Seadrill Limited 2022 Management Incentive Plan, as may be amended (the "Plan") has determined that it is desirable to award performance-based Restricted Stock Units to Participant pursuant to the Plan; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Plan, the Committee has determined that the performance-based Restricted Stock Units so awarded shall be subject to the restrictions, terms and conditions set forth in this Agreement;

NOW, THEREFORE, subject to the terms of this Agreement, the award of performance-based Restricted Stock Units is hereby granted to Participant as follows:

- Performance-Based Restricted Stock Unit Award.** On the terms and conditions and subject to the restrictions, including forfeiture to or acquisition for no further consideration by the Company, hereinafter set forth, the Company hereby awards \_\_\_\_\_ Restricted Stock Units (the "Awarded Restricted Stock Units") to Participant pursuant to the Plan. The Awarded Restricted Stock Units are being awarded to Participant effective as of the Grant Date and shall vest or be forfeited in accordance with (and otherwise be subject to) the provisions of this Agreement. The Awarded Restricted Stock Units are being awarded to Participant without the payment of any cash consideration by Participant, except that payment of the aggregate par value in respect of any Shares delivered hereunder may be required by the Committee or pursuant to procedures of the Committee in respect of the allotment and issuance, transfer or delivery of such Shares.
- Vesting and Forfeiture.** The number of Awarded Restricted Stock Units, if any, that are earned shall be determined by the Committee based on the level of achievement of the Performance Goals set forth on Schedule I, attached hereto, which determination shall be made by the Committee as soon as practicable and, in any event, within 60 days following the end of each of the first, second and third years of the Performance Period (as defined in Schedule 1 hereto) with final determination being made within 60 days following the end of the Performance Period. Unless otherwise determined by the Committee and except as



otherwise provided in [Section 3](#) or [Section 4](#) of this Agreement, such number of Awarded Restricted Stock Units so earned, if any, shall vest subject to the Participant remaining continuously employed by the Company or a Subsidiary of the Company from the Grant Date through the



last day of the Performance Period. Unless otherwise determined by the Committee and except as otherwise provided in Section 3 or Section 4 of this Agreement, any Awarded Restricted Stock Units that have not already vested in accordance with this Section 2 shall be forfeited by Participant upon the termination of Participant's employment with the Company or a Subsidiary of the Company. For purposes of this Agreement, transfers of employment without interruption of service between or among the Company and a Subsidiary of the Company shall not be considered a termination of employment.

**3. Acceleration of Vesting.**

- (a) Notwithstanding Section 2 of this Agreement, and except as provided in Section 4, if Participant's employment with the Company or a Subsidiary of the Company terminates after the first anniversary of the Grant Date and prior to the end of the Performance Period pursuant to a Qualifying Termination Event (as defined below), the Awarded Restricted Stock Units will remain outstanding until the end of the Performance Period and thereafter a Pro Rata Portion (as defined below) shall become vested in accordance with Section 2 as if the Participant had remained employed through the last day of the Performance Period. "Qualifying Termination Events" means a termination of Participant's employment with the Company or a Subsidiary of the Company:
- i) by reason of Participant's death,
  - ii) by reason of Participant's Disability, or
  - iii) by reason of the Company's termination of Participant's employment other than for Cause.
- (b) For purposes of this Agreement, the "Pro Rata Portion" shall be equal to the product of "A" multiplied by "B," where "A" equals the number of Awarded Restricted Stock Units determined by the Committee to have been earned based on the level of achievement of the Performance Goals set forth on Schedule I, and "B" is a fraction, the numerator of which is the number of full months the Participant worked during the Performance Period through the date of Participant's termination of employment, and the denominator of which is the number of full months in the Performance Period.
- (c) Awarded Restricted Stock Units shall be eligible to become earned and vested pursuant to Section 3(a)(i), Section 3(a)(ii), and Section 3(a)(iii) only upon Participant's (or Participant's legal representative's, heir's, legatee's or distributee's, as applicable) timely execution of a general release of claims no later than 45 days following such Qualifying Termination Event in a form satisfactory to the Company and, if applicable, Participant's (or Participant's legal representative's, heir's, legatee's or distributee's, as applicable) failure to revoke such execution or signature in accordance with the terms of such release (any such period to execute and revoke such release of claims, the "Consideration Period").



(d) For the avoidance of doubt, all Awarded Restricted Stock Units that do not vest in accordance with this [Section 3](#) or [Section 4](#) shall be forfeited by Participant upon the termination of Participant's employment with the Company or a Subsidiary of the Company during the Performance Period or the expiration of the Consideration Period, if



applicable. All Awarded Restricted Stock Units shall be forfeited by Participant upon the termination of Participant's employment by the Company for Cause and any Shares issued to the Participant pursuant to such Award would be acquired by the Company for no consideration.

**4. Change in Control.**

(a) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this Agreement, in the event of a Change in Control, if the Awarded Restricted Stock Units are not continued or assumed, or substituted or replaced with an award with respect to cash or shares of the acquiror or surviving entity in such Change in Control, in each case, with substantially equivalent terms and value as the Awarded Restricted Stock Units ("Assumed"), the Performance Period shall end as of the latest practicable date prior to the Change in Control and the Committee shall determine the number of Shares earned with respect to such Awarded Restricted Stock Units based on the level of achievement of the Performance Goals through such date, or such greater amount as determined by the Committee, and shall thereafter vest immediately prior to the Change in Control.

(b) In the event of a Change in Control in which the Awarded Restricted Stock Units are Assumed, the Awarded Restricted Stock Units shall remain subject to the terms and conditions of this Agreement, with the Committee making such adjustments to the Performance Goals as it deems necessary as a result of the transaction, provided, that, notwithstanding Section 3(a), if Participant's employment with the Company or a Subsidiary of the Company terminates pursuant to a Qualifying Termination Event within the 12-month period beginning on the Change in Control and ending at the end of the first anniversary of the Change in Control, any unvested Awarded Restricted Stock Units shall become vested subject to Participant's (or Participant's legal representative's, heir's, legatee's or distributee's, as applicable) timely execution of a general release of claims no later than 45 days following such Qualifying Termination Event in a form satisfactory to the Company and, if applicable, Participant's (or Participant's legal representative's, heir's, legatee's or distributee's, as applicable) failure to revoke such execution or signature in accordance with the terms of such release during the Consideration Period. If the Consideration Period spans two calendar years, then, subject to such execution and non-revocation of the release, any unvested Awarded Restricted Stock Units shall become vested and be settled in the second calendar year.

**5. Allotment and Issuance of Shares.** As soon as practicable following the end of the Performance Period (or, the applicable vesting date described in Section 4 of this Agreement, if applicable), but in any event no later than 70 days following such date, the Company shall either (a) settle in cash the Awarded Restricted Stock Units that are earned and in which Participant vests or (b) allot and issue or transfer to Participant one Share in settlement of any such Awarded Restricted Stock Units and, in each case, in full satisfaction of such Awarded Restricted Stock Units. The determination of whether the Awarded Restricted Stock Units that are earned and become vested shall be settled in cash or in Shares shall be made at the



sole discretion of the Committee and, the Committee's ability to determine that the Awarded Restricted Stock Units that become vested be settled in Shares is contingent upon shareholder



approval of the Plan at the Annual General Meeting, expected to occur on or before 22 March 2023.

6. **No Rights as Shareholder.** Except as provided in Section 7, Participant shall have no rights as a shareholder of the Company, including, without limitation, voting rights or the right to receive dividends and distributions as a shareholder, with respect to the Shares subject to the Awarded Restricted Stock Units, unless and until and to the extent such Shares are allotted and issued or transferred to Participant as provided herein.
7. **Dividend Equivalents.** In connection with the Awarded Restricted Stock Units the Company hereby awards to Participant Dividend Equivalents with respect to any cash dividends payable with respect to the Shares. Such cash Dividend Equivalents shall be payable at the same time, and shall be subject to the same conditions (including the Performance Goals), that are applicable to the Awarded Restricted Stock Units, and shall be payable in cash at the same time of settlement of the underlying Awarded Restricted Stock Unit that ultimately vest. Accordingly, the right to receive such cash Dividend Equivalent payments shall be forfeited to the extent that the Awarded Restricted Stock Units do not vest, are forfeited, are acquired by the Company or are otherwise cancelled pursuant to this Agreement.
8. **Arrangements and Procedures Regarding Withholding Taxes.**
  - (a) Participant shall make arrangements satisfactory to the Committee for the payment of taxes and social security obligations of any kind that are required by law to be withheld with respect to the Awarded Restricted Stock Units or the Dividend Equivalents awarded under this Agreement, including, without limitation, taxes applicable to (i) the awarding of the Awarded Restricted Stock Units or the payment of cash or allotment and issuance or transfer of Shares in settlement thereof, or (ii) the awarding of the Dividend Equivalents or the payments made with respect thereto.
  - (b) Unless and until the Committee shall determine otherwise and provide notice to Participant in accordance with Section 8(c), any obligation of Participant under Section 8(a) that arises with respect to the payment of cash or allotment and issuance, transfer or delivery of Shares in settlement of Awarded Restricted Stock Units that have become vested may be satisfied, in accordance with procedures adopted by the Committee, by (i) Participant's forfeiture or surrender of the right to require the Company to allot and issue, transfer or deliver Shares subject to such Awarded Restricted Stock Units, (ii) causing such Awarded Restricted Stock Units to be settled partly in cash or (iii) otherwise reducing the number of Shares to be issued and/or reacquiring a portion of such Shares. In the case of Shares as to which the right to require allotment and issuance, transfer or delivery is forfeited or surrendered pursuant to clause (i) and Shares not issued or reacquired pursuant to clause (iii) such Shares or rights shall be valued at the Fair Market Value (of such Shares or the Shares to which such rights relate, as the case may be) as of the date on which the taxable event that gives rise to the withholding requirement occurs.



- (c) The Committee may determine, after the Grant Date and on notice to Participant, to authorize one or more arrangements (in addition to or in lieu of the arrangement described



in [Section 8\(b\)](#)) satisfactory to the Committee for Participant to satisfy the obligation of Participant under [Section 8\(a\)](#).

(d) If Participant does not, for whatever reason, satisfy the obligation of Participant under [Section 8\(a\)](#), then the Company and its Subsidiaries shall, to the extent permitted by law, have the right to deduct from any payments of any kind otherwise due to Participant the amount required to satisfy the obligation of Participant under such [Section 8\(a\)](#).

9. **Restrictive Covenants.** Without limiting any other non-competition, non-solicitation, non-disparagement or non-disclosure or other similar agreement to which Participant may be a party, Participant shall be subject to the confidentiality and restrictive covenants set forth in this [Section 9](#).

(a) **Non-Competition.** Participant shall not, for the duration of Participant's employment and for the six-month period following the termination of Participant's employment, be employed in, or carry on for Participant's own account or for any other person, or provide advisory services to (whether directly or indirectly), or be a director of any company, business or venture, which is, or is about to be in competition with the Company, or is likely to result in the intentional or unintentional disclosure or use of Confidential Information by Participant in order for Participant to properly discharge Participant's duties.

(b) **Non-Solicitation.** Participant shall not, for the duration of Participant's employment and for the six-month period following the termination of Participant's employment (either on Participant's own behalf or for or with any other person), whether directly or indirectly, (i) solicit or entice or endeavor to solicit or entice any Employee to leave such Employee's employment with or cease such Employee's directorship or consultancy with the Company or a Subsidiary of the Company, whether or not that person would breach any obligations owed to the Company or any Subsidiary of the Company by so doing or offer employment or any contract for services to or employ or engage any Employee, or (ii) in respect of any Goods or Services, solicit, facilitate the solicitation of, or canvass the custom or business of any Customer solicit, facilitate the solicitation of, or canvas the custom or business of any Prospective Customer.

(c) **Non-Interference.** Participant shall not, for the duration of Participant's employment and for the six-month period following the termination of Participant's employment, (either on Participant's own behalf or for or with any other person), whether directly or indirectly, (i) in regards to any Customer or Prospective Customer, (A) deal with or supply any Customer, or (B) deal with or supply any Prospective Customer; or (ii) in regards to any Supplier, (A) deal with or accept the supply of any goods or services from any Supplier where such supply is likely to be to the detriment of any Company whether by causing the Supplier to reduce or alter the terms or quantity of supply to the Company or, where the value of the Company's arrangement with the Supplier is diminished; or (B) solicit, facilitate the solicitation of, or canvass the supply of any goods or services from any Supplier where such supply is likely to be to the detriment of any Company whether



by causing the Supplier to reduce or alter the terms or quantity of supply to the Company, or where the value of the Company's arrangement with the Supplier is diminished.



- (d) **Confidential Information.** Participant shall not (except in the proper performance of Participant's duties) use or disclose to any person, company or other organization (and shall use every reasonable endeavor to prevent the publication or disclosure of) any of the trade secrets or confidential information of the Company or any Subsidiary of the Company. This restriction shall continue to apply after the termination of Participant's employment but will not apply to information or knowledge which may come into the public domain other than through unauthorized disclosure, or any use or disclosure authorized by the Board or required by law. For purposes of this Section 9(c), "trade secrets" and "confidential information" will include but not be limited to: (i) information relating to the business methods, corporate plans, management systems, finances, new business opportunities, research and development projects, marketing or sales of any past, present or future product or serve of the Company; (ii) secret formulae, processes, inventions, designed, know-how discoveries, technical specifications and other technical information relating to the creation, production or supply of any past, present or future product or services of the Company; (iii) lists or details or customers, potential customers or suppliers of the arrangements made with any customer or supplier of the Company; (iv) any information in respect of which the Company owes an obligation of confidentiality to any third party (provided that with respect to such third party Participant knows or reasonably should have known that the third party provided it to the Company on a confidential basis); (v) information and details of and concerning the engagement, employment and termination of employment of Participant and any other personnel; (vi) information concerning any litigation proposed, in progress or settled; and, (vii) any other information in whatever form (written, oral, visual and electronic) concerning the confidential affairs of the Company.
- (e) **Non-Disparagement.** During the term of Participant's employment with the Company or a Subsidiary of the Company and thereafter in perpetuity, Participant shall not, directly or indirectly, knowingly disparage, criticize, or otherwise make derogatory statements regarding the Company or any Subsidiary of the Company, successors, directors or officers. The foregoing shall not be violated by Participant's truthful responses to legal process or inquiry by a governmental authority.
- (f) **Definitions.** For purposes of this Section 9:
- i) "Company" shall mean, for purposes of this Section 9 only, the Company and any and all direct and indirect subsidiary, parent, affiliated, or related companies of the Company for which Participant worked or had responsibility at the time of termination of Participant's employment and at any time during the twelve (12) month period prior to such termination.
  - ii) "Confidential Information" shall have the meaning given to trade secrets and confidential information in Section 9(d).
  - iii) "Customer" shall mean any person who at any time during the 12 months immediately preceding the termination of Participant's employment was a customer



of the Company with whom Participant had material dealings or in relation to whom he acquired confidential information.



- iv) “Employee” shall mean any individual who is employed or engaged by the Company, or any person who, during the 12 months immediately preceding the termination of Participant’s employment, is or was employed or engaged by the Company.
- v) “Goods and/or Services” shall mean any goods and/or services competitive with those supplied by the Company at any time during the 12 months immediately preceding the termination of Participant’s employment and in relation to which Participant was materially involved or concerned or for which Participant was directly responsible during that time.
- vi) “Prospective Customer” shall mean any person who was at any time during the 12 months immediately preceding the termination of Participant’s employment engaged in negotiations, with which Participant was personally involved, with the Company with a view to obtaining Goods and/or Services from the Company or in relation to whom Participant has acquired Confidential Information.
- vii) “Supplier” shall mean any person with whom Participant had material dealings at any time during the 12 months immediately preceding the termination of Participant’s employment and who during that period supplied goods or services to the Company on terms other than those available to another purchaser in the market during that period, whether by reason of exclusivity (either de facto or contractually obliged), price or otherwise.

10. **Forfeiture Events.** Participant expressly acknowledges and agrees that his or her rights, and those of any permitted transferee of the Awarded Restricted Stock Units, under the Awarded Restricted Stock Units, including the right to any cash or Shares acquired upon the vesting of the Awarded Restricted Stock Units or proceeds from the disposition thereof are subject to any clawback or recoupment policy of the Company. In addition, if Participant (i) is terminated for Cause (or, within one year following Participant’s termination other than for Cause, the Committee determines that the Company had grounds to terminate the Participant for Cause) or (ii) violates any restrictive covenants to which Participant is subject, whether set forth in this Agreement or elsewhere, the Committee, in its sole discretion, may require Participant to surrender and return to the Company all or any cash or sell or transfer to the Company (for no further consideration) Shares received in connection with the vesting of the Awarded Restricted Stock Units, or to disgorge all or any profits or any other economic value (however defined by the Committee) made or realized by Participant on the sale of such Shares.

11. **Non-Assignability.** This Agreement is not assignable or transferable by Participant. No right or interest of Participant under this Agreement or the Plan may be assigned, transferred or alienated, in whole or in part, either directly or by operation of law (except pursuant to a qualified domestic relations order within the meaning of Section 414(p) of the Code or a similar domestic relations order under applicable foreign law, either in such form as is acceptable to the committee), and no such right or interest shall be liable for or subject to any debt, obligation or liability of Participant.



12. **Plan Provisions.** The Awarded Restricted Stock Units and the Dividend Equivalents subject to this Agreement shall be governed by and subject to all applicable provisions of the Plan.



This Agreement is subject to the Plan, and the Plan shall govern where there is any inconsistency between the Plan and this Agreement.

13. **Governing Law.** This Agreement shall be governed by and construed and enforced in accordance with the laws of the State of Delaware, without regard to the principles of conflicts of laws thereof, except to the extent the laws of the State of Delaware are preempted by federal law of the United States or by the laws of England.
14. **Binding Effect.** This Agreement shall be binding upon and inure to the benefit of the parties hereto and their respective heirs, personal representatives, successors and permitted assigns.
15. **Prior Communications; Amendment.** This Agreement, together with any Schedules and Exhibits and any other writings referred to herein or delivered pursuant hereto, evidences the Award granted hereunder, which shall be subject to the restrictions, terms and conditions hereof, and supersedes all prior agreements and understandings, whether written or oral, between the parties with respect to the subject matter hereof. To the fullest extent provided by applicable law, this Agreement may only be amended, modified and supplemented in accordance with the applicable terms and conditions set forth in the Plan.
16. **Notices.** All notices and other communications hereunder shall be in writing and shall be deemed given if directed in the manner specified below, to the parties at the following addresses and numbers:

(a) If to the Company, when delivered by hand or mail (registered or certified mail with postage prepaid) to:

Seadrill Management Limited, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor,  
Building 11  
Chiswick Business Park  
566 Chiswick High Road London United Kingdom W4 5YS  
Attention: General Counsel

(b) If to Participant, when delivered by hand or mail (registered or certified mail with postage prepaid) to:

The last known address and number for Participant as maintained in the personnel records of the Company.

For purposes of this [Section 16](#), the Company shall provide Participant with written notice of any change of the Company's address, and Participant shall be responsible for providing the Company with proper notice of any change of Participant's address pursuant to the Company's personnel policies, and from and after the giving of such



notice the address or addresses therein specified will be deemed to be the address of such party for the purposes of giving notice hereunder.



17. **Severability.** If any provision of this Agreement is held to be unenforceable, this Agreement shall be considered divisible and such provision shall be deemed inoperative to the extent it is deemed unenforceable, and in all other respects the restrictions, terms and conditions set forth in this Agreement shall remain in full force and effect; provided, however, that if any such provision may be made enforceable by limitation thereof, then such provision shall be deemed to be so limited and shall be enforceable to the maximum extent permitted by applicable law.
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21. **Unfunded Awards.** The awards made under this Agreement are unfunded and unsecured obligations and rights to provide or receive compensation in accordance with the provisions hereof, and to the extent that Participant acquires a right to receive compensation from the Company or a Subsidiary of the Company pursuant to this Agreement, such right shall be no greater than the right of any unsecured general creditor of the Company or such affiliate.
22. **Compliance with Code Section 409A.** The compensation payable to or with respect to Participant pursuant to the Awarded Restricted Stock Units is intended to be compensation that is exempt from Code Section 409A or, to the extent subject to Code Section 409A, compliant with Code Section 409A or not subject to the tax imposed by Code Section 409A, and this Agreement shall be administered and construed to the fullest extent possible to reflect and implement such intent.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Company has signed and delivered this Agreement as of the date first above written.

**Seadrill Limited**

Simon Johnson  
Chief Executive Officer & President

Acknowledged, Agreed and Accepted:

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[Participant]



**SCHEDULE I**

**SEADRILL LIMITED**

**PERFORMANCE GOALS AND PERFORMANCE PERIOD**

**FOR AWARD OF PERFORMANCE-BASED RESTRICTED STOCK UNITS**

The Committee has determined that the Awarded Restricted Stock Units shall vest based on the level at which the below Performance Goals are achieved over the period beginning on the Grant Date and ending on the third anniversary of the Grant Date (the “Performance Period”):

**Performance Goals**

The Awarded Restricted Stock Units may be earned, if at all, based on the extent to which the Sustained Per Share Value is achieved at the levels described below at any point from the Grant Date through the last day of the Performance Period as follows:

<b>Percentage of Awarded Restricted Stock Units that will be Earned</b>	<b>Sustained Per Share Value Achieved During the Performance Period</b>
0%	Sustained Per Share Value does not reach 1.5X the Originating Share Value
50%	Sustained Per Share Value of 1.5X the Originating Share Value is achieved
75%	Sustained Per Share Value of 2X the Originating Share Value is achieved
100%	Sustained Per Share Value equal to or greater than 2.5X the Originating Share Value is achieved

Results between levels will be determined using straight line interpolation. For purposes of this Agreement:

“Originating Share Value” shall mean \$ \_\_\_\_

“Sustained Per Share Value” shall mean that the Fair Market Value of a Share equals or exceeds the particular price for a period of at least 45 consecutive trading days at any time during the Performance Period. Whether or not a Sustained Per Share Value shall have been met shall be determined by the Committee in its sole discretion.



*Exhibit 10.11*

**SEADRILL LIMITED  
2022 MANAGEMENT INCENTIVE PLAN**

**TIME-VESTED RESTRICTED STOCK UNIT AWARD AGREEMENT**

THIS AWARD AGREEMENT (this "Agreement"), made as of the \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2023 (the "Grant Date") by Seadrill Limited, an exempted company incorporated and existing under the laws of Bermuda (the "Company") evidences the time-vested Restricted Stock Units (as defined in the Plan) awarded hereunder to \_\_\_\_\_ ("Participant"), subject to Participant signing and returning the signature page hereto to the Company, and sets forth the restrictions, terms and conditions that apply thereto. Capitalized terms used in this Agreement and not otherwise defined in this Agreement shall have the meanings set forth in the Plan.

**WITNESSETH**

WHEREAS, the Committee acting under the Seadrill Limited 2022 Management Incentive Plan, as may be amended (the "Plan") has determined that it is desirable to award time-vested Restricted Stock Units to Participant pursuant to the Plan; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Plan, the Committee has determined that the time-vested Restricted Stock Units so awarded shall be subject to the restrictions, terms and conditions set forth in this Agreement;

NOW, THEREFORE, subject to the terms of this Agreement, the award of time-vested Restricted Stock Units is hereby granted to Participant as follows:

- 1. Time-Vested Restricted Stock Unit Award.** On the terms and conditions and subject to the restrictions, including forfeiture to or acquisition for no further consideration by the Company, hereinafter set forth, the Company hereby awards \_\_\_\_\_ Restricted Stock Units (the "Awarded Restricted Stock Units") to Participant pursuant to the Plan. The Awarded Restricted Stock Units are being awarded to Participant effective as of the Grant Date and shall vest or be forfeited in accordance with (and otherwise be subject to) the provisions of this Agreement. The Awarded Restricted Stock Units are being awarded to Participant without the payment of any cash consideration by Participant, except that payment of the aggregate par value in respect of any Shares delivered hereunder may be required by the Committee or pursuant to procedures of the Committee in respect of the allotment and issuance, transfer or delivery of such Shares.
- 2. Vesting and Forfeiture.** Except as set forth in Section 3 or Section 4 of this Agreement, the Awarded Restricted Stock Units shall vest and the forfeiture restrictions applicable to them under this Agreement shall terminate in accordance with the provisions of the attached Schedule I, provided that Participant remains continuously employed by the Company or a Subsidiary of the Company from the Grant Date through the applicable Vesting Date (as set forth on Schedule I hereto). Unless otherwise determined by the Committee and except as otherwise provided in Section 3 or Section 4 of this Agreement, any Awarded Restricted



Stock Units that have not already vested shall be forfeited by Participant upon the termination of Participant's employment with the Company or a Subsidiary of the Company. For purposes of this Agreement, transfers of employment without interruption of service between or among the Company and a Subsidiary of the Company shall not be considered a termination of employment.

**3. Acceleration of Vesting.**

(a) Notwithstanding Section 2 of this Agreement, and except as provided in Section 4, a Pro Rata Portion of the next Tranche of the Awarded Restricted Stock Units shall become vested under this Agreement if, after the first anniversary of the Grant Date, Participant's employment with the Company or a Subsidiary of the Company terminates pursuant to a Qualifying Termination Event (as defined below). "Qualifying Termination Events" means a termination of Participant's employment with the Company or a Subsidiary of the Company:

- i) by reason of Participant's death,
- ii) by reason of Participant's Disability, or
- iii) by reason of the Company's termination of Participant's employment other than for Cause.

(b) For purposes of this Agreement:

- i) The "Pro Rata Portion" shall be equal to the product of "A" multiplied by "B," where "A" equals the number of Awarded Restricted Stock Units in the next Tranche that are not vested on the date of Participant's termination of employment, and "B" is a fraction, the numerator of which is the number of full months from the prior Vesting Date (as defined in Schedule I hereto) through the date of Participant's termination of employment, and the denominator of which is 12.
- ii) A "Tranche" shall refer to each portion of the Awarded Restricted Stock Units that would vest on a particular Vesting Date (that is, one-half of the Awarded Restricted Stock Units).

(c) Awarded Restricted Stock Units shall become vested pursuant to Section 3(a)(i), Section 3(a)(ii), and Section 3(a)(iii) only upon Participant's (or Participant's legal representative's, heir's, legatee's or distributee's, as applicable) timely execution of a general release of claims no later than 45 days following such Qualifying Termination Event in a form satisfactory to the Company and, if applicable, Participant's (or Participant's legal representative's, heir's, legatee's or distributee's, as applicable) failure to revoke such execution or signature in accordance with the terms of such release, (any such period to execute and revoke such release of claims, the "Consideration Period"). If the Consideration Period spans two calendar years, then, subject to such execution and non-revocation of the release, the Pro Rata Portion of the next Tranche of the Awarded



Restricted Stock Units shall become vested and be settled in Shares in the second calendar year.

- (d) For the avoidance of doubt, all Awarded Restricted Stock Units that do not vest in accordance with this [Section 3](#) or [Section 4](#) shall be forfeited by Participant upon the termination of Participant's employment with the Company or a Subsidiary of the Company or the expiration of the Consideration Period, if applicable.

**4. Change in Control.**

- (a) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this Agreement, in the event of a Change in Control, if the Awarded Restricted Stock Units are not continued or assumed, or substituted or replaced with an award with respect to cash or shares of the acquiror or surviving entity in such Change in Control, in each case, with substantially equivalent terms and value as the Awarded Restricted Stock Units ("Assumed"), any unvested Awarded Restricted Stock Units shall become vested.
- (b) In the event of a Change in Control in which the Awarded Restricted Stock Units are Assumed, the Awarded Restricted Stock Units shall remain subject to the terms and conditions of this Agreement, provided, that, notwithstanding [Section 3\(a\)](#), if Participant's employment with the Company or a Subsidiary of the Company terminates pursuant to a Qualifying Termination Event within the 12-month period beginning on the Change in Control and ending at the end of the first anniversary of the Change in Control, any unvested Awarded Restricted Stock Units shall become vested subject to Participant's (or Participant's legal representative's, heir's, legatee's or distributee's, as applicable) timely execution of a general release of claims no later than 45 days following such Qualifying Termination Event in a form satisfactory to the Company and, if applicable, Participant's (or Participant's legal representative's, heir's, legatee's or distributee's, as applicable) failure to revoke such execution or signature in accordance with the terms of such release during the Consideration Period. If the Consideration Period spans two calendar years, then, subject to execution and non-revocation of the release, any unvested Awarded Restricted Stock Units shall become vested and be settled in the second calendar year.
- 5. Allotment and Issuance of Shares.** As soon as practicable following the date any such Awarded Restricted Stock Units vest, but in any event no later than 70 days following the date on which the Awarded Restricted Stock Units vest, the Company shall either (a) settle in cash the Awarded Restricted Stock Units in which Participant vests or (b) allot and issue or transfer to Participant one Share in settlement of any such Awarded Restricted Stock Units and, in each case, in full satisfaction of such Awarded Restricted Stock Units. The determination of whether the Awarded Restricted Stock Units that become vested shall be settled in cash or in Shares shall be made at the sole discretion of the Committee and, the Committee's ability to determine that the Awarded Restricted Stock Units that become vested be settled in Shares is contingent upon shareholder approval of the Plan at the meeting, expected to occur on or around 30 November 2023.



6. **No Rights as Shareholder.** Except as provided in [Section 7](#), Participant shall have no rights as a shareholder of the Company, including, without limitation, voting rights or the right to receive dividends and distributions as a shareholder, with respect to the Shares subject to the Awarded Restricted Stock Units, unless and until and to the extent such Shares are allotted and issued or transferred to Participant as provided herein.
7. **Dividend Equivalents.** In connection with the Awarded Restricted Stock Units the Company hereby awards to Participant Dividend Equivalents with respect to any cash dividends payable with respect to the Shares. Such cash Dividend Equivalents shall be payable at the same time, and shall be subject to the same conditions, that are applicable to the Awarded Restricted Stock Units, and shall be payable in cash at the same time of settlement of the underlying Awarded Restricted Stock Unit that ultimately vest. Accordingly, the right to receive such cash Dividend Equivalent payments shall be forfeited to the extent that the Awarded Restricted Stock Units do not vest, are forfeited, are acquired by the Company or are otherwise cancelled pursuant to this Agreement.
8. **Arrangements and Procedures Regarding Withholding Taxes.**
- (a) Participant shall make arrangements satisfactory to the Committee for the payment of taxes and social security obligations of any kind that are required by law to be withheld with respect to the Awarded Restricted Stock Units or the Dividend Equivalents awarded under this Agreement, including, without limitation, taxes applicable to (i) the awarding of the Awarded Restricted Stock Units or the payment of cash or allotment and issuance or transfer of Shares in settlement thereof, or (ii) the awarding of the Dividend Equivalents or the payments made with respect thereto.
- (b) Unless and until the Committee shall determine otherwise and provide notice to Participant in accordance with [Section 8\(c\)](#), any obligation of Participant under [Section 8\(a\)](#) that arises with respect to the payment of cash or allotment and issuance, transfer or delivery of Shares in settlement of Awarded Restricted Stock Units that have become vested may be satisfied, in accordance with procedures adopted by the Committee, by (i) Participant's forfeiture or surrender of the right to require the Company to allot and issue, transfer or deliver Shares subject to such Awarded Restricted Stock Units, (ii) causing such Awarded Restricted Stock Units to be settled partly in cash or (iii) otherwise reducing the number of Shares to be issued and/or reacquiring a portion of such Shares. In the case of Shares as to which the right to require allotment and issuance, transfer or delivery is forfeited or surrendered pursuant to clause (i) and Shares not issued or reacquired pursuant to clause (iii) such Shares or rights shall be valued at the Fair Market Value (of such Shares or the Shares to which such rights relate, as the case may be) as of the date on which the taxable event that gives rise to the withholding requirement occurs.
- (c) The Committee may determine, after the Grant Date and on notice to Participant, to authorize one or more arrangements (in addition to or in lieu of the arrangement described in [Section 8\(b\)](#)) satisfactory to the Committee for Participant to satisfy the obligation of Participant under [Section 8\(a\)](#).



- (d) If Participant does not, for whatever reason, satisfy the obligation of Participant under Section 8(a), then the Company and its Subsidiaries shall, to the extent permitted by law, have the right to deduct from any payments of any kind otherwise due to Participant the amount required to satisfy the obligation of Participant under such Section 8(a).
9. **Restrictive Covenants.** Without limiting any other non-competition, non-solicitation, non-disparagement or non-disclosure or other similar agreement to which Participant may be a party, Participant shall be subject to the confidentiality and restrictive covenants set forth in this Section 9.
- (a) **Non-Competition.** Participant shall not, for the duration of Participant's employment and for the six-month period following the termination of Participant's employment, be employed in, or carry on for Participant's own account or for any other person, or provide advisory services to (whether directly or indirectly), or be a director of any company, business or venture, which is, or is about to be in competition with the Company, or is likely to result in the intentional or unintentional disclosure or use of Confidential Information by Participant in order for Participant to properly discharge Participant's duties.
- (b) **Non-Solicitation.** Participant shall not, for the duration of Participant's employment and for the six-month period following the termination of Participant's employment (either on Participant's own behalf or for or with any other person), whether directly or indirectly, (i) solicit or entice or endeavor to solicit or entice any Employee to leave such Employee's employment with or cease such Employee's directorship or consultancy with the Company or a Subsidiary of the Company, whether or not that person would breach any obligations owed to the Company or any Subsidiary of the Company by so doing or offer employment or any contract for services to or employ or engage any Employee, or (ii) in respect of any Goods or Services, solicit, facilitate the solicitation of, or canvass the custom or business of any Customer solicit, facilitate the solicitation of, or canvas the custom or business of any Prospective Customer.
- (c) **Non-Interference.** Participant shall not, for the duration of Participant's employment and for the six-month period following the termination of Participant's employment, (either on Participant's own behalf or for or with any other person), whether directly or indirectly, (i) in regards to any Customer or Prospective Customer, (A) deal with or supply any Customer, or (B) deal with or supply any Prospective Customer; or (ii) in regards to any Supplier, (A) deal with or accept the supply of any goods or services from any Supplier where such supply is likely to be to the detriment of any Company whether by causing the Supplier to reduce or alter the terms or quantity of supply to the Company or, where the value of the Company's arrangement with the Supplier is diminished; or (B) solicit, facilitate the solicitation of, or canvass the supply of any goods or services from any Supplier where such supply is likely to be to the detriment of any Company whether by causing the Supplier to reduce or alter the terms or quantity of supply to the Company, or where the value of the Company's arrangement with the Supplier is diminished.



- (d) **Confidential Information.** Participant shall not (except in the proper performance of Participant's duties) use or disclose to any person, company or other organization (and shall use every reasonable endeavor to prevent the publication or disclosure of) any of the trade secrets or confidential information of the Company or any Subsidiary of the Company. This restriction shall continue to apply after the termination of Participant's employment but will not apply to information or knowledge which may come into the public domain other than through unauthorized disclosure, or any use or disclosure authorized by the Board or required by law. For purposes of this Section 9(c), "trade secrets" and "confidential information" will include but not be limited to: (i) information relating to the business methods, corporate plans, management systems, finances, new business opportunities, research and development projects, marketing or sales of any past, present or future product or serve of the Company; (ii) secret formulae, processes, inventions, designed, know-how discoveries, technical specifications and other technical information relating to the creation, production or supply of any past, present or future product or services of the Company; (iii) lists or details of customers, potential customers or suppliers of the arrangements made with any customer or supplier of the Company; (iv) any information in respect of which the Company owes an obligation of confidentiality to any third party (provided that with respect to such third party Participant knows or reasonably should have known that the third party provided it to the Company on a confidential basis); (v) information and details of and concerning the engagement, employment and termination of employment of Participant and any other personnel; (vi) information concerning any litigation proposed, in progress or settled; and, (vii) any other information in whatever form (written, oral, visual and electronic) concerning the confidential affairs of the Company.
- (e) **Non-Disparagement.** During the term of Participant's employment with the Company or a Subsidiary of the Company and thereafter in perpetuity, Participant shall not, directly or indirectly, knowingly disparage, criticize, or otherwise make derogatory statements regarding the Company or any Subsidiary of the Company, successors, directors or officers. The foregoing shall not be violated by Participant's truthful responses to legal process or inquiry by a governmental authority.
- (f) **Definitions.** For purposes of this Section 9:
- i) "Company" shall mean, for purposes of this Section 9 only, the Company and any and all direct and indirect subsidiary, parent, affiliated, or related companies of the Company for which Participant worked or had responsibility at the time of termination of Participant's employment and at any time during the twelve (12) month period prior to such termination.
  - ii) "Confidential Information" shall have the meaning given to trade secrets and confidential information in Section 9(d).
  - iii) "Customer" shall mean any person who at any time during the 12 months immediately preceding the termination of Participant's employment was a customer



of the Company with whom Participant had material dealings or in relation to whom he acquired confidential information.

- iv) “Employee” shall mean any individual who is employed or engaged by the Company, or any person who, during the 12 months immediately preceding the termination of Participant’s employment, is or was employed or engaged by the Company.
- v) “Goods and/or Services” shall mean any goods and/or services competitive with those supplied by the Company at any time during the 12 months immediately preceding the termination of Participant’s employment and in relation to which Participant was materially involved or concerned or for which Participant was directly responsible during that time.
- vi) “Prospective Customer” shall mean any person who was at any time during the 12 months immediately preceding the termination of Participant’s employment engaged in negotiations, with which Participant was personally involved, with the Company with a view to obtaining Goods and/or Services from the Company or in relation to whom Participant has acquired Confidential Information.
- vii) “Supplier” shall mean any person with whom Participant had material dealings at any time during the 12 months immediately preceding the termination of Participant’s employment and who during that period supplied goods or services to the Company on terms other than those available to another purchaser in the market during that period, whether by reason of exclusivity (either de facto or contractually obliged), price or otherwise.

**10. Forfeiture Events.** Participant expressly acknowledges and agrees that his or her rights, and those of any permitted transferee of the Awarded Restricted Stock Units, under the Awarded Restricted Stock Units, including the right to any cash or Shares acquired upon the vesting of the Awarded Restricted Stock Units or proceeds from the disposition thereof are subject to any clawback or recoupment policy of the Company. In addition, if Participant (i) is terminated for Cause (or, within one year following Participant’s termination other than for Cause, the Committee determines that the Company had grounds to terminate the Participant for Cause) or (ii) violates any restrictive covenants to which Participant is subject, whether set forth in this Agreement or elsewhere, the Committee, in its sole discretion, may require Participant to surrender and return to the Company all or any cash or sell or transfer to the Company (for no further consideration) Shares received in connection with the vesting of the Awarded Restricted Stock Units, or to disgorge all or any profits or any other economic value (however defined by the Committee) made or realized by Participant on the sale of such Shares.

**11. Non-Assignability.** This Agreement is not assignable or transferable by Participant. No right or interest of Participant under this Agreement or the Plan may be assigned, transferred or alienated, in whole or in part, either directly or by operation of law (except pursuant to a qualified domestic relations order within the meaning of Section 414(p) of the Code or a similar domestic relations order under applicable foreign law, either in such form as is



acceptable to the committee), and no such right or interest shall be liable for or subject to any debt, obligation or liability of Participant.

12. **Plan Provisions.** The Awarded Restricted Stock Units and the Dividend Equivalents subject to this Agreement shall be governed by and subject to all applicable provisions of the Plan. This Agreement is subject to the Plan, and the Plan shall govern where there is any inconsistency between the Plan and this Agreement.
13. **Governing Law.** This Agreement shall be governed by and construed and enforced in accordance with the laws of the State of Delaware, without regard to the principles of conflicts of laws thereof, except to the extent the laws of the State of Delaware are preempted by federal law of the United States or by the laws of England.
14. **Binding Effect.** This Agreement shall be binding upon and inure to the benefit of the parties hereto and their respective heirs, personal representatives, successors and permitted assigns.
15. **Prior Communications; Amendment.** This Agreement, together with any Schedules and Exhibits and any other writings referred to herein or delivered pursuant hereto, evidences the Award granted hereunder, which shall be subject to the restrictions, terms and conditions hereof, and supersedes all prior agreements and understandings, whether written or oral, between the parties with respect to the subject matter hereof. To the fullest extent provided by applicable law, this Agreement may only be amended, modified and supplemented in accordance with the applicable terms and conditions set forth in the Plan.
16. **Notices.** All notices and other communications hereunder shall be in writing and shall be deemed given if directed in the manner specified below, to the parties at the following addresses and numbers:

(a) If to the Company, when delivered by hand or mail (registered or certified mail with postage prepaid) to:

Seadrill Management Limited,  
11025 Equity Drive  
Suite 150  
Houston, Texas 77041  
Attention: General Counsel

(b) If to Participant, when delivered by hand or mail (registered or certified mail with postage prepaid) to:

The last known address and number for Participant as maintained in the personnel records of the Company.

For purposes of this Section 16, the Company shall provide Participant with written notice of any change of the Company's address, and Participant shall be responsible for



providing the Company with proper notice of any change of Participant's address pursuant to the Company's personnel policies, and from and after the giving of such notice the address or addresses therein specified will be deemed to be the address of such party for the purposes of giving notice hereunder.

17. **Severability.** If any provision of this Agreement is held to be unenforceable, this Agreement shall be considered divisible and such provision shall be deemed inoperative to the extent it is deemed unenforceable, and in all other respects the restrictions, terms and conditions set forth in this Agreement shall remain in full force and effect; provided, however, that if any such provision may be made enforceable by limitation thereof, then such provision shall be deemed to be so limited and shall be enforceable to the maximum extent permitted by applicable law.
18. **Description Headings.** The descriptive headings herein are inserted for convenience of reference only, do not constitute a part of this Agreement, and shall not affect in any manner the meaning or interpretation of this Agreement.
19. **Gender.** Pronouns in masculine, feminine and neuter genders shall be construed to include any other gender, and words in the singular form shall be construed to include the plural and vice versa, unless the context otherwise requires.
20. **References.** The words "this Agreement," "herein," "hereof," "hereby," "hereunder" and words of similar import refer to this Agreement as a whole and not to any particular subdivision unless expressly so limited. Whenever the words "include," "includes" and "including" are used in this Agreement, such words shall be deemed to be followed by the words "without limitation."
21. **Unfunded Awards.** The awards made under this Agreement are unfunded and unsecured obligations and rights to provide or receive compensation in accordance with the provisions hereof, and to the extent that Participant acquires a right to receive compensation from the Company or a Subsidiary of the Company pursuant to this Agreement, such right shall be no greater than the right of any unsecured general creditor of the Company or such affiliate.
22. **Compliance with Code Section 409A.** The compensation payable to or with respect to Participant pursuant to the Awarded Restricted Stock Units is intended to be compensation that is exempt from Code Section 409A or, to the extent subject to Code Section 409A, compliant with Code Section 409A or not subject to the tax imposed by Code Section 409A, and this Agreement shall be administered and construed to the fullest extent possible to reflect and implement such intent.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Company has signed and delivered this Agreement as of the date first above written.

**Seadrill Limited**



By: \_\_\_\_\_

Name:

Title:

Acknowledged, Agreed and Accepted:

\_\_\_\_\_

[Participant]



**SCHEDULE I**

**SEADRILL LIMITED  
2022 MANAGEMENT INCENTIVE PLAN**

**VESTING DATES**

**FOR AWARD OF TIME-VESTED RESTRICTED STOCK UNITS**

The Committee has determined that the following specified vesting dates shall be applicable to the Awarded Restricted Stock Units awarded pursuant to this Agreement:

**Vesting Dates**

- (i) One-half of the Awarded Restricted Stock Units shall vest on the first anniversary of the Grant Date; and
- (ii) One-half of the Awarded Restricted Stock Units shall vest on the second anniversary of the Grant Date.

For purposes of this Agreement, each date on which the Awarded Restricted Stock Units vest shall be referred to as a "Vesting Date."



Exhibit 10.12

SEADRILL LIMITED  
2022 MANAGEMENT INCENTIVE PLAN

PERFORMANCE-BASED RESTRICTED STOCK UNIT AWARD AGREEMENT

THIS AWARD AGREEMENT (this "Agreement"), made effective as of the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2023 (the "Grant Date") by Seadrill Limited, an exempted company incorporated and existing under the laws of Bermuda (the "Company") evidences the performance-based Restricted Stock Units (as defined in the Plan) awarded hereunder to \_\_\_\_\_ ("Participant"), subject to Participant signing and returning the signature page hereto to the Company, and sets forth the restrictions, terms and conditions that apply thereto. Capitalized terms used in this Agreement and not otherwise defined in this Agreement shall have the meanings set forth in the Plan.

WITNESSETH

WHEREAS, the Committee acting under the Seadrill Limited 2022 Management Incentive Plan, as may be amended (the "Plan"), has determined that it is desirable to award performance-based Restricted Stock Units to Participant pursuant to the Plan; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Plan, the Committee has determined that the performance-based Restricted Stock Units so awarded shall be subject to the restrictions, terms and conditions set forth in this Agreement;

NOW, THEREFORE, subject to the terms of this Agreement, the award of performance-based Restricted Stock Units is hereby granted to Participant as follows:

1. **Performance-Based Restricted Stock Unit Award.**

- (a) **Number of Shares.** On the terms and conditions and subject to the restrictions, including forfeiture to or acquisition for no further consideration by the Company, hereinafter set forth, the Company hereby awards \_\_\_\_\_ Restricted Stock Units (the "Awarded Restricted Stock Units") to Participant pursuant to the Plan. The Awarded Restricted Stock Units set forth in this Section 1 represents the number of Shares that may be earned and vest pursuant to this Agreement if the Performance Goals set forth on Schedule I, attached hereto, are achieved at 100% payout; however, the actual number of Shares that may be earned and vest pursuant to this Agreement will vary based upon the extent to which the Committee determines the Performance Goals are achieved during the applicable Performance Period (as defined below) in accordance with Schedule I and subject to the provisions of this Agreement.
- (b) **Performance Goals.** The Awarded Restricted Stock Units may be earned, if at all, based on the Company's Total Shareholder Return ("TSR") over the period beginning on the Grant Date and ending December 31, 2025 (the "TSR Performance Period") and Cumulative Free Cash Flow over the period beginning on January 1, 2023 and ending December 31, 2025 (the "Cumulative Free Cash Flow Performance Period") (each of the



Company's TSR and Cumulative Free Cash Flow a "Performance Goal" and collectively the "Performance Goals," each of the TSR Performance Period and the Cumulative Free Cash Flow Performance Period, a "Performance Period" and December 31, 2025, the "end of the Performance Period"), as described in Schedule I. Sixty percent (60%) of the Awarded Restricted Stock Units may be earned, if at all, based on the Company's TSR over the TSR Performance Period (the "TSR Awarded Restricted Stock Units") and forty percent (40%) of the Awarded Restricted Stock Units may be earned, if at all, based on the Company's Cumulative Free Cash Flow over the Cumulative Free Cash Flow Performance Period (the "Cumulative Free Cash Flow Awarded Restricted Stock Units"). The Cumulative Free Cash Flow Awarded Restricted Stock Units may be earned in three "Tranches," as described in Schedule I. The Awarded Restricted Stock Units are being awarded to Participant without the payment of any cash consideration by Participant, except that payment of the aggregate par value in respect of any Shares delivered hereunder may be required by the Committee or pursuant to procedures of the Committee in respect of the allotment and issuance, transfer or delivery of such Shares.

2. **Vesting and Forfeiture.** The number of Awarded Restricted Stock Units, if any, that are earned shall be determined by the Committee based on the level of achievement of the Performance Goals set forth on Schedule I, which determination shall be made by the Committee as soon as practicable and, in any event, with respect to the Cumulative Free Cash Flow Awarded Restricted Stock Units, within 60 days following the end of each Annual Measurement Period (as defined in Schedule I), and with respect to the TSR Awarded Restricted Stock Units, within 60 days following the end of the TSR Performance Period. Unless otherwise determined by the Committee and except as otherwise provided in Section 3 or Section 4 of this Agreement, such number of Awarded Restricted Stock Units so earned, if any, shall vest subject to the Participant remaining continuously employed by the Company or a Subsidiary of the Company from the Grant Date through the last day of the applicable Performance Period. Unless otherwise determined by the Committee and except as otherwise provided in Section 3 or Section 4 of this Agreement, any Awarded Restricted Stock Units that have not already vested in accordance with this Section 2 shall be forfeited by Participant upon the termination of Participant's employment with the Company or a Subsidiary of the Company. For purposes of this Agreement, transfers of employment without interruption of service between or among the Company and a Subsidiary of the Company shall not be considered a termination of employment.

3. **Acceleration of Vesting.**

(a) Notwithstanding Section 2 of this Agreement, and except as provided in Section 4, if Participant's employment with the Company or a Subsidiary of the Company terminates after the first anniversary of the Grant Date and prior to the end of the Performance Period pursuant to a Qualifying Termination Event (as defined below), the Awarded Restricted Stock Units will be treated as set forth in Section 3(b) and Section 3(c), as applicable. "Qualifying Termination Events" means a termination of Participant's employment with the Company or a Subsidiary of the Company:



- i) by reason of Participant's death,
  - ii) by reason of Participant's Disability, or
  - iii) by reason of the Company's termination of Participant's employment other than for Cause.
- (b) **TSR Awarded Restricted Stock Units.** If Participant's employment with the Company or a Subsidiary of the Company terminates after the first anniversary of the Grant Date and prior to the end of the Performance Period pursuant to a Qualifying Termination Event, the TSR Awarded Restricted Stock Units will remain outstanding until the end of the TSR Performance Period and thereafter a Pro Rata Portion (as defined in this [Section 3\(b\)](#)) shall become vested in accordance with [Section 2](#) as if the Participant had remained employed through the last day of the TSR Performance Period. For purposes of this [Section 3\(b\)](#), the "Pro Rata Portion" shall be equal to the product of "A" multiplied by "B," where "A" equals the number of TSR Awarded Restricted Stock Units determined by the Committee to have been earned based on the level of achievement of the TSR Performance Goals set forth on [Schedule I](#), and "B" is a fraction, the numerator of which is the number of full months the Participant worked during the TSR Performance Period through the date of Participant's termination of employment, and the denominator of which is the number of days in the TSR Performance Period.
- (c) **Cumulative Free Cash Flow Awarded Restricted Stock Units.** If Participant's employment with the Company or a Subsidiary of the Company terminates after the first anniversary of the Grant Date and prior to the end of the Performance Period pursuant to a Qualifying Termination Event:
- i) Any Tranche of Cumulative Free Cash Flow Awarded Restricted Stock Units for which the Annual Measurement Period has ended prior to the Qualifying Termination Event will become vested in connection with the Participant's Qualifying Termination Event, subject to [Section 3\(d\)](#).
  - ii) The Tranche of Awarded Restricted Stock Units for the Annual Measurement Period in which the Qualifying Termination Event occurs will remain outstanding until the end of such Annual Measurement Period and thereafter a Pro Rata Portion of such Tranche shall become vested in connection with the Committee's determination of the achievement of the Annual Free Cash Flow Performance Goal for such Annual Measurement Period, subject to [Section 3\(d\)](#). For purposes of this [Section 3\(c\)\(ii\)](#), the "Pro Rata Portion" shall be equal to the product of "A" multiplied by "B," where "A" equals the number of Cumulative Free Cash Flow Awarded Restricted Stock Units determined by the Committee to have been earned with respect to such Tranche based on the level of achievement of the Cumulative Free Cash Flow Performance Goals for such Annual Measurement Period set forth on [Schedule I](#), and "B" is a fraction, the numerator of which is the number of full months the Participant worked during the Annual Measurement Period in which the Qualifying Termination Event occurred



through the date of Participant's termination of employment, and the denominator of which is 12.

- iii) Any Tranche for which the Annual Measurement Period has not commenced at the time of the Qualifying Termination Event shall be forfeited.
- (d) Awarded Restricted Stock Units shall be eligible to become earned and vested pursuant to this [Section 3](#) only upon Participant's (or Participant's legal representative's, heir's, legatee's or distributee's, as applicable) timely execution of a general release of claims no later than 45 days following such Qualifying Termination Event in a form satisfactory to the Company and, if applicable, Participant's (or Participant's legal representative's, heir's, legatee's or distributee's, as applicable) failure to revoke such execution or signature in accordance with the terms of such release (any such period to execute and revoke such release of claims, the "[Consideration Period](#)").
- (e) For the avoidance of doubt, all Awarded Restricted Stock Units that do not vest in accordance with this [Section 3](#) or [Section 4](#) shall be forfeited by Participant upon the termination of Participant's employment with the Company or a Subsidiary of the Company during the Performance Period or the expiration of the Consideration Period, if applicable. All Awarded Restricted Stock Units shall be forfeited by Participant upon the termination of Participant's employment by the Company for Cause and any Shares issued to the Participant pursuant to such Award would be acquired by the Company for no consideration.

#### 4. Change in Control.

- (a) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this Agreement, in the event of a Change in Control, if the Awarded Restricted Stock Units are not continued or assumed, or substituted or replaced with an award with respect to cash or shares of the acquiror or surviving entity in such Change in Control, in each case, with substantially equivalent terms and value as the Awarded Restricted Stock Units ("[Assumed](#)"), the Performance Period shall end as of the latest practicable date prior to the Change in Control and the Committee shall determine the number of Shares earned with respect to such Awarded Restricted Stock Units based on the level of achievement of the Performance Goals through such date, or such greater amount as determined by the Committee, and shall thereafter vest immediately prior to the Change in Control.
- (b) In the event of a Change in Control in which the Awarded Restricted Stock Units are Assumed, the Awarded Restricted Stock Units shall remain subject to the terms and conditions of this Agreement, with the Committee making such adjustments to the Performance Goals as it deems necessary as a result of the transaction, provided, that, notwithstanding [Section 3](#), if Participant's employment with the Company or a Subsidiary of the Company terminates pursuant to a Qualifying Termination Event within the 12-month period beginning on the Change in Control and ending at the end of the first anniversary of the Change in Control, any unvested Awarded Restricted Stock Units shall become vested subject to Participant's (or Participant's legal representative's, heir's,



legatee's or distributee's, as applicable) timely execution of a general release of claims no later than 45 days following such Qualifying Termination Event in a form satisfactory to the Company and, if applicable, Participant's (or Participant's legal representative's, heir's, legatee's or distributee's, as applicable) failure to revoke such execution or signature in accordance with the terms of such release during the Consideration Period. If the Consideration Period spans two calendar years, then, subject to such execution and non-revocation of the release, any unvested Awarded Restricted Stock Units shall become vested and be settled in the second calendar year.

5. **Allotment and Issuance of Shares.** As soon as practicable following the end of the Performance Period (or, the applicable vesting date described in Section 3 or Section 4 of this Agreement, if applicable), but in any event no later than 70 days following such date, the Company shall either (a) settle in cash the Awarded Restricted Stock Units that are earned and in which Participant vests or (b) allot and issue or transfer to Participant one Share in settlement of any such Awarded Restricted Stock Units and, in each case, in full satisfaction of such Awarded Restricted Stock Units. The determination of whether the Awarded Restricted Stock Units that are earned and become vested shall be settled in cash or in Shares shall be made at the sole discretion of the Committee and, the Committee's ability to determine that the Awarded Restricted Stock Units that become vested be settled in Shares is contingent upon shareholder approval of the Plan at the meeting expected to occur on or around 30 November 2023.
6. **No Rights as Shareholder.** Except as provided in Section 7, Participant shall have no rights as a shareholder of the Company, including, without limitation, voting rights or the right to receive dividends and distributions as a shareholder, with respect to the Shares subject to the Awarded Restricted Stock Units, unless and until and to the extent such Shares are allotted and issued or transferred to Participant as provided herein.
7. **Dividend Equivalents.** In connection with the Awarded Restricted Stock Units the Company hereby awards to Participant Dividend Equivalents with respect to any cash dividends payable with respect to the Shares. Such cash Dividend Equivalents shall be payable at the same time, and shall be subject to the same conditions (including the Performance Goals), that are applicable to the Awarded Restricted Stock Units, and shall be payable in cash at the same time of settlement of the underlying Awarded Restricted Stock Unit that ultimately vest. Accordingly, the right to receive such cash Dividend Equivalent payments shall be forfeited to the extent that the Awarded Restricted Stock Units do not vest, are forfeited, are acquired by the Company or are otherwise cancelled pursuant to this Agreement.
8. **Arrangements and Procedures Regarding Withholding Taxes.**
  - (a) Participant shall make arrangements satisfactory to the Committee for the payment of taxes and social security obligations of any kind that are required by law to be withheld with respect to the Awarded Restricted Stock Units or the Dividend Equivalents awarded under this Agreement, including, without limitation, taxes applicable to (i) the awarding of the Awarded Restricted Stock Units or the payment of cash or allotment and issuance



or transfer of Shares in settlement thereof, or (ii) the awarding of the Dividend Equivalents or the payments made with respect thereto.

- (b) Unless and until the Committee shall determine otherwise and provide notice to Participant in accordance with Section 8(c), any obligation of Participant under Section 8(a) that arises with respect to the payment of cash or allotment and issuance, transfer or delivery of Shares in settlement of Awarded Restricted Stock Units that have become vested may be satisfied, in accordance with procedures adopted by the Committee, by (i) Participant's forfeiture or surrender of the right to require the Company to allot and issue, transfer or deliver Shares subject to such Awarded Restricted Stock Units, (ii) causing such Awarded Restricted Stock Units to be settled partly in cash or (iii) otherwise reducing the number of Shares to be issued and/or reacquiring a portion of such Shares. In the case of Shares as to which the right to require allotment and issuance, transfer or delivery is forfeited or surrendered pursuant to clause (i) and Shares not issued or reacquired pursuant to clause (iii) such Shares or rights shall be valued at the Fair Market Value (of such Shares or the Shares to which such rights relate, as the case may be) as of the date on which the taxable event that gives rise to the withholding requirement occurs.
- (c) The Committee may determine, after the Grant Date and on notice to Participant, to authorize one or more arrangements (in addition to or in lieu of the arrangement described in Section 8(b)) satisfactory to the Committee for Participant to satisfy the obligation of Participant under Section 8(a).
- (d) If Participant does not, for whatever reason, satisfy the obligation of Participant under Section 8(a), then the Company and its Subsidiaries shall, to the extent permitted by law, have the right to deduct from any payments of any kind otherwise due to Participant the amount required to satisfy the obligation of Participant under such Section 8(a).
9. **Restrictive Covenants.** Without limiting any other non-competition, non-solicitation, non-disparagement or non-disclosure or other similar agreement to which Participant may be a party, Participant shall be subject to the confidentiality and restrictive covenants set forth in this Section 9.
- (a) **Non-Competition.** Participant shall not, for the duration of Participant's employment and for the six-month period following the termination of Participant's employment, be employed in, or carry on for Participant's own account or for any other person, or provide advisory services to (whether directly or indirectly), or be a director of any company, business or venture, which is, or is about to be in competition with the Company, or is likely to result in the intentional or unintentional disclosure or use of Confidential Information by Participant in order for Participant to properly discharge Participant's duties.
- (b) **Non-Solicitation.** Participant shall not, for the duration of Participant's employment and for the six-month period following the termination of Participant's employment (either on Participant's own behalf or for or with any other person), whether directly or indirectly, (i) solicit or entice or endeavor to solicit or entice any Employee to leave such



Employee's employment with or cease such Employee's directorship or consultancy with the Company or a Subsidiary of the Company, whether or not that person would breach any obligations owed to the Company or any Subsidiary of the Company by so doing or offer employment or any contract for services to or employ or engage any Employee, or (ii) in respect of any Goods or Services, solicit, facilitate the solicitation of, or canvass the custom or business of any Customer solicit, facilitate the solicitation of, or canvass the custom or business of any Prospective Customer.

- (c) **Non-Interference.** Participant shall not, for the duration of Participant's employment and for the six-month period following the termination of Participant's employment, (either on Participant's own behalf or for or with any other person), whether directly or indirectly, (i) in regards to any Customer or Prospective Customer, (A) deal with or supply any Customer, or (B) deal with or supply any Prospective Customer; or (ii) in regards to any Supplier, (A) deal with or accept the supply of any goods or services from any Supplier where such supply is likely to be to the detriment of any Company whether by causing the Supplier to reduce or alter the terms or quantity of supply to the Company or, where the value of the Company's arrangement with the Supplier is diminished; or (B) solicit, facilitate the solicitation of, or canvass the supply of any goods or services from any Supplier where such supply is likely to be to the detriment of any Company whether by causing the Supplier to reduce or alter the terms or quantity of supply to the Company, or where the value of the Company's arrangement with the Supplier is diminished.
- (d) **Confidential Information.** Participant shall not (except in the proper performance of Participant's duties) use or disclose to any person, company or other organization (and shall use every reasonable endeavor to prevent the publication or disclosure of) any of the trade secrets or confidential information of the Company or any Subsidiary of the Company. This restriction shall continue to apply after the termination of Participant's employment but will not apply to information or knowledge which may come into the public domain other than through unauthorized disclosure, or any use or disclosure authorized by the Board or required by law. For purposes of this [Section 9\(c\)](#), "trade secrets" and "confidential information" will include but not be limited to: (i) information relating to the business methods, corporate plans, management systems, finances, new business opportunities, research and development projects, marketing or sales of any past, present or future product or serve of the Company; (ii) secret formulae, processes, inventions, designed, know-how discoveries, technical specifications and other technical information relating to the creation, production or supply of any past, present or future product or services of the Company; (iii) lists or details or customers, potential customers or suppliers of the arrangements made with any customer or supplier of the Company; (iv) any information in respect of which the Company owes an obligation of confidentiality to any third party (provided that with respect to such third party Participant knows or reasonably should have known that the third party provided it to the Company on a confidential basis); (v) information and details of and concerning the engagement, employment and termination of employment of Participant and any other personnel; (vi) information concerning any litigation proposed, in progress or settled;



and, (vii) any other information in whatever form (written, oral, visual and electronic) concerning the confidential affairs of the Company.

(e) **Non-Disparagement.** During the term of Participant's employment with the Company or a Subsidiary of the Company and thereafter in perpetuity, Participant shall not, directly or indirectly, knowingly disparage, criticize, or otherwise make derogatory statements regarding the Company or any Subsidiary of the Company, successors, directors or officers. The foregoing shall not be violated by Participant's truthful responses to legal process or inquiry by a governmental authority.

(f) **Definitions.** For purposes of this Section 9:

- i) "Company" shall mean, for purposes of this Section 9 only, the Company and any and all direct and indirect subsidiary, parent, affiliated, or related companies of the Company for which Participant worked or had responsibility at the time of termination of Participant's employment and at any time during the twelve (12) month period prior to such termination.
- ii) "Confidential Information" shall have the meaning given to trade secrets and confidential information in Section 9(d).
- iii) "Customer" shall mean any person who at any time during the 12 months immediately preceding the termination of Participant's employment was a customer of the Company with whom Participant had material dealings or in relation to whom he acquired confidential information.
- iv) "Employee" shall mean any individual who is employed or engaged by the Company, or any person who, during the 12 months immediately preceding the termination of Participant's employment, is or was employed or engaged by the Company.
- v) "Goods and/or Services" shall mean any goods and/or services competitive with those supplied by the Company at any time during the 12 months immediately preceding the termination of Participant's employment and in relation to which Participant was materially involved or concerned or for which Participant was directly responsible during that time.
- vi) "Prospective Customer" shall mean any person who was at any time during the 12 months immediately preceding the termination of Participant's employment engaged in negotiations, with which Participant was personally involved, with the Company with a view to obtaining Goods and/or Services from the Company or in relation to whom Participant has acquired Confidential Information.
- vii) "Supplier" shall mean any person with whom Participant had material dealings at any time during the 12 months immediately preceding the termination of Participant's employment and who during that period supplied goods or services to the Company on terms other than those available to another purchaser in the market during that



period, whether by reason of exclusivity (either de facto or contractually obliged), price or otherwise.

10. **Forfeiture Events.** Participant expressly acknowledges and agrees that his or her rights, and those of any permitted transferee of the Awarded Restricted Stock Units, under the Awarded Restricted Stock Units, including the right to any cash or Shares acquired upon the vesting of the Awarded Restricted Stock Units or proceeds from the disposition thereof are subject to any clawback or recoupment policy of the Company. In addition, if Participant (i) is terminated for Cause (or, within one year following Participant's termination other than for Cause, the Committee determines that the Company had grounds to terminate the Participant for Cause) or (ii) violates any restrictive covenants to which Participant is subject, whether set forth in this Agreement or elsewhere, the Committee, in its sole discretion, may require Participant to surrender and return to the Company all or any cash or sell or transfer to the Company (for no further consideration) Shares received in connection with the vesting of the Awarded Restricted Stock Units, or to disgorge all or any profits or any other economic value (however defined by the Committee) made or realized by Participant on the sale of such Shares.
11. **Non-Assignability.** This Agreement is not assignable or transferable by Participant. No right or interest of Participant under this Agreement or the Plan may be assigned, transferred or alienated, in whole or in part, either directly or by operation of law (except pursuant to a qualified domestic relations order within the meaning of Section 414(p) of the Code or a similar domestic relations order under applicable foreign law, either in such form as is acceptable to the committee), and no such right or interest shall be liable for or subject to any debt, obligation or liability of Participant.
12. **Plan Provisions.** The Awarded Restricted Stock Units and the Dividend Equivalents subject to this Agreement shall be governed by and subject to all applicable provisions of the Plan. This Agreement is subject to the Plan, and the Plan shall govern where there is any inconsistency between the Plan and this Agreement.
13. **Governing Law.** This Agreement shall be governed by and construed and enforced in accordance with the laws of the State of Delaware, without regard to the principles of conflicts of laws thereof, except to the extent the laws of the State of Delaware are preempted by federal law of the United States or by the laws of England.
14. **Binding Effect.** This Agreement shall be binding upon and inure to the benefit of the parties hereto and their respective heirs, personal representatives, successors and permitted assigns.
15. **Prior Communications; Amendment.** This Agreement, together with any Schedules and Exhibits and any other writings referred to herein or delivered pursuant hereto, evidences the Award granted hereunder, which shall be subject to the restrictions, terms and conditions hereof, and supersedes all prior agreements and understandings, whether written or oral, between the parties with respect to the subject matter hereof. To the fullest extent provided by applicable law, this Agreement may only be amended, modified and supplemented in accordance with the applicable terms and conditions set forth in the Plan.



16. **Notices.** All notices and other communications hereunder shall be in writing and shall be deemed given if directed in the manner specified below, to the parties at the following addresses and numbers:

(a) If to the Company, when delivered by hand or mail (registered or certified mail with postage prepaid) to:

Seadrill Management Limited,  
11025 Equity Drive  
Suite 150  
Houston, Texas 77041  
Attention: General Counsel

(b) If to Participant, when delivered by hand or mail (registered or certified mail with postage prepaid) to:

The last known address and number for Participant as maintained in the personnel records of the Company.

For purposes of this Section 16, the Company shall provide Participant with written notice of any change of the Company's address, and Participant shall be responsible for providing the Company with proper notice of any change of Participant's address pursuant to the Company's personnel policies, and from and after the giving of such notice the address or addresses therein specified will be deemed to be the address of such party for the purposes of giving notice hereunder.

17. **Severability.** If any provision of this Agreement is held to be unenforceable, this Agreement shall be considered divisible and such provision shall be deemed inoperative to the extent it is deemed unenforceable, and in all other respects the restrictions, terms and conditions set forth in this Agreement shall remain in full force and effect; provided, however, that if any such provision may be made enforceable by limitation thereof, then such provision shall be deemed to be so limited and shall be enforceable to the maximum extent permitted by applicable law.

18. **Description Headings.** The descriptive headings herein are inserted for convenience of reference only, do not constitute a part of this Agreement, and shall not affect in any manner the meaning or interpretation of this Agreement.

19. **Gender.** Pronouns in masculine, feminine and neuter genders shall be construed to include any other gender, and words in the singular form shall be construed to include the plural and vice versa, unless the context otherwise requires.

20. **References.** The words "this Agreement," "herein," "hereof," "hereby," "hereunder" and words of similar import refer to this Agreement as a whole and not to any particular subdivision unless expressly so limited. Whenever the words "include," "includes" and



“including” are used in this Agreement, such words shall be deemed to be followed by the words “without limitation.”

21. **Unfunded Awards.** The awards made under this Agreement are unfunded and unsecured obligations and rights to provide or receive compensation in accordance with the provisions hereof, and to the extent that Participant acquires a right to receive compensation from the Company or a Subsidiary of the Company pursuant to this Agreement, such right shall be no greater than the right of any unsecured general creditor of the Company or such affiliate.
22. **Compliance with Code Section 409A.** The compensation payable to or with respect to Participant pursuant to the Awarded Restricted Stock Units is intended to be compensation that is exempt from Code Section 409A or, to the extent subject to Code Section 409A, compliant with Code Section 409A or not subject to the tax imposed by Code Section 409A, and this Agreement shall be administered and construed to the fullest extent possible to reflect and implement such intent.

*[Signature Page Follows]*



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Company has signed and delivered this Agreement as of the date first above written.

**Seadrill Limited**

By: \_\_\_\_\_

Name:

Title:



Acknowledged, Agreed and Accepted:

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[Participant]



**SCHEDULE I**

**SEADRILL LIMITED  
2022 MANAGEMENT INCENTIVE PLAN**

**PERFORMANCE GOALS AND PERFORMANCE PERIOD**

**FOR AWARD OF PERFORMANCE-BASED RESTRICTED STOCK UNITS**

**TSR Performance Goals**

The number of TSR Awarded Restricted Stock Units that may be earned will be based on the Company's absolute TSR and the Company's relative TSR, in each case, over the TSR Performance Period, as set forth below.

	<b>Relative TSR Percentile Ranking</b>			
	<b>&lt; 40<sup>th</sup> percentile</b>	<b>40<sup>th</sup> percentile</b>	<b>Median</b>	<b>75<sup>th</sup> percentile</b>
<b>40%</b>	75%	100%	150%	200%
<b>25%</b>	50%	75%	125%	175%
<b>Absolute TSR 15%</b>	0%	50%	100%	150%
<b>10%</b>	0%	0%	75%	100%
<b>8%</b>	0%	0%	50%	75%

In each case, if a TSR Performance Goal is earned at an amount that is at a point between two adjacent performance levels, the level at which the TSR Performance Goal shall be earned and the number of TSR Awarded Restricted Stock Units that are earned shall be determined by straight line interpolation between such points. All determinations as to the achievement of the TSR Performance Goal and the number of TSR Award Restricted Stock Units that are earned shall be made by the Committee in its sole discretion and such determinations shall be final and binding.

*Absolute TSR*

Absolute TSR shall be determined based on the following formula and shall be expressed as a percentage:

$$\text{Absolute TSR} = \left( \frac{\text{Ending Average Share Price} + \text{Dividends}}{\text{Beginning Average Share Price}} - 1 \right) * 100$$



Where:

“Beginning Average Share Price” means the volume weighted average price of a Share for the first 20 trading days of the TSR Performance Period (including the first day of the TSR Performance Period);

“Dividends” means all dividends paid to a shareholder of record with respect to one Share during the TSR Performance Period; and

“Ending Average Share Price” means the volume weighted average price of a Share for the last 20 trading days of the TSR Performance Period (including the last day of the TSR Performance Period).

*Relative TSR*

The results of the Absolute TSR for each of the companies in the Peer Group (for the avoidance of doubt, excluding the Company) will be ranked from highest to lowest Absolute TSR (rounded, if necessary, to one-tenth of a percentage point by application of regular rounding) and the Company’s Absolute TSR will be compared to such ranking to determine the Company’s relative TSR percentile ranking.

The Peer Group shall include the following companies:

Diamond Offshore Drilling, Inc.	Noble Corporation Plc
Expro Group Holdings N.V.	Oceaneering International, Inc.
Helix Energy Solutions Group, Inc.	Oil States International, Inc.
Helmerich & Payne, Inc.	RPC, Inc.
Nabors Industries Ltd.	Transocean Ltd.
NexTier Oilfield Solutions Inc.	Valaris Limited

Where the effect of changes to the Peer Group shall be as follows:

- If a company in the Peer Group is acquired and ceases to have its primary common equity security listed or traded prior to the end of the TSR Performance Period, such company will be omitted from Peer Group.
- If a company in the Peer Group is forced to delist from the securities exchange upon which it was traded due to low stock price or other reasons or files for bankruptcy, such company shall be included in the Peer Group but will be ranked last.



**Cumulative Free Cash Flow Performance Goals**

The number of Cumulative Free Cash Flow Awarded Restricted Stock Units that may be earned will be based on the Company's Cumulative Free Cash Flow over the Cumulative Free Cash Flow Performance Period, as set forth below.

The Company's Cumulative Free Cash Flow will be measured over three individual Annual Measurement Periods, with one-third (1/3) of the Cumulative Free Cash Flow Awarded Restricted Stock Units being eligible to be earned based on the extent to which the Company's Annual Free Cash Flow for such Annual Measurement Period is achieved for such Annual Measurement Period (each, a "Tranche"), where:

"Annual Free Cash Flow" means, for the applicable Annual Measurement Period, adjusted EBITDA; less capital expenditures and payments on vendor-financed capital expenditures; less cash taxes; less net cash interest; less, asset retirement obligations; plus proceeds from sale of property, plant, and equipment; plus or minus gains (or losses and tax payments) associated with any disposition or disposal of assets whether by sale, trade or exchange; plus or minus gains (or losses and tax payments) associated with any acquisition, divestiture, recapitalization or other corporate transaction; plus or minus the positive (or negative) effects of exchange rate changes on cash and cash equivalents; plus or minus the net increase (or decrease) in working capital; plus or minus a positive (or negative) adjustment to reflect mobilization costs and mobilization revenue on a cash basis; plus dividends received from investments in associated companies; and also reflecting such other adjustments as the Committee deems appropriate; and

"Annual Measurement Period" means each of:

- The 2023 Annual Measurement Period: The period beginning on January 1, 2023 and ending on December 31, 2023;
- The 2024 Annual Measurement Period: The period beginning on January 1, 2024 and ending on December 31, 2024; and
- The 2025 Annual Measurement Period: The period beginning on January 1, 2025 and ending on December 31, 2025.

The number of Cumulative Free Cash Flow Awarded Restricted Stock Units that may become vested will be equal to the sum of (1) the Cumulative Free Cash Flow Awarded Restricted Stock Units earned with respect to the 2023 Annual Measurement Period Tranche, plus the Cumulative Free Cash Flow Awarded Restricted Stock Units earned with respect to the 2024 Annual Measurement Period Tranche, plus (3) the Cumulative Free Cash Flow Awarded Restricted Stock Units earned with respect to the 2025 Annual Measurement Period Tranche.

The Company's Annual Free Cash Flow for each Annual Measurement Period shall be compared to the Company's annual budget for Annual Free Cash Flow for the applicable Annual



Measurement Period and the number of Free Cash Flow Awarded Restricted Stock Units earned with respect to the applicable Tranche shall be based on the below.

	<b>Performance Achievement %</b>	<b>Payout %</b>
<b>Threshold</b>	85%	50%
<b>Target</b>	100%	100%
<b>Maximum</b>	125%	200%

In each case, if an Annual Free Cash Flow Performance Goal is earned at an amount that is at a point between two adjacent performance levels, the level at which the Annual Free Cash Flow Performance Goal shall be earned and the number of Cumulative Free Cash flow Awarded Restricted Stock Units that are earned with respect to the applicable Tranche shall be determined by straight line interpolation between such points. All determinations as to the achievement of the Annual Free Cash Flow Performance Goal and the number of Cumulative Free Cash Flow Award Restricted Stock Units that are earned with respect to the applicable Tranche shall be made by the Committee in its sole discretion and such determinations shall be final and binding.



Exhibit 10.13

**AMENDED AND RESTATED  
SEADRILL LIMITED  
2022 MANAGEMENT INCENTIVE PLAN**

**TIME-VESTED RESTRICTED STOCK UNIT AWARD AGREEMENT**

THIS AWARD AGREEMENT (this "Agreement"), made as of the \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2024 (the "Grant Date") by Seadrill Limited, an exempted company incorporated and existing under the laws of Bermuda (the "Company") evidences the time-vested Restricted Stock Units (as defined in the Plan) awarded hereunder to \_\_\_\_\_ ("Participant"), subject to Participant signing and returning the signature page hereto to the Company, and sets forth the restrictions, terms and conditions that apply thereto. Capitalized terms used in this Agreement and not otherwise defined in this Agreement shall have the meanings set forth in the Plan.

**WITNESSETH**

WHEREAS, the Committee acting under the Amended and Restated Seadrill Limited 2022 Management Incentive Plan, as may be amended (the "Plan") has determined that it is desirable to award time-vested Restricted Stock Units to Participant pursuant to the Plan; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Plan, the Committee has determined that the time-vested Restricted Stock Units so awarded shall be subject to the restrictions, terms and conditions set forth in this Agreement;

NOW, THEREFORE, subject to the terms of this Agreement, the award of time-vested Restricted Stock Units is hereby granted to Participant as follows:

- Time-Vested Restricted Stock Unit Award.** On the terms and conditions and subject to the restrictions, including forfeiture to or acquisition for no further consideration by the Company, hereinafter set forth, the Company hereby awards \_\_\_\_\_ Restricted Stock Units (the "Awarded Restricted Stock Units") to Participant pursuant to the Plan. The Awarded Restricted Stock Units are being awarded to Participant effective as of the Grant Date and shall vest or be forfeited in accordance with (and otherwise be subject to) the provisions of this Agreement. The Awarded Restricted Stock Units are being awarded to Participant without the payment of any cash consideration by Participant, except that payment of the aggregate par value in respect of any Shares delivered hereunder may be required by the Committee or pursuant to procedures of the Committee in respect of the allotment and issuance, transfer or delivery of such Shares.
- Vesting and Forfeiture.** Except as set forth in Section 3 or Section 4 of this Agreement, the Awarded Restricted Stock Units shall vest and the forfeiture restrictions applicable to them under this Agreement shall terminate in accordance with the provisions of the attached Schedule I, provided that Participant remains continuously employed by the Company or a Subsidiary of the Company from the Grant Date through the applicable Vesting Date (as set forth on Schedule I hereto). Unless otherwise determined by the Committee and except as



otherwise provided in [Section 3](#) or [Section 4](#) of this Agreement, any Awarded Restricted Stock Units that have not already vested shall be forfeited by Participant upon the termination of Participant's employment with the Company or a Subsidiary of the Company. For purposes of this Agreement, transfers of employment without interruption of service between or among the Company and a Subsidiary of the Company shall not be considered a termination of employment.

**3. Acceleration of Vesting.**

(a) Notwithstanding [Section 2](#) of this Agreement, and except as provided in [Section 4](#), a Pro Rata Portion of the next Tranche of the Awarded Restricted Stock Units shall become vested under this Agreement if, after the first anniversary of the Grant Date, Participant's employment with the Company or a Subsidiary of the Company terminates pursuant to a Qualifying Termination Event (as defined below). "[Qualifying Termination Events](#)" means a termination of Participant's employment with the Company or a Subsidiary of the Company:

- i) by reason of Participant's death,
- ii) by reason of Participant's Disability,
- iii) by reason of the Company's termination of Participant's employment other than for Cause, or
- iv) by reason of Participant's resignation of Participant's employment for Good Reason.

(b) For purposes of this Agreement:

- i) "[Good Reason](#)" shall have the meaning assigned such term or analogous term in the employment, severance or similar agreement, if any, between the Participant and the Company or a Subsidiary of the Company, and if Participant is not a party to an employment, severance or similar agreement with the Company or a Subsidiary of the Company in which such term is defined, "[Good Reason](#)" means Participant's termination of Participant's employment as a result of (1) a material adverse change in Participant's title, authority, duties or responsibilities other than (a) temporarily in the event of physical or mental incapacitation, (b) as required by applicable law or regulatory requirements, or (c) due to any such change made in the ordinary course of business that is due to an internal restructuring of employees and their corresponding titles, authorities, duties, and/or responsibilities (which exception (c) shall apply prior to a Change in Control only); (2) a material reduction in Participant's base salary or target annual bonus, if applicable, except to the extent that the base salaries or target annual bonuses of all other similarly situated employees of the Company are similarly reduced; (3) a relocation of Participant's principal office to a location that is in excess of fifty (50) miles from its location as of the Grant Date; or (4) any material breach of this Agreement by the Company. Notwithstanding the foregoing, no termination of employment by Participant shall constitute a termination for "[Good Reason](#)" unless



- (i) Participant gives the Company notice of the existence of an event described in clause (1), (2), (3) or (4) above, within sixty (60) days following the occurrence thereof, (ii) the Company does not remedy such event described in clause (1), (2), (3) or (4) above, as applicable, within thirty (30) days of receiving the notice described in the preceding clause (i), and (iii) Participant terminates employment within five (5) days of the end of the cure period specified in clause (ii), above.
  - ii) The “Pro Rata Portion” shall be equal to the product of “A” multiplied by “B,” where “A” equals the number of Awarded Restricted Stock Units in the next Tranche that are not vested on the date of Participant’s termination of employment, and “B” is a fraction, the numerator of which is the number of full months from the prior Vesting Date (as defined in Schedule I hereto) through the date of Participant’s termination of employment, and the denominator of which is 12.
  - iii) A “Tranche” shall refer to each portion of the Awarded Restricted Stock Units that would vest on a particular Vesting Date (that is, one-third of the Awarded Restricted Stock Units).
- (c) Awarded Restricted Stock Units shall become vested pursuant to Section 3(a)(i), Section 3(a)(ii), Section 3(a)(iii) and Section 3(a)(iv) only upon Participant’s (or Participant’s legal representative’s, heir’s, legatee’s or distributee’s, as applicable) timely execution of a general release of claims no later than 45 days following such Qualifying Termination Event in a form satisfactory to the Company and, if applicable, Participant’s (or Participant’s legal representative’s, heir’s, legatee’s or distributee’s, as applicable) failure to revoke such execution or signature in accordance with the terms of such release, (any such period to execute and revoke such release of claims, the “Consideration Period”). If the Consideration Period spans two calendar years, then, subject to such execution and non-revocation of the release, the Pro Rata Portion of the next Tranche of the Awarded Restricted Stock Units shall become vested and be settled in the second calendar year.
- (d) For the avoidance of doubt, all Awarded Restricted Stock Units that do not vest in accordance with this Section 3 or Section 4 shall be forfeited by Participant upon the termination of Participant’s employment with the Company or a Subsidiary of the Company or the expiration of the Consideration Period, if applicable.

#### 4. Change in Control.

- (a) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this Agreement, in the event of a Change in Control, if the Awarded Restricted Stock Units are not continued or assumed, or substituted or replaced with an award with respect to cash or shares of the acquiror or surviving entity in such Change in Control, in each case, with substantially equivalent terms and value as the Awarded Restricted Stock Units (“Assumed”), any unvested Awarded Restricted Stock Units shall become vested.
- (b) In the event of a Change in Control in which the Awarded Restricted Stock Units are Assumed, the Awarded Restricted Stock Units shall remain subject to the terms and



conditions of this Agreement, provided, that, notwithstanding [Section 3\(a\)](#), if Participant's employment with the Company or a Subsidiary of the Company terminates pursuant to a Qualifying Termination Event within the 12-month period beginning on the Change in Control and ending at the end of the first anniversary of the Change in Control, any unvested Awarded Restricted Stock Units shall become vested subject to Participant's (or Participant's legal representative's, heir's, legatee's or distributee's, as applicable) timely execution of a general release of claims no later than 45 days following such Qualifying Termination Event in a form satisfactory to the Company and, if applicable, Participant's (or Participant's legal representative's, heir's, legatee's or distributee's, as applicable) failure to revoke such execution or signature in accordance with the terms of such release during the Consideration Period. If the Consideration Period spans two calendar years, then, subject to execution and non-revocation of the release, any unvested Awarded Restricted Stock Units shall become vested and be settled in the second calendar year.

5. **Allotment and Issuance of Shares.** As soon as practicable following the date any such Awarded Restricted Stock Units vest, but in any event no later than 70 days following the date on which the Awarded Restricted Stock Units vest, the Company shall either (a) settle in cash the Awarded Restricted Stock Units in which Participant vests or (b) allot and issue or transfer to Participant one Share in settlement of any such Awarded Restricted Stock Units and, in each case, in full satisfaction of such Awarded Restricted Stock Units. The determination of whether the Awarded Restricted Stock Units that become vested shall be settled in cash or in Shares shall be made at the sole discretion of the Committee.
6. **No Rights as Shareholder.** Except as provided in [Section 7](#), Participant shall have no rights as a shareholder of the Company, including, without limitation, voting rights or the right to receive dividends and distributions as a shareholder, with respect to the Shares subject to the Awarded Restricted Stock Units, unless and until and to the extent such Shares are allotted and issued or transferred to Participant as provided herein.
7. **Dividend Equivalents.** In connection with the Awarded Restricted Stock Units the Company hereby awards to Participant Dividend Equivalents with respect to any cash dividends payable with respect to the Shares. Such cash Dividend Equivalents shall be payable at the same time, and shall be subject to the same conditions, that are applicable to the Awarded Restricted Stock Units, and shall be payable in cash at the same time of settlement of the underlying Awarded Restricted Stock Unit that ultimately vest. Accordingly, the right to receive such cash Dividend Equivalent payments shall be forfeited to the extent that the Awarded Restricted Stock Units do not vest, are forfeited, are acquired by the Company or are otherwise cancelled pursuant to this Agreement.
8. **Arrangements and Procedures Regarding Withholding Taxes.**
  - (a) Participant shall make arrangements satisfactory to the Committee for the payment of taxes and social security obligations of any kind that are required by law to be withheld with respect to the Awarded Restricted Stock Units or the Dividend Equivalents awarded under this Agreement, including, without limitation, taxes applicable to (i) the awarding



of the Awarded Restricted Stock Units or the payment of cash or allotment and issuance or transfer of Shares in settlement thereof, or (ii) the awarding of the Dividend Equivalents or the payments made with respect thereto.

- (b) Unless and until the Committee shall determine otherwise and provide notice to Participant in accordance with [Section 8\(c\)](#), any obligation of Participant under [Section 8\(a\)](#) that arises with respect to the payment of cash or allotment and issuance, transfer or delivery of Shares in settlement of Awarded Restricted Stock Units that have become vested may be satisfied, in accordance with procedures adopted by the Committee, by (i) Participant's forfeiture or surrender of the right to require the Company to allot and issue, transfer or deliver Shares subject to such Awarded Restricted Stock Units, (ii) causing such Awarded Restricted Stock Units to be settled partly in cash or (iii) otherwise reducing the number of Shares to be issued and/or reacquiring a portion of such Shares. In the case of Shares as to which the right to require allotment and issuance, transfer or delivery is forfeited or surrendered pursuant to clause (i) and Shares not issued or reacquired pursuant to clause (iii) such Shares or rights shall be valued at the Fair Market Value (of such Shares or the Shares to which such rights relate, as the case may be) as of the date on which the taxable event that gives rise to the withholding requirement occurs.
- (c) The Committee may determine, after the Grant Date and on notice to Participant, to authorize one or more arrangements (in addition to or in lieu of the arrangement described in [Section 8\(b\)](#)) satisfactory to the Committee for Participant to satisfy the obligation of Participant under [Section 8\(a\)](#).
- (d) If Participant does not, for whatever reason, satisfy the obligation of Participant under [Section 8\(a\)](#), then the Company and its Subsidiaries shall, to the extent permitted by law, have the right to deduct from any payments of any kind otherwise due to Participant the amount required to satisfy the obligation of Participant under such [Section 8\(a\)](#).
9. **Restrictive Covenants.** Without limiting any other non-competition, non-solicitation, non-disparagement or non-disclosure or other similar agreement to which Participant may be a party, Participant shall be subject to the confidentiality and restrictive covenants set forth in this [Section 9](#).
- (a) **Non-Competition.** Participant shall not, for the duration of Participant's employment and for the six-month period following the termination of Participant's employment, be employed in, or carry on for Participant's own account or for any other person, or provide advisory services to (whether directly or indirectly), or be a director of any company, business or venture, which is, or is about to be in competition with the Company, or is likely to result in the intentional or unintentional disclosure or use of Confidential Information by Participant in order for Participant to properly discharge Participant's duties.
- (b) **Non-Solicitation.** Participant shall not, for the duration of Participant's employment and for the six-month period following the termination of Participant's employment (either on Participant's own behalf or for or with any other person), whether directly or indirectly,



- (i) solicit or entice or endeavor to solicit or entice any Employee to leave such Employee's employment with or cease such Employee's directorship or consultancy with the Company or a Subsidiary of the Company, whether or not that person would breach any obligations owed to the Company or any Subsidiary of the Company by so doing or offer employment or any contract for services to or employ or engage any Employee, or (ii) in respect of any Goods or Services, solicit, facilitate the solicitation of, or canvass the custom or business of any Customer solicit, facilitate the solicitation of, or canvas the custom or business of any Prospective Customer.
- (c) **Non-Interference.** Participant shall not, for the duration of Participant's employment and for the six-month period following the termination of Participant's employment, (either on Participant's own behalf or for or with any other person), whether directly or indirectly, (i) in regards to any Customer or Prospective Customer, (A) deal with or supply any Customer, or (B) deal with or supply any Prospective Customer; or (ii) in regards to any Supplier, (A) deal with or accept the supply of any goods or services from any Supplier where such supply is likely to be to the detriment of any Company whether by causing the Supplier to reduce or alter the terms or quantity of supply to the Company or, where the value of the Company's arrangement with the Supplier is diminished; or (B) solicit, facilitate the solicitation of, or canvass the supply of any goods or services from any Supplier where such supply is likely to be to the detriment of any Company whether by causing the Supplier to reduce or alter the terms or quantity of supply to the Company, or where the value of the Company's arrangement with the Supplier is diminished.
- (d) **Confidential Information.** Participant shall not (except in the proper performance of Participant's duties) use or disclose to any person, company or other organization (and shall use every reasonable endeavor to prevent the publication or disclosure of) any of the trade secrets or confidential information of the Company or any Subsidiary of the Company. This restriction shall continue to apply after the termination of Participant's employment but will not apply to information or knowledge which may come into the public domain other than through unauthorized disclosure, or any use or disclosure authorized by the Board or required by law. For purposes of this [Section 9\(c\)](#), "trade secrets" and "confidential information" will include but not be limited to: (i) information relating to the business methods, corporate plans, management systems, finances, new business opportunities, research and development projects, marketing or sales of any past, present or future product or serve of the Company; (ii) secret formulae, processes, inventions, designed, know-how discoveries, technical specifications and other technical information relating to the creation, production or supply of any past, present or future product or services of the Company; (iii) lists or details or customers, potential customers or suppliers of the arrangements made with any customer or supplier of the Company; (iv) any information in respect of which the Company owes an obligation of confidentiality to any third party (provided that with respect to such third party Participant knows or reasonably should have known that the third party provided it to the Company on a confidential basis); (v) information and details of and concerning the engagement, employment and termination of employment of Participant and any other personnel; (vi) information concerning any litigation proposed, in progress or settled;



and, (vii) any other information in whatever form (written, oral, visual and electronic) concerning the confidential affairs of the Company.

(e) **Non-Disparagement.** During the term of Participant's employment with the Company or a Subsidiary of the Company and thereafter in perpetuity, Participant shall not, directly or indirectly, knowingly disparage, criticize, or otherwise make derogatory statements regarding the Company or any Subsidiary of the Company, successors, directors or officers. The foregoing shall not be violated by Participant's truthful responses to legal process or inquiry by a governmental authority.

(f) **Definitions.** For purposes of this Section 9:

- i) "Company" shall mean, for purposes of this Section 9 only, the Company and any and all direct and indirect subsidiary, parent, affiliated, or related companies of the Company for which Participant worked or had responsibility at the time of termination of Participant's employment and at any time during the twelve (12) month period prior to such termination.
- ii) "Confidential Information" shall have the meaning given to trade secrets and confidential information in Section 9(d).
- iii) "Customer" shall mean any person who at any time during the 12 months immediately preceding the termination of Participant's employment was a customer of the Company with whom Participant had material dealings or in relation to whom he acquired confidential information.
- iv) "Employee" shall mean any individual who is employed or engaged by the Company, or any person who, during the 12 months immediately preceding the termination of Participant's employment, is or was employed or engaged by the Company.
- v) "Goods and/or Services" shall mean any goods and/or services competitive with those supplied by the Company at any time during the 12 months immediately preceding the termination of Participant's employment and in relation to which Participant was materially involved or concerned or for which Participant was directly responsible during that time.
- vi) "Prospective Customer" shall mean any person who was at any time during the 12 months immediately preceding the termination of Participant's employment engaged in negotiations, with which Participant was personally involved, with the Company with a view to obtaining Goods and/or Services from the Company or in relation to whom Participant has acquired Confidential Information.
- vii) "Supplier" shall mean any person with whom Participant had material dealings at any time during the 12 months immediately preceding the termination of Participant's employment and who during that period supplied goods or services to the Company on terms other than those available to another purchaser in the market during that



period, whether by reason of exclusivity (either de facto or contractually obliged), price or otherwise.

10. **Forfeiture Events.** Participant expressly acknowledges and agrees that his or her rights, and those of any permitted transferee of the Awarded Restricted Stock Units, under the Awarded Restricted Stock Units, including the right to any cash or Shares acquired upon the vesting of the Awarded Restricted Stock Units or proceeds from the disposition thereof are subject to any clawback or recoupment policy of the Company. In addition, if Participant (i) is terminated for Cause (or, within one year following Participant's termination other than for Cause, the Committee determines that the Company had grounds to terminate the Participant for Cause) or (ii) violates any restrictive covenants to which Participant is subject, whether set forth in this Agreement or elsewhere, the Committee, in its sole discretion, may require Participant to surrender and return to the Company all or any cash or sell or transfer to the Company (for no further consideration) Shares received in connection with the vesting of the Awarded Restricted Stock Units, or to disgorge all or any profits or any other economic value (however defined by the Committee) made or realized by Participant on the sale of such Shares.
11. **Non-Assignability.** This Agreement is not assignable or transferable by Participant. No right or interest of Participant under this Agreement or the Plan may be assigned, transferred or alienated, in whole or in part, either directly or by operation of law (except pursuant to a qualified domestic relations order within the meaning of Section 414(p) of the Code or a similar domestic relations order under applicable foreign law, either in such form as is acceptable to the committee), and no such right or interest shall be liable for or subject to any debt, obligation or liability of Participant.
12. **Plan Provisions.** The Awarded Restricted Stock Units and the Dividend Equivalents subject to this Agreement shall be governed by and subject to all applicable provisions of the Plan. This Agreement is subject to the Plan, and the Plan shall govern where there is any inconsistency between the Plan and this Agreement.
13. **Governing Law.** This Agreement shall be governed by and construed and enforced in accordance with the laws of the State of Delaware, without regard to the principles of conflicts of laws thereof, except to the extent the laws of the State of Delaware are preempted by federal law of the United States or by the laws of England.
14. **Binding Effect.** This Agreement shall be binding upon and inure to the benefit of the parties hereto and their respective heirs, personal representatives, successors and permitted assigns.
15. **Prior Communications; Amendment.** This Agreement, together with any Schedules and Exhibits and any other writings referred to herein or delivered pursuant hereto, evidences the Award granted hereunder, which shall be subject to the restrictions, terms and conditions hereof, and supersedes all prior agreements and understandings, whether written or oral, between the parties with respect to the subject matter hereof. To the fullest extent provided by applicable law, this Agreement may only be amended, modified and supplemented in accordance with the applicable terms and conditions set forth in the Plan.



16. **Notices.** All notices and other communications hereunder shall be in writing and shall be deemed given if directed in the manner specified below, to the parties at the following addresses and numbers:

(a) If to the Company, when delivered by hand or mail (registered or certified mail with postage prepaid) to:

Seadrill Management Limited,  
11025 Equity Drive  
Suite 150  
Houston, Texas 77041  
Attention: General Counsel

(b) If to Participant, when delivered by hand or mail (registered or certified mail with postage prepaid) to:

The last known address and number for Participant as maintained in the personnel records of the Company.

For purposes of this Section 16, the Company shall provide Participant with written notice of any change of the Company's address, and Participant shall be responsible for providing the Company with proper notice of any change of Participant's address pursuant to the Company's personnel policies, and from and after the giving of such notice the address or addresses therein specified will be deemed to be the address of such party for the purposes of giving notice hereunder.

17. **Severability.** If any provision of this Agreement is held to be unenforceable, this Agreement shall be considered divisible and such provision shall be deemed inoperative to the extent it is deemed unenforceable, and in all other respects the restrictions, terms and conditions set forth in this Agreement shall remain in full force and effect; provided, however, that if any such provision may be made enforceable by limitation thereof, then such provision shall be deemed to be so limited and shall be enforceable to the maximum extent permitted by applicable law.

18. **Description Headings.** The descriptive headings herein are inserted for convenience of reference only, do not constitute a part of this Agreement, and shall not affect in any manner the meaning or interpretation of this Agreement.

19. **Gender.** Pronouns in masculine, feminine and neuter genders shall be construed to include any other gender, and words in the singular form shall be construed to include the plural and vice versa, unless the context otherwise requires.

20. **References.** The words "this Agreement," "herein," "hereof," "hereby," "hereunder" and words of similar import refer to this Agreement as a whole and not to any particular subdivision unless expressly so limited. Whenever the words "include," "includes" and



“including” are used in this Agreement, such words shall be deemed to be followed by the words “without limitation.”

**21. Unfunded Awards.** The awards made under this Agreement are unfunded and unsecured obligations and rights to provide or receive compensation in accordance with the provisions hereof, and to the extent that Participant acquires a right to receive compensation from the Company or a Subsidiary of the Company pursuant to this Agreement, such right shall be no greater than the right of any unsecured general creditor of the Company or such affiliate.

**22. Compliance with Code Section 409A.** The compensation payable to or with respect to Participant pursuant to the Awarded Restricted Stock Units is intended to be compensation that is exempt from Code Section 409A or, to the extent subject to Code Section 409A, compliant with Code Section 409A or not subject to the tax imposed by Code Section 409A, and this Agreement shall be administered and construed to the fullest extent possible to reflect and implement such intent.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Company has signed and delivered this Agreement as of the date first above written.

**Seadrill Limited**

By: \_\_\_\_\_

Name:

Title:

Acknowledged, Agreed and Accepted:

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[Participant]



**SCHEDULE I**

**AMENDED AND RESTATED  
SEADRILL LIMITED  
2022 MANAGEMENT INCENTIVE PLAN**

**VESTING DATES**

**FOR AWARD OF TIME-VESTED RESTRICTED STOCK UNITS**

The Committee has determined that the following specified vesting dates shall be applicable to the Awarded Restricted Stock Units awarded pursuant to this Agreement:

**Vesting Dates**

- (i) One-third of the Awarded Restricted Stock Units shall vest on the first anniversary of the Grant Date;
- (ii) One-third of the Awarded Restricted Stock Units shall vest on the second anniversary of the Grant Date; and
- (iii) One-third of the Awarded Restricted Stock Units shall vest on the third anniversary of the Grant Date.

For purposes of this Agreement, each date on which the Awarded Restricted Stock Units vest shall be referred to as a "Vesting Date."



Exhibit 10.14

**AMENDED AND RESTATED  
SEADRILL LIMITED  
2022 MANAGEMENT INCENTIVE PLAN**

**PERFORMANCE-BASED RESTRICTED STOCK UNIT AWARD AGREEMENT**

THIS AWARD AGREEMENT (this "Agreement"), made effective as of the \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2024 (the "Grant Date") by Seadrill Limited, an exempted company incorporated and existing under the laws of Bermuda (the "Company") evidences the performance-based Restricted Stock Units (as defined in the Plan) awarded hereunder to \_\_\_\_\_ ("Participant"), subject to Participant signing and returning the signature page hereto to the Company, and sets forth the restrictions, terms and conditions that apply thereto. Capitalized terms used in this Agreement and not otherwise defined in this Agreement shall have the meanings set forth in the Plan.

**WITNESSETH**

WHEREAS, the Committee acting under the Amended and Restated Seadrill Limited 2022 Management Incentive Plan, as may be amended (the "Plan"), has determined that it is desirable to award performance-based Restricted Stock Units to Participant pursuant to the Plan; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Plan, the Committee has determined that the performance-based Restricted Stock Units so awarded shall be subject to the restrictions, terms and conditions set forth in this Agreement;

NOW, THEREFORE, subject to the terms of this Agreement, the award of performance-based Restricted Stock Units is hereby granted to Participant as follows:

**1. Performance-Based Restricted Stock Unit Award.**

- (a) **Number of Shares.** On the terms and conditions and subject to the restrictions, including forfeiture to or acquisition for no further consideration by the Company, hereinafter set forth, the Company hereby awards \_\_\_\_\_ Restricted Stock Units (the "Awarded Restricted Stock Units") to Participant pursuant to the Plan. The Awarded Restricted Stock Units set forth in this Section 1 represents the number of Shares that may be earned and vest pursuant to this Agreement if the Performance Goals set forth on Schedule I, attached hereto, are achieved at 100% payout; however, the actual number of Shares that may be earned and vest pursuant to this Agreement will vary based upon the extent to which the Committee determines the Performance Goals are achieved during the Performance Period (as defined below) in accordance with Schedule I and subject to the provisions of this Agreement.
- (b) **Performance Goals.** The Awarded Restricted Stock Units may be earned, if at all, based on the Company's Total Shareholder Return ("TSR") over the period beginning on January 1, 2024 and ending December 31, 2026 (the "Performance Period") and Cumulative Free Cash Flow over the Performance Period (each of the Company's TSR



and Cumulative Free Cash Flow a “Performance Goal” and collectively the “Performance Goals” and December 31, 2026, the “end of the Performance Period”), as described in Schedule I. Sixty percent (60%) of the Awarded Restricted Stock Units may be earned, if at all, based on the Company’s TSR over the Performance Period (the “TSR Awarded Restricted Stock Units”) and forty percent (40%) of the Awarded Restricted Stock Units may be earned, if at all, based on the Company’s Cumulative Free Cash Flow over the Performance Period (the “Cumulative Free Cash Flow Awarded Restricted Stock Units”). The Cumulative Free Cash Flow Awarded Restricted Stock Units may be earned in three “Tranches,” as described in Schedule I. The Awarded Restricted Stock Units are being awarded to Participant without the payment of any cash consideration by Participant, except that payment of the aggregate par value in respect of any Shares delivered hereunder may be required by the Committee or pursuant to procedures of the Committee in respect of the allotment and issuance, transfer or delivery of such Shares.

2. **Vesting and Forfeiture.** The number of Awarded Restricted Stock Units, if any, that are earned shall be determined by the Committee based on the level of achievement of the Performance Goals set forth on Schedule I, which determination shall be made by the Committee as soon as practicable and, in any event, with respect to the Cumulative Free Cash Flow Awarded Restricted Stock Units, within 60 days following the end of each Annual Measurement Period (as defined in Schedule I), and with respect to the TSR Awarded Restricted Stock Units, within 60 days following the end of the Performance Period. Unless otherwise determined by the Committee and except as otherwise provided in Section 3 or Section 4 of this Agreement, such number of Awarded Restricted Stock Units so earned, if any, shall vest subject to the Participant remaining continuously employed by the Company or a Subsidiary of the Company from the Grant Date through the last day of the Performance Period. Unless otherwise determined by the Committee and except as otherwise provided in Section 3 or Section 4 of this Agreement, any Awarded Restricted Stock Units that have not already vested in accordance with this Section 2 shall be forfeited by Participant upon the termination of Participant’s employment with the Company or a Subsidiary of the Company. For purposes of this Agreement, transfers of employment without interruption of service between or among the Company and a Subsidiary of the Company shall not be considered a termination of employment.

3. **Acceleration of Vesting.**

(a) Notwithstanding Section 2 of this Agreement, and except as provided in Section 4, if Participant’s employment with the Company or a Subsidiary of the Company terminates after the first anniversary of the Grant Date and prior to the end of the Performance Period pursuant to a Qualifying Termination Event (as defined below), the Awarded Restricted Stock Units will be treated as set forth in Section 3(b) and Section 3(c), as applicable. “Qualifying Termination Events” means a termination of Participant’s employment with the Company or a Subsidiary of the Company:

- i) by reason of Participant’s death,
- ii) by reason of Participant’s Disability,



- iii) by reason of the Company's termination of Participant's employment other than for Cause, or
  - iv) by reason of Participant's resignation of Participant's employment for Good Reason.
- (b) **TSR Awarded Restricted Stock Units.** If Participant's employment with the Company or a Subsidiary of the Company terminates after the first anniversary of the Grant Date and prior to the end of the Performance Period pursuant to a Qualifying Termination Event, a Pro-Rata Portion (as defined in this [Section 3\(b\)](#)) of the TSR Awarded Restricted Stock Units will remain outstanding until the end of the Performance Period and thereafter such Pro Rata Portion shall become vested in accordance with [Section 2](#) as if the Participant had remained employed through the last day of the Performance Period. For purposes of this [Section 3\(b\)](#), the "[Pro Rata Portion](#)" shall be equal to the product of "A" multiplied by "B," where "A" equals the number of TSR Awarded Restricted Stock Units determined by the Committee to have been earned based on the level of achievement of the TSR Performance Goals set forth on [Schedule I](#), and "B" is a fraction, the numerator of which is the number of full months the Participant worked during the Performance Period through the date of Participant's termination of employment, and the denominator of which is 36.
- (c) **Cumulative Free Cash Flow Awarded Restricted Stock Units.** If Participant's employment with the Company or a Subsidiary of the Company terminates after the first anniversary of the Grant Date and prior to the end of the Performance Period pursuant to a Qualifying Termination Event:
- i) Any Tranche of Cumulative Free Cash Flow Awarded Restricted Stock Units for which the Annual Measurement Period has ended prior to the Qualifying Termination Event will become vested in connection with the Participant's Qualifying Termination Event, subject to [Section 3\(d\)](#).
  - ii) A Pro Rata Portion (as defined in this [Section 3\(c\)\(ii\)](#)) of the Tranche of Awarded Restricted Stock Units for the Annual Measurement Period in which the Qualifying Termination Event occurs will remain outstanding until the end of such Annual Measurement Period and thereafter such Pro Rata Portion of such Tranche shall become vested in connection with the Committee's determination of the achievement of the Annual Free Cash Flow Performance Goal for such Annual Measurement Period, subject to [Section 3\(d\)](#). For purposes of this [Section 3\(c\)\(ii\)](#), the "[Pro Rata Portion](#)" shall be equal to the product of "A" multiplied by "B," where "A" equals the number of Cumulative Free Cash Flow Awarded Restricted Stock Units determined by the Committee to have been earned with respect to such Tranche based on the level of achievement of the Cumulative Free Cash Flow Performance Goals for such Annual Measurement Period set forth on [Schedule I](#), and "B" is a fraction, the numerator of which is the number of full months the Participant worked during the Annual Measurement Period in which the Qualifying Termination Event occurred through the date of Participant's termination of employment, and the denominator of which is 12.



- iii) Any Tranche for which the Annual Measurement Period has not commenced at the time of the Qualifying Termination Event shall be forfeited.
- (d) Awarded Restricted Stock Units shall be eligible to become earned and vested pursuant to this [Section 3](#) only upon Participant's (or Participant's legal representative's, heir's, legatee's or distributee's, as applicable) timely execution of a general release of claims no later than 45 days following such Qualifying Termination Event in a form satisfactory to the Company and, if applicable, Participant's (or Participant's legal representative's, heir's, legatee's or distributee's, as applicable) failure to revoke such execution or signature in accordance with the terms of such release (any such period to execute and revoke such release of claims, the "[Consideration Period](#)").
- (e) For purposes of this Agreement, "[Good Reason](#)" shall have the meaning assigned such term or analogous term in the employment, severance or similar agreement, if any, between the Participant and the Company or a Subsidiary of the Company, and if Participant is not a party to an employment, severance or similar agreement with the Company or a Subsidiary of the Company in which such term is defined, "[Good Reason](#)" means Participant's termination of Participant's employment as a result of (i) a material adverse change in Participant's title, authority, duties or responsibilities other than (1) temporarily in the event of physical or mental incapacitation, (2) as required by applicable law or regulatory requirements, or (3) due to any such change made in the ordinary course of business that is due to an internal restructuring of employees and their corresponding titles, authorities, duties, and/or responsibilities (which exception (3) shall apply prior to a Change in Control only); (ii) a material reduction in Participant's base salary or target annual bonus, if applicable, except to the extent that the base salaries or target annual bonuses of all other similarly situated employees of the Company are similarly reduced; (iii) a relocation of Participant's principal office to a location that is in excess of fifty (50) miles from its location as of the Grant Date; or (iv) any material breach of this Agreement by the Company. Notwithstanding the foregoing, no termination of employment by Participant shall constitute a termination for "Good Reason" unless (A) Participant gives the Company notice of the existence of an event described in clause (i), (ii), (iii) or (iv) above, within sixty (60) days following the occurrence thereof, (B) the Company does not remedy such event described in clause (i), (ii), (iii) or (iv) above, as applicable, within thirty (30) days of receiving the notice described in the preceding clause (A), and (C) Participant terminates employment within five (5) days of the end of the cure period specified in clause (B), above.
- (f) For the avoidance of doubt, all Awarded Restricted Stock Units that do not vest in accordance with this [Section 3](#) or [Section 4](#) shall be forfeited by Participant upon the termination of Participant's employment with the Company or a Subsidiary of the Company during the Performance Period or the expiration of the Consideration Period, if applicable. All Awarded Restricted Stock Units shall be forfeited by Participant upon the termination of Participant's employment by the Company for Cause and any Shares issued to the Participant pursuant to such Award would be acquired by the Company for no consideration.



**4. Change in Control.**

- (a) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this Agreement, in the event of a Change in Control, the Performance Goals of any Awarded Restricted Stock Units for which the level of achievement has not previously been determined as of immediately prior to the Change in Control shall be deemed met at the greater of (i) 100% payout/target level or (ii) actual performance, as determined by the Committee (in effect immediately prior to the consummation of the Change in Control).
  - (b) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this Agreement, in the event of a Change in Control in which the Awarded Restricted Stock Units as so scored in accordance with Section 4(a) above are not continued or assumed, substituted or replaced with an award with respect to cash or shares of the acquiror or surviving entity in such Change in Control, in each case, with substantially equivalent terms and value as the Awarded Restricted Stock Units as so scored ("Assumed"), such Awarded Restricted Stock Units as so scored shall vest immediately prior to the Change in Control.
  - (c) In the event of a Change in Control in which the Awarded Restricted Stock Units as so scored in accordance with Section 4(a) above are Assumed, such Awarded Restricted Stock Units as so scored shall not vest immediately prior to the Change in Control and shall remain subject to the terms and conditions of this Agreement, provided, that, notwithstanding Section 3, if Participant's employment with the Company or a Subsidiary of the Company terminates pursuant to a Qualifying Termination Event within the 12-month period beginning on the Change in Control and ending at the end of the first anniversary of the Change in Control, any such Awarded Restricted Stock Units as so scored shall become vested subject to Participant's (or Participant's legal representative's, heir's, legatee's or distributee's, as applicable) timely execution of a general release of claims no later than 45 days following such Qualifying Termination Event in a form satisfactory to the Company and, if applicable, Participant's (or Participant's legal representative's, heir's, legatee's or distributee's, as applicable) failure to revoke such execution or signature in accordance with the terms of such release during the Consideration Period. If the Consideration Period spans two calendar years, then, subject to such execution and non-revocation of the release, any such Awarded Restricted Stock Units as so scored shall become vested and be settled in the second calendar year.
- 5. Allotment and Issuance of Shares.** As soon as practicable following the end of the Performance Period (or, the applicable vesting date described in Section 3 or Section 4 of this Agreement, if applicable), but in any event no later than 70 days following such date, the Company shall either (a) settle in cash the Awarded Restricted Stock Units that are earned and in which Participant vests or (b) allot and issue or transfer to Participant one Share in settlement of any such Awarded Restricted Stock Units and, in each case, in full satisfaction of such Awarded Restricted Stock Units. The determination of whether the Awarded Restricted Stock Units that are earned and become vested shall be settled in cash or in Shares shall be made at the sole discretion of the Committee.



6. **No Rights as Shareholder.** Except as provided in [Section 7](#), Participant shall have no rights as a shareholder of the Company, including, without limitation, voting rights or the right to receive dividends and distributions as a shareholder, with respect to the Shares subject to the Awarded Restricted Stock Units, unless and until and to the extent such Shares are allotted and issued or transferred to Participant as provided herein.
7. **Dividend Equivalents.** In connection with the Awarded Restricted Stock Units the Company hereby awards to Participant Dividend Equivalents with respect to any cash dividends payable with respect to the Shares. Such cash Dividend Equivalents shall be payable at the same time, and shall be subject to the same conditions (including the Performance Goals), that are applicable to the Awarded Restricted Stock Units, and shall be payable in cash at the same time of settlement of the underlying Awarded Restricted Stock Unit that ultimately vest. Accordingly, the right to receive such cash Dividend Equivalent payments shall be forfeited to the extent that the Awarded Restricted Stock Units do not vest, are forfeited, are acquired by the Company or are otherwise cancelled pursuant to this Agreement.
8. **Arrangements and Procedures Regarding Withholding Taxes.**
- (a) Participant shall make arrangements satisfactory to the Committee for the payment of taxes and social security obligations of any kind that are required by law to be withheld with respect to the Awarded Restricted Stock Units or the Dividend Equivalents awarded under this Agreement, including, without limitation, taxes applicable to (i) the awarding of the Awarded Restricted Stock Units or the payment of cash or allotment and issuance or transfer of Shares in settlement thereof, or (ii) the awarding of the Dividend Equivalents or the payments made with respect thereto.
- (b) Unless and until the Committee shall determine otherwise and provide notice to Participant in accordance with [Section 8\(c\)](#), any obligation of Participant under [Section 8\(a\)](#) that arises with respect to the payment of cash or allotment and issuance, transfer or delivery of Shares in settlement of Awarded Restricted Stock Units that have become vested may be satisfied, in accordance with procedures adopted by the Committee, by (i) Participant's forfeiture or surrender of the right to require the Company to allot and issue, transfer or deliver Shares subject to such Awarded Restricted Stock Units, (ii) causing such Awarded Restricted Stock Units to be settled partly in cash or (iii) otherwise reducing the number of Shares to be issued and/or reacquiring a portion of such Shares. In the case of Shares as to which the right to require allotment and issuance, transfer or delivery is forfeited or surrendered pursuant to clause (i) and Shares not issued or reacquired pursuant to clause (iii) such Shares or rights shall be valued at the Fair Market Value (of such Shares or the Shares to which such rights relate, as the case may be) as of the date on which the taxable event that gives rise to the withholding requirement occurs.
- (c) The Committee may determine, after the Grant Date and on notice to Participant, to authorize one or more arrangements (in addition to or in lieu of the arrangement described in [Section 8\(b\)](#)) satisfactory to the Committee for Participant to satisfy the obligation of Participant under [Section 8\(a\)](#).



- (d) If Participant does not, for whatever reason, satisfy the obligation of Participant under Section 8(a), then the Company and its Subsidiaries shall, to the extent permitted by law, have the right to deduct from any payments of any kind otherwise due to Participant the amount required to satisfy the obligation of Participant under such Section 8(a).
9. **Restrictive Covenants.** Without limiting any other non-competition, non-solicitation, non-disparagement or non-disclosure or other similar agreement to which Participant may be a party, Participant shall be subject to the confidentiality and restrictive covenants set forth in this Section 9.
- (a) **Non-Competition.** Participant shall not, for the duration of Participant's employment and for the six-month period following the termination of Participant's employment, be employed in, or carry on for Participant's own account or for any other person, or provide advisory services to (whether directly or indirectly), or be a director of any company, business or venture, which is, or is about to be in competition with the Company, or is likely to result in the intentional or unintentional disclosure or use of Confidential Information by Participant in order for Participant to properly discharge Participant's duties.
- (b) **Non-Solicitation.** Participant shall not, for the duration of Participant's employment and for the six-month period following the termination of Participant's employment (either on Participant's own behalf or for or with any other person), whether directly or indirectly, (i) solicit or entice or endeavor to solicit or entice any Employee to leave such Employee's employment with or cease such Employee's directorship or consultancy with the Company or a Subsidiary of the Company, whether or not that person would breach any obligations owed to the Company or any Subsidiary of the Company by so doing or offer employment or any contract for services to or employ or engage any Employee, or (ii) in respect of any Goods or Services, solicit, facilitate the solicitation of, or canvass the custom or business of any Customer solicit, facilitate the solicitation of, or canvas the custom or business of any Prospective Customer.
- (c) **Non-Interference.** Participant shall not, for the duration of Participant's employment and for the six-month period following the termination of Participant's employment, (either on Participant's own behalf or for or with any other person), whether directly or indirectly, (i) in regards to any Customer or Prospective Customer, (A) deal with or supply any Customer, or (B) deal with or supply any Prospective Customer; or (ii) in regards to any Supplier, (A) deal with or accept the supply of any goods or services from any Supplier where such supply is likely to be to the detriment of any Company whether by causing the Supplier to reduce or alter the terms or quantity of supply to the Company or, where the value of the Company's arrangement with the Supplier is diminished; or (B) solicit, facilitate the solicitation of, or canvass the supply of any goods or services from any Supplier where such supply is likely to be to the detriment of any Company whether by causing the Supplier to reduce or alter the terms or quantity of supply to the Company, or where the value of the Company's arrangement with the Supplier is diminished.



- (d) **Confidential Information.** Participant shall not (except in the proper performance of Participant's duties) use or disclose to any person, company or other organization (and shall use every reasonable endeavor to prevent the publication or disclosure of) any of the trade secrets or confidential information of the Company or any Subsidiary of the Company. This restriction shall continue to apply after the termination of Participant's employment but will not apply to information or knowledge which may come into the public domain other than through unauthorized disclosure, or any use or disclosure authorized by the Board or required by law. For purposes of this [Section 9\(c\)](#), "trade secrets" and "confidential information" will include but not be limited to: (i) information relating to the business methods, corporate plans, management systems, finances, new business opportunities, research and development projects, marketing or sales of any past, present or future product or serve of the Company; (ii) secret formulae, processes, inventions, designed, know-how discoveries, technical specifications and other technical information relating to the creation, production or supply of any past, present or future product or services of the Company; (iii) lists or details of customers, potential customers or suppliers of the arrangements made with any customer or supplier of the Company; (iv) any information in respect of which the Company owes an obligation of confidentiality to any third party (provided that with respect to such third party Participant knows or reasonably should have known that the third party provided it to the Company on a confidential basis); (v) information and details of and concerning the engagement, employment and termination of employment of Participant and any other personnel; (vi) information concerning any litigation proposed, in progress or settled; and, (vii) any other information in whatever form (written, oral, visual and electronic) concerning the confidential affairs of the Company.
- (e) **Non-Disparagement.** During the term of Participant's employment with the Company or a Subsidiary of the Company and thereafter in perpetuity, Participant shall not, directly or indirectly, knowingly disparage, criticize, or otherwise make derogatory statements regarding the Company or any Subsidiary of the Company, successors, directors or officers. The foregoing shall not be violated by Participant's truthful responses to legal process or inquiry by a governmental authority.
- (f) **Definitions.** For purposes of this [Section 9](#):
- i) "[Company](#)" shall mean, for purposes of this [Section 9](#) only, the Company and any and all direct and indirect subsidiary, parent, affiliated, or related companies of the Company for which Participant worked or had responsibility at the time of termination of Participant's employment and at any time during the twelve (12) month period prior to such termination.
  - ii) "[Confidential Information](#)" shall have the meaning given to trade secrets and confidential information in [Section 9\(d\)](#).
  - iii) "[Customer](#)" shall mean any person who at any time during the 12 months immediately preceding the termination of Participant's employment was a customer



of the Company with whom Participant had material dealings or in relation to whom he acquired confidential information.

- iv) "Employee" shall mean any individual who is employed or engaged by the Company, or any person who, during the 12 months immediately preceding the termination of Participant's employment, is or was employed or engaged by the Company.
- v) "Goods and/or Services" shall mean any goods and/or services competitive with those supplied by the Company at any time during the 12 months immediately preceding the termination of Participant's employment and in relation to which Participant was materially involved or concerned or for which Participant was directly responsible during that time.
- vi) "Prospective Customer" shall mean any person who was at any time during the 12 months immediately preceding the termination of Participant's employment engaged in negotiations, with which Participant was personally involved, with the Company with a view to obtaining Goods and/or Services from the Company or in relation to whom Participant has acquired Confidential Information.
- vii) "Supplier" shall mean any person with whom Participant had material dealings at any time during the 12 months immediately preceding the termination of Participant's employment and who during that period supplied goods or services to the Company on terms other than those available to another purchaser in the market during that period, whether by reason of exclusivity (either de facto or contractually obliged), price or otherwise.

**10. Forfeiture Events.** Participant expressly acknowledges and agrees that his or her rights, and those of any permitted transferee of the Awarded Restricted Stock Units, under the Awarded Restricted Stock Units, including the right to any cash or Shares acquired upon the vesting of the Awarded Restricted Stock Units or proceeds from the disposition thereof are subject to any clawback or recoupment policy of the Company. In addition, if Participant (i) is terminated for Cause (or, within one year following Participant's termination other than for Cause, the Committee determines that the Company had grounds to terminate the Participant for Cause) or (ii) violates any restrictive covenants to which Participant is subject, whether set forth in this Agreement or elsewhere, the Committee, in its sole discretion, may require Participant to surrender and return to the Company all or any cash or sell or transfer to the Company (for no further consideration) Shares received in connection with the vesting of the Awarded Restricted Stock Units, or to disgorge all or any profits or any other economic value (however defined by the Committee) made or realized by Participant on the sale of such Shares.

**11. Non-Assignability.** This Agreement is not assignable or transferable by Participant. No right or interest of Participant under this Agreement or the Plan may be assigned, transferred or alienated, in whole or in part, either directly or by operation of law (except pursuant to a qualified domestic relations order within the meaning of Section 414(p) of the Code or a similar domestic relations order under applicable foreign law, either in such form as is



acceptable to the committee), and no such right or interest shall be liable for or subject to any debt, obligation or liability of Participant.

12. **Plan Provisions.** The Awarded Restricted Stock Units and the Dividend Equivalents subject to this Agreement shall be governed by and subject to all applicable provisions of the Plan. This Agreement is subject to the Plan, and the Plan shall govern where there is any inconsistency between the Plan and this Agreement.
13. **Governing Law.** This Agreement shall be governed by and construed and enforced in accordance with the laws of the State of Delaware, without regard to the principles of conflicts of laws thereof, except to the extent the laws of the State of Delaware are preempted by federal law of the United States or by the laws of England.
14. **Binding Effect.** This Agreement shall be binding upon and inure to the benefit of the parties hereto and their respective heirs, personal representatives, successors and permitted assigns.
15. **Prior Communications; Amendment.** This Agreement, together with any Schedules and Exhibits and any other writings referred to herein or delivered pursuant hereto, evidences the Award granted hereunder, which shall be subject to the restrictions, terms and conditions hereof, and supersedes all prior agreements and understandings, whether written or oral, between the parties with respect to the subject matter hereof. To the fullest extent provided by applicable law, this Agreement may only be amended, modified and supplemented in accordance with the applicable terms and conditions set forth in the Plan.
16. **Notices.** All notices and other communications hereunder shall be in writing and shall be deemed given if directed in the manner specified below, to the parties at the following addresses and numbers:

(a) If to the Company, when delivered by hand or mail (registered or certified mail with postage prepaid) to:

Seadrill Management Limited,  
11025 Equity Drive  
Suite 150  
Houston, Texas 77041  
Attention: General Counsel

(b) If to Participant, when delivered by hand or mail (registered or certified mail with postage prepaid) to:

The last known address and number for Participant as maintained in the personnel records of the Company.

For purposes of this Section 16, the Company shall provide Participant with written notice of any change of the Company's address, and Participant shall be responsible for



providing the Company with proper notice of any change of Participant's address pursuant to the Company's personnel policies, and from and after the giving of such notice the address or addresses therein specified will be deemed to be the address of such party for the purposes of giving notice hereunder.

17. **Severability.** If any provision of this Agreement is held to be unenforceable, this Agreement shall be considered divisible and such provision shall be deemed inoperative to the extent it is deemed unenforceable, and in all other respects the restrictions, terms and conditions set forth in this Agreement shall remain in full force and effect; provided, however, that if any such provision may be made enforceable by limitation thereof, then such provision shall be deemed to be so limited and shall be enforceable to the maximum extent permitted by applicable law.
18. **Description Headings.** The descriptive headings herein are inserted for convenience of reference only, do not constitute a part of this Agreement, and shall not affect in any manner the meaning or interpretation of this Agreement.
19. **Gender.** Pronouns in masculine, feminine and neuter genders shall be construed to include any other gender, and words in the singular form shall be construed to include the plural and vice versa, unless the context otherwise requires.
20. **References.** The words "this Agreement," "herein," "hereof," "hereby," "hereunder" and words of similar import refer to this Agreement as a whole and not to any particular subdivision unless expressly so limited. Whenever the words "include," "includes" and "including" are used in this Agreement, such words shall be deemed to be followed by the words "without limitation."
21. **Unfunded Awards.** The awards made under this Agreement are unfunded and unsecured obligations and rights to provide or receive compensation in accordance with the provisions hereof, and to the extent that Participant acquires a right to receive compensation from the Company or a Subsidiary of the Company pursuant to this Agreement, such right shall be no greater than the right of any unsecured general creditor of the Company or such affiliate.
22. **Compliance with Code Section 409A.** The compensation payable to or with respect to Participant pursuant to the Awarded Restricted Stock Units is intended to be compensation that is exempt from Code Section 409A or, to the extent subject to Code Section 409A, compliant with Code Section 409A or not subject to the tax imposed by Code Section 409A, and this Agreement shall be administered and construed to the fullest extent possible to reflect and implement such intent.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Company has signed and delivered this Agreement as of the date first above written.

**Seadrill Limited**

By: \_\_\_\_\_

Name:

Title:



Acknowledged, Agreed and Accepted:

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[Participant]



**SCHEDULE I**

**AMENDED AND RESTATED  
SEADRILL LIMITED  
2022 MANAGEMENT INCENTIVE PLAN**

**PERFORMANCE GOALS AND PERFORMANCE PERIOD  
FOR AWARD OF PERFORMANCE-BASED RESTRICTED STOCK UNITS**

**TSR Performance Goals**

The number of TSR Awarded Restricted Stock Units that may be earned will be based on the Company's absolute TSR and the Company's relative TSR, in each case, over the Performance Period, as set forth below.

	<b>Relative TSR Percentile Ranking</b>			
	<b>&lt; 40<sup>th</sup> percentile</b>	<b>Median</b>	<b>60<sup>th</sup> percentile</b>	<b>80<sup>th</sup> percentile</b>
<b>25%</b>	75%	100%	150%	200%
<b>20%</b>	50%	75%	125%	175%
<b>Absolute TSR 15%</b>	0%	50%	100%	150%
<b>10%</b>	0%	0%	75%	100%
<b>8%</b>	0%	0%	50%	75%

In each case, if a TSR Performance Goal is earned at an amount that is at a point between two adjacent performance levels, the level at which the TSR Performance Goal shall be earned and the number of TSR Awarded Restricted Stock Units that are earned shall be determined by straight line interpolation between such points. All determinations as to the achievement of the TSR Performance Goal and the number of TSR Award Restricted Stock Units that are earned shall be made by the Committee in its sole discretion and such determinations shall be final and binding.



*Absolute TSR*

Absolute TSR shall be determined based on the following formula and shall be expressed as a percentage:

$$\text{Absolute TSR} = \left( \frac{\text{Ending Average Share Price} + \text{Dividends}}{\text{Beginning Average Share Price}} - 1 \right) * 100$$

Where:

“Beginning Average Share Price” means the volume weighted average price of a Share for the first 20 trading days of the Performance Period (including the first day of the Performance Period);

“Dividends” means all dividends paid to a shareholder of record with respect to one Share during the Performance Period; and

“Ending Average Share Price” means the volume weighted average price of a Share for the last 20 trading days of the Performance Period (including the last day of the Performance Period).

*Relative TSR*

The results of the Absolute TSR for each of the companies in the Peer Group (for the avoidance of doubt, excluding the Company) will be ranked from highest to lowest Absolute TSR (rounded, if necessary, to one-tenth of a percentage point by application of regular rounding) and the Company’s Absolute TSR will be compared to such ranking to determine the Company’s relative TSR percentile ranking.

The Peer Group shall include the following companies:

Diamond Offshore Drilling, Inc.	Noble Corporation Plc
Expro Group Holdings N.V.	Oceaneering International, Inc.
Helix Energy Solutions Group, Inc.	Oil States International, Inc.
Helmerich & Payne, Inc.	RPC, Inc.
Nabors Industries Ltd.	Transocean Ltd.
NexTier Oilfield Solutions Inc.	Valaris Limited

Where the effect of changes to the Peer Group shall be as follows:



- If a company in the Peer Group is acquired and ceases to have its primary common equity security listed or traded prior to the end of the Performance Period, such company will be omitted from Peer Group.
- If a company in the Peer Group is forced to delist from the securities exchange upon which it was traded due to low stock price or other reasons or files for bankruptcy, such company shall be included in the Peer Group but will be ranked last.

**Cumulative Free Cash Flow Performance Goals**

The number of Cumulative Free Cash Flow Awarded Restricted Stock Units that may be earned will be based on the Company's Cumulative Free Cash Flow over the Performance Period, as set forth below.

The Company's Cumulative Free Cash Flow will be measured over three individual Annual Measurement Periods, with one-third (1/3) of the Cumulative Free Cash Flow Awarded Restricted Stock Units being eligible to be earned based on the extent to which the Company's Annual Free Cash Flow for such Annual Measurement Period is achieved for such Annual Measurement Period (each, a "Tranche"), where:

"Annual Free Cash Flow" means, for the applicable Annual Measurement Period, adjusted EBITDA; less capital expenditures and payments on vendor-financed capital expenditures; less cash taxes; less net cash interest; less, asset retirement obligations; plus proceeds from sale of property, plant, and equipment; plus or minus gains (or losses and tax payments) associated with any disposition or disposal of assets whether by sale, trade or exchange; plus or minus gains (or losses and tax payments) associated with any acquisition, divestiture, recapitalization or other corporate transaction; plus or minus the positive (or negative) effects of exchange rate changes on cash and cash equivalents; plus or minus the net increase (or decrease) in working capital; plus or minus a positive (or negative) adjustment to reflect mobilization costs and mobilization revenue on a cash basis; plus dividends received from investments in associated companies; and also reflecting such other adjustments as the Committee deems appropriate; and

"Annual Measurement Period" means each of:

- The 2024 Annual Measurement Period: The period beginning on January 1, 2024 and ending on December 31, 2024;
- The 2025 Annual Measurement Period: The period beginning on January 1, 2025 and ending on December 31, 2025; and
- The 2026 Annual Measurement Period: The period beginning on January 1, 2026 and ending on December 31, 2026.

The number of Cumulative Free Cash Flow Awarded Restricted Stock Units that may become vested will be equal to the sum of (1) the Cumulative Free Cash Flow Awarded Restricted Stock



Units earned with respect to the 2024 Annual Measurement Period Tranche, plus the Cumulative Free Cash Flow Awarded Restricted Stock Units earned with respect to the 2025 Annual Measurement Period Tranche, plus (3) the Cumulative Free Cash Flow Awarded Restricted Stock Units earned with respect to the 2026 Annual Measurement Period Tranche.

The Company's Annual Free Cash Flow for each Annual Measurement Period shall be compared to the Company's annual budget for Annual Free Cash Flow for the applicable Annual Measurement Period and the number of Free Cash Flow Awarded Restricted Stock Units earned with respect to the applicable Tranche shall be based on the below.

	<b>Performance Achievement %</b>	<b>Payout %</b>
<b>Threshold</b>	85%	50%
<b>Target</b>	100%	100%
<b>Maximum</b>	125%	200%

In each case, if an Annual Free Cash Flow Performance Goal is earned at an amount that is at a point between two adjacent performance levels, the level at which the Annual Free Cash Flow Performance Goal shall be earned and the number of Cumulative Free Cash flow Awarded Restricted Stock Units that are earned with respect to the applicable Tranche shall be determined by straight line interpolation between such points. All determinations as to the achievement of the Annual Free Cash Flow Performance Goal and the number of Cumulative Free Cash Flow Award Restricted Stock Units that are earned with respect to the applicable Tranche shall be made by the Committee in its sole discretion and such determinations shall be final and binding.



Exhibit 10.15

**AMENDED AND RESTATED  
SEADRILL LIMITED  
2022 MANAGEMENT INCENTIVE PLAN**

**TIME-VESTED RESTRICTED STOCK UNIT AWARD AGREEMENT**

THIS AWARD AGREEMENT (this "Agreement"), made as of the \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2024, (the "Grant Date") by Seadrill Limited, an exempted company incorporated and existing under the laws of Bermuda (the "Company") and \_\_\_\_\_ ("Participant") shall, subject to Participant signing and returning the signature page hereto to the Company, become effective immediately following the Company's annual general meeting of shareholders held on or before the 17<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2024 (the "Annual Meeting") if the shareholders of the Company approve, in accordance with the rules and regulations applicable to such approval, the remuneration of the directors of the Company in accordance with the Company's bye-laws (the "Remuneration Approval"). If the Remuneration Approval is not obtained at the Annual Meeting, this Agreement shall be null and void *ab initio*, and the Awarded Restricted Stock Units (as defined below) subject to this Agreement shall be cancelled in full for no consideration. Capitalized terms used in this Agreement and not otherwise defined in this Agreement shall have the meanings set forth in the Plan.

**WITNESSETH**

WHEREAS, the Committee acting under the Amended and Restated Seadrill Limited 2022 Management Incentive Plan, as may be amended (the "Nan"), has determined that it is desirable to award time-vested Restricted Stock Units to Participant pursuant to the Plan; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Plan, the Committee has determined that the time-vested Restricted Stock Units so awarded shall be subject to the restrictions, terms and conditions set forth in this Agreement;

NOW, THEREFORE, subject to the terms of this Agreement, the award of time-vested Restricted Stock Units is hereby granted to Participant as follows:

**1. Time-Vested Restricted Stock Unit Award.** On the terms and conditions and subject to the restrictions, including cancellation of, forfeiture to or acquisition for no further consideration by the Company, hereinafter set forth, the Company hereby awards \_\_\_\_\_ Restricted Stock Units (the "Awarded Restricted Stock Units") to Participant pursuant to the Plan. The Awarded Restricted Stock Units are being awarded to Participant effective as of the Grant Date and shall vest or be forfeited in accordance with (and otherwise be subject to) the provisions of this Agreement. The Awarded Restricted Stock Units are being awarded to Participant without the payment of any cash consideration by Participant, except that payment of the aggregate par value in respect of any Shares delivered hereunder may be required by the Committee or pursuant to procedures of the Committee in respect of the allotment and issuance, transfer or delivery of such Shares.



## 2. Vesting and Forfeiture.

- (a) Except as set forth in Section 3 of this Agreement, the Awarded Restricted Stock Units shall vest and the forfeiture restrictions applicable to them under this Agreement shall terminate in accordance with the provisions of the attached Schedule I, provided that Participant continuously serves as a member of the Company's Board from the Grant Date through the applicable Vesting Date (as set forth on Schedule I hereto). For the avoidance of doubt, the Awarded Restricted Stock Units shall vest pursuant to this Section 2 only if the Remuneration Approval is obtained at the Annual Meeting.
- (b) If the Remuneration Approval is not obtained at the Annual Meeting, this Agreement shall be null and void *ab initio* and all Awarded Restricted Stock Units (whether outstanding or vested) shall be cancelled in full for no consideration.

## 3. Acceleration of Vesting; Forfeiture

- (a) Notwithstanding Section 2 of this Agreement, the Awarded Restricted Stock Units shall become vested under this Agreement:
- i) in the event of a Change in Control; or
  - ii) if Participant's service as a member of the Company's Board terminates:
    - (1) by reason of Participant's death,
    - (2) by reason of Participant's Disability, or
    - (3) by any other reason other than by removal or in accordance with the Company's bye-laws.
- (b) The Awarded Restricted Stock Units shall terminate and be forfeited for no consideration if Participant's service as a member of the Company's Board terminates prior to the Vesting Date by reason of removal in accordance with the Company's bye-laws.
- (c) For the avoidance of doubt, the Awarded Restricted Stock Units shall vest pursuant to Section 3(a) only if the Remuneration Approval is obtained at the Annual Meeting. To the extent any of the events set forth in Section 3(a) occurs prior to Remuneration Approval being sought, the Awarded Restricted Stock Units shall remain outstanding until the Remuneration Approval is sought and shall thereafter vest, to the extent such Remuneration Approval is obtained.
4. **Allotment and Issuance of Shares.** As soon as practicable following the date any such Awarded Restricted Stock Units vest, but in any event no later than 70 days following the date on which such Awarded Restricted Stock Units vest, the Company shall either (a) settle in cash the Awarded Restricted Stock Units or (b) allot and issue or transfer to Participant one Share in settlement of such Awarded Restricted Stock Unit and, in each case, in full satisfaction of such Awarded Restricted Stock Unit. The determination of whether the Awarded Restricted



Stock Units that become vested are settled in cash or in Shares shall be made at the sole discretion of the Committee.

- 5. No Rights as Shareholder.** Except as provided in Section 6, Participant shall have no rights as a shareholder of the Company, including, without limitation, voting rights or the right to receive dividends and distributions as a shareholder, with respect to the Shares subject to the Awarded Restricted Stock Units, unless and until and to the extent such Shares are allotted and issued or transferred to Participant as provided herein.
- 6. Dividend Equivalents.** In connection with the Awarded Restricted Stock Units the Company hereby awards to Participant Dividend Equivalents with respect to any cash dividends payable with respect to the Shares. Such cash Dividend Equivalents shall be payable at the same time, and shall be subject to the same conditions, that are applicable to the Awarded Restricted Stock Units, and shall be payable in cash at the same time of settlement of the underlying Awarded Restricted Stock Unit that ultimately vest. Accordingly, the right to receive such cash Dividend Equivalent payments shall be forfeited to the extent that the Awarded Restricted Stock Units do not vest, are forfeited, are acquired by the Company or are otherwise cancelled pursuant to this Agreement.
- 7. Taxes.** Participant is responsible to pay all required taxes associated with the Awarded Restricted Stock Units (including the issuance of the Shares, the subsequent sale of the Shares and the receipt of Dividend Equivalents or dividends, if any).
- 8. Non-Assignability.** This Agreement is not assignable or transferable by Participant. No right or interest of Participant under this Agreement or the Plan may be assigned, transferred or alienated, in whole or in part, either directly or by operation of law (except pursuant to a qualified domestic relations order within the meaning of Section 414(p) of the Code or a similar domestic relations order under applicable foreign law, either in such form as is acceptable to the committee), and no such right or interest shall be liable for or subject to any debt, obligation or liability of Participant.
- 9. Plan Provisions.** The Awarded Restricted Stock Units and the Dividend Equivalents subject to this Agreement shall be governed by and subject to all applicable provisions of the Plan. This Agreement is subject to the Plan, and the Plan shall govern where there is any inconsistency between the Plan and this Agreement.
- 10. Governing Law.** This Agreement shall be governed by and construed and enforced in accordance with the laws of the State of Delaware, without regard to the principles of conflicts of laws thereof, except to the extent the laws of the State of Delaware are preempted by federal law of the United States.
- 11. Binding Effect.** This Agreement shall be binding upon and inure to the benefit of the parties hereto and their respective heirs, personal representatives, successors and permitted assigns.
- 12. Prior Communications; Amendment.** This Agreement, together with any Schedules and Exhibits and any other writings referred to herein or delivered pursuant hereto, evidences the Award granted hereunder, which shall be subject to the restrictions, terms and conditions hereof, and supersedes all prior agreements and understandings, whether written or oral,



between the parties with respect to the subject matter hereof. To the fullest extent provided by applicable law, this Agreement may only be amended, modified and supplemented in accordance with the applicable terms and conditions set forth in the Plan.

13. **Notices.** All notices and other communications hereunder shall be in writing and shall be deemed given if directed in the manner specified below, to the parties at the following addresses and numbers:

(a) If to the Company, when delivered by hand or mail (registered or certified mail with postage prepaid) to:

Seadrill Management Limited,  
11025 Equity Drive  
Suite 150  
Houston, Texas 77041

Attention: General Counsel

(b) If to Participant, when delivered by hand or mail (registered or certified mail with postage prepaid) to:

The last known address and number for Participant as maintained in the personnel records of the Company.

For purposes of this Section 13, the Company shall provide Participant with written notice of any change of the Company's address, and Participant shall be responsible for providing the Company with proper notice of any change of Participant's address pursuant to the Company's personnel policies, and from and after the giving of such notice the address or addresses therein specified will be deemed to be the address of such party for the purposes of giving notice hereunder.

14. **Severability.** If any provision of this Agreement is held to be unenforceable, this Agreement shall be considered divisible and such provision shall be deemed inoperative to the extent it is deemed unenforceable, and in all other respects the restrictions, terms and conditions set forth in this Agreement shall remain in full force and effect; provided, however, that if any such provision may be made enforceable by limitation thereof, then such provision shall be deemed to be so limited and shall be enforceable to the maximum extent permitted by applicable law.

15. **Description Headings.** The descriptive headings herein are inserted for convenience of reference only, do not constitute a part of this Agreement, and shall not affect in any manner the meaning or interpretation of this Agreement.

16. **Gender.** Pronouns in masculine, feminine and neuter genders shall be construed to include any other gender, and words in the singular form shall be construed to include the plural and vice versa, unless the context otherwise requires.



**17. References.** The words "this Agreement," "herein," "hereof," "hereby," "hereunder" and words of similar import refer to this Agreement as a whole and not to any particular subdivision unless expressly so limited. Whenever the words "include," "includes" and "including" are used in this Agreement, such words shall be deemed to be followed by the words "without limitation."

**18. Unfunded Awards.** The awards made under this Agreement are unfunded and unsecured obligations and rights to provide or receive compensation in accordance with the provisions hereof, and to the extent that Participant acquires a right to receive compensation from the Company or a Subsidiary of the Company pursuant to this Agreement, such right shall be no greater than the right of any unsecured general creditor of the Company or such affiliate.

**19. Compliance with Code Section 409A.** The compensation payable to or with respect to Participant pursuant to the Awarded Restricted Stock Units is intended to be compensation that is exempt from Code Section 409A or, to the extent subject to Code Section 409A, compliant with Code Section 409A or not subject to the tax imposed by Code Section 409A, and this Agreement shall be administered and construed to the fullest extent possible to reflect and implement such intent.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Company has signed and delivered this Agreement as of the date first above written.

**Seadrill Limited**

By:  
Name:  
Title:

Acknowledged, Agreed and Accepted:

[Participant]



**SCHEDULE I**

**AMENDED AND RESTATED  
SEADRILL LIMITED  
2022 MANAGEMENT INCENTIVE PLAN**

**VESTING DATES**

**FOR AWARD OF TIME-VESTED RESTRICTED STOCK UNITS**

The Committee has determined that one hundred percent (100%) of the Awarded Restricted Stock Units will vest either (1) on the next annual general meeting of shareholders held after the Annual Meeting (the "Next Annual Meeting") if the Next Annual Meeting occurs at least fifty (50) weeks from the Grant Date or, (2) if (a) earlier than the Next Annual Meeting or (b) the Next Annual Meeting occurs less than fifty (50) weeks from the Grant Date, on the first anniversary of the Grant Date. Each date on which the Awarded Restricted Stock Units may vest is referred to as the "Vesting Date".



Exhibit 10.16

**The Seadrill Short Term Incentive Plan (STIP)**

The Seadrill STIP is a discretionary cash incentive award which aims to recognise and reward achievement of performance goals which are critical to the success of Seadrill. The purpose of this guide is to explain how the Plan works.

**2024 STIP Payments**

The STIP is aligned to Seadrill’s financial year starting on January 1, 2024 and ending on December 31, 2024. This is known as the Performance Period.

**Performance Measures**

STIP payments are determined by performance against the following weighted performance measures:

Performance	Measure	% Weighting (of STIP Target)
Financial	Company EBITDA	25%
	Company Levered Free Cash Flow (LFCF) <sup>1</sup>	15%
Business	Company TRIF <sup>1</sup>	25%
	Company TU	15%
Individual	Performance Appraisal Rating	20%

<sup>1</sup>2024 weighting changed from 2023.

The sum of the weighted performance scores is multiplied by your STIP target to determine the percentage of base salary you will receive as your STIP award.

<b>STIP Target %</b>		<b>Performance</b>	<b>=</b>	<b>STIP Award %</b>
		Financial (40%) + Business (40%) + Individual (20%)		

**Company EBITDA Threshold Performance**

In order for any part of the Plan to pay out, at least 80% of the Company EBITDA target must be achieved. This is referred to as the Company EBITDA Threshold. If this minimum level of company financial performance is not achieved, no STIP payments will be made. Subject to this threshold being met, the following performance targets apply:

**Performance Targets**

The STIP score is determined by the level of performance achievement against each measure, up to the maximum opportunity. Where results fall between threshold, target and maximum, the



score is calculated on a sliding scale, with a zero score for elements where achievement is below threshold. The performance targets and STIP scores are provided in the following tables.

## Financial Performance – 40 weighting

Onshore financial performance is measured using a weighted combination of key financial measures as shown in the table below:

<b>Financial performance</b>	<b>Range (Threshold – Max)</b>	<b>Threshold</b>	<b>Target</b>	<b>Maximum</b>
<b>Company EBITDA (USDm)</b>	80-120%	334	418	502
<b>Company LFCF (USDm)</b>	70-130%	-78	-60	-42
<b>Combined STIP score</b>		50%	100%	200%
<b>Combined Weighted STIP score</b>		20%	40%	80%

## Business Performance – 40% weighting

Business Performance is measured using a weighted combination of both key HSE (Total Recordable Incident Frequency - TRIF) and productivity (Technical Utilisation - TU) measures as shown in the table below:

<b>Business performance</b>	<b>Range (Threshold – Max)</b>	<b>Threshold</b>	<b>Target</b>	<b>Maximum</b>
<b>Company TRIF</b>	87% - 133%	10% below the 2024 TRIF average reported by IADC		
<b>Company TU</b>	40%	92.26%	96.10%	97.54%
<b>Combined STIP score</b>		50%	100%	200%
<b>Combined Weighted STIP score</b>		20%	40%	80%

## Individual Performance – 20% weighting

Individual performance is based on your end of year Performance Appraisal (PA) rating for the Performance Period as shown in the table below. If your PA rating is 1, you will not receive an STIP award.

<b>Individual Performance</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>
<b>STIP score</b>	50%	100%	150%	200%
<b>Weighted STIP score</b>	10%	20%	30%	40%

**The STIP is limited to senior employees in specific positions only. We ask you to keep your participation and the conditions of the plan strictly confidential.**



<b>SEADRILL SHORT TERM INCENTIVE PLAN RULES</b>	
<b>Company discretion</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• All payments made under the STIP are at the discretion of the Company.</li><li>• The Company reserves the right to amend or discontinue the Plan at any time without prior notice.</li><li>• The Plan does not form part of your terms and conditions of employment.</li></ul>
<b>Eligibility</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• You are eligible to participate in the Plan if you are an employee of Seadrill and are in a STIP eligible position.</li><li>• You are not eligible to participate in the Plan if you are a contingent worker or contractor.</li></ul>
<b>STIP calculation base salary</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Your base salary at December 31<sup>st</sup> of the Performance Year is used to calculate of your STIP payment.</li></ul>
<b>STIP Payment</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Providing the Company EBITDA threshold target has been met, incentive payments are calculated and paid following Board approval of the Company's performance results, typically in the first quarter after the end of the Performance Period.</li><li>• All payments will be made via payroll and are subject to normal income tax and social security deductions.</li><li>• STIP payments made to SIR employees are subject to GPA deduction.</li></ul>
<b>Individual Performance Rating</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Your individual performance in the Performance Year must be satisfactory. If your performance appraisal score is 1, or you receive a disciplinary warning you will not receive a STIP payment.</li><li>• If you do not have an individual performance rating, an on-target rating of '3' will be applied for the purpose of the STIP.</li></ul>
<b>New starters</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• You must have commenced employment on or before December 31<sup>st</sup> to be considered eligible for that Performance Year.</li><li>• Your incentive payment will be prorated to reflect the days worked in a STIP eligible position during the Performance Period.</li></ul>
<b>Part-time workers and reduced hours</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Your STIP payment will be adjusted proportionately to reflect the number of hours you are contracted to work in the Performance Period in a STIP eligible position.</li><li>• This proration will take into account changes to your contractual working hours during the Plan Period (e.g. going from full time to part time).</li></ul>

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<b>SEADRILL SHORT TERM INCENTIVE PLAN RULES</b>	
<b>Extended Leave of absence</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>If you are on extended leave of absence during the plan period, your STIP will be prorated to reflect the days worked in the Performance Period, unless contra to local regulations.</li></ul>
<b>Moving into or out of an STIP eligible position during the plan period (for example promotion)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Your STIP payment will be prorated based on days worked in a STIP eligible position in the Performance Period.</li><li>STIP eligible employees promoted during the Performance Period will receive incentive payments prorated to reflect the change in STIP % target, if applicable, during the Performance Period.</li><li>STIP is calculated based on your annual base salary at December 31<sup>st</sup> of the Performance Year.</li></ul>
<b>Moving to another rig during the plan period (offshore STIP)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>The performance result of each rig you have worked on will be applied and this will be prorated to reflect the number of days you worked on each rig in a STIP eligible position during the Performance Period.</li><li>The exception to the above will be for temporary short-term rig assignments of less than 1 hitch.</li></ul>
<b>Moving onshore – offshore during the plan period</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Your STIP payment will be prorated to reflect time worked in STIP eligible onshore and offshore positions during the Performance Period and based on your salary on December 31<sup>st</sup> of the Performance Year.</li></ul>
<b>Offshore participants in non- operating positions (offshore STIP)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>STIP eligible offshore employees working in non-operating positions will have their award calculated using the average performance results of all rigs. Award proration will apply in the same way as for rig moves during the Plan Period.</li></ul>
<b>Leaving Seadrill</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>You will not receive a STIP payment if you leave Seadrill voluntarily or for reason of gross misconduct or you have given notice to leave Seadrill prior to the STIP payment being made.</li><li>You will be eligible to receive your STIP payment if you leave Seadrill due to reason of redundancy on or after January 1, 2024 and meet all other STIP criteria.</li></ul>

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*Exhibit 10.17*

**EMPLOYMENT AGREEMENT**

This EMPLOYMENT AGREEMENT (this "Agreement") is entered into as of November 21, 2023 (the "Agreement Date") between Seadrill Americas, Inc., a company incorporated in the State of Texas (the "Company"), Seadrill Management Limited, a company incorporated in England ("Seadrill Management"), each of whose ultimate parent company is Seadrill Limited, an exempted company incorporated and existing under the laws of Bermuda ("Seadrill"), and Simon Johnson ("Executive").

WHEREAS, Executive and Seadrill Management are party to that certain Contract of Employment dated March 2022, as amended from time to time (the "Prior Agreement"), pursuant to which Executive serves as the Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer of Seadrill;

WHEREAS, Seadrill is in the process of moving its Corporate London Office to Houston, Texas;

WHEREAS, the parties desire that Executive relocate to the Houston, Texas area and effective as of the Effective Date, Executive be employed by the Company and continue to serve as the President and Chief Executive Officer of Seadrill and such offices of the other Group Companies that Executive currently holds;

WHEREAS, the parties desire to clarify the effect of this Agreement on the Prior Agreement and Executive's rights thereunder; and

WHEREAS, Executive and Seadrill Management are party to those certain Time-Vested Restricted Stock Unit Award Agreements, dated August 6, 2022 and September 25, 2023 and those certain Performance-Based Restricted Stock Unit Award Agreements, dated August 6, 2022 and September 25, 2023 and may become party to additional award agreements after the Agreement Date and prior to the Effective Date, in each case, under Seadrill Management's Management Incentive Plan (the "MIP Award Agreements").

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual covenants contained herein and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, the parties hereto agree as follows:

1. Certain Definitions. Certain words or phrases used herein with initial capital letters shall have the meanings set forth in paragraph 9 hereof.

2. Effectiveness of this Agreement; Termination of Prior Agreement. The Prior Agreement shall terminate and be of no further force or effect by mutual agreement between Seadrill Management and Executive, and this Agreement shall become effective upon the date Executive relocates to the Houston, Texas area (the "Effective Date"). Executive shall relocate to the Houston, Texas area within ninety (90) days after Executive obtains all permits, visas and approvals required for Executive to live and work in the United States in accordance with the immigration laws of the United States (the "Immigration Approval"). Notwithstanding the foregoing, or anything in the Prior Agreement to the contrary, as of the Agreement Date, Executive may not assert, and hereby waives, any "Good Reason" rights arising under the Prior



Agreement as a result of the request that Executive relocate to the Houston, Texas area (provided that Executive obtains Immigration Approval but regardless of whether Executive actually relocates to the Houston, Texas area following the Immigration Approval). To the extent Executive does not relocate to the Houston, Texas area within ninety (90) days of the Immigration Approval (or such longer period as may be approved by the Chief Executive Officer), Executive will be considered to have voluntarily terminated his employment without Good Reason under the Prior Agreement. Upon the Effective Date, the Company shall become Executive's employer. The termination of the Prior Agreement upon the Effective Date and immediate effectiveness of this Agreement shall not constitute an event giving rise to termination of employment or any notice requirements or severance amounts or other amounts payable under the Prior Agreement or any other agreement, including for the avoidance of doubt, the MIP Award Agreements.

3. Employment. The Company shall employ Executive, and Executive accepts employment with the Company as of the Effective Date, upon the terms and conditions set forth in this Agreement for the period beginning on the Effective Date and ending as provided in paragraph 6 hereof (the "Employment Period"). Notwithstanding anything in this Agreement to the contrary; Executive will be an at-will employee of the Company and Executive or the Company may terminate Executive's employment with the Company for any reason or no reason at any time.

4. Position and Duties.

(a) During the Employment Period, Executive shall continue to serve as the President and Chief Executive Officer of Seadrill and such offices of the other Group Companies as Executive currently holds and shall have the normal duties, responsibilities and authority of an executive serving in such position, subject to the power of the Board to expand or limit such duties, responsibilities and authority, either generally or in specific instances.

(b) During the Employment Period, Executive shall continue to report to the Board of Seadrill.

(c) During the Employment Period, Executive shall:

(i) devote Executive's best efforts and Executive's full business time and attention (except for permitted vacation periods and reasonable periods of illness or other incapacity) to the business and affairs of the Company, Seadrill and all of Seadrill's subsidiary companies from time to time (each of the Company, Seadrill and such subsidiaries, a "Group Company" and collectively, the "Group Companies");

(ii) perform Executive's duties and responsibilities to the best of Executive's abilities in a faithful, diligent, trustworthy, businesslike and efficient manner;

(iii) keep the Board fully informed of Executive's conduct of the business of any Group Company for which Executive is responsible in a prompt and timely manner;

(iv) obey all reasonable, lawful and proper directions and requests of the Board;



- (v) act in such a way as to promote and protect the interests and reputation of every Group Company;
  - (vi) comply with all Group Company policies and procedures, including anti-corruption and bribery policies; and
  - (vii) bring to the attention of the Board any relevant material business opportunities for any Group Company of which Executive becomes aware.
- (d) Executive will not, whether during or outside regular business hours:
- (i) directly or indirectly be engaged or concerned in the conduct of any business activity whether as shareholder, employee, director or other officer (except as a representative of the Company or with the prior written consent of the Board, which shall not be unreasonably withheld); or
  - (ii) accept any appointment as director of any company which is not a Group Company without the prior written consent of the Board, which shall not be unreasonably withheld.
- (e) Executive shall perform Executive's duties and responsibilities principally at the office of the Company in the Houston, Texas area. Executive may be required to travel and work outside of the Houston, Texas area from time to time including at other Group Company locations or client locations, but, unless otherwise agreed with the Board, Executive will not be required to live outside of the Houston, Texas area.

5. Compensation and Benefits.

(a) Salary. The Company agrees to pay Executive a salary during the Employment Period in installments based on the Company's practices as may be in effect from time to time. Executive's initial salary shall be at the rate of \$800,000 per year (the "Base Salary"). The Board shall review and may adjust Executive's salary from time to time.

(b) Annual Bonus. During the Employment Period, Executive will be eligible for an annual bonus of up to 110% of Executive's Base Salary, based on the achievement of specified performance goals (as determined by the Board). For the avoidance of doubt, the annual bonus that may be earned for the calendar year ending December 31, 2023 may be earned based on the percentage set forth in the prior sentence of this subparagraph 5(b). Except as otherwise provided, Executive must be employed by the Company on the date any bonus is paid to be eligible to receive such bonus.

(c) Annual Return Flight. The company shall reimburse Executive for the cost of one business class return flight between Houston, Texas and Australia in each calendar year.

(d) Benefits.

(i) Standard Benefits Package. Executive shall be entitled during the Employment Period to participate, on the same basis as other employees of the Company, in the Company's Standard Benefits Package. The Company's "Standard Benefits Package" means those benefits (including insurance and other benefits, but excluding, except as hereinafter provided in subparagraph 7(b), any severance pay program or policy of the Company) for which substantially all of



the employees of the Company are from time to time generally eligible, as determined from time to time by the Board.

(ii) Tax Advice. Executive shall be provided with tax advice and support with preparation of Executive's tax returns.

(e) Vacation. During the Employment Period, Executive shall be entitled to twenty-five (25) days of paid vacation during each calendar year.

(f) Indemnification. With respect to Executive's acts or failures to act during the Employment Period in Executive's capacity as a director, officer, employee or agent of the Company, Executive shall be entitled to liability insurance coverage on the same basis as other directors and officers of Seadrill, which coverage shall extend for seven (7) years following the date of Executive's termination of employment.

6. Employment Period.

(a) Except as hereinafter provided, the Employment Period shall continue until, and shall end upon, the first anniversary of the Effective Date.

(b) On the first anniversary of the Effective Date and on each anniversary thereafter, unless the Employment Period shall have ended pursuant to subparagraph 6(c) below or the Company shall have given Executive thirty (30) days written notice that the Employment Period will not be extended, the Employment Period shall be extended for an additional year. If the Company gives Executive thirty (30) days written notice that the Employment Period will not be extended, this will be considered a Termination Without Cause.

(c) Notwithstanding (a) or (b) above, the Employment Period shall end upon the first to occur of any of the following events:

- (i) Executive's death;
- (ii) the Company's termination of Executive's employment due to Permanent Disability;
- (iii) a Termination For Cause;
- (iv) a Termination Without Cause;
- (v) a Termination For Good Reason; or
- (vi) a Voluntary Termination.

7. Post-Employment Payments.

(a) Accrued Payments. At the end of Executive's employment for any reason, Executive shall cease to have any rights to salary, equity awards, expense reimbursements or other benefits, except that Executive shall be entitled to (i) any Base Salary which has accrued but is unpaid, any reimbursable expenses which have been incurred but are unpaid, and any unexpired vacation days which have accrued under the Company's vacation policy but are unused, as of the end of the Employment Period, (ii) any equity compensation rights or plan benefits which by their terms extend beyond termination of Executive's employment (but only to the extent provided in any equity



compensation theretofore granted to Executive or any other benefit plan in which Executive has participated as an employee of the Company and excluding, except as hereinafter provided in subparagraph 7(b), any severance pay program or policy of the Company) and (iii) any benefits to which Executive is entitled under Part 6 of Subtitle B of Title I of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, as amended (“COBRA”). In addition, Executive shall be entitled to the additional amounts described in subparagraph 7(b), in the circumstances described in such subparagraph.

(b) Termination Without Cause or Termination For Good Reason. If the Employment Period ends early pursuant to paragraph 6 on account of a Termination Without Cause or a Termination For Good Reason, the Company shall continue to pay Executive Executive’s Base Salary at the time of such termination and, if Executive timely and properly elects continuation of health care coverage under COBRA, the Company shall reimburse Executive for the portion of the monthly COBRA premium paid by Executive that is typically covered by the employer for active employees (the “COBRA Continuation”), in each case, for a period of twenty-four (24) months following such termination in accordance with the Company’s normal payroll practices. Notwithstanding the foregoing, such COBRA Continuation shall terminate on the earliest of (i) the end of the twenty-four (24)-month period; (ii) the date Executive is no longer eligible to receive COBRA coverage; and (iii) the date on which Executive becomes eligible for group medical coverage from another employer or the employer of a spouse. Additionally, if the Employment Period ends early pursuant to paragraph 6 on account of a Termination Without Cause or Termination For Good Reason, Executive shall be entitled to receive a pro rata amount of the bonus (if any) Executive would have otherwise received pursuant to paragraph 5(b) for the year in which the Employment Period ends (based on the number of days during such bonus year Executive was employed up to and including the last day of the Employment Period), which such bonus amount (if any) shall be based on the extent to which the performance measures are met but assuming satisfaction of any personal objectives, and shall be payable at the same time as bonuses are paid to employees generally.

(c) Compliance with Restrictive Covenants. It is expressly understood that the Company’s payment obligations under subparagraph 7(b) shall cease in the event Executive breaches any of the agreements in paragraph 8 hereof and in such event, to the extent any payment was previously made to Executive under subparagraph 7(b), Executive will immediately return any such payment to the Company.

(d) No Mitigation. Executive shall not be required to mitigate the amount of any payment provided for in this Agreement by seeking other employment.

(e) Release. Notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, the Company shall not be obligated to make any payment under subparagraph 7(b) hereof unless (i) prior to the 60<sup>th</sup> day following the Termination Without Cause or Termination For Good Reason, Executive executes a release of all current or future claims, known or unknown, arising on or before the date of the release against any of the Group Companies and their respective directors, officers, employees and affiliates, in a form approved by the Company and (ii) any applicable revocation period has expired during such 60-day period without Executive revoking such release.

(f) Payment Timing. The amounts payable to Executive pursuant to subparagraph 7(b) shall commence or become payable on the first regularly scheduled payroll date following the 60<sup>th</sup> day after the Termination Without Cause or Termination For Good Reason, subject to subparagraph 7(c), with the aggregate of any payments that



would otherwise have been paid prior to such payroll date paid to Executive in a lump sum on such payroll date.

(g) Liquidation. Executive will have no claim against any Group Company, including that a Termination Without Cause or a Termination For Good Reason has occurred, if Executive's employment is terminated by reason of a liquidation in order to reconstruct or amalgamate the Company or by reason of reorganization of the Company and:

(i) Executive is offered employment with the company succeeding the Company upon such liquidation or reorganization; and

(ii) the new terms of employment offered to Executive are no less favorable to Executive than the terms of this Agreement.

8. Restrictive Covenants

(a) Acknowledgements and Agreements. Executive hereby acknowledges and agrees that in the performance of Executive's duties to the Company during the Employment Period, Executive will be brought into frequent contact with existing and potential customers of the Group Companies throughout the world. Executive also agrees that trade secrets and confidential information of the Group Companies, more fully described in subparagraph 8(f), gained by Executive during Executive's association with the Group Companies, have been developed by each Group Company through substantial expenditures of time, effort and money and constitute valuable and unique property of the Group Companies. Executive further understands and agrees that the foregoing makes it necessary for the protection of the Businesses that Executive not compete with the Businesses during Executive's employment with the Company and not compete with the Businesses for a reasonable period thereafter, as further provided in the following subparagraphs.

(b) Covenants During Employment Period. While employed by the Company, Executive will not compete with the Businesses anywhere in the world. In accordance with this restriction, but without limiting its terms, while employed by the Company, Executive will not:

(i) enter into or engage in any business which competes with the Businesses;

(ii) solicit customers, business, patronage or orders for, or sell, any products or services in competition with, or for any business that competes with, the Businesses;

(iii) divert, entice or otherwise take away any customers, business, patronage or orders of the Group Companies or attempt to do so; or

(iv) promote or assist, financially or otherwise, any person, firm, association, partnership, corporation or other entity engaged in any business which competes with the Businesses.

(c) Non-Competition. For a period of twelve (12) months following the termination of Executive's employment, Executive shall not be employed in, or carry on for Executive's own account or for any other person, or provide advisory services to



(whether directly or indirectly), or be a director of any company, business or venture, which:

- (i) is, or is about to be in competition with the Businesses (or any part thereof); or
  - (ii) is likely to result in the intentional or unintentional disclosure or use of Confidential Information by Executive in order for Executive to properly discharge Executive's duties or further Executive's interest in that company business or venture.
- (d) Non-Solicitation. For a period of twelve (12) months following the termination of Executive's employment, Executive shall not (either on Executive's own behalf or for or with any other person), whether directly or indirectly:
- (i) in respect of any Goods and/or Services:
    - (A) solicit, facilitate the solicitation of, or canvass the custom or business of any Customer, or
    - (B) solicit, facilitate the solicitation of, or canvas the custom or business of any Prospective Customer; or
  - (ii) in respect of any Employee:
    - (A) solicit or entice or endeavor to solicit or entice any Employee to leave such Employee's employment with or cease such Employee's directorship or consultancy with any Group Company, whether or not that person would breach any obligations owed to the Company or any relevant Group Company by so doing, or
    - (B) offer employment or any contract for services to or employ or engage any Employee.
- (e) Non-Interference. For a period of twelve (12) months following the termination of Executive's employment, Executive shall not (either on Executive's own behalf or for or with any other person), whether directly or indirectly:
- (i) in regards to any Customer or Prospective Customer:
    - (A) deal with or supply any Customer, or
    - (B) deal with or supply any Prospective Customer; or
  - (ii) in regards to any Supplier:
    - (A) deal with or accept the supply of any goods or services from any Supplier where such supply is likely to be to the detriment of any Group Company whether by causing the Supplier to reduce or alter the terms or quantity of supply to the Group Company or, where the value of the Group Company's arrangement with the Supplier is diminished; or
    - (B) solicit, facilitate the solicitation of, or canvass the supply of any goods or services from any Supplier where such supply is likely to be



to the detriment of any Group Company whether by causing the Supplier to reduce or alter the terms or quantity of supply to the Group Company, or where the value of the Group Company's arrangement with the Supplier is diminished.

(f) **Confidential Information.** Executive shall not (except in the proper performance of Executive's duties) use or disclose to any person, company or other organization (and shall use every reasonable endeavor to prevent the publication or disclosure of) any of the trade secrets or confidential information of any Group Company. This restriction shall continue to apply after the termination of Executive's employment but will not apply to information or knowledge which may come into the public domain other than through unauthorized disclosure, or any use or disclosure authorized by the Board or required by law.

(i) For purposes of this subparagraph 8(f), trade secrets and confidential information include but will not be limited to:

(A) information relating to the business methods, corporate plans, management systems, finances, new business opportunities, research and development projects, marketing or sales of any past, present or future product or service of any Group Company;

(B) secret formulae, processes, inventions, designed, know-how discoveries, technical specifications and other technical information relating to the creation, production or supply of any past, present or future product or services of any Group Company;

(C) lists or details of customers, potential customers or suppliers of the arrangements made with any customer or supplier of any Group Company;

(D) any information in respect of which any Group Company owes an obligation of confidentiality to any third party (provided that with respect to such third party Executive knows or reasonably should have known that the third party provided it to any Group Company on a confidential basis);

(E) information and details of and concerning the engagement, employment and termination of employment of Executive and any other personnel;

(F) information concerning any litigation proposed, in progress or settled; and,

(G) any other information in whatever form (written, oral, visual and electronic) concerning the confidential affairs of any Group Company.

(ii) During Executive's employment, Executive shall not make (other than for the benefit of any Group Company) any record or copy (whether on paper, computer memory, disc or otherwise) relating to any matter within the scope of the business of any Group Company or their customers and supplies or concerning its or their dealings or affairs or (either during Executive's employment or afterwards) use such records (or allow them to be used) other than



for the benefit of the Company or the other relevant Group Company. All such records (and any copies of them) shall belong to the Company or the other relevant Group Company and shall be handed over to the Company by Executive on the termination of the Employment or at any time during the Employment at the request of the Company.

(g) Intellectual Property. Executive shall give the Company full written details of all Inventions and of all works embodying Intellectual Property Rights made wholly or partially by Executive at any time during the course of Executive's employment. Executive acknowledges that all Intellectual Property Rights subsisting (or which may in the future subsist) in all such Inventions and works shall automatically, on creation, vest in the Company absolutely. To the extent that they do not vest automatically, Executive holds them on trust for the Company. Executive agrees promptly to execute all documents and do all acts as may, in the opinion of the Company, be necessary to give effect to this subparagraph 8(g).

(i) Executive hereby irrevocably waives Executive's entire right, title, and interest in and to all Inventions and Intellectual Property Rights therein, including the right to sue, counterclaim, and recover for all past, present and future infringement, misappropriation, or dilution thereof, and all rights corresponding thereto throughout the world, including, without limitation, all moral rights under the Copyright, Designs and Patents Act 1988 of the United Kingdom (and all similar rights in other jurisdictions) which Executive has or will have in any existing or future works referred to in this subparagraph 8(g).

(ii) Rights and obligations under this subparagraph 8(g) will continue after the termination of this Agreement in respect of all Inventions, works and information made or obtained during the Employment Period and will be binding on the personal representatives of Executive.

(iii) By entering into this Agreement, Executive irrevocably appoints the Company to act on Executive's behalf to execute any document and do anything in Executive's name for the purpose of giving the Company (or its nominee) the full benefit of the provisions of this subparagraph 8(g) or the Company's entitlement under statute. If there is any doubt as to whether such a document (or other thing) has been carried out within the authority conferred by this subparagraph 8(g)(iii), a certificate in writing (signed by any director of the Company) will be sufficient to prove that the act or thing falls within that authority.

(h) Non-Disparagement. During the Employment Period and at all times thereafter, regardless of the reason for the termination of the Employment Period, each of the Company and the Executive agrees that it shall not (and the Company shall ensure that each other Group Company shall not) make negative comments to third parties or otherwise disparage the Executive, the Company or any other Group Company to any third parties. The provisions of this subparagraph 8(h) will not be breached in respect of any truthful statements made by the Executive or any Group Company in response to any legal proceedings or regulatory investigations.

(i) Certain Definitions for this Paragraph 8. For purposes of this paragraph 8:

(i) "Businesses" shall mean offshore drilling and any other trade or commercial activity which is carried on by any Group Company or which any



Group Company shall have determined to carry on with a view to profit in the immediate or foreseeable future.

(ii) “Confidential Information” shall have the meaning given to trade secrets and confidential information in subparagraph 8(f).

(iii) “Customer” shall mean any person who at any time during the 12 months immediately preceding the termination of Executive’s employment was a customer of any Group Company with whom Executive had material dealings or in relation to whom Executive acquired confidential information.

(iv) “Employee” shall mean any individual who is employed or engaged by any Group Company, or any person who, during the 12 months immediately preceding the termination of Executive’s employment, is or was employed or engaged by any Group Company.

(v) “Intellectual Property Rights” shall mean patents, utility models, rights to Inventions, copyright and neighboring and related rights, moral rights, trademarks and service marks, business names and domain names, rights in get-up and trade dress, goodwill and the right to sue for passing off or unfair competition, rights in designs, rights in computer software, database rights, rights to use, and protect the confidentiality of, confidential information (including know-how and trade secrets) and all other intellectual property rights, in each case whether registered or unregistered and including all applications and rights to apply for and be granted, renewals or extensions of, and rights to claim priority from, such rights and all similar or equivalent rights or forms of protection which subsist or will subsist now or in the future in any part of the world.

(vi) “Invention” shall mean any invention, idea, discovery, development, improvement or innovation, whether or not patentable or capable of registration, and whether or not recorded in any medium.

(vii) “Goods and/or Services” shall mean any goods and/or services competitive with those supplied by any Group Company at any time during the 12 months immediately preceding the termination of Executive’s employment and in relation to which Executive was materially involved or concerned or for which Executive was directly responsible during that time.

(viii) “Prospective Customer” shall mean any person who was at any time during the 12 months immediately preceding the termination of Executive’s employment engaged in negotiations, with which Executive was personally involved, with any Group Company with a view to obtaining Goods and/or Services from any Group Company or in relation to whom Executive has acquired Confidential Information.

(ix) “Supplier” shall mean any person with whom Executive had material dealings at any time during the 12 months immediately preceding the termination of Executive’s employment and who during that period supplied goods or services to any Group Company on terms other than those available to another purchaser in the market during that period, whether by reason of exclusivity (either de facto or contractually obliged), price or otherwise.



(j) Return of Company Property. Executive agrees that upon termination of Executive's employment with the Company, for any reason, Executive shall

(i) return to the Company or any relevant Group Company, in good condition, all property of the Company, including without limitation, the originals and all copies of any files, sketches, plans, drawings, equipment, tools, instruments, computers, devices, telephones, credit cards, letters, calendars, reports, memoranda, notes, correspondence, databases, discs, records, books, papers, letters, CD ROMs, keys, computer access codes, forms, contracts, software programs, information and records, training guides and manuals, and other documents or materials that Executive made, compiled, copied or acquired during Executive's employment that relate to the business, finances or affairs of the Company or any Group Company or which contain, reflect, summarize, describe, analyze or refer or relate to any items of information listed in subparagraph 8(f) of this Agreement, and that are in Executive's possession, custody or control;

(ii) irrevocably delete and erase any information relating to the business of any Group Company stored on any computer, technological or memory device maintained or used by Executive for work purposes during Executive's employment and which is in Executive's possession, custody, care or control outside the premises of the Company and, if required by the Company, deliver any such equipment (electronic or otherwise) that is not company property and was used for the storage of the matters in subparagraph 8(j)(i) above so that the Company may review and delete and erase the same;

(iii) transfer (without payment) to the Company (or as it may direct) any qualifying nominee shareholdings which Executive holds in connection with Executive's employment with the Company and Executive hereby irrevocably appoints the Company to be Executive's attorney to execute such transfers on Executive's behalf; and

(iv) return all other property belonging or relating to any of the Group Companies.

(k) Notwithstanding any other provisions of this Agreement, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 1833(b), an individual will not be held criminally or civilly liable under any federal or state trade secret law for the disclosure of a trade secret that is made: (I) solely for the purpose of reporting or investigating a suspected violation of law and in confidence to a federal, state or local government official (either directly or indirectly) or to an attorney; or (II) in a complaint or other document filed in a lawsuit or other proceeding, if such filing is made under seal. An individual who files a lawsuit for retaliation by an employer for reporting a suspected violation of law may disclose the trade secret to the attorney of the individual and use the trade secret information in the court proceeding, if the individual files any document containing the trade secret under seal; and does not disclose the trade secret, except pursuant to court order.

(l) Communication of Contents of Agreement. While employed by the Company and for one (1) year thereafter, Executive will communicate the contents of paragraph 8 of this Agreement to any person, firm, association, partnership, corporation or other entity that Executive intends to be employed by, associated with, or represent.

(m) Relief. Executive acknowledges and agrees that the remedy at law available to the Company for breach of any of Executive's obligations under this



Agreement would be inadequate. Executive therefore agrees that, in addition to any other rights or remedies that the Company may have at law or in equity, temporary and permanent injunctive relief may be granted in any proceeding which may be brought to enforce any provision contained in subparagraphs 8(b), 8(c), 8(d), 8(e), 8(f), 8(g), 8(h) and 8(i) inclusive, of this Agreement, without the necessity of proof of actual damage.

(n) Reasonableness. Executive acknowledges that Executive's obligations under this paragraph 8 are reasonable in the context of the nature of the Businesses and the competitive injuries likely to be sustained by the Company and the other Group Companies if Executive were to violate such obligations. Executive further acknowledges that this Agreement is made in consideration of, and is adequately supported by the agreement of the Company to perform its obligations under this Agreement and by other consideration, which Executive acknowledges constitutes good, valuable and sufficient consideration.

9. Definitions.

(a) "Board" means the Board of Directors of Seadrill from time to time or any person or committee nominated by the Board as its representative for the purpose of this Agreement.

(b) "Change in Control" shall have the meaning ascribed thereto in the Seadrill Management Limited 2022 Management Incentive Plan, as amended from time to time.

(c) "Permanent Disability" means that Executive, because of accident, disability, or physical or mental illness, is incapable of performing Executive's duties to the Company or any Group Company, as determined by the Board. Notwithstanding the foregoing, Executive will be deemed to have become incapable of performing Executive's duties to the Company or any Group Company, if Executive is incapable of so doing for (i) a continuous period of 90 days and remains so incapable at the end of such 90 day period or (ii) periods amounting in the aggregate to 180 days within any one period of 365 days and remains so incapable at the end of such aggregate period of 180 days.

(d) "Termination For Cause" means the termination by the Company or any Group Company of Executive's employment with the Company as a result of (i) Executive's serious or repeated breach of this Agreement, (ii) Executive's failure to comply with any reasonable and lawful order or direction given to him by the Board, (iii) Executive's commission of any gross misconduct or conduct (whether in connection with Executive's employment with the Company or not) which in the reasonable opinion of the Board is or could reasonably be expected to be materially harmful to the Company or any Group Company, (iv) Executive's conviction of any criminal offense (other than a traffic offense for which Executive is not sentenced to any term of imprisonment, whether immediate or suspended), (v) Executive's commission of any act of fraud or dishonesty or corrupt practice relating to the Company or any Group Company, any of its or their employees, customers or otherwise, or a breach of the Foreign Corrupt Practices Act of 1977, as amended, and the rules and regulations thereunder, as such laws, rules and regulations may be amended from time to time, (vi) Executive's breach of any legislation or regulation in force which may affect or relate to the business or securities of the Company or any Group Company.

(e) "Termination For Good Reason" means Executive's termination of Executive's employment as a result of (i) a material adverse change in Executive's title,



authority, duties or responsibilities other than (a) temporarily in the event of physical or mental incapacitation, (b) as required by applicable law or regulatory requirements, or (c) due to any such change made in the ordinary course of business that is due to an internal restructuring of employees and their corresponding titles, authorities, duties, and/or responsibilities (which exception (c) shall apply prior to a Change in Control only) provided, that, for the avoidance of doubt, Executive's removal as President or Chief Executive Officer shall constitute Good Reason; (ii) a material reduction in Executive's Base Salary or target annual bonus except to the extent that the base salaries or target annual bonuses of all other similarly situated executives of the Company are similarly reduced; (iii) a relocation of Executive's principal office to a location that is in excess of fifty (50) miles from its location as of the Effective Date; or (iv) any material breach of this Agreement by the Company. Notwithstanding the foregoing, no termination of employment by Executive shall constitute a "Termination For Good Reason" unless (A) Executive gives the Company notice of the existence of an event described in clause (i), (ii), (iii) or (iv) above, within sixty (60) days following the occurrence thereof, (B) the Company does not remedy such event described in clause (i), (ii), (iii) or (iv) above, as applicable, within thirty (30) days of receiving the notice described in the preceding clause (A), and (C) Executive terminates employment within five (5) days of the end of the cure period specified in clause (B), above.

(f) "Termination Without Cause" means the termination by the Company or any Group Company of Executive's employment with the Company prior to the end of the Employment Period for any reason other than a termination for Permanent Disability or Executive's death, or a Termination For Cause and, for the avoidance of doubt, shall include the Company's giving notice pursuant to subparagraph 6(b) that the Employment Period will not be extended.

(g) "Voluntary Termination" means Executive's termination of Executive's employment with the Company for any reason, other than a Termination For Good Reason.

10. Executive Representations. Executive represents and warrants to the Company that (a) Executive is entering into this Agreement voluntarily and that the performance of Executive's obligations hereunder will not violate any agreement between Executive and any other person, firm, organization or other entity, (b) Executive is not bound by the terms of any agreement with any previous employer or other party to refrain from competing, directly or indirectly, with the business of such previous employer or other party that would be violated by Executive's entering into this Agreement and/or providing services to the Company pursuant to the terms of this Agreement, and (c) Executive is not subject to any pending or, to Executive's knowledge, threatened claim, action, judgment, or investigation that could adversely affect his ability to perform his obligations under this Agreement or the business reputation of the Company or any Group Company.

11. Survival. Subject to any limits on applicability contained therein, paragraph 8 hereof shall survive and continue in full force in accordance with its terms notwithstanding any termination of the Employment Period.

12. Taxes. The Company may withhold from any amounts payable under this Agreement all federal, state, city or other taxes as the Company is required to withhold pursuant to any applicable law, regulation or ruling. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement, the Company shall not be obligated to guarantee any particular tax result for Executive with respect to any payment provided to Executive hereunder, and Executive shall be responsible for any taxes imposed on Executive with respect to any such payment.



13. Notices. Any notice provided for in this Agreement shall be in writing and shall be either personally delivered, sent by reputable overnight carrier or mailed by first class mail, return receipt requested, to the recipient at the address below indicated:

Notices to Executive:

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Notices to the Company:

Seadrill Americas, Inc.  
Attn: EVP, HR  
11025 Equity Drive  
Suite 150  
Houston, Texas 77041

or such other address or to the attention of such other person as the recipient party shall have specified by prior written notice to the sending party. Any notice under this Agreement will be deemed to have been given when so delivered.

14. Severability. Whenever possible, each provision of this Agreement shall be interpreted in such manner as to be effective and valid under applicable law, but if any provision of this Agreement is held to be invalid or unenforceable in any respect under any applicable law, such invalidity or unenforceability shall not affect any other provision, but this Agreement shall be reformed, construed and enforced as if such invalid or unenforceable provision had never been contained herein.

15. Right to Offset. The Company may deduct from any money due to Executive any amount which Executive owes to any Group Company and Executive hereby consents to such deduction.

16. Prevailing Party's Litigation Expenses. In the event of litigation between the Company and Executive related to this Agreement, the non-prevailing party shall reimburse the prevailing party for any costs and expenses (including, without limitation, attorneys' fees) reasonably incurred by the prevailing party in connection therewith.

17. Complete Agreement. This Agreement embodies the complete agreement and understanding between the parties with respect to the subject matter hereof and effective as of its date supersedes and preempts any prior understandings, agreements or representations by or between the parties or any Group Company, written or oral, which may have related to the subject matter hereof in any way, including the Prior Agreement, as described herein; provided, however, that nothing herein shall impact the applicability of the MIP Award Agreements.

18. Counterparts. This Agreement may be executed in separate counterparts, each of which shall be deemed to be an original and both of which taken together shall constitute one and the same agreement.

19. Successors and Assigns. This Agreement shall bind and inure to the benefit of and be enforceable by Executive, the Company and their respective heirs, executors, personal representatives, successors and assigns, except that neither party may assign any rights or delegate any obligations hereunder without the prior written consent of the other party.



Executive hereby consents to the assignment by the Company of all of its rights and obligations hereunder to any successor to the Company by merger, consolidation or purchase of all or substantially all of the Company's assets, or other corporate transaction, provided such transferee or successor assumes the liabilities of the Company hereunder.

20. Choice of Law. This Agreement shall be governed by, and construed in accordance with, the internal, substantive laws of the State of Texas. Executive agrees that the state and federal courts located in the State of Texas shall have jurisdiction in any action, suit or proceeding against Executive based on or arising out of this Agreement and Executive hereby: (a) submits to the personal jurisdiction of such courts; (b) consents to service of process in connection with any action, suit or proceeding against Executive; and (c) waives any other requirement (whether imposed by statute, rule of court or otherwise) with respect to personal jurisdiction, venue or service of process. The Company's powers under this Agreement will not be affected if the Company delays in enforcing any provision of this Agreement or Executive grants time to the Company.

21. Amendment and Waiver. The provisions of this Agreement may be amended or waived only with the prior written consent of the Company and Executive, and no course of conduct or failure or delay in enforcing the provisions of this Agreement shall affect the validity, binding effect or enforceability of this Agreement.

[SIGNATURES ON FOLLOWING PAGE]



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have executed this Agreement as of the date first written above.

**Seadrill Americas, Inc.**

By: /s/ Torsten Sauer-Petersen

Name: Torsten Sauer-Petersen

Title: Executive Vice President Human Resources

**Seadrill Management Limited**

By: /s/ Torsten Sauer-Petersen

Name: Torsten Sauer-Petersen

Title: Executive Vice President Human Resources

**EXECUTIVE**

/s/ Simon Johnson

Simon Johnson



*Exhibit 10.18*

**EMPLOYMENT AGREEMENT**

This EMPLOYMENT AGREEMENT (this "Agreement") is entered into as of November 21, 2023 (the "Agreement Date") between Seadrill Americas, Inc., a company incorporated in the State of Texas (the "Company"), Seadrill Management Limited, a company incorporated in England ("Seadrill Management"), each of whose ultimate parent company is Seadrill Limited, an exempted company incorporated and existing under the laws of Bermuda ("Seadrill"), and Grant Creed ("Executive").

WHEREAS, Executive and Seadrill Management are party to that certain Contract of Employment dated May 26, 2021, as amended from time to time (the "Prior Agreement"), pursuant to which Executive serves as the Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer of Seadrill;

WHEREAS, Seadrill is in the process of moving its Corporate London Office to Houston, Texas;

WHEREAS, the parties desire that Executive relocate to the Houston, Texas area and effective as of the Effective Date, Executive be employed by the Company and continue to serve as the Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer of Seadrill and such offices of the other Group Companies that Executive currently holds;

WHEREAS, the parties desire to clarify the effect of this Agreement on the Prior Agreement and Executive's rights thereunder; and

WHEREAS, Executive and Seadrill Management are party to those certain Time-Vested Restricted Stock Unit Award Agreements, dated August 6, 2022 and September 25, 2023 and those certain Performance-Based Restricted Stock Unit Award Agreements, dated August 6, 2022 and September 25, 2023 and may become party to additional award agreements after the Agreement Date and prior to the Effective Date, in each case, under Seadrill Management's Management Incentive Plan (the "MIP Award Agreements").

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual covenants contained herein and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, the parties hereto agree as follows:

1. Certain Definitions. Certain words or phrases used herein with initial capital letters shall have the meanings set forth in paragraph 9 hereof.

2. Effectiveness of this Agreement; Termination of Prior Agreement. The Prior Agreement shall terminate and be of no further force or effect by mutual agreement between Seadrill Management and Executive, and this Agreement shall become effective upon the date Executive relocates to the Houston, Texas area (the "Effective Date"). Executive shall relocate to the Houston, Texas area within ninety (90) days after Executive obtains all permits, visas and approvals required for Executive to live and work in the United States in accordance with the immigration laws of the United States (the "Immigration Approval"). Notwithstanding the foregoing, or anything in the Prior Agreement to the contrary, as of the Agreement Date, Executive may not assert, and hereby waives, any "Good Reason" rights arising under the Prior



Agreement as a result of the request that Executive relocate to the Houston, Texas area (provided that Executive obtains Immigration Approval but regardless of whether Executive actually relocates to the Houston, Texas area following the Immigration Approval). To the extent Executive does not relocate to the Houston, Texas area within ninety (90) days of the Immigration Approval (or such longer period as may be approved by the Chief Executive Officer), Executive will be considered to have voluntarily terminated his employment without Good Reason under the Prior Agreement. Upon the Effective Date, the Company shall become Executive's employer. The termination of the Prior Agreement upon the Effective Date and immediate effectiveness of this Agreement shall not constitute an event giving rise to termination of employment or any notice requirements or severance amounts or other amounts payable under the Prior Agreement or any other agreement, including for the avoidance of doubt, the MIP Award Agreements.

3. Employment. The Company shall employ Executive, and Executive accepts employment with the Company as of the Effective Date, upon the terms and conditions set forth in this Agreement for the period beginning on the Effective Date and ending as provided in paragraph 6 hereof (the "Employment Period"). Notwithstanding anything in this Agreement to the contrary; Executive will be an at-will employee of the Company and Executive or the Company may terminate Executive's employment with the Company for any reason or no reason at any time.

4. Position and Duties.

(a) During the Employment Period, Executive shall continue to serve as the Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer of Seadrill and such offices of the other Group Companies as Executive currently holds and shall have the normal duties, responsibilities and authority of an executive serving in such position, subject to the power of the Board or the Chief Executive Officer to expand or limit such duties, responsibilities and authority, either generally or in specific instances.

(b) During the Employment Period, Executive shall continue to report to the Chief Executive Officer of Seadrill.

(c) During the Employment Period, Executive shall:

(i) devote Executive's best efforts and Executive's full business time and attention (except for permitted vacation periods and reasonable periods of illness or other incapacity) to the business and affairs of the Company, Seadrill and all of Seadrill's subsidiary companies from time to time (each of the Company, Seadrill and such subsidiaries, a "Group Company," and collectively, the "Group Companies");

(ii) perform Executive's duties and responsibilities to the best of Executive's abilities in a faithful, diligent, trustworthy, businesslike and efficient manner;

(iii) keep the Chief Executive Officer fully informed of Executive's conduct of the business of any Group Company for which Executive is responsible in a prompt and timely manner;

(iv) obey all reasonable, lawful and proper directions and requests of the Chief Executive Officer;



- (v) act in such a way as to promote and protect the interests and reputation of every Group Company;
  - (vi) comply with all Group Company policies and procedures, including anti-corruption and bribery policies; and
  - (vii) bring to the attention of the Chief Executive Officer any relevant material business opportunities for any Group Company of which Executive becomes aware.
- (d) Executive will not, whether during or outside regular business hours:
- (i) directly or indirectly be engaged or concerned in the conduct of any business activity whether as shareholder, employee, director or other officer (except as a representative of the Company or with the prior written consent of the Board or the Chief Executive Officer, which shall not be unreasonably withheld); or
  - (ii) accept any appointment as director of any company which is not a Group Company without the prior written consent of the Board or the Chief Executive Officer, which shall not be unreasonably withheld.
- (e) Executive shall perform Executive's duties and responsibilities principally at the office of the Company in the Houston, Texas area. Executive may be required to travel and work outside of the Houston, Texas area from time to time including at other Group Company locations or client locations, but, unless otherwise agreed with the Chief Executive Officer, Executive will not be required to live outside of the Houston, Texas area.

5. Compensation and Benefits.

(a) Salary. The Company agrees to pay Executive a salary during the Employment Period in installments based on the Company's practices as may be in effect from time to time. Executive's initial salary shall be at the rate of \$446,400 per year (the "Base Salary"). The Board shall review and may adjust Executive's salary from time to time.

(b) Annual Bonus. During the Employment Period, Executive will be eligible for an annual bonus of up to 80% of Executive's Base Salary, based on the achievement of specified performance goals (as determined by the Board). For the avoidance of doubt, the annual bonus that may be earned for the calendar year ending December 31, 2023 may be earned based on the percentage set forth in the prior sentence of this subparagraph 5(b). Except as otherwise provided, Executive must be employed by the Company on the date any bonus is paid to be eligible to receive such bonus.

(c) Benefits.

(i) Standard Benefits Package. Executive shall be entitled during the Employment Period to participate, on the same basis as other employees of the Company, in the Company's Standard Benefits Package. The Company's "Standard Benefits Package" means those benefits (including insurance and other benefits, but excluding, except as hereinafter provided in subparagraph 7(b), any severance pay program or policy of the Company) for which substantially all of



the employees of the Company are from time to time generally eligible, as determined from time to time by the Board.

(ii) Tax Advice. Executive shall be provided with tax advice and support with preparation of Executive's tax returns.

(d) Vacation. During the Employment Period, Executive shall be entitled to twenty-five (25) days of paid vacation during each calendar year.

(e) Indemnification. With respect to Executive's acts or failures to act during the Employment Period in Executive's capacity as a director, officer, employee or agent of the Company, Executive shall be entitled to liability insurance coverage on the same basis as other directors and officers of Seadrill.

6. Employment Period.

(a) Except as hereinafter provided, the Employment Period shall continue until, and shall end upon, the first anniversary of the Effective Date.

(b) On the first anniversary of the Effective Date and on each anniversary thereafter, unless the Employment Period shall have ended pursuant to subparagraph 6(c) below or the Company shall have given Executive thirty (30) days written notice that the Employment Period will not be extended, the Employment Period shall be extended for an additional year. If the Company gives Executive thirty (30) days written notice that the Employment Period will not be extended, this will be considered a Termination Without Cause.

(c) Notwithstanding (a) or (b) above, the Employment Period shall end upon the first to occur of any of the following events:

- (i) Executive's death;
- (ii) the Company's termination of Executive's employment due to Permanent Disability;
- (iii) a Termination For Cause;
- (iv) a Termination Without Cause;
- (v) a Termination For Good Reason; or
- (vi) a Voluntary Termination.

7. Post-Employment Payments.

(a) Accrued Payments. At the end of Executive's employment for any reason, Executive shall cease to have any rights to salary, equity awards, expense reimbursements or other benefits, except that Executive shall be entitled to (i) any Base Salary which has accrued but is unpaid, any reimbursable expenses which have been incurred but are unpaid, and any unexpired vacation days which have accrued under the Company's vacation policy but are unused, as of the end of the Employment Period, (ii) any equity compensation rights or plan benefits which by their terms extend beyond termination of Executive's employment (but only to the extent provided in any equity compensation theretofore granted to Executive or any other benefit plan in which



Executive has participated as an employee of the Company and excluding, except as hereinafter provided in subparagraph 7(b), any severance pay program or policy of the Company) and (iii) any benefits to which Executive is entitled under Part 6 of Subtitle B of Title I of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, as amended (“COBRA”). In addition, Executive shall be entitled to the additional amounts described in subparagraph 7(b), in the circumstances described in such subparagraph.

(b) Termination Without Cause or Termination For Good Reason. If the Employment Period ends early pursuant to paragraph 6 on account of a Termination Without Cause or a Termination For Good Reason, the Company shall continue to pay Executive Executive’s Base Salary at the time of such termination and, if Executive timely and properly elects continuation of health care coverage under COBRA, the Company shall reimburse Executive for the portion of the monthly COBRA premium paid by Executive that is typically covered by the employer for active employees (the “COBRA Continuation”), in each case, for a period of eighteen (18) months following such termination in accordance with the Company’s normal payroll practices. Notwithstanding the foregoing, such COBRA Continuation shall terminate on the earliest of (i) the end of the eighteen (18)-month period; (ii) the date Executive is no longer eligible to receive COBRA coverage; and (iii) the date on which Executive becomes eligible for group medical coverage from another employer or the employer of a spouse. Additionally, if the Employment Period ends early pursuant to paragraph 6 on account of a Termination Without Cause or Termination For Good Reason, Executive shall be entitled to receive a pro rata amount of the bonus (if any) Executive would have otherwise received pursuant to paragraph 5(b) for the year in which the Employment Period ends (based on the number of days during such bonus year Executive was employed up to and including the last day of the Employment Period), which such bonus amount (if any) shall be based on the extent to which the performance measures are met but assuming satisfaction of any personal objectives, and shall be payable at the same time as bonuses are paid to employees generally.

(c) Compliance with Restrictive Covenants. It is expressly understood that the Company’s payment obligations under subparagraph 7(b) shall cease in the event Executive breaches any of the agreements in paragraph 8 hereof and in such event, to the extent any payment was previously made to Executive under subparagraph 7(b), Executive will immediately return any such payment to the Company.

(d) No Mitigation. Executive shall not be required to mitigate the amount of any payment provided for in this Agreement by seeking other employment.

(e) Release. Notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, the Company shall not be obligated to make any payment under subparagraph 7(b) hereof unless (i) prior to the 60<sup>th</sup> day following the Termination Without Cause or Termination For Good Reason, Executive executes a release of all current or future claims, known or unknown, arising on or before the date of the release against any of the Group Companies and their respective directors, officers, employees and affiliates, in a form approved by the Company and (ii) any applicable revocation period has expired during such 60-day period without Executive revoking such release.

(f) Payment Timing. The amounts payable to Executive pursuant to subparagraph 7(b) shall commence or become payable on the first regularly scheduled payroll date following the 60<sup>th</sup> day after the Termination Without Cause or Termination For Good Reason, subject to subparagraph 7(e), with the aggregate of any payments that would otherwise have been paid prior to such payroll date paid to Executive in a lump sum on such payroll date.



(g) Liquidation. Executive will have no claim against any Group Company, including that a Termination Without Cause or a Termination For Good Reason has occurred, if Executive's employment is terminated by reason of a liquidation in order to reconstruct or amalgamate the Company or by reason of reorganization of the Company and:

(i) Executive is offered employment with the company succeeding the Company upon such liquidation or reorganization; and

(ii) the new terms of employment offered to Executive are no less favorable to Executive than the terms of this Agreement.

8. Restrictive Covenants

(a) Acknowledgements and Agreements. Executive hereby acknowledges and agrees that in the performance of Executive's duties to the Company during the Employment Period, Executive will be brought into frequent contact with existing and potential customers of the Group Companies throughout the world. Executive also agrees that trade secrets and confidential information of the Group Companies, more fully described in subparagraph 8(f), gained by Executive during Executive's association with the Group Companies, have been developed by each Group Company through substantial expenditures of time, effort and money and constitute valuable and unique property of the Group Companies. Executive further understands and agrees that the foregoing makes it necessary for the protection of the Businesses that Executive not compete with the Businesses during Executive's employment with the Company and not compete with the Businesses for a reasonable period thereafter, as further provided in the following subparagraphs.

(b) Covenants During Employment Period. While employed by the Company, Executive will not compete with the Businesses anywhere in the world. In accordance with this restriction, but without limiting its terms, while employed by the Company, Executive will not:

(i) enter into or engage in any business which competes with the Businesses;

(ii) solicit customers, business, patronage or orders for, or sell, any products or services in competition with, or for any business that competes with, the Businesses;

(iii) divert, entice or otherwise take away any customers, business, patronage or orders of the Group Companies or attempt to do so; or

(iv) promote or assist, financially or otherwise, any person, firm, association, partnership, corporation or other entity engaged in any business which competes with the Businesses.

(c) Non-Competition. For a period of twelve (12) months following the termination of Executive's employment, Executive shall not be employed in, or carry on for Executive's own account or for any other person, or provide advisory services to (whether directly or indirectly), or be a director of any company, business or venture, which:



- (i) is, or is about to be in competition with the Businesses (or any part thereof); or
  - (ii) is likely to result in the intentional or unintentional disclosure or use of Confidential Information by Executive in order for Executive to properly discharge Executive's duties or further Executive's interest in that company business or venture.
- (d) **Non-Solicitation.** For a period of twelve (12) months following the termination of Executive's employment, Executive shall not (either on Executive's own behalf or for or with any other person), whether directly or indirectly:
- (i) in respect of any Goods and/or Services:
    - (A) solicit, facilitate the solicitation of, or canvass the custom or business of any Customer, or
    - (B) solicit, facilitate the solicitation of, or canvas the custom or business of any Prospective Customer; or
  - (ii) in respect of any Employee:
    - (A) solicit or entice or endeavor to solicit or entice any Employee to leave such Employee's employment with or cease such Employee's directorship or consultancy with any Group Company, whether or not that person would breach any obligations owed to the Company or any relevant Group Company by so doing, or
    - (B) offer employment or any contract for services to or employ or engage any Employee.
- (e) **Non-Interference.** For a period of twelve (12) months following the termination of Executive's employment, Executive shall not (either on Executive's own behalf or for or with any other person), whether directly or indirectly:
- (i) in regards to any Customer or Prospective Customer:
    - (A) deal with or supply any Customer, or
    - (B) deal with or supply any Prospective Customer; or
  - (ii) in regards to any Supplier:
    - (A) deal with or accept the supply of any goods or services from any Supplier where such supply is likely to be to the detriment of any Group Company whether by causing the Supplier to reduce or alter the terms or quantity of supply to the Group Company or, where the value of the Group Company's arrangement with the Supplier is diminished; or
    - (B) solicit, facilitate the solicitation of, or canvass the supply of any goods or services from any Supplier where such supply is likely to be to the detriment of any Group Company whether by causing the Supplier to reduce or alter the terms or quantity of supply to the Group Company,



or where the value of the Group Company's arrangement with the Supplier is diminished.

(f) **Confidential Information.** Executive shall not (except in the proper performance of Executive's duties) use or disclose to any person, company or other organization (and shall use every reasonable endeavor to prevent the publication or disclosure of) any of the trade secrets or confidential information of any Group Company. This restriction shall continue to apply after the termination of Executive's employment but will not apply to information or knowledge which may come into the public domain other than through unauthorized disclosure, or any use or disclosure authorized by the Board or required by law.

(i) For purposes of this subparagraph 8(f), trade secrets and confidential information include but will not be limited to:

(A) information relating to the business methods, corporate plans, management systems, finances, new business opportunities, research and development projects, marketing or sales of any past, present or future product or service of any Group Company;

(B) secret formulae, processes, inventions, designed, know-how discoveries, technical specifications and other technical information relating to the creation, production or supply of any past, present or future product or services of any Group Company;

(C) lists or details of customers, potential customers or suppliers of the arrangements made with any customer or supplier of any Group Company;

(D) any information in respect of which any Group Company owes an obligation of confidentiality to any third party (provided that with respect to such third party Executive knows or reasonably should have known that the third party provided it to any Group Company on a confidential basis);

(E) information and details of and concerning the engagement, employment and termination of employment of Executive and any other personnel;

(F) information concerning any litigation proposed, in progress or settled; and,

(G) any other information in whatever form (written, oral, visual and electronic) concerning the confidential affairs of any Group Company.

(ii) During Executive's employment, Executive shall not make (other than for the benefit of any Group Company) any record or copy (whether on paper, computer memory, disc or otherwise) relating to any matter within the scope of the business of any Group Company or their customers and supplies or concerning its or their dealings or affairs or (either during Executive's employment or afterwards) use such records (or allow them to be used) other than for the benefit of the Company or the other relevant Group Company. All such records (and any copies of them) shall belong to the Company or the other



relevant Group Company and shall be handed over to the Company by Executive on the termination of the Employment or at any time during the Employment at the request of the Company.

(g) Intellectual Property. Executive shall give the Company full written details of all Inventions and of all works embodying Intellectual Property Rights made wholly or partially by Executive at any time during the course of Executive's employment. Executive acknowledges that all Intellectual Property Rights subsisting (or which may in the future subsist) in all such Inventions and works shall automatically, on creation, vest in the Company absolutely. To the extent that they do not vest automatically, Executive holds them on trust for the Company. Executive agrees promptly to execute all documents and do all acts as may, in the opinion of the Company, be necessary to give effect to this subparagraph 8(g).

(i) Executive hereby irrevocably waives Executive's entire right, title, and interest in and to all Inventions and Intellectual Property Rights therein, including the right to sue, counterclaim, and recover for all past, present and future infringement, misappropriation, or dilution thereof, and all rights corresponding thereto throughout the world, including, without limitation, all moral rights under the Copyright, Designs and Patents Act 1988 of the United Kingdom (and all similar rights in other jurisdictions) which Executive has or will have in any existing or future works referred to in this subparagraph 8(g).

(ii) Rights and obligations under this subparagraph 8(g) will continue after the termination of this Agreement in respect of all Inventions, works and information made or obtained during the Employment Period and will be binding on the personal representatives of Executive.

(iii) By entering into this Agreement, Executive irrevocably appoints the Company to act on Executive's behalf to execute any document and do anything in Executive's name for the purpose of giving the Company (or its nominee) the full benefit of the provisions of this subparagraph 8(g) or the Company's entitlement under statute. If there is any doubt as to whether such a document (or other thing) has been carried out within the authority conferred by this subparagraph 8(g)(iii), a certificate in writing (signed by any director of the Company) will be sufficient to prove that the act or thing falls within that authority.

(h) Non-Disparagement. During the Employment Period and at all times thereafter, regardless of the reason for the termination of the Employment Period, each of the Company and the Executive agrees that it shall not (and the Company shall ensure that each other Group Company shall not) make negative comments to third parties or otherwise disparage the Executive, the Company or any other Group Company to any third parties. The provisions of this subparagraph 8(h) will not be breached in respect of any truthful statements made by the Executive or any Group Company in response to any legal proceedings or regulatory investigations.

(i) Certain Definitions for this Paragraph 8. For purposes of this paragraph 8:

(i) "Businesses" shall mean offshore drilling and any other trade or commercial activity which is carried on by any Group Company or which any Group Company shall have determined to carry on with a view to profit in the immediate or foreseeable future.



(ii) “Confidential Information” shall have the meaning given to trade secrets and confidential information in subparagraph 8(f).

(iii) “Customer” shall mean any person who at any time during the 12 months immediately preceding the termination of Executive’s employment was a customer of any Group Company with whom Executive had material dealings or in relation to whom Executive acquired confidential information.

(iv) “Employee” shall mean any individual who is employed or engaged by any Group Company, or any person who, during the 12 months immediately preceding the termination of Executive’s employment, is or was employed or engaged by any Group Company.

(v) “Intellectual Property Rights” shall mean patents, utility models, rights to Inventions, copyright and neighboring and related rights, moral rights, trademarks and service marks, business names and domain names, rights in get-up and trade dress, goodwill and the right to sue for passing off or unfair competition, rights in designs, rights in computer software, database rights, rights to use, and protect the confidentiality of, confidential information (including know-how and trade secrets) and all other intellectual property rights, in each case whether registered or unregistered and including all applications and rights to apply for and be granted, renewals or extensions of, and rights to claim priority from, such rights and all similar or equivalent rights or forms of protection which subsist or will subsist now or in the future in any part of the world.

(vi) “Invention” shall mean any invention, idea, discovery, development, improvement or innovation, whether or not patentable or capable of registration, and whether or not recorded in any medium.

(vii) “Goods and/or Services” shall mean any goods and/or services competitive with those supplied by any Group Company at any time during the 12 months immediately preceding the termination of Executive’s employment and in relation to which Executive was materially involved or concerned or for which Executive was directly responsible during that time.

(viii) “Prospective Customer” shall mean any person who was at any time during the 12 months immediately preceding the termination of Executive’s employment engaged in negotiations, with which Executive was personally involved, with any Group Company with a view to obtaining Goods and/or Services from any Group Company or in relation to whom Executive has acquired Confidential Information.

(ix) “Supplier” shall mean any person with whom Executive had material dealings at any time during the 12 months immediately preceding the termination of Executive’s employment and who during that period supplied goods or services to any Group Company on terms other than those available to another purchaser in the market during that period, whether by reason of exclusivity (either de facto or contractually obliged), price or otherwise.

(j) Return of Company Property. Executive agrees that upon termination of Executive’s employment with the Company, for any reason, Executive shall

(i) return to the Company or any relevant Group Company, in good condition, all property of the Company, including without limitation, the originals



and all copies of any files, sketches, plans, drawings, equipment, tools, instruments, computers, devices, telephones, credit cards, letters, calendars, reports, memoranda, notes, correspondence, databases, discs, records, books, papers, letters, CD ROMs, keys, computer access codes, forms, contracts, software programs, information and records, training guides and manuals, and other documents or materials that Executive made, compiled, copied or acquired during Executive's employment that relate to the business, finances or affairs of the Company or any Group Company or which contain, reflect, summarize, describe, analyze or refer or relate to any items of information listed in subparagraph 8(f) of this Agreement, and that are in Executive's possession, custody or control;

(ii) irrevocably delete and erase any information relating to the business of any Group Company stored on any computer, technological or memory device maintained or used by Executive for work purposes during Executive's employment and which is in Executive's possession, custody, care or control outside the premises of the Company and, if required by the Company, deliver any such equipment (electronic or otherwise) that is not company property and was used for the storage of the matters in subparagraph 8(j)(i) above so that the Company may review and delete and erase the same;

(iii) transfer (without payment) to the Company (or as it may direct) any qualifying nominee shareholdings which Executive holds in connection with Executive's employment with the Company and Executive hereby irrevocably appoints the Company to be Executive's attorney to execute such transfers on Executive's behalf; and

(iv) return all other property belonging or relating to any of the Group Companies.

(k) Notwithstanding any other provisions of this Agreement, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 1833(b), an individual will not be held criminally or civilly liable under any federal or state trade secret law for the disclosure of a trade secret that is made: (I) solely for the purpose of reporting or investigating a suspected violation of law and in confidence to a federal, state or local government official (either directly or indirectly) or to an attorney; or (II) in a complaint or other document filed in a lawsuit or other proceeding, if such filing is made under seal. An individual who files a lawsuit for retaliation by an employer for reporting a suspected violation of law may disclose the trade secret to the attorney of the individual and use the trade secret information in the court proceeding, if the individual files any document containing the trade secret under seal; and does not disclose the trade secret, except pursuant to court order.

(l) Communication of Contents of Agreement. While employed by the Company and for one (1) year thereafter, Executive will communicate the contents of paragraph 8 of this Agreement to any person, firm, association, partnership, corporation or other entity that Executive intends to be employed by, associated with, or represent.

(m) Relief. Executive acknowledges and agrees that the remedy at law available to the Company for breach of any of Executive's obligations under this Agreement would be inadequate. Executive therefore agrees that, in addition to any other rights or remedies that the Company may have at law or in equity, temporary and permanent injunctive relief may be granted in any proceeding which may be brought to enforce any provision contained in subparagraphs 8(b), 8(c), 8(d), 8(e), 8(f), 8(g), 8(h) and 8(i) inclusive, of this Agreement, without the necessity of proof of actual damage.



(n) Reasonableness. Executive acknowledges that Executive's obligations under this paragraph 8 are reasonable in the context of the nature of the Businesses and the competitive injuries likely to be sustained by the Company and the other Group Companies if Executive were to violate such obligations. Executive further acknowledges that this Agreement is made in consideration of, and is adequately supported by the agreement of the Company to perform its obligations under this Agreement and by other consideration, which Executive acknowledges constitutes good, valuable and sufficient consideration.

9. Definitions.

(a) "Board" means the Board of Directors of Seadrill from time to time or any person or committee nominated by the Board as its representative for the purpose of this Agreement.

(b) "Change in Control" shall have the meaning ascribed thereto in the Seadrill Management Limited 2022 Management Incentive Plan, as amended from time to time.

(c) "Chief Executive Officer" means the Chief Executive Officer from time to time of Seadrill.

(d) "Permanent Disability" means that Executive, because of accident, disability, or physical or mental illness, is incapable of performing Executive's duties to the Company or any Group Company, as determined by the Board. Notwithstanding the foregoing, Executive will be deemed to have become incapable of performing Executive's duties to the Company or any Group Company, if Executive is incapable of so doing for (i) a continuous period of 90 days and remains so incapable at the end of such 90 day period or (ii) periods amounting in the aggregate to 180 days within any one period of 365 days and remains so incapable at the end of such aggregate period of 180 days.

(e) "Termination For Cause" means the termination by the Company or any Group Company of Executive's employment with the Company as a result of (i) Executive's serious or repeated breach of this Agreement, (ii) Executive's failure to comply with any reasonable and lawful order or direction given to him by the Board or Chief Executive Officer, (iii) Executive's commission of any gross misconduct or conduct (whether in connection with Executive's employment with the Company or not) which in the reasonable opinion of the Board or the Chief Executive Officer is or could reasonably be expected to be materially harmful to the Company or any Group Company, (iv) Executive's conviction of any criminal offense (other than a traffic offense for which Executive is not sentenced to any term of imprisonment, whether immediate or suspended), (v) Executive's commission of any act of fraud or dishonesty or corrupt practice relating to the Company, or any Group Company, any of its or their employees, customers or otherwise, or a breach of the Foreign Corrupt Practices Act of 1977, as amended, and the rules and regulations thereunder, as such laws, rules and regulations may be amended from time to time, (vi) Executive's breach of any legislation or regulation in force which may affect or relate to the business or securities of the Company or any Group Company.

(f) "Termination For Good Reason" means Executive's termination of Executive's employment as a result of (i) a material adverse change in Executive's title, authority, duties or responsibilities other than (a) temporarily in the event of physical or mental incapacitation, (b) as required by applicable law or regulatory requirements, or (c)



due to any such change made in the ordinary course of business that is due to an internal restructuring of employees and their corresponding titles, authorities, duties, and/or responsibilities (which exception (c) shall apply prior to a Change in Control only); (ii) a material reduction in Executive's Base Salary or target annual bonus except to the extent that the base salaries or target annual bonuses of all other similarly situated executives of the Company are similarly reduced; (iii) a relocation of Executive's principal office to a location that is in excess of fifty (50) miles from its location as of the Effective Date; or (iv) any material breach of this Agreement by the Company. Notwithstanding the foregoing, no termination of employment by Executive shall constitute a "Termination For Good Reason" unless (A) Executive gives the Company notice of the existence of an event described in clause (i), (ii), (iii) or (iv) above, within sixty (60) days following the occurrence thereof, (B) the Company does not remedy such event described in clause (i), (ii), (iii) or (iv) above, as applicable, within thirty (30) days of receiving the notice described in the preceding clause (A), and (C) Executive terminates employment within five (5) days of the end of the cure period specified in clause (B), above.

(g) "Termination Without Cause" means the termination by the Company or any Group Company of Executive's employment with the Company prior to the end of the Employment Period for any reason other than a termination for Permanent Disability or Executive's death, or a Termination For Cause and, for the avoidance of doubt, shall include the Company's giving notice pursuant to subparagraph 6(b) that the Employment Period will not be extended.

(h) "Voluntary Termination" means Executive's termination of Executive's employment with the Company for any reason, other than a Termination For Good Reason.

10. Executive Representations. Executive represents and warrants to the Company that (a) Executive is entering into this Agreement voluntarily and that the performance of Executive's obligations hereunder will not violate any agreement between Executive and any other person, firm, organization or other entity, (b) Executive is not bound by the terms of any agreement with any previous employer or other party to refrain from competing, directly or indirectly, with the business of such previous employer or other party that would be violated by Executive's entering into this Agreement and/or providing services to the Company pursuant to the terms of this Agreement, and (c) Executive is not subject to any pending or, to Executive's knowledge, threatened claim, action, judgment, or investigation that could adversely affect his ability to perform his obligations under this Agreement or the business reputation of the Company or any Group Company.

11. Survival. Subject to any limits on applicability contained therein, paragraph 8 hereof shall survive and continue in full force in accordance with its terms notwithstanding any termination of the Employment Period.

12. Taxes. The Company may withhold from any amounts payable under this Agreement all federal, state, city or other taxes as the Company is required to withhold pursuant to any applicable law, regulation or ruling. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement, the Company shall not be obligated to guarantee any particular tax result for Executive with respect to any payment provided to Executive hereunder, and Executive shall be responsible for any taxes imposed on Executive with respect to any such payment.

13. Notices. Any notice provided for in this Agreement shall be in writing and shall be either personally delivered, sent by reputable overnight carrier or mailed by first class mail, return receipt requested, to the recipient at the address below indicated:



Notices to Executive:

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Notices to the Company:

Seadrill Americas, Inc.  
Attn: EVP, HR  
11025 Equity Drive  
Suite 150  
Houston, Texas 77041

or such other address or to the attention of such other person as the recipient party shall have specified by prior written notice to the sending party. Any notice under this Agreement will be deemed to have been given when so delivered.

14. Severability. Whenever possible, each provision of this Agreement shall be interpreted in such manner as to be effective and valid under applicable law, but if any provision of this Agreement is held to be invalid or unenforceable in any respect under any applicable law, such invalidity or unenforceability shall not affect any other provision, but this Agreement shall be reformed, construed and enforced as if such invalid or unenforceable provision had never been contained herein.

15. Right to Offset. The Company may deduct from any money due to Executive any amount which Executive owes to any Group Company and Executive hereby consents to such deduction.

16. Prevailing Party's Litigation Expenses. In the event of litigation between the Company and Executive related to this Agreement, the non-prevailing party shall reimburse the prevailing party for any costs and expenses (including, without limitation, attorneys' fees) reasonably incurred by the prevailing party in connection therewith.

17. Complete Agreement. This Agreement embodies the complete agreement and understanding between the parties with respect to the subject matter hereof and effective as of its date supersedes and preempts any prior understandings, agreements or representations by or between the parties or any Group Company, written or oral, which may have related to the subject matter hereof in any way, including the Prior Agreement, as described herein; provided, however, that nothing herein shall impact the applicability of the MIP Award Agreements.

18. Counterparts. This Agreement may be executed in separate counterparts, each of which shall be deemed to be an original and both of which taken together shall constitute one and the same agreement.

19. Successors and Assigns. This Agreement shall bind and inure to the benefit of and be enforceable by Executive, the Company and their respective heirs, executors, personal representatives, successors and assigns, except that neither party may assign any rights or delegate any obligations hereunder without the prior written consent of the other party. Executive hereby consents to the assignment by the Company of all of its rights and obligations hereunder to any successor to the Company by merger, consolidation or purchase of all or substantially all of the Company's assets, or other corporate transaction, provided such transferee or successor assumes the liabilities of the Company hereunder.



20. Choice of Law. This Agreement shall be governed by, and construed in accordance with, the internal, substantive laws of the State of Texas. Executive agrees that the state and federal courts located in the State of Texas shall have jurisdiction in any action, suit or proceeding against Executive based on or arising out of this Agreement and Executive hereby: (a) submits to the personal jurisdiction of such courts; (b) consents to service of process in connection with any action, suit or proceeding against Executive; and (c) waives any other requirement (whether imposed by statute, rule of court or otherwise) with respect to personal jurisdiction, venue or service of process. The Company's powers under this Agreement will not be affected if the Company delays in enforcing any provision of this Agreement or Executive grants time to the Company.

21. Amendment and Waiver. The provisions of this Agreement may be amended or waived only with the prior written consent of the Company and Executive, and no course of conduct or failure or delay in enforcing the provisions of this Agreement shall affect the validity, binding effect or enforceability of this Agreement.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have executed this Agreement as of the date first written above.

**Seadrill Americas, Inc.**

By: /s/ Torsten Sauer-Petersen

Name: Torsten Sauer-Petersen

Title: Executive Vice President Human Resources

**Seadrill Management Limited**

By: /s/ Torsten Sauer-Petersen

Name: Torsten Sauer-Petersen

Title: Executive Vice President Human Resources

**EXECUTIVE**

/s/ Grant Creed

Grant Creed



*Exhibit 10.19*

**EMPLOYMENT AGREEMENT**

This EMPLOYMENT AGREEMENT (this "Agreement") is entered into as of November 21, 2023 (the "Effective Date") between Seadrill Americas, Inc., a company incorporated in the State of Texas (the "Company"), whose parent company is Seadrill Limited, a company incorporated in Bermuda ("Seadrill"), and Samir H. Ali ("Executive").

WHEREAS, Executive and the Company are party to that certain Employment Agreement dated August 16, 2022 (the "Prior Agreement"), pursuant to which Executive serves as the Chief Commercial Officer of the Group Companies;

WHEREAS, the Company and Executive desire to amend and restate the Prior Agreement in the form hereof.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual covenants contained herein and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, the parties hereto agree as follows:

1. Certain Definitions. Certain words or phrases used herein with initial capital letters shall have the meanings set forth in paragraph 8 hereof.

2. Employment. The Company shall continue to employ Executive, and Executive desires to remain in the continued employ of the Company as of the Effective Date, upon the terms and conditions set forth in this Agreement for the period beginning on the Effective Date and ending as provided in paragraph 5 hereof (the "Employment Period"). Notwithstanding anything in this Agreement to the contrary, Executive will be an at-will employee of the Company and Executive or the Company may terminate Executive's employment with the Company for any reason or no reason at any time.

3. Position and Duties.

(a) During the Employment Period, Executive shall serve as the Chief Commercial Officer of Seadrill and shall continue to serve in such offices of the other Group Companies as Executive currently holds and shall have the normal duties, responsibilities and authority of an executive serving in such position, subject to the power of the Board or the Chief Executive Officer to expand or limit such duties, responsibilities and authority, either generally or in specific instances.

(b) During the Employment Period, Executive shall continue to report to the Chief Executive Officer of Seadrill.

(c) During the Employment Period, Executive shall:

(i) devote Executive's best efforts and Executive's full business time and attention (except for permitted vacation periods and reasonable periods of illness or other incapacity) to the business and affairs of the Company, Seadrill, and all of Seadrill's subsidiary companies from time to time (each of the Company, Seadrill and such subsidiaries, a "Group Company" and collectively, the "Group Companies");



(ii) perform Executive's duties and responsibilities to the best of Executive's abilities in a faithful, diligent, trustworthy, businesslike and efficient manner;

(iii) keep the Chief Executive Officer fully informed of Executive's conduct of the business of any Group Company for which Executive is responsible in a prompt and timely manner;

(iv) obey all reasonable, lawful and proper directions and requests of the Chief Executive Officer;

(v) act in such a way as to promote and protect the interests and reputation of every Group Company;

(vi) comply with all Group Company policies and procedures, including anti-corruption and bribery policies; and

(vii) bring to the attention of the Chief Executive Officer any relevant material business opportunities for any Group Company of which Executive becomes aware.

(d) Executive will not, whether during or outside regular business hours:

(i) directly or indirectly be engaged or concerned in the conduct of any business activity whether as shareholder, employee, director or other officer (except as a representative of the Company or with the prior written consent of the Board or the Chief Executive Officer, which shall not be unreasonably withheld); or

(ii) accept any appointment as director of any company which is not a Group Company without the prior written consent of the Board or the Chief Executive Officer which shall not be unreasonably withheld.

(e) Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Chief Executive Officer approves Executive's current ownership and limited management oversight activities of the retail businesses located in California that are set forth on Exhibit A ("Retail Businesses") that do not compute with the Group Companies.

(f) Executive shall perform Executive's duties and responsibilities principally at the office of the Company in the Houston, Texas area. Executive may be required to travel and work outside of the Houston, Texas area from time to time including at other Group Company locations or client locations but, unless otherwise agreed with the Chief Executive Officer, Executive will not be required to live outside of the Houston, Texas area.

#### 4. Compensation and Benefits.

(a) Salary. The Company agrees to pay Executive a salary during the Employment Period in installments based on the Company's practices as may be in effect from time to time. Executive's initial salary shall be at the rate of \$425,000 per year (the "Base Salary"). The Board shall review and may adjust Executive's salary from time to time.



(b) Annual Bonus. During the Employment Period, Executive will be eligible for an annual bonus of up to 75% of Executive's Base Salary, based on the achievement of specified performance goals (as determined by the Board). Except as otherwise provided, Executive must be employed by the Company on the date any bonus is paid to be eligible to receive such bonus.

(c) Standard Benefits Package. Executive shall be entitled during the Employment Period to participate, on the same basis as other employees of the Company, in the Company's Standard Benefits Package. The Company's "Standard Benefits Package" means those benefits (including insurance and other benefits, but excluding, except as hereinafter provided in subparagraph 6(b), any severance pay program or policy of the Company) for which substantially all of the employees of the Company are from time to time generally eligible, as determined from time to time by the Board.

(d) Vacation. During the Employment Period, Executive shall be entitled to twenty-five (25) days of paid vacation during each calendar year.

(e) Indemnification. With respect to Executive's acts or failures to act during the Employment Period in Executive's capacity as a director, officer, employee or agent of the Company, Executive shall be entitled to liability insurance coverage on the same basis as other directors and officers of Seadrill.

5. Employment Period.

(a) Except as hereinafter provided, the Employment Period shall continue until, and shall end upon, the first anniversary of the Effective Date.

(b) On the first anniversary of the Effective Date and on each anniversary thereafter, unless the Employment Period shall have ended pursuant to subparagraph 5(c) below or the Company shall have given Executive thirty(30) days written notice that the Employment Period will not be extended, the Employment Period shall be extended for an additional year. If the Company gives Executive thirty (30) days written notice that the Employment Period will not be extended, this will be considered a Termination Without Cause.

(c) Notwithstanding (a) or (b) above, the Employment Period shall end upon the first to occur of any of the following events:

- (i) Executive's death;
- (ii) the Company's termination of Executive's employment due to Permanent Disability;
- (iii) a Termination For Cause;
- (iv) a Termination Without Cause;
- (v) a Termination For Good Reason; or
- (vi) a Voluntary Termination.

6. Post-Employment Payments.



(a) Accrued Payments. At the end of Executive's employment for any reason, Executive shall cease to have any rights to salary, equity awards, expense reimbursements or other benefits, except that Executive shall be entitled to (i) any Base Salary which has accrued but is unpaid, any reimbursable expenses which have been incurred but are unpaid, and any unexpired vacation days which have accrued under the Company's vacation policy but are unused, as of the end of the Employment Period, (ii) any equity compensation rights or plan benefits which by their terms extend beyond termination of Executive's employment (but only to the extent provided in any equity compensation theretofore granted to Executive or any other benefit plan in which Executive has participated as an employee of the Company and excluding, except as hereinafter provided in subparagraph 6(b), any severance pay program or policy of the Company) and (iii) any benefits to which Executive is entitled under Part 6 of Subtitle B of Title I of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, as amended ("COBRA"). In addition, Executive shall be entitled to the additional amounts described in subparagraph 6(b), in the circumstances described in such subparagraph.

(b) Termination Without Cause or Termination For Good Reason. If the Employment Period ends early pursuant to paragraph 5 on account of a Termination Without Cause or a Termination For Good Reason, the Company shall continue to pay Executive Executive's Base Salary at the time of such termination and, if Executive timely and properly elects continuation of health care coverage under COBRA, the Company shall reimburse Executive for the portion of the monthly COBRA premium paid by Executive that is typically covered by the employer for active employees (the "COBRA Continuation"), in each case, for a period of eighteen (18) months following such termination in accordance with the Company's normal payroll practices. Notwithstanding the foregoing, such COBRA Continuation shall terminate on the earliest of: (i) the end of the eighteen (18)-month period; (ii) the date Executive is no longer eligible to receive COBRA coverage; and (iii) the date on which Executive becomes eligible for group medical coverage from another employer or the employer of a spouse. Additionally, if the Employment Period ends early pursuant to paragraph 5 on account of a Termination Without Cause or Termination For Good Reason, Executive shall be entitled to receive a pro rata amount of the bonus (if any) Executive would have otherwise received pursuant to paragraph 4(b) for the year in which the Employment Period ends (based on the number of days during such bonus year Executive was employed up to and including the last day of the Employment Period), which such bonus amount (if any) shall be based on the extent to which the performance measures are met but assuming satisfaction of any personal objectives, and shall be payable at the same time as bonuses are paid to employees generally.

(c) Compliance with Restrictive Covenants. It is expressly understood that the Company's payment obligations under subparagraph 6(b) shall cease in the event Executive breaches any of the agreements in paragraph 7 hereof and in such event, to the extent any payment was previously made to Executive under subparagraph 6(b), Executive will immediately return any such payment to the Company.

(d) No Mitigation. Executive shall not be required to mitigate the amount of any payment provided for in this Agreement by seeking other employment.

(e) Release. Notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, the Company shall not be obligated to make any payment under subparagraph 6(b) hereof unless (i) prior to the 60<sup>th</sup> day following the Termination Without Cause or Termination For Good Reason, Executive executes a release of all current or future claims, known or unknown, arising on or before the date of the release against any of the Group Companies and their respective directors, officers, employees and affiliates, in a form approved by the



Company and (ii) any applicable revocation period has expired during such 60-day period without Executive revoking such release.

(f) Payment Timing. The amounts payable to Executive pursuant to subparagraph 6(b) shall commence or become payable on the first regularly scheduled payroll date following the 60<sup>th</sup> day after the Termination Without Cause or Termination For Good Reason, subject to subparagraph 6(e), with the aggregate of any payments that would otherwise have been paid prior to such payroll date paid to Executive in a lump sum on such payroll date.

(g) Liquidation. Executive will have no claim against any Group Company, including that a Termination Without Cause or a Termination For Good Reason has occurred, if Executive's employment is terminated by reason of a liquidation in order to reconstruct or amalgamate the Company or by reason of reorganization of the Company and:

(i) Executive is offered employment with the company succeeding the Company upon such liquidation or reorganization; and

(ii) the new terms of employment offered to Executive are no less favorable to Executive than the terms of this Agreement.

#### 7. Restrictive Covenants

(a) Acknowledgements and Agreements. Executive hereby acknowledges and agrees that in the performance of Executive's duties to the Company during the Employment Period, Executive will be brought into frequent contact with existing and potential customers of the Group Companies throughout the world. Executive also agrees that trade secrets and confidential information of the Group Companies, more fully described in subparagraph 7(f), gained by Executive during Executive's association with the Group Companies, have been developed by each Group Company through substantial expenditures of time, effort and money and constitute valuable and unique property of the Group Companies. Executive further understands and agrees that the foregoing makes it necessary for the protection of the Businesses that Executive not compete with the Businesses during Executive's employment with the Company and not compete with the Businesses for a reasonable period thereafter, as further provided in the following subparagraphs.

(b) Covenants During Employment Period. While employed by the Company, Executive will not compete with the Businesses anywhere in the world. In accordance with this restriction, but without limiting its terms, while employed by the Company, Executive will not:

(i) enter into or engage in any business which competes with the Businesses;

(ii) solicit customers, business, patronage or orders for, or sell, any products or services in competition with, or for any business that competes with, the Businesses;

(iii) divert, entice or otherwise take away any customers, business, patronage or orders of the Group Companies or attempt to do so; or



(iv) promote or assist, financially or otherwise, any person, firm, association, partnership, corporation or other entity engaged in any business which competes with the Businesses.

(c) Non-Competition. For a period of twelve (12) months following the termination of Executive's employment, Executive shall not be employed in, or carry on for Executive's own account or for any other person, or provide advisory services to (whether directly or indirectly), or be a director of any company, business or venture, which:

(i) is, or is about to be in competition with the Businesses (or any part thereof); or

(ii) is likely to result in the intentional or unintentional disclosure or use of Confidential Information by Executive in order for Executive to properly discharge Executive's duties or further Executive's interest in that company business or venture.

(d) Non-Solicitation. For a period of twelve (12) months following the termination of Executive's employment, Executive shall not (either on Executive's own behalf or for or with any other person), whether directly or indirectly:

(i) in respect of any Goods and/or Services:

(A) solicit, facilitate the solicitation of, or canvass the custom or business of any Customer; or

(B) solicit, facilitate the solicitation of, or canvas the custom or business of any Prospective Customer; or

(ii) in respect of any Employee:

(A) solicit or entice or endeavor to solicit or entice any Employee to leave such Employee's employment with or cease such Employee's directorship or consultancy with any Group Company, whether or not that person would breach any obligations owed to the Company or any relevant Group Company by so doing, or

(B) offer employment or any contract for services to or employ or engage any Employee.

(e) Non-Interference. For a period of twelve (12) months following the termination of Executive's employment, Executive shall not (either on Executive's own behalf or for or with any other person), whether directly or indirectly:

(i) in regards to any Customer or Prospective Customer:

(A) deal with or supply any Customer, or

(B) deal with or supply any Prospective Customer; or

(ii) in regards to any Supplier:



(A) deal with or accept the supply of any goods or services from any Supplier where such supply is likely to be to the detriment of any Group Company whether by causing the Supplier to reduce or alter the terms or quantity of supply to the Group Company or, where the value of the Group Company's arrangement with the Supplier is diminished; or

(B) solicit, facilitate the solicitation of, or canvass the supply of any goods or services from any Supplier where such supply is likely to be to the detriment of any Group Company whether by causing the Supplier to reduce or alter the terms or quantity of supply to the Group Company, or where the value of the Group Company's arrangement with the Supplier is diminished.

(f) Confidential Information. Executive shall not (except in the proper performance of Executive's duties) use or disclose to any person, company or other organization (and shall use every reasonable endeavor to prevent the publication or disclosure of) any of the trade secrets or confidential information of any Group Company. This restriction shall continue to apply after the termination of Executive's employment but will not apply to information or knowledge which may come into the public domain other than through unauthorized disclosure, or any use or disclosure authorized by the Board or required by law.

(i) For purposes of this subparagraph 7(f), trade secrets and confidential information include but will not be limited to:

(A) information relating to the business methods, corporate plans, management systems, finances, new business opportunities, research and development projects, marketing or sales of any past, present or future product or service of any Group Company;

(B) secret formulae, processes, inventions, designed, know-how discoveries, technical specifications and other technical information relating to the creation, production or supply of any past, present or future product or services of any Group Company;

(C) lists or details of customers, potential customers or suppliers of the arrangements made with any customer or supplier of any Group Company;

(D) any information in respect of which any Group Company owes an obligation of confidentiality to any third party (provided that with respect to such third party Executive knows or reasonably should have known that the third party provided it to any Group Company on a confidential basis);

(E) information and details of and concerning the engagement, employment and termination of employment of Executive and any other personnel;

(F) information concerning any litigation proposed, in progress or settled; and,



(G) any other information in whatever form (written, oral, visual and electronic) concerning the confidential affairs of any Group Company.

(ii) During Executive's employment, Executive shall not make (other than for the benefit of any Group Company) any record or copy (whether on paper, computer memory, disc or otherwise) relating to any matter within the scope of the business of any Group Company or their customers and supplies or concerning its or their dealings or affairs or (either during Executive's employment or afterwards) use such records (or allow them to be used) other than for the benefit of the Company or the other relevant Group Company. All such records (and any copies of them) shall belong to the Company or the other relevant Group Company and shall be handed over to the Company by Executive on the termination of the Employment or at any time during the Employment at the request of the Company.

(g) Intellectual Property. Executive shall give the Company full written details of all Inventions and of all works embodying Intellectual Property Rights made wholly or partially by Executive at any time during the course of Executive's employment. Executive acknowledges that all Intellectual Property Rights subsisting (or which may in the future subsist) in all such Inventions and works shall automatically, on creation, vest in the Company absolutely. To the extent that they do not vest automatically, Executive holds them on trust for the Company. Executive agrees promptly to execute all documents and do all acts as may, in the opinion of the Company, be necessary to give effect to this subparagraph 7(g).

(i) Executive hereby irrevocably waives Executive's entire right, title, and interest in and to all Inventions and Intellectual Property Rights therein, including the right to sue, counterclaim, and recover for all past, present and future infringement, misappropriation, or dilution thereof, and all rights corresponding thereto throughout the world, including, without limitation, all moral rights under the Copyright, Designs and Patents Act 1988 of the United Kingdom (and all similar rights in other jurisdictions) which Executive has or will have in any existing or future works referred to in this subparagraph 7(g).

(ii) Rights and obligations under this subparagraph 7(g) will continue after the termination of this Agreement in respect of all Inventions, works and information made or obtained during the Employment Period and will be binding on the personal representatives of Executive.

(iii) By entering into this Agreement, Executive irrevocably appoints the Company to act on Executive's behalf to execute any document and do anything in Executive's name for the purpose of giving the Company (or its nominee) the full benefit of the provisions of this subparagraph 7(g) or the Company's entitlement under statute. If there is any doubt as to whether such a document (or other thing) has been carried out within the authority conferred by this subparagraph 7(g)(iii), a certificate in writing (signed by any director of the Company) will be sufficient to prove that the act or thing falls within that authority.

(h) Non-Disparagement. During the Employment Period and at all times thereafter, regardless of the reason for the termination of the Employment Period, each of the Company and the Executive agrees that it shall not (and the Company shall ensure that each other Group Company shall not) make negative comments to third parties or



otherwise disparage the Executive, the Company or any other Group Company to any third parties. The provisions of this subparagraph 7(h) will not be breached in respect of any truthful statements made by the Executive or any Group Company in response to any legal proceedings or regulatory investigations.

(i) Certain Definitions for this Paragraph 7. For purposes of this paragraph 7:

(i) “Businesses” shall mean offshore drilling and any other trade or commercial activity which is carried on by any Group Company or which any Group Company shall have determined to carry on with a view to profit in the immediate or foreseeable future.

(ii) “Confidential Information” shall have the meaning given to trade secrets and confidential information in subparagraph 7(f).

(iii) “Customer” shall mean any person who at any time during the 12 months immediately preceding the termination of Executive’s employment was a customer of any Group Company with whom Executive had material dealings or in relation to whom Executive acquired confidential information.

(iv) “Employee” shall mean any individual who is employed or engaged by any Group Company, or any person who, during the 12 months immediately preceding the termination of Executive’s employment, is or was employed or engaged by any Group Company.

(v) “Intellectual Property Rights” shall mean patents, utility models, rights to Inventions, copyright and neighboring and related rights, moral rights trademarks and service marks, business names and domain names, rights in get-up and trade dress, goodwill and the right to sue for passing off or unfair competition, rights in designs, rights in computer software, database rights, rights to use, and protect the confidentiality of, confidential information (including know-how and trade secrets) and all other intellectual property rights, in each case whether registered or unregistered and including all applications and rights to apply for and be granted, renewals or extensions of, and rights to claim priority from, such rights and all similar or equivalent rights or forms of protection which subsist or will subsist now or in the future in any part of the world.

(vi) “Invention” shall mean any invention, idea, discovery, development, improvement or innovation, whether or not patentable or capable of registration, and whether or not recorded in any medium.

(vii) “Goods and/or Services” shall mean any goods and/or services competitive with those supplied by any Group Company at any time during the 12 months immediately preceding the termination of Executive’s employment and in relation to which Executive was materially involved or concerned or for which Executive was directly responsible during that time.

(viii) “Prospective Customer” shall mean any person who was at any time during the 12 months immediately preceding the termination of Executive’s employment engaged in negotiations, with which Executive was personally involved, with any Group Company with a view to obtaining Goods and/or Services from any Group Company or in relation to whom Executive has acquired Confidential Information.



(ix) “Supplier” shall mean any person with whom Executive had material dealings at any time during the 12 months immediately preceding the termination of Executive’s employment and who during that period supplied goods or services to any Group Company on terms other than those available to another purchaser in the market during that period, whether by reason of exclusivity (either de facto or contractually obliged), price or otherwise.

(j) Return of Company Property. Executive agrees that upon termination of Executive’s employment with the Company, for any reason, Executive shall

(i) return to the Company or any relevant Group Company, in good condition, all property of the Company, including without limitation, the originals and all copies of any files, sketches, plans, drawings, equipment, tools, instruments, computers, devices, telephones, credit cards, letters, calendars, reports, memoranda, notes, correspondence, databases, discs, records, books, papers, letters, CD ROMs, keys, computer access codes, forms, contracts, software programs, information and records, training guides and manuals, and other documents or materials that Executive made, compiled, copied or acquired during Executive’s employment that relate to the business, finances or affairs of the Company or any Group Company or which contain, reflect, summarize, describe, analyze or refer or relate to any items of information listed in subparagraph 7(f) of this Agreement, and that are in Executive’s possession, custody or control;

(ii) irrevocably delete and erase any information relating to the business of any Group Company stored on any computer, technological or memory device maintained or used by Executive for work purposes during Executive’s employment and which is in Executive’s possession, custody, care or control outside the premises of the Company and, if required by the Company, deliver any such equipment (electronic or otherwise) that is not company property and was used for the storage of the matters in subparagraph 7(j)(i) above so that the Company may review and delete and erase the same;

(iii) transfer (without payment) to the Company (or as it may direct) any qualifying nominee shareholdings which Executive holds in connection with Executive’s employment with the Company and Executive hereby irrevocably appoints the Company to be Executive’s attorney to execute such transfers on Executive’s behalf; and

(iv) return all other property belonging or relating to any of the Group Companies.

(k) Notwithstanding any other provisions of this Agreement, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 1833(b), an individual will not be held criminally or civilly liable under any federal or state trade secret law for the disclosure of a trade secret that is made: (I) solely for the purpose of reporting or investigating a suspected violation of law and in confidence to a federal, state or local government official (either directly or indirectly) or to an attorney; or (II) in a complaint or other document filed in a lawsuit or other proceeding, if such filing is made under seal. An individual who files a lawsuit for retaliation by an employer for reporting a suspected violation of law may disclose the trade secret to the attorney of the individual and use the trade secret information in the court proceeding, if the individual files any document containing the trade secret under seal; and does not disclose the trade secret, except pursuant to court order.



(l) Communication of Contents of Agreement. While employed by the Company and for one (1) year thereafter, Executive will communicate the contents of paragraph 7 of this Agreement to any person, firm, association, partnership, corporation or other entity that Executive intends to be employed by, associated with, or represent.

(m) Relief. Executive acknowledges and agrees that the remedy at law available to the Company for breach of any of Executive's obligations under this Agreement would be inadequate. Executive therefore agrees that, in addition to any other rights or remedies that the Company may have at law or in equity, temporary and permanent injunctive relief may be granted in any proceeding which may be brought to enforce any provision contained in subparagraphs 7(b), 7(c), 7(d), 7(e), 7(f), 7(g), 7(h) and 7(i) inclusive, of this Agreement, without the necessity of proof of actual damage.

(n) Reasonableness. Executive acknowledges that Executive's obligations under this paragraph 7 are reasonable in the context of the nature of the Businesses and the competitive injuries likely to be sustained by the Company and the other Group Companies if Executive were to violate such obligations. Executive further acknowledges that this Agreement is made in consideration of, and is adequately supported by the agreement of the Company to perform its obligations under this Agreement and by other consideration, which Executive acknowledges constitutes good, valuable and sufficient consideration.

8. Definitions.

(a) "Board" means the Board of Directors of Seadrill from time to time or any person or committee nominated by the Board as its representative for the purpose of this Agreement.

(b) "Change in Control" shall have the meaning ascribed thereto in the Seadrill Management Limited 2022 Management Incentive Plan, as amended from time to time.

(c) "Chief Executive Officer" means the Chief Executive Officer from time to time of Seadrill.

(d) "Permanent Disability" means that Executive, because of accident, disability, or physical or mental illness, is incapable of performing Executive's duties to the Company or any Group Company, as determined by the Board. Notwithstanding the foregoing, Executive will be deemed to have become incapable of performing Executive's duties to the Company or any Group Company, if Executive is incapable of so doing for (i) a continuous period of 90 days and remains so incapable at the end of such 90 day period or (ii) periods amounting in the aggregate to 180 days within any one period of 365 days and remains so incapable at the end of such aggregate period of 180 days.

(e) "Termination For Cause" means the termination by the Company or any Group Company of Executive's employment with the Company as a result of (i) Executive's serious or repeated breach of this Agreement, (ii) Executive's failure to comply with any reasonable and lawful order or direction given to him by the Board or Chief Executive Officer, (iii) Executive's commission of any gross misconduct or conduct (whether in connection with Executive's employment with the Company or not) which in the reasonable opinion of the Board or the Chief Executive Officer is or could reasonably be expected to be materially harmful to the Company or any Group Company, (iv) Executive's conviction of any criminal offense (other than a traffic offense for which



Executive is not sentenced to any term of imprisonment, whether immediate or suspended), (v) Executive's commission of any act of fraud or dishonesty or corrupt practice relating to the Company or any Group Company, any of its or their employees, customers or otherwise or a breach of the Foreign Corrupt Practices Act of 1977, as amended, and the rules and regulations thereunder, as such laws, rules and regulations may be amended from time to time, (vi) Executive's breach of any legislation or regulation in force which may affect or relate to the business or securities of the Company or any Group Company.

(f) "Termination For Good Reason" means Executive's termination of Executive's employment as a result of (i) a material adverse change in Executive's title, authority, duties or responsibilities other than (a) temporarily in the event of physical or mental incapacitation, (b) as required by applicable law or regulatory requirements, or (c) due to any such change made in the ordinary course of business that is due to an internal restructuring of employees and their corresponding titles, authorities, duties, and/or responsibilities (which exception (c) shall apply prior to a Change in Control only); (ii) a material reduction in Executive's Base Salary or target annual bonus except to the extent that the base salaries or target annual bonuses of all other similarly situated executives of the Company are similarly reduced; (iii) a relocation of Executive's principal office to a location that is in excess of fifty (50) miles from its location as of the Effective Date; or (iv) any material breach of this Agreement by the Company. Notwithstanding the foregoing, no termination of employment by Executive shall constitute a "Termination For Good Reason" unless (A) Executive gives the Company notice of the existence of an event described in clause (i), (ii), (iii) or (iv) above, within sixty (60) days following the occurrence thereof, (B) the Company does not remedy such event described in clause (i), (ii), (iii) or (iv) above, as applicable, within thirty (30) days of receiving the notice described in the preceding clause (A), and (C) Executive terminates employment within five (5) days of the end of the cure period specified in clause (B), above.

(g) "Termination Without Cause" means the termination by the Company or any Group Company of Executive's employment with the Company prior to the end of the Employment Period for any reason other than a termination for Permanent Disability or Executive's death, or a Termination For Cause and, for the avoidance of doubt, shall include the Company's giving notice pursuant to subparagraph 5(b) that the Employment Period will not be extended.

(h) "Voluntary Termination" means Executive's termination of Executive's employment with the Company for any reason, other than a Termination For Good Reason.

9. Executive Representations. Executive represents and warrants to the Company that (a) Executive is entering into this Agreement voluntarily and that the performance of Executive's obligations hereunder will not violate any agreement between Executive and any other person, firm, organization or other entity, (b) Executive is not bound by the terms of any agreement with any previous employer or other party to refrain from competing, directly or indirectly, with the business of such previous employer or other party that would be violated by Executive's entering into this Agreement and/or providing services to the Company pursuant to the terms of this Agreement, and (c) Executive is not subject to any pending or, to Executive's knowledge, threatened claim, action, judgment, or investigation that could adversely affect his ability to perform his obligations under this Agreement or the business reputation of the Company or any Group Company.



10. Survival. Subject to any limits on applicability contained therein, paragraph 7 hereof shall survive and continue in full force in accordance with its terms notwithstanding any termination of the Employment Period.

11. Taxes. The Company may withhold from any amounts payable under this Agreement all federal, state, city or other taxes as the Company is required to withhold pursuant to any applicable law, regulation or ruling. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement, the Company shall not be obligated to guarantee any particular tax result for Executive with respect to any payment provided to Executive hereunder, and Executive shall be responsible for any taxes imposed on Executive with respect to any such payment.

12. Notices. Any notice provided for in this Agreement shall be in writing and shall be either personally delivered, sent by reputable overnight carrier or mailed by first class mail, return receipt requested, to the recipient at the address below indicated:

Notices to Executive:

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Notices to the Company:

Seadrill Americas, Inc.  
Attn: EVP, HR  
11025 Equity Drive  
Suite 150  
Houston, Texas 77041

or such other address or to the attention of such other person as the recipient party shall have specified by prior written notice to the sending party. Any notice under this Agreement will be deemed to have been given when so delivered.

13. Severability. Whenever possible, each provision of this Agreement shall be interpreted in such manner as to be effective and valid under applicable law, but if any provision of this Agreement is held to be invalid or unenforceable in any respect under any applicable law, such invalidity or unenforceability shall not affect any other provision, but this Agreement shall be reformed, construed and enforced as if such invalid or unenforceable provision had never been contained herein.

14. Right to Offset. The Company may deduct from any money due to Executive any amount which Executive owes to any Group Company and Executive hereby consents to such deduction.

15. Prevailing Party's Litigation Expenses. In the event of litigation between the Company and Executive related to this Agreement, the non-prevailing party shall reimburse the prevailing party for any costs and expenses (including, without limitation, attorneys' fees) reasonably incurred by the prevailing party in connection therewith.

16. Complete Agreement. This Agreement embodies the complete agreement and understanding between the parties with respect to the subject matter hereof and effective as of its date supersedes and preempts any prior understandings, agreements or representations by or



between the parties or any Group Company, written or oral, which may have related to the subject matter hereof in any way, including the Prior Agreement, as described herein.

17. Counterparts. This Agreement may be executed in separate counterparts, each of which shall be deemed to be an original and both of which taken together shall constitute one and the same agreement.

18. Successors and Assigns. This Agreement shall bind and inure to the benefit of and be enforceable by Executive, the Company and their respective heirs, executors, personal representatives, successors and assigns, except that neither party may assign any rights or delegate any obligations hereunder without the prior written consent of the other party. Executive hereby consents to the assignment by the Company of all of its rights and obligations hereunder to any successor to the Company by merger, consolidation or purchase of all or substantially all of the Company's assets, or other corporate transaction, provided such transferee or successor assumes the liabilities of the Company hereunder.

19. Choice of Law. This Agreement shall be governed by, and construed in accordance with, the internal, substantive laws of the State of Texas. Executive agrees that the state and federal courts located in the State of Texas shall have jurisdiction in any action, suit or proceeding against Executive based on or arising out of this Agreement and Executive hereby: (a) submits to the personal jurisdiction of such courts; (b) consents to service of process in connection with any action, suit or proceeding against Executive; and (c) waives any other requirement (whether imposed by statute, rule of court or otherwise) with respect to personal jurisdiction, venue or service of process. The Company's powers under this Agreement will not be affected if the Company delays in enforcing any provision of this Agreement or Executive grants time to the Company.

20. Amendment and Waiver. The provisions of this Agreement may be amended or waived only with the prior written consent of the Company and Executive, and no course of conduct or failure or delay in enforcing the provisions of this Agreement shall affect the validity, binding effect or enforceability of this Agreement.

[SIGNATURES ON FOLLOWING PAGE]



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have executed this Agreement as of the date first written above.

**Seadrill Americas, Inc.**

By: /s/ Torsten Sauer-Petersen

Name: Torsten Sauer-Petersen

Title: Executive Vice President Human Resources

**EXECUTIVE**

/s/ Samir H. Ali

Samir H. Ali



Exhibit A

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*Exhibit 10.20*

**EMPLOYMENT AGREEMENT**

This EMPLOYMENT AGREEMENT (this “Agreement”) is entered into as of November 21, 2023 (the “Agreement Date”) between Seadrill Americas, Inc., a company incorporated in the State of Texas (the “Company”), Seadrill Management Limited, a company incorporated in England (“Seadrill Management”), each of whose ultimate parent company is Seadrill Limited, an exempted company incorporated and existing under the laws of Bermuda (“Seadrill”), and Torsten Sauer-Petersen (“Executive”).

WHEREAS, Executive and Seadrill Management are party to that certain Employment Agreement dated July 22, 2022, as amended from time to time (the “Prior Agreement”), pursuant to which Executive serves as the Executive Vice President Human Resources of Seadrill;

WHEREAS, Seadrill is in the process of moving its Corporate London Office to Houston, Texas;

WHEREAS, the parties desire that Executive relocate to the Houston, Texas area and effective as of the Effective Date, Executive be employed by the Company and continue to serve as the Executive Vice President Human Resources of Seadrill and such offices of the other Group Companies that Executive currently holds;

WHEREAS, the parties desire to clarify the effect of this Agreement on the Prior Agreement and Executive’s rights thereunder; and

WHEREAS, Executive and Seadrill Management are party to those certain Time-Vested Restricted Stock Unit Award Agreements, dated August 6, 2022 and September 25, 2023 and those certain Performance-Based Restricted Stock Unit Award Agreements, dated August 6, 2022 and September 25, 2023 and may become party to additional award agreements after the Agreement Date and prior to the Effective Date, in each case, under Seadrill Management’s Management Incentive Plan (the “MIP Award Agreements”).

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual covenants contained herein and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, the parties hereto agree as follows:

1. Certain Definitions. Certain words or phrases used herein with initial capital letters shall have the meanings set forth in paragraph 9 hereof.

2. Effectiveness of this Agreement; Termination of Prior Agreement. The Prior Agreement shall terminate and be of no further force or effect by mutual agreement between Seadrill Management and Executive, and this Agreement shall become effective upon the date Executive relocates to the Houston, Texas area (the “Effective Date”). Executive shall relocate to the Houston, Texas area within ninety (90) days after Executive obtains all permits, visas and approvals required for Executive to live and work in the United States in accordance with the immigration laws of the United States (the “Immigration Approval”). Notwithstanding the foregoing, or anything in the Prior Agreement to the contrary, as of the Agreement Date, Executive may not assert, and hereby waives, any “Good Reason” rights arising under the Prior Agreement as a result of the request that Executive relocate to the Houston, Texas area (provided



that Executive obtains Immigration Approval but regardless of whether Executive actually relocates to the Houston, Texas area following the Immigration Approval). To the extent Executive does not relocate to the Houston, Texas area within ninety (90) days of the Immigration Approval (or such longer period as may be approved by the Chief Executive Officer), Executive will be considered to have voluntarily terminated his employment without Good Reason under the Prior Agreement. Upon the Effective Date, the Company shall become Executive's employer. The termination of the Prior Agreement upon the Effective Date and immediate effectiveness of this Agreement shall not constitute an event giving rise to termination of employment or any notice requirements or severance amounts or other amounts payable under the Prior Agreement or any other agreement, including for the avoidance of doubt, the MIP Award Agreements.

3. Employment. The Company shall employ Executive, and Executive accepts employment with the Company as of the Effective Date, upon the terms and conditions set forth in this Agreement for the period beginning on the Effective Date and ending as provided in paragraph 6 hereof (the "Employment Period"). Notwithstanding anything in this Agreement to the contrary, Executive will be an at-will employee of the Company and Executive or the Company may terminate Executive's employment with the Company for any reason or no reason at any time.

4. Position and Duties.

(a) During the Employment Period, Executive shall continue to serve as the Executive Vice President Human Resources of Seadrill and such offices of the other Group Companies as Executive currently holds and shall have the normal duties, responsibilities and authority of an executive serving in such position, subject to the power of the Board or the Chief Executive Officer to expand or limit such duties, responsibilities and authority, either generally or in specific instances.

(b) During the Employment Period, Executive shall continue to report to the Chief Executive Officer of Seadrill.

(c) During the Employment Period, Executive shall:

(i) devote Executive's best efforts and Executive's full business time and attention (except for permitted vacation periods and reasonable periods of illness or other incapacity) to the business and affairs of the Company, Seadrill, and all of Seadrill's subsidiary companies from time to time (each of the Company, Seadrill and such subsidiaries, a "Group Company" and collectively, the "Group Companies");

(ii) perform Executive's duties and responsibilities to the best of Executive's abilities in a faithful, diligent, trustworthy, businesslike and efficient manner;

(iii) keep the Chief Executive Officer fully informed of Executive's conduct of the business of any Group Company for which Executive is responsible in a prompt and timely manner;

(iv) obey all reasonable, lawful and proper directions and requests of the Chief Executive Officer;

(v) act in such a way as to promote and protect the interests and reputation of every Group Company;



(vi) comply with all Group Company policies and procedures, including anti-corruption and bribery policies; and

(vii) bring to the attention of the Chief Executive Officer any relevant material business opportunities for any Group Company of which Executive becomes aware.

(d) Executive will not, whether during or outside regular business hours:

(i) directly or indirectly be engaged or concerned in the conduct of any business activity whether as shareholder, employee, director or other officer (except as a representative of the Company or with the prior written consent of the Board or the Chief Executive Officer, which shall not be unreasonably withheld); or

(ii) accept any appointment as director of any company which is not a Group Company without the prior written consent of the Board or the Chief Executive Officer, which shall not be unreasonably withheld.

(e) Executive shall perform Executive's duties and responsibilities principally at the office of the Company in the Houston, Texas area. Executive may be required to travel and work outside of the Houston, Texas area from time to time including at other Group Company locations or client locations but, unless otherwise agreed with the Chief Executive Officer, Executive will not be required to live outside of the Houston, Texas area.

#### 5. Compensation and Benefits.

(a) Salary. The Company agrees to pay Executive a salary during the Employment Period in installments based on the Company's practices as may be in effect from time to time. Executive's initial salary shall be at the rate of \$372,000 per year (the "Base Salary"). The Board shall review and may adjust Executive's salary from time to time.

(b) Annual Bonus. During the Employment Period, Executive will be eligible for an annual bonus of up to 75% of Executive's Base Salary, based on the achievement of specified performance goals (as determined by the Board). For the avoidance of doubt, the annual bonus that may be earned for the calendar year ending December 31, 2023 may be earned based on the percentage set forth in the prior sentence of this subparagraph 5(b). Except as otherwise provided, Executive must be employed by the Company on the date any bonus is paid to be eligible to receive such bonus.

(c) Benefits.

(i) Standard Benefits Package. Executive shall be entitled during the Employment Period to participate, on the same basis as other employees of the Company, in the Company's Standard Benefits Package. The Company's "Standard Benefits Package" means those benefits (including insurance and other benefits, but excluding, except as hereinafter provided in subparagraph 7(b), any severance pay program or policy of the Company) for which substantially all of the employees of the Company are from time to time generally eligible, as determined from time to time by the Board.



(ii) Tax Advice. Executive shall be provided with tax advice and support with preparation of Executive's tax returns.

(d) Vacation. During the Employment Period, Executive shall be entitled to twenty-five (25) days of paid vacation during each calendar year.

(e) Indemnification. With respect to Executive's acts or failures to act during the Employment Period in Executive's capacity as a director, officer, employee or agent of the Company, Executive shall be entitled to liability insurance coverage on the same basis as other directors and officers of Seadrill.

6. Employment Period.

(a) Except as hereinafter provided, the Employment Period shall continue until, and shall end upon, the first anniversary of the Effective Date.

(b) On the first anniversary of the Effective Date and on each anniversary thereafter, unless the Employment Period shall have ended pursuant to subparagraph 6(c) below or the Company shall have given Executive thirty (30) days written notice that the Employment Period will not be extended, the Employment Period shall be extended for an additional year. If the Company gives Executive thirty (30) days written notice that the Employment Period will not be extended, this will be considered a Termination Without Cause.

(c) Notwithstanding (a) or (b) above, the Employment Period shall end upon the first to occur of any of the following events:

- (i) Executive's death;
- (ii) the Company's termination of Executive's employment due to Permanent Disability;
- (iii) a Termination For Cause;
- (iv) a Termination Without Cause;
- (v) a Termination For Good Reason; or
- (vi) a Voluntary Termination.

7. Post-Employment Payments.

(a) Accrued Payments. At the end of Executive's employment for any reason, Executive shall cease to have any rights to salary, equity awards, expense reimbursements or other benefits, except that Executive shall be entitled to (i) any Base Salary which has accrued but is unpaid, any reimbursable expenses which have been incurred but are unpaid, and any unexpired vacation days which have accrued under the Company's vacation policy but are unused, as of the end of the Employment Period, (ii) any equity compensation rights or plan benefits which by their terms extend beyond termination of Executive's employment (but only to the extent provided in any equity compensation theretofore granted to Executive or any other benefit plan in which Executive has participated as an employee of the Company and excluding, except as hereinafter provided in subparagraph 7(b), any severance pay program or policy of the Company) and (iii) any benefits to which Executive is entitled under Part 6 of Subtitle B



of Title I of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, as amended (“COBRA”). In addition, Executive shall be entitled to the additional amounts described in subparagraph 7(b), in the circumstances described in such subparagraph.

(b) Termination Without Cause or Termination For Good Reason. If the Employment Period ends early pursuant to paragraph 6 on account of a Termination Without Cause or a Termination For Good Reason, the Company shall continue to pay Executive Executive’s Base Salary at the time of such termination and, if Executive timely and properly elects continuation of health care coverage under COBRA, the Company shall reimburse Executive for the portion of the monthly COBRA premium paid by Executive that is typically covered by the employer for active employees (the “COBRA Continuation”), in each case, for a period of eighteen (18) months following such termination in accordance with the Company’s normal payroll practices. Notwithstanding the foregoing, such COBRA Continuation shall terminate on the earliest of: (i) the end of the eighteen (18)-month period; (ii) the date Executive is no longer eligible to receive COBRA coverage; and (iii) the date on which Executive becomes eligible for group medical coverage from another employer or the employer of a spouse. Additionally, if the Employment Period ends early pursuant to paragraph 6 on account of a Termination Without Cause or Termination For Good Reason, Executive shall be entitled to receive a pro rata amount of the bonus (if any) Executive would have otherwise received pursuant to paragraph 5(b) for the year in which the Employment Period ends (based on the number of days during such bonus year Executive was employed up to and including the last day of the Employment Period), which such bonus amount (if any) shall be based on the extent to which the performance measures are met but assuming satisfaction of any personal objectives, and shall be payable at the same time as bonuses are paid to employees generally.

(c) Compliance with Restrictive Covenants. It is expressly understood that the Company’s payment obligations under subparagraph 7(b) shall cease in the event Executive breaches any of the agreements in paragraph 8 hereof and in such event, to the extent any payment was previously made to Executive under subparagraph 7(b), Executive will immediately return any such payment to the Company.

(d) No Mitigation. Executive shall not be required to mitigate the amount of any payment provided for in this Agreement by seeking other employment.

(e) Release. Notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, the Company shall not be obligated to make any payment under subparagraph 7(b) hereof unless (i) prior to the 60<sup>th</sup> day following the Termination Without Cause or Termination For Good Reason, Executive executes a release of all current or future claims, known or unknown, arising on or before the date of the release against any of the Group Companies and their respective directors, officers, employees and affiliates, in a form approved by the Company and (ii) any applicable revocation period has expired during such 60-day period without Executive revoking such release.

(f) Payment Timing. The amounts payable to Executive pursuant to subparagraph 7(b) shall commence or become payable on the first regularly scheduled payroll date following the 60<sup>th</sup> day after the Termination Without Cause or Termination For Good Reason, subject to subparagraph 7(e), with the aggregate of any payments that would otherwise have been paid prior to such payroll date paid to Executive in a lump sum on such payroll date.

(g) Liquidation. Executive will have no claim against any Group Company, including that a Termination Without Cause or a Termination For Good Reason has



occurred, if Executive's employment is terminated by reason of a liquidation in order to reconstruct or amalgamate the Company or by reason of reorganization of the Company and:

- (i) Executive is offered employment with the company succeeding the Company upon such liquidation or reorganization; and
- (ii) the new terms of employment offered to Executive are no less favorable to Executive than the terms of this Agreement.

8. Restrictive Covenants

(a) Acknowledgements and Agreements. Executive hereby acknowledges and agrees that in the performance of Executive's duties to the Company during the Employment Period, Executive will be brought into frequent contact with existing and potential customers of the Group Companies throughout the world. Executive also agrees that trade secrets and confidential information of the Group Companies, more fully described in subparagraph 8(f), gained by Executive during Executive's association with the Group Companies, have been developed by each Group Company through substantial expenditures of time, effort and money and constitute valuable and unique property of the Group Companies. Executive further understands and agrees that the foregoing makes it necessary for the protection of the Businesses that Executive not compete with the Businesses during Executive's employment with the Company and not compete with the Businesses for a reasonable period thereafter, as further provided in the following subparagraphs.

(b) Covenants During Employment Period. While employed by the Company, Executive will not compete with the Businesses anywhere in the world. In accordance with this restriction, but without limiting its terms, while employed by the Company, Executive will not:

- (i) enter into or engage in any business which competes with the Businesses;
- (ii) solicit customers, business, patronage or orders for, or sell, any products or services in competition with, or for any business that competes with, the Businesses;
- (iii) divert, entice or otherwise take away any customers, business, patronage or orders of the Group Companies or attempt to do so; or
- (iv) promote or assist, financially or otherwise, any person, firm, association, partnership, corporation or other entity engaged in any business which competes with the Businesses.

(c) Non-Competition. For a period of twelve (12) months following the termination of Executive's employment, Executive shall not be employed in, or carry on for Executive's own account or for any other person, or provide advisory services to (whether directly or indirectly), or be a director of any company, business or venture, which:

- (i) is, or is about to be in competition with the Businesses (or any part thereof); or



(ii) is likely to result in the intentional or unintentional disclosure or use of Confidential Information by Executive in order for Executive to properly discharge Executive's duties or further Executive's interest in that company business or venture.

(d) Non-Solicitation. For a period of twelve (12) months following the termination of Executive's employment, Executive shall not (either on Executive's own behalf or for or with any other person), whether directly or indirectly:

(i) in respect of any Goods and/or Services:

(A) solicit, facilitate the solicitation of, or canvass the custom or business of any Customer, or

(B) solicit, facilitate the solicitation of, or canvas the custom or business of any Prospective Customer; or

(ii) in respect of any Employee:

(A) solicit or entice or endeavor to solicit or entice any Employee to leave such Employee's employment with or cease such Employee's directorship or consultancy with any Group Company, whether or not that person would breach any obligations owed to the Company or any relevant Group Company by so doing, or

(B) offer employment or any contract for services to or employ or engage any Employee.

(e) Non-Interference. For a period of twelve (12) months following the termination of Executive's employment, Executive shall not (either on Executive's own behalf or for or with any other person), whether directly or indirectly:

(i) in regards to any Customer or Prospective Customer:

(A) deal with or supply any Customer, or

(B) deal with or supply any Prospective Customer; or

(ii) in regards to any Supplier:

(A) deal with or accept the supply of any goods or services from any Supplier where such supply is likely to be to the detriment of any Group Company whether by causing the Supplier to reduce or alter the terms or quantity of supply to the Group Company or, where the value of the Group Company's arrangement with the Supplier is diminished; or

(B) solicit, facilitate the solicitation of, or canvass the supply of any goods or services from any Supplier where such supply is likely to be to the detriment of any Group Company whether by causing the Supplier to reduce or alter the terms or quantity of supply to the Group Company, or where the value of the Group Company's arrangement with the Supplier is diminished.



(f) Confidential Information. Executive shall not (except in the proper performance of Executive's duties) use or disclose to any person, company or other organization (and shall use every reasonable endeavor to prevent the publication or disclosure of) any of the trade secrets or confidential information of any Group Company. This restriction shall continue to apply after the termination of Executive's employment but will not apply to information or knowledge which may come into the public domain other than through unauthorized disclosure, or any use or disclosure authorized by the Board or required by law.

(i) For purposes of this subparagraph 8(f), trade secrets and confidential information include but will not be limited to:

(A) information relating to the business methods, corporate plans, management systems, finances, new business opportunities, research and development projects, marketing or sales of any past, present or future product or service of any Group Company;

(B) secret formulae, processes, inventions, designed, know-how discoveries, technical specifications and other technical information relating to the creation, production or supply of any past, present or future product or services of any Group Company;

(C) lists or details of customers, potential customers or suppliers of the arrangements made with any customer or supplier of any Group Company;

(D) any information in respect of which any Group Company owes an obligation of confidentiality to any third party (provided that with respect to such third party Executive knows or reasonably should have known that the third party provided it to any Group Company on a confidential basis);

(E) information and details of and concerning the engagement, employment and termination of employment of Executive and any other personnel;

(F) information concerning any litigation proposed, in progress or settled; and,

(G) any other information in whatever form (written, oral, visual and electronic) concerning the confidential affairs of any Group Company.

(ii) During Executive's employment, Executive shall not make (other than for the benefit of any Group Company) any record or copy (whether on paper, computer memory, disc or otherwise) relating to any matter within the scope of the business of any Group Company or their customers and supplies or concerning its or their dealings or affairs or (either during Executive's employment or afterwards) use such records (or allow them to be used) other than for the benefit of the Company or the other relevant Group Company. All such records (and any copies of them) shall belong to the Company or the other relevant Group Company and shall be handed over to the Company by Executive on the termination of the Employment or at any time during the Employment at the request of the Company.



(g) Intellectual Property. Executive shall give the Company full written details of all Inventions and of all works embodying Intellectual Property Rights made wholly or partially by Executive at any time during the course of Executive's employment. Executive acknowledges that all Intellectual Property Rights subsisting (or which may in the future subsist) in all such Inventions and works shall automatically, on creation, vest in the Company absolutely. To the extent that they do not vest automatically, Executive holds them on trust for the Company. Executive agrees promptly to execute all documents and do all acts as may, in the opinion of the Company, be necessary to give effect to this subparagraph 8(g).

(i) Executive hereby irrevocably waives Executive's entire right, title, and interest in and to all Inventions and Intellectual Property Rights therein, including the right to sue, counterclaim, and recover for all past, present and future infringement, misappropriation, or dilution thereof, and all rights corresponding thereto throughout the world, including, without limitation, all moral rights under the Copyright, Designs and Patents Act 1988 of the United Kingdom (and all similar rights in other jurisdictions) which Executive has or will have in any existing or future works referred to in this subparagraph 8(g).

(ii) Rights and obligations under this subparagraph 8(g) will continue after the termination of this Agreement in respect of all Inventions, works and information made or obtained during the Employment Period and will be binding on the personal representatives of Executive.

(iii) By entering into this Agreement, Executive irrevocably appoints the Company to act on Executive's behalf to execute any document and do anything in Executive's name for the purpose of giving the Company (or its nominee) the full benefit of the provisions of this subparagraph 8(g) or the Company's entitlement under statute. If there is any doubt as to whether such a document (or other thing) has been carried out within the authority conferred by this subparagraph 8(g)(iii), a certificate in writing (signed by any director of the Company) will be sufficient to prove that the act or thing falls within that authority.

(h) Non-Disparagement. During the Employment Period and at all times thereafter, regardless of the reason for the termination of the Employment Period, each of the Company and the Executive agrees that it shall not (and the Company shall ensure that each other Group Company shall not) make negative comments to third parties or otherwise disparage the Executive, the Company or any other Group Company to any third parties. The provisions of this subparagraph 8(h) will not be breached in respect of any truthful statements made by the Executive or any Group Company in response to any legal proceedings or regulatory investigations.

(i) Certain Definitions for this Paragraph 8. For purposes of this paragraph 8:

(i) "Businesses" shall mean offshore drilling and any other trade or commercial activity which is carried on by any Group Company or which any Group Company shall have determined to carry on with a view to profit in the immediate or foreseeable future.

(ii) "Confidential Information" shall have the meaning given to trade secrets and confidential information in subparagraph 8(f).



(iii) “Customer” shall mean any person who at any time during the 12 months immediately preceding the termination of Executive’s employment was a customer of any Group Company with whom Executive had material dealings or in relation to whom Executive acquired confidential information.

(iv) “Employee” shall mean any individual who is employed or engaged by any Group Company, or any person who, during the 12 months immediately preceding the termination of Executive’s employment, is or was employed or engaged by any Group Company.

(v) “Intellectual Property Rights” shall mean patents, utility models, rights to Inventions, copyright and neighboring and related rights, moral rights, trademarks and service marks, business names and domain names, rights in get-up and trade dress, goodwill and the right to sue for passing off or unfair competition, rights in designs, rights in computer software, database rights, rights to use, and protect the confidentiality of, confidential information (including know-how and trade secrets) and all other intellectual property rights, in each case whether registered or unregistered and including all applications and rights to apply for and be granted, renewals or extensions of, and rights to claim priority from, such rights and all similar or equivalent rights or forms of protection which subsist or will subsist now or in the future in any part of the world.

(vi) “Invention” shall mean any invention, idea, discovery, development, improvement or innovation, whether or not patentable or capable of registration, and whether or not recorded in any medium.

(vii) “Goods and/or Services” shall mean any goods and/or services competitive with those supplied by any Group Company at any time during the 12 months immediately preceding the termination of Executive’s employment and in relation to which Executive was materially involved or concerned or for which Executive was directly responsible during that time.

(viii) “Prospective Customer” shall mean any person who was at any time during the 12 months immediately preceding the termination of Executive’s employment engaged in negotiations, with which Executive was personally involved, with any Group Company with a view to obtaining Goods and/or Services from any Group Company or in relation to whom Executive has acquired Confidential Information.

(ix) “Supplier” shall mean any person with whom Executive had material dealings at any time during the 12 months immediately preceding the termination of Executive’s employment and who during that period supplied goods or services to any Group Company on terms other than those available to another purchaser in the market during that period, whether by reason of exclusivity (either de facto or contractually obliged), price or otherwise.

(j) Return of Company Property. Executive agrees that upon termination of Executive’s employment with the Company, for any reason, Executive shall

(i) return to the Company or any relevant Group Company, in good condition, all property of the Company, including without limitation, the originals and all copies of any files, sketches, plans, drawings, equipment, tools, instruments, computers, devices, telephones, credit cards, letters, calendars, reports, memoranda, notes, correspondence, databases, discs, records, books,



papers, letters, CD ROMs, keys, computer access codes, forms, contracts, software programs, information and records, training guides and manuals, and other documents or materials that Executive made, compiled, copied or acquired during Executive's employment that relate to the business, finances or affairs of the Company or any Group Company or which contain, reflect, summarize, describe, analyze or refer or relate to any items of information listed in subparagraph 8(f) of this Agreement, and that are in Executive's possession, custody or control;

(ii) irrevocably delete and erase any information relating to the business of any Group Company stored on any computer, technological or memory device maintained or used by Executive for work purposes during Executive's employment and which is in Executive's possession, custody, care or control outside the premises of the Company and, if required by the Company, deliver any such equipment (electronic or otherwise) that is not company property and was used for the storage of the matters in subparagraph 8(j)(i) above so that the Company may review and delete and erase the same;

(iii) transfer (without payment) to the Company (or as it may direct) any qualifying nominee shareholdings which Executive holds in connection with Executive's employment with the Company and Executive hereby irrevocably appoints the Company to be Executive's attorney to execute such transfers on Executive's behalf; and

(iv) return all other property belonging or relating to any of the Group Companies.

(k) Notwithstanding any other provisions of this Agreement, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 1833(b), an individual will not be held criminally or civilly liable under any federal or state trade secret law for the disclosure of a trade secret that is made: (I) solely for the purpose of reporting or investigating a suspected violation of law and in confidence to a federal, state or local government official (either directly or indirectly) or to an attorney; or (II) in a complaint or other document filed in a lawsuit or other proceeding, if such filing is made under seal. An individual who files a lawsuit for retaliation by an employer for reporting a suspected violation of law may disclose the trade secret to the attorney of the individual and use the trade secret information in the court proceeding, if the individual files any document containing the trade secret under seal; and does not disclose the trade secret, except pursuant to court order.

(l) Communication of Contents of Agreement. While employed by the Company and for one (1) year thereafter, Executive will communicate the contents of paragraph 8 of this Agreement to any person, firm, association, partnership, corporation or other entity that Executive intends to be employed by, associated with, or represent.

(m) Relief. Executive acknowledges and agrees that the remedy at law available to the Company for breach of any of Executive's obligations under this Agreement would be inadequate. Executive therefore agrees that, in addition to any other rights or remedies that the Company may have at law or in equity, temporary and permanent injunctive relief may be granted in any proceeding which may be brought to enforce any provision contained in subparagraphs 8(b), 8(c), 8(d), 8(e), 8(f), 8(g), 8(h) and 8(i) inclusive, of this Agreement, without the necessity of proof of actual damage.

(n) Reasonableness. Executive acknowledges that Executive's obligations under this paragraph 8 are reasonable in the context of the nature of the Businesses and



the competitive injuries likely to be sustained by the Company and the other Group Companies if Executive were to violate such obligations. Executive further acknowledges that this Agreement is made in consideration of, and is adequately supported by the agreement of the Company to perform its obligations under this Agreement and by other consideration, which Executive acknowledges constitutes good, valuable and sufficient consideration.

9. Definitions.

(a) “Board” means the Board of Directors of Seadrill from time to time or any person or committee nominated by the Board as its representative for the purpose of this Agreement.

(b) “Change in Control” shall have the meaning ascribed thereto in the Seadrill Management Limited 2022 Management Incentive Plan, as amended from time to time.

(c) “Chief Executive Officer” means the Chief Executive Officer from time to time of Seadrill.

(d) “Permanent Disability” means that Executive, because of accident, disability, or physical or mental illness, is incapable of performing Executive’s duties to the Company or any Group Company, as determined by the Board. Notwithstanding the foregoing, Executive will be deemed to have become incapable of performing Executive’s duties to the Company or any Group Company, if Executive is incapable of so doing for (i) a continuous period of 90 days and remains so incapable at the end of such 90 day period or (ii) periods amounting in the aggregate to 180 days within any one period of 365 days and remains so incapable at the end of such aggregate period of 180 days.

(e) “Termination For Cause” means the termination by the Company or any Group Company of Executive’s employment with the Company as a result of (i) Executive’s serious or repeated breach of this Agreement, (ii) Executive’s failure to comply with any reasonable and lawful order or direction given to him by the Board or Chief Executive Officer, (iii) Executive’s commission of any gross misconduct or conduct (whether in connection with Executive’s employment with the Company or not) which in the reasonable opinion of the Board or the Chief Executive Officer is or could reasonably be expected to be materially harmful to the Company or any Group Company, (iv) Executive’s conviction of any criminal offense (other than a traffic offense for which Executive is not sentenced to any term of imprisonment, whether immediate or suspended), (v) Executive’s commission of any act of fraud or dishonesty or corrupt practice relating to the Company or any Group Company, any of its or their employees, customers or otherwise, or a breach of the Foreign Corrupt Practices Act of 1977, as amended, and the rules and regulations thereunder, as such laws, rules and regulations may be amended from time to time, (vi) Executive’s breach of any legislation or regulation in force which may affect or relate to the business or securities of the Company or any Group Company.

(f) “Termination For Good Reason” means Executive’s termination of Executive’s employment as a result of (i) a material adverse change in Executive’s title, authority, duties or responsibilities other than (a) temporarily in the event of physical or mental incapacitation, (b) as required by applicable law or regulatory requirements, or (c) due to any such change made in the ordinary course of business that is due to an internal restructuring of employees and their corresponding titles, authorities, duties, and/or



responsibilities (which exception (c) shall apply prior to a Change in Control only); (ii) a material reduction in Executive's Base Salary or target annual bonus except to the extent that the base salaries or target annual bonuses of all other similarly situated executives of the Company are similarly reduced; (iii) a relocation of Executive's principal office to a location that is in excess of fifty (50) miles from its location as of the Effective Date; or (iv) any material breach of this Agreement by the Company. Notwithstanding the foregoing, no termination of employment by Executive shall constitute a "Termination For Good Reason" unless (A) Executive gives the Company notice of the existence of an event described in clause (i), (ii), (iii) or (iv) above, within sixty (60) days following the occurrence thereof, (B) the Company does not remedy such event described in clause (i), (ii), (iii) or (iv) above, as applicable, within thirty (30) days of receiving the notice described in the preceding clause (A), and (C) Executive terminates employment within five (5) days of the end of the cure period specified in clause (B), above.

(g) "Termination Without Cause" means the termination by the Company or any Group Company of Executive's employment with the Company prior to the end of the Employment Period for any reason other than a termination for Permanent Disability or Executive's death, or a Termination For Cause and, for the avoidance of doubt, shall include the Company's giving notice pursuant to subparagraph 6(b) that the Employment Period will not be extended.

(h) "Voluntary Termination" means Executive's termination of Executive's employment with the Company for any reason, other than a Termination For Good Reason.

10. Executive Representations. Executive represents and warrants to the Company that (a) Executive is entering into this Agreement voluntarily and that the performance of Executive's obligations hereunder will not violate any agreement between Executive and any other person, firm, organization or other entity, (b) Executive is not bound by the terms of any agreement with any previous employer or other party to refrain from competing, directly or indirectly, with the business of such previous employer or other party that would be violated by Executive's entering into this Agreement and/or providing services to the Company pursuant to the terms of this Agreement, and (c) Executive is not subject to any pending or, to Executive's knowledge, threatened claim, action, judgment, or investigation that could adversely affect his ability to perform his obligations under this Agreement or the business reputation of the Company or any Group Company.

11. Survival. Subject to any limits on applicability contained therein, paragraph 8 hereof shall survive and continue in full force in accordance with its terms notwithstanding any termination of the Employment Period.

12. Taxes. The Company may withhold from any amounts payable under this Agreement all federal, state, city or other taxes as the Company is required to withhold pursuant to any applicable law, regulation or ruling. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement, the Company shall not be obligated to guarantee any particular tax result for Executive with respect to any payment provided to Executive hereunder, and Executive shall be responsible for any taxes imposed on Executive with respect to any such payment.

13. Notices. Any notice provided for in this Agreement shall be in writing and shall be either personally delivered, sent by reputable overnight carrier or mailed by first class mail, return receipt requested, to the recipient at the address below indicated:

Notices to Executive:



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Notices to the Company:

Seadrill Americas, Inc.  
Attn: General Counsel  
11025 Equity Drive  
Suite 150 Houston, Texas 77041

or such other address or to the attention of such other person as the recipient party shall have specified by prior written notice to the sending party. Any notice under this Agreement will be deemed to have been given when so delivered.

14. Severability. Whenever possible, each provision of this Agreement shall be interpreted in such manner as to be effective and valid under applicable law, but if any provision of this Agreement is held to be invalid or unenforceable in any respect under any applicable law, such invalidity or unenforceability shall not affect any other provision, but this Agreement shall be reformed, construed and enforced as if such invalid or unenforceable provision had never been contained herein.

15. Right to Offset. The Company may deduct from any money due to Executive any amount which Executive owes to any Group Company and Executive hereby consents to such deduction.

16. Prevailing Party's Litigation Expenses. In the event of litigation between the Company and Executive related to this Agreement, the non-prevailing party shall reimburse the prevailing party for any costs and expenses (including, without limitation, attorneys' fees) reasonably incurred by the prevailing party in connection therewith.

17. Complete Agreement. This Agreement embodies the complete agreement and understanding between the parties with respect to the subject matter hereof and effective as of its date supersedes and preempts any prior understandings, agreements or representations by or between the parties or any Group Company, written or oral, which may have related to the subject matter hereof in any way, including the Prior Agreement, as described herein; provided, however, that nothing herein shall impact the applicability of the MIP Award Agreements.

18. Counterparts. This Agreement may be executed in separate counterparts, each of which shall be deemed to be an original and both of which taken together shall constitute one and the same agreement.

19. Successors and Assigns. This Agreement shall bind and inure to the benefit of and be enforceable by Executive, the Company and their respective heirs, executors, personal representatives, successors and assigns, except that neither party may assign any rights or delegate any obligations hereunder without the prior written consent of the other party. Executive hereby consents to the assignment by the Company of all of its rights and obligations hereunder to any successor to the Company by merger, consolidation or purchase of all or substantially all of the Company's assets, or other corporate transaction, provided such transferee or successor assumes the liabilities of the Company hereunder.

20. Choice of Law. This Agreement shall be governed by, and construed in accordance with, the internal, substantive laws of the State of Texas. Executive agrees that the state and federal courts located in the State of Texas shall have jurisdiction in any action, suit or



proceeding against Executive based on or arising out of this Agreement and Executive hereby: (a) submits to the personal jurisdiction of such courts; (b) consents to service of process in connection with any action, suit or proceeding against Executive; and (c) waives any other requirement (whether imposed by statute, rule of court or otherwise) with respect to personal jurisdiction, venue or service of process. The Company's powers under this Agreement will not be affected if the Company delays in enforcing any provision of this Agreement or Executive grants time to the Company.

21. Amendment and Waiver. The provisions of this Agreement may be amended or waived only with the prior written consent of the Company and Executive, and no course of conduct or failure or delay in enforcing the provisions of this Agreement shall affect the validity, binding effect or enforceability of this Agreement.

[SIGNATURES ON FOLLOWING PAGE]



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have executed this Agreement as of the date first written above.

**Seadrill Americas, Inc.**

By: /s/ Simon Johnson  
Name: Simon Johnson  
Title: Chief Executive Officer

**Seadrill Management Limited**

By: /s/ Simon Johnson  
Name: Simon Johnson  
Title: Chief Executive Officer

**EXECUTIVE**

/s/ Torsten Sauer-Petersen  
Torsten Sauer-Petersen



*Exhibit 10.21*

**EMPLOYMENT AGREEMENT**

This EMPLOYMENT AGREEMENT (this "Agreement") is entered into as of November 21, 2023 (the "Effective Date") between Seadrill Americas, Inc., a company incorporated in the State of Texas (the "Company"), whose parent company is Seadrill Limited, a company incorporated in Bermuda ("Seadrill"), and Todd Strickler ("Executive").

WHEREAS, Executive and the Company are party to that certain Employment Agreement dated February 1, 2023 (the "Prior Agreement"), pursuant to which Executive serves as the General Counsel of the Group Companies;

WHEREAS, the Company and Executive desire to amend and restate the Prior Agreement in the form hereof.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual covenants contained herein and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, the parties hereto agree as follows:

1. Certain Definitions. Certain words or phrases used herein with initial capital letters shall have the meanings set forth in paragraph 8 hereof.
2. Employment. The Company shall continue to employ Executive, and Executive desires to remain in the continued employ of the Company as of the Effective Date, upon the terms and conditions set forth in this Agreement for the period beginning on the Effective Date and ending as provided in paragraph 5 hereof (the "Employment Period"). Notwithstanding anything in this Agreement to the contrary, Executive will be an at-will employee of the Company and Executive or the Company may terminate Executive's employment with the Company for any reason or no reason at any time.
3. Position and Duties.
  - (a) During the Employment Period, Executive shall serve as Senior Vice President and General Counsel of Seadrill and shall continue to serve in such offices of the other Group Companies as Executive currently holds and shall have the normal duties, responsibilities and authority of an executive serving in such position, subject to the power of the Board or the Chief Executive Officer to expand or limit such duties, responsibilities and authority, either generally or in specific instances.
  - (b) During the Employment Period, Executive shall continue to report to the Chief Executive Officer of Seadrill.
  - (c) During the Employment Period, Executive shall:
    - (i) devote Executive's best efforts and Executive's full business time and attention (except for permitted vacation periods and reasonable periods of illness or other incapacity) to the business and affairs of the Company Seadrill, and all of Seadrill's subsidiary companies from time to time (each of the Company, Seadrill and such subsidiaries, a "Group Company" and collectively, the "Group Companies");



- (ii) perform Executive's duties and responsibilities to the best of Executive's abilities in a faithful, diligent, trustworthy, businesslike and efficient manner;
  - (iii) keep the Chief Executive Officer fully informed of Executive's conduct of the business of any Group Company for which Executive is responsible in a prompt and timely manner;
  - (iv) obey all reasonable, lawful and proper directions and requests of the Chief Executive Officer;
  - (v) act in such a way as to promote and protect the interests and reputation of every Group Company;
  - (vi) comply with all Group Company policies and procedures, including anti-corruption and bribery policies; and
  - (vii) bring to the attention of the Chief Executive Officer any relevant material business opportunities for any Group Company of which Executive becomes aware.
- (d) Executive will not, whether during or outside regular business hours:
- (i) directly or indirectly be engaged or concerned in the conduct of any business activity whether as shareholder, employee, director or other officer (except as a representative of the Company or with the prior written consent of the Board or the Chief Executive Officer, which shall not be unreasonably withheld); or
  - (ii) accept any appointment as director of any company which is not a Group Company without the prior written consent of the Board or the Chief Executive Officer which shall not be unreasonably withheld.
- (e) Executive shall perform Executive's duties and responsibilities principally at the office of the Company in the Houston, Texas area. Executive may be required to travel and work outside of the Houston, Texas area from time to time including at other Group Company locations or client locations but, unless otherwise agreed with the Chief Executive Officer, Executive will not be required to live outside of the Houston, Texas area.

4. Compensation and Benefits.

- (a) Salary. The Company agrees to pay Executive a salary during the Employment Period in installments based on the Company's practices as may be in effect from time to time. Executive's initial salary shall be at the rate of \$400,000.00 per year (the "Base Salary"). The Board shall review and may adjust Executive's salary from time to time.
- (b) Annual Bonus. During the Employment Period, Executive will be eligible for an annual bonus of up to 75% of Executive's Base Salary, based on the achievement of specified performance goals (as determined by the Board). Notwithstanding the foregoing, any annual bonus earned for the calendar year ending December 31, 2023 shall be prorated based on the number of days that elapse between February 1, 2023 (Executive's start date) and December 31, 2023. For the avoidance of doubt, the annual



bonus that may be earned for the calendar year ending December 31, 2023 may be earned based on the percentage set forth in the prior sentence of this subparagraph 4(b). Except as otherwise provided, Executive must be employed by the Company on the date any bonus is paid to be eligible to receive such bonus.

(c) Standard Benefits Package. Executive shall be entitled during the Employment Period to participate, on the same basis as other employees of the Company, in the Company's Standard Benefits Package. The Company's "Standard Benefits Package" means those benefits (including insurance and other benefits, but excluding, except as hereinafter provided in subparagraph 6(b), any severance pay program or policy of the Company) for which substantially all of the employees of the Company are from time to time generally eligible, as determined from time to time by the Board.

(d) Vacation. During the Employment Period, Executive shall be entitled to twenty-five (25) days of paid vacation during each calendar year.

(e) Indemnification. With respect to Executive's acts or failures to act during the Employment Period in Executive's capacity as a director, officer, employee or agent of the Company, Executive shall be entitled to liability insurance coverage on the same basis as other directors and officers of Seadrill.

5. Employment Period.

(a) Except as hereinafter provided, the Employment Period shall continue until, and shall end upon, the first anniversary of the Effective Date.

(b) On the first anniversary of the Effective Date and on each anniversary thereafter, unless the Employment Period shall have ended pursuant to subparagraph 5(c) below or the Company shall have given Executive thirty (30) days written notice that the Employment Period will not be extended, the Employment Period shall be extended for an additional year. If the Company gives Executive thirty (30) days written notice that the Employment Period will not be extended, this will be considered a Termination Without Cause.

(c) Notwithstanding (a) or (b) above, the Employment Period shall end upon the first to occur of any of the following events:

- (i) Executive's death;
- (ii) the Company's termination of Executive's employment due to Permanent Disability;
- (iii) a Termination For Cause;
- (iv) a Termination Without Cause;
- (v) a Termination For Good Reason; or
- (vi) a Voluntary Termination.

6. Post-Employment Payments.

(a) Accrued Payments. At the end of Executive's employment for any reason, Executive shall cease to have any rights to salary, equity awards, expense



reimbursements or other benefits, except that Executive shall be entitled to (i) any Base Salary which has accrued but is unpaid, any reimbursable expenses which have been incurred but are unpaid, and any unexpired vacation days which have accrued under the Company's vacation policy but are unused, as of the end of the Employment Period, (ii) any equity compensation rights or plan benefits which by their terms extend beyond termination of Executive's employment (but only to the extent provided in any equity compensation theretofore granted to Executive or any other benefit plan in which Executive has participated as an employee of the Company and excluding, except as hereinafter provided in subparagraph 6(b), any severance pay program or policy of the Company) and (iii) any benefits to which Executive is entitled under Part 6 of Subtitle B of Title I of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, as amended ("COBRA"). In addition, Executive shall be entitled to the additional amounts described in subparagraph 6(b), in the circumstances described in such subparagraph.

(b) Termination Without Cause or Termination For Good Reason. If the Employment Period ends early pursuant to paragraph 5 on account of a Termination Without Cause or a Termination For Good Reason, the Company shall continue to pay Executive Executive's Base Salary at the time of such termination and, if Executive timely and properly elects continuation of health care coverage under COBRA, the Company shall reimburse Executive for the portion of the monthly COBRA premium paid by Executive that is typically covered by the employer for active employees (the "COBRA Continuation"), in each case, for a period of eighteen (18) months following such termination in accordance with the Company's normal payroll practices. Notwithstanding the foregoing, such COBRA Continuation shall terminate on the earliest of: (i) the end of the eighteen (18)-month period; (ii) the date Executive is no longer eligible to receive COBRA coverage; and (iii) the date on which Executive becomes eligible for group medical coverage from another employer or the employer of a spouse. Additionally, if the Employment Period ends early pursuant to paragraph 5 on account of a Termination Without Cause or Termination For Good Reason, Executive shall be entitled to receive a pro rata amount of the bonus (if any) Executive would have otherwise received pursuant to paragraph 4(b) for the year in which the Employment Period ends (based on the number of days during such bonus year Executive was employed up to and including the last day of the Employment Period), which such bonus amount (if any) shall be based on the extent to which the performance measures are met but assuming satisfaction of any personal objectives, and shall be payable at the same time as bonuses are paid to employees generally.

(c) Compliance with Restrictive Covenants. It is expressly understood that the Company's payment obligations under subparagraph 6(b) shall cease in the event Executive breaches any of the agreements in paragraph 7 hereof and in such event, to the extent any payment was previously made to Executive under subparagraph 6(b), Executive will immediately return any such payment to the Company.

(d) No Mitigation. Executive shall not be required to mitigate the amount of any payment provided for in this Agreement by seeking other employment.

(e) Release. Notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, the Company shall not be obligated to make any payment under subparagraph 6(b) hereof unless (i) prior to the 60<sup>th</sup> day following the Termination Without Cause or Termination For Good Reason, Executive executes a release of all current or future claims, known or unknown, arising on or before the date of the release against any of the Group Companies and their respective directors, officers, employees and affiliates, in a form approved by the Company and (ii) any applicable revocation period has expired during such 60-day period without Executive revoking such release.



(f) Payment Timing. The amounts payable to Executive pursuant to subparagraph 6(b) shall commence or become payable on the first regularly scheduled payroll date following the 60<sup>th</sup> day after the Termination Without Cause or Termination For Good Reason, subject to subparagraph 6(e), with the aggregate of any payments that would otherwise have been paid prior to such payroll date paid to Executive in a lump sum on such payroll date.

(g) Liquidation. Executive will have no claim against any Group Company, including that a Termination Without Cause or a Termination For Good Reason has occurred, if Executive's employment is terminated by reason of a liquidation in order to reconstruct or amalgamate the Company or by reason of reorganization of the Company and:

(i) Executive is offered employment with the company succeeding the Company upon such liquidation or reorganization; and

(ii) the new terms of employment offered to Executive are no less favorable to Executive than the terms of this Agreement.

#### 7. Restrictive Covenants

(a) Acknowledgements and Agreements. Executive hereby acknowledges and agrees that in the performance of Executive's duties to the Company during the Employment Period, Executive will be brought into frequent contact with existing and potential customers of the Group Companies throughout the world. Executive also agrees that trade secrets and confidential information of the Group Companies, more fully described in subparagraph 7(f), gained by Executive during Executive's association with the Group Companies, have been developed by each Group Company through substantial expenditures of time, effort and money and constitute valuable and unique property of the Group Companies. Executive further understands and agrees that the foregoing makes it necessary for the protection of the Businesses that Executive not compete with the Businesses during Executive's employment with the Company and not compete with the Businesses for a reasonable period thereafter, as further provided in the following subparagraphs.

(b) Covenants During Employment Period. While employed by the Company, Executive will not compete with the Businesses anywhere in the world. In accordance with this restriction, but without limiting its terms, while employed by the Company, Executive will not:

(i) enter into or engage in any business which competes with the Businesses;

(ii) solicit customers, business, patronage or orders for, or sell, any products or services in competition with, or for any business that competes with, the Businesses;

(iii) divert, entice or otherwise take away any customers, business, patronage or orders of the Group Companies or attempt to do so; or

(iv) promote or assist, financially or otherwise, any person, firm, association, partnership, corporation or other entity engaged in any business which competes with the Businesses.



(c) Non-Competition. For a period of twelve (12) months following the termination of Executive's employment, Executive shall not be employed in, or carry on for Executive's own account or for any other person, or provide advisory services to (whether directly or indirectly), or be a director of any company, business or venture, which:

(i) is, or is about to be in competition with the Businesses (or any part thereof); or

(ii) is likely to result in the intentional or unintentional disclosure or use of Confidential Information by Executive in order for Executive to properly discharge Executive's duties or further Executive's interest in that company business or venture.

(d) Non-Solicitation. For a period of twelve (12) months following the termination of Executive's employment, Executive shall not (either on Executive's own behalf or for or with any other person), whether directly or indirectly:

(i) in respect of any Goods and/or Services:

(A) solicit, facilitate the solicitation of, or canvass the custom or business of any Customer, or

(B) solicit, facilitate the solicitation of, or canvas the custom or business of any Prospective Customer; or

(ii) in respect of any Employee:

(A) solicit or entice or endeavor to solicit or entice any Employee to leave such Employee's employment with or cease such Employee's directorship or consultancy with any Group Company, whether or not that person would breach any obligations owed to the Company or any relevant Group Company by so doing, or

(B) offer employment or any contract for services to or employ or engage any Employee.

(e) Non-Interference. For a period of twelve (12) months following the termination of Executive's employment, Executive shall not (either on Executive's own behalf or for or with any other person), whether directly or indirectly:

(i) in regards to any Customer or Prospective Customer:

(A) deal with or supply any Customer, or

(B) deal with or supply any Prospective Customer; or

(ii) in regards to any Supplier:

(A) deal with or accept the supply of any goods or services from any Supplier where such supply is likely to be to the detriment of any Group Company whether by causing the Supplier to reduce or alter the terms or quantity of supply to the Group Company or, where the value of the Group Company's arrangement with the Supplier is diminished; or



(B) solicit, facilitate the solicitation of, or canvass the supply of any goods or services from any Supplier where such supply is likely to be to the detriment of any Group Company whether by causing the Supplier to reduce or alter the terms or quantity of supply to the Group Company, or where the value of the Group Company's arrangement with the Supplier is diminished.

(f) Confidential Information. Executive shall not (except in the proper performance of Executive's duties) use or disclose to any person, company or other organization (and shall use every reasonable endeavor to prevent the publication or disclosure of) any of the trade secrets or confidential information of any Group Company. This restriction shall continue to apply after the termination of Executive's employment but will not apply to information or knowledge which may come into the public domain other than through unauthorized disclosure, or any use or disclosure authorized by the Board or required by law.

(i) For purposes of this subparagraph 7(f), trade secrets and confidential information include but will not be limited to:

(A) information relating to the business methods, corporate plans, management systems, finances, new business opportunities, research and development projects, marketing or sales of any past, present or future product or service of any Group Company;

(B) secret formulae, processes, inventions, designed, know-how discoveries, technical specifications and other technical information relating to the creation, production or supply of any past, present or future product or services of any Group Company;

(C) lists or details of customers, potential customers or suppliers of the arrangements made with any customer or supplier of any Group Company;

(D) any information in respect of which any Group Company owes an obligation of confidentiality to any third party (provided that with respect to such third party Executive knows or reasonably should have known that the third party provided it to any Group Company on a confidential basis);

(E) information and details of and concerning the engagement, employment and termination of employment of Executive and any other personnel;

(F) information concerning any litigation proposed, in progress or settled; and,

(G) any other information in whatever form (written, oral, visual and electronic) concerning the confidential affairs of any Group Company.

(ii) During Executive's employment, Executive shall not make (other than for the benefit of any Group Company) any record or copy (whether on paper, computer memory, disc or otherwise) relating to any matter within the scope of the business of any Group Company or their customers and supplies or



concerning its or their dealings or affairs or (either during Executive's employment or afterwards) use such records (or allow them to be used) other than for the benefit of the Company or the other relevant Group Company. All such records (and any copies of them) shall belong to the Company or the other relevant Group Company and shall be handed over to the Company by Executive on the termination of the Employment or at any time during the Employment at the request of the Company.

(g) **Intellectual Property.** Executive shall give the Company full written details of all Inventions and of all works embodying Intellectual Property Rights made wholly or partially by Executive at any time during the course of Executive's employment. Executive acknowledges that all Intellectual Property Rights subsisting (or which may in the future subsist) in all such Inventions and works shall automatically, on creation, vest in the Company absolutely. To the extent that they do not vest automatically, Executive holds them on trust for the Company. Executive agrees promptly to execute all documents and do all acts as may, in the opinion of the Company, be necessary to give effect to this subparagraph 7(g).

(i) Executive hereby irrevocably waives Executive's entire right, title, and interest in and to all Inventions and Intellectual Property Rights therein, including the right to sue, counterclaim, and recover for all past, present and future infringement, misappropriation, or dilution thereof, and all rights corresponding thereto throughout the world, including, without limitation, all moral rights under the Copyright, Designs and Patents Act 1988 of the United Kingdom (and all similar rights in other jurisdictions) which Executive has or will have in any existing or future works referred to in this subparagraph 7(g).

(ii) Rights and obligations under this subparagraph 7(g) will continue after the termination of this Agreement in respect of all Inventions, works and information made or obtained during the Employment Period and will be binding on the personal representatives of Executive.

(iii) By entering into this Agreement, Executive irrevocably appoints the Company to act on Executive's behalf to execute any document and do anything in Executive's name for the purpose of giving the Company (or its nominee) the full benefit of the provisions of this subparagraph 7(g) or the Company's entitlement under statute. If there is any doubt as to whether such a document (or other thing) has been carried out within the authority conferred by this subparagraph 7(g)(iii), a certificate in writing (signed by any director of the Company) will be sufficient to prove that the act or thing falls within that authority.

(h) **Non-Disparagement.** During the Employment Period and at all times thereafter, regardless of the reason for the termination of the Employment Period, each of the Company and the Executive agrees that it shall not (and the Company shall ensure that each other Group Company shall not) make negative comments to third parties or otherwise disparage the Executive, the Company or any other Group Company to any third parties. The provisions of this subparagraph 7(h) will not be breached in respect of any truthful statements made by the Executive or any Group Company in response to any legal proceedings or regulatory investigations.



(i) Certain Definitions for this Paragraph 7. For purposes of this paragraph 7:

(i) “Businesses” shall mean offshore drilling and any other trade or commercial activity which is carried on by any Group Company or which any Group Company shall have determined to carry on with a view to profit in the immediate or foreseeable future.

(ii) “Confidential Information” shall have the meaning given to trade secrets and confidential information in subparagraph 7(f).

(iii) “Customer” shall mean any person who at any time during the 12 months immediately preceding the termination of Executive’s employment was a customer of any Group Company with whom Executive had material dealings or in relation to whom Executive acquired confidential information.

(iv) “Employee” shall mean any individual who is employed or engaged by any Group Company, or any person who, during the 12 months immediately preceding the termination of Executive’s employment, is or was employed or engaged by any Group Company.

(v) “Intellectual Property Rights” shall mean patents, utility models, rights to Inventions, copyright and neighboring and related rights, moral rights, trademarks and service marks, business names and domain names, rights in get-up and trade dress, goodwill and the right to sue for passing off or unfair competition, rights in designs, rights in computer software, database rights, rights to use, and protect the confidentiality of, confidential information (including know-how and trade secrets) and all other intellectual property rights, in each case whether registered or unregistered and including all applications and rights to apply for and be granted, renewals or extensions of, and rights to claim priority from, such rights and all similar or equivalent rights or forms of protection which subsist or will subsist now or in the future in any part of the world.

(vi) “Invention” shall mean any invention, idea, discovery, development, improvement or innovation, whether or not patentable or capable of registration, and whether or not recorded in any medium.

(vii) “Goods and/or Services” shall mean any goods and/or services competitive with those supplied by any Group Company at any time during the 12 months immediately preceding the termination of Executive’s employment and in relation to which Executive was materially involved or concerned or for which Executive was directly responsible during that time.

(viii) “Prospective Customer” shall mean any person who was at any time during the 12 months immediately preceding the termination of Executive’s employment engaged in negotiations, with which Executive was personally involved, with any Group Company with a view to obtaining Goods and/or Services from any Group Company or in relation to whom Executive has acquired Confidential Information.

(ix) “Supplier” shall mean any person with whom Executive had material dealings at any time during the 12 months immediately preceding the termination of Executive’s employment and who during that period supplied goods or services to any Group Company on terms other than those available to



another purchaser in the market during that period, whether by reason of exclusivity (either de facto or contractually obliged), price or otherwise.

(j) Return of Company Property. Executive agrees that upon termination of Executive's employment with the Company, for any reason, Executive shall

(i) return to the Company or any relevant Group Company, in good condition, all property of the Company, including without limitation, the originals and all copies of any files, sketches, plans, drawings, equipment, tools, instruments, computers, devices, telephones, credit cards, letters, calendars, reports, memoranda, notes, correspondence, databases, discs, records, books, papers, letters, CD ROMs, keys, computer access codes, forms, contracts, software programs, information and records, training guides and manuals, and other documents or materials that Executive made, compiled, copied or acquired during Executive's employment that relate to the business, finances or affairs of the Company or any Group Company or which contain, reflect, summarize, describe, analyze or refer or relate to any items of information listed in subparagraph 7(f) of this Agreement, and that are in Executive's possession, custody or control;

(ii) irrevocably delete and erase any information relating to the business of any Group Company stored on any computer, technological or memory device maintained or used by Executive for work purposes during Executive's employment and which is in Executive's possession, custody, care or control outside the premises of the Company and, if required by the Company, deliver any such equipment (electronic or otherwise) that is not company property and was used for the storage of the matters in subparagraph 7(j)(i) above so that the Company may review and delete and erase the same;

(iii) transfer (without payment) to the Company (or as it may direct) any qualifying nominee shareholdings which Executive holds in connection with Executive's employment with the Company and Executive hereby irrevocably appoints the Company to be Executive's attorney to execute such transfers on Executive's behalf; and

(iv) return all other property belonging or relating to any of the Group Companies.

(k) Notwithstanding any other provisions of this Agreement, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 1833(b), an individual will not be held criminally or civilly liable under any federal or state trade secret law for the disclosure of a trade secret that is made: (I) solely for the purpose of reporting or investigating a suspected violation of law and in confidence to a federal, state or local government official (either directly or indirectly) or to an attorney; or (II) in a complaint or other document filed in a lawsuit or other proceeding, if such filing is made under seal. An individual who files a lawsuit for retaliation by an employer for reporting a suspected violation of law may disclose the trade secret to the attorney of the individual and use the trade secret information in the court proceeding, if the individual files any document containing the trade secret under seal; and does not disclose the trade secret, except pursuant to court order.

(l) Communication of Contents of Agreement. While employed by the Company and for one (1) year thereafter, Executive will communicate the contents of paragraph 7 of this Agreement to any person, firm, association, partnership, corporation or other entity that Executive intends to be employed by, associated with, or represent.



(m) Relief. Executive acknowledges and agrees that the remedy at law available to the Company for breach of any of Executive's obligations under this Agreement would be inadequate. Executive therefore agrees that, in addition to any other rights or remedies that the Company may have at law or in equity, temporary and permanent injunctive relief may be granted in any proceeding which may be brought to enforce any provision contained in subparagraphs 7(b), 7(c), 7(d), 7(e), 7(f), 7(g), 7(h) and 7(i) inclusive, of this Agreement, without the necessity of proof of actual damage.

(n) Reasonableness. Executive acknowledges that Executive's obligations under this paragraph 7 are reasonable in the context of the nature of the Businesses and the competitive injuries likely to be sustained by the Company and the other Group Companies if Executive were to violate such obligations. Executive further acknowledges that this Agreement is made in consideration of, and is adequately supported by the agreement of the Company to perform its obligations under this Agreement and by other consideration, which Executive acknowledges constitutes good, valuable and sufficient consideration.

8. Definitions.

(a) "Board" means the Board of Directors of Seadrill from time to time or any person or committee nominated by the Board as its representative for the purpose of this Agreement.

(b) "Change in Control" shall have the meaning ascribed thereto in the Seadrill Management Limited 2022 Management Incentive Plan, as amended from time to time.

(c) "Chief Executive Officer" means the Chief Executive Officer from time to time of Seadrill.

(d) "Permanent Disability" means that Executive, because of accident, disability, or physical or mental illness, is incapable of performing Executive's duties to the Company or any Group Company, as determined by the Board. Notwithstanding the foregoing, Executive will be deemed to have become incapable of performing Executive's duties to the Company or any Group Company, if Executive is incapable of so doing for (i) a continuous period of 90 days and remains so incapable at the end of such 90 day period or (ii) periods amounting in the aggregate to 180 days within any one period of 365 days and remains so incapable at the end of such aggregate period of 180 days.

(e) "Termination For Cause" means the termination by the Company or any Group Company of Executive's employment with the Company as a result of (i) Executive's serious or repeated breach of this Agreement, (ii) Executive's failure to comply with any reasonable and lawful order or direction given to him by the Board or Chief Executive Officer, (iii) Executive's commission of any gross misconduct or conduct (whether in connection with Executive's employment with the Company or not) which in the reasonable opinion of the Board or the Chief Executive Officer is or could reasonably be expected to be materially harmful to the Company or any Group Company, (iv) Executive's conviction of any criminal offense (other than a traffic offense for which Executive is not sentenced to any term of imprisonment, whether immediate or suspended), (v) Executive's commission of any act of fraud or dishonesty or corrupt practice relating to the Company or any Group Company, any of its or their employees, customers or otherwise or a breach of the Foreign Corrupt Practices Act of 1977, as amended, and the rules and regulations thereunder, as such laws, rules and regulations



may be amended from time to time, (vi) Executive's breach of any legislation or regulation in force which may affect or relate to the business or securities of the Company or any Group Company.

(f) "Termination For Good Reason" means Executive's termination of Executive's employment as a result of (i) a material adverse change in Executive's title, authority, duties or responsibilities other than (a) temporarily in the event of physical or mental incapacitation, (b) as required by applicable law or regulatory requirements, or (c) due to any such change made in the ordinary course of business that is due to an internal restructuring of employees and their corresponding titles, authorities, duties, and/or responsibilities (which exception (c) shall apply prior to a Change in Control only); (ii) a material reduction in Executive's Base Salary or target annual bonus except to the extent that the base salaries or target annual bonuses of all other similarly situated executives of the Company are similarly reduced; (iii) a relocation of Executive's principal office to a location that is in excess of fifty (50) miles from its location as of the Effective Date; or (iv) any material breach of this Agreement by the Company. Notwithstanding the foregoing, no termination of employment by Executive shall constitute a "Termination For Good Reason" unless (A) Executive gives the Company notice of the existence of an event described in clause (i), (ii), (iii) or (iv) above, within sixty (60) days following the occurrence thereof, (B) the Company does not remedy such event described in clause (i), (ii), (iii) or (iv) above, as applicable, within thirty (30) days of receiving the notice described in the preceding clause (A), and (C) Executive terminates employment within five (5) days of the end of the cure period specified in clause (B), above.

(g) "Termination Without Cause" means the termination by the Company or any Group Company of Executive's employment with the Company prior to the end of the Employment Period for any reason other than a termination for Permanent Disability or Executive's death, or a Termination For Cause and, for the avoidance of doubt, shall include the Company's giving notice pursuant to subparagraph 5(b) that the Employment Period will not be extended.

(h) "Voluntary Termination" means Executive's termination of Executive's employment with the Company for any reason, other than a Termination For Good Reason.

9. Executive Representations. Executive represents and warrants to the Company that (a) Executive is entering into this Agreement voluntarily and that the performance of Executive's obligations hereunder will not violate any agreement between Executive and any other person, firm, organization or other entity, (b) Executive is not bound by the terms of any agreement with any previous employer or other party to refrain from competing, directly or indirectly, with the business of such previous employer or other party that would be violated by Executive's entering into this Agreement and/or providing services to the Company pursuant to the terms of this Agreement, and (c) Executive is not subject to any pending or, to Executive's knowledge, threatened claim, action, judgment, or investigation that could adversely affect his ability to perform his obligations under this Agreement or the business reputation of the Company or any Group Company.

10. Survival. Subject to any limits on applicability contained therein, paragraph 7 hereof shall survive and continue in full force in accordance with its terms notwithstanding any termination of the Employment Period.

11. Taxes. The Company may withhold from any amounts payable under this Agreement all federal, state, city or other taxes as the Company is required to withhold pursuant



to any applicable law, regulation or ruling. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement, the Company shall not be obligated to guarantee any particular tax result for Executive with respect to any payment provided to Executive hereunder, and Executive shall be responsible for any taxes imposed on Executive with respect to any such payment.

12. Notices. Any notice provided for in this Agreement shall be in writing and shall be either personally delivered, sent by reputable overnight carrier or mailed by first class mail, return receipt requested, to the recipient at the address below indicated:

Notices to Executive:

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Notices to the Company:

Seadrill Americas, Inc.  
Attn: EVP, HR  
11025 Equity Drive  
Suite 150  
Houston, Texas 77041

or such other address or to the attention of such other person as the recipient party shall have specified by prior written notice to the sending party. Any notice under this Agreement will be deemed to have been given when so delivered.

13. Severability. Whenever possible, each provision of this Agreement shall be interpreted in such manner as to be effective and valid under applicable law, but if any provision of this Agreement is held to be invalid or unenforceable in any respect under any applicable law, such invalidity or unenforceability shall not affect any other provision, but this Agreement shall be reformed, construed and enforced as if such invalid or unenforceable provision had never been contained herein.

14. Right to Offset. The Company may deduct from any money due to Executive any amount which Executive owes to any Group Company and Executive hereby consents to such deduction.

15. Prevailing Party's Litigation Expenses. In the event of litigation between the Company and Executive related to this Agreement, the non-prevailing party shall reimburse the prevailing party for any costs and expenses (including, without limitation, attorneys' fees) reasonably incurred by the prevailing party in connection therewith.

16. Complete Agreement. This Agreement embodies the complete agreement and understanding between the parties with respect to the subject matter hereof and effective as of its date supersedes and preempts any prior understandings, agreements or representations by or between the parties or any Group Company, written or oral, which may have related to the subject matter hereof in any way, including the Prior Agreement, as described herein.

17. Counterparts. This Agreement may be executed in separate counterparts, each of which shall be deemed to be an original and both of which taken together shall constitute one and the same agreement.



18. Successors and Assigns. This Agreement shall bind and inure to the benefit of and be enforceable by Executive, the Company and their respective heirs, executors, personal representatives, successors and assigns, except that neither party may assign any rights or delegate any obligations hereunder without the prior written consent of the other party. Executive hereby consents to the assignment by the Company of all of its rights and obligations hereunder to any successor to the Company by merger, consolidation or purchase of all or substantially all of the Company's assets, or other corporate transaction, provided such transferee or successor assumes the liabilities of the Company hereunder.

19. Choice of Law. This Agreement shall be governed by, and construed in accordance with, the internal, substantive laws of the State of Texas. Executive agrees that the state and federal courts located in the State of Texas shall have jurisdiction in any action, suit or proceeding against Executive based on or arising out of this Agreement and Executive hereby: (a) submits to the personal jurisdiction of such courts; (b) consents to service of process in connection with any action, suit or proceeding against Executive; and (c) waives any other requirement (whether imposed by statute, rule of court or otherwise) with respect to personal jurisdiction, venue or service of process. The Company's powers under this Agreement will not be affected if the Company delays in enforcing any provision of this Agreement or Executive grants time to the Company.

20. Amendment and Waiver. The provisions of this Agreement may be amended or waived only with the prior written consent of the Company and Executive, and no course of conduct or failure or delay in enforcing the provisions of this Agreement shall affect the validity, binding effect or enforceability of this Agreement.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have executed this Agreement as of the date first written above.

**Seadrill Americas, Inc.**

By: /s/ Torsten Sauer-Petersen

Name: Torsten Sauer-Petersen

Title: Executive Vice President Human Resources

**EXECUTIVE**

/s/ Todd Strickler

Todd Strickler



*Exhibit 10.22*

**EMPLOYMENT AGREEMENT**

This EMPLOYMENT AGREEMENT (this "Agreement") is entered into as of December 14, 2023 (the "Effective Date") between Seadrill Americas, Inc., a company incorporated in the State of Texas (the "Company"), whose parent company is Seadrill Limited, a company incorporated in Bermuda ("Seadrill"), and Marcel Wieggers ("Executive").

WHEREAS, the Company desires to continue to employ Executive and to promote Executive to Senior Vice President, Operations of Seadrill and Executive desires to remain in the Company's continued employ and to accept such promotion.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual covenants contained herein and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, the parties hereto agree as follows:

1. Certain Definitions. Certain words or phrases used herein with initial capital letters shall have the meanings set forth in paragraph 8 hereof.
2. Employment. The Company shall continue to employ Executive, and Executive desires to remain in the continued employ of the Company as of the Effective Date, upon the terms and conditions set forth in this Agreement for the period beginning on the Effective Date and ending as provided in paragraph 5 hereof (the "Employment Period"). Notwithstanding anything in this Agreement to the contrary, Executive will be an at-will employee of the Company and Executive or the Company may terminate Executive's employment with the Company for any reason or no reason at any time.
3. Position and Duties.
  - (a) During the Employment Period, Executive shall serve as Senior Vice President, Operations of Seadrill shall continue to serve in such offices of the other Group Companies as Executive currently holds and shall have the normal duties, responsibilities and authority of an executive serving in such position, subject to the power of the Board or the Chief Executive Officer to expand or limit such duties, responsibilities and authority, either generally or in specific instances.
  - (b) During the Employment Period, Executive shall report to the Chief Executive Officer of Seadrill.
  - (c) During the Employment Period, Executive shall:
    - (i) devote Executive's best efforts and Executive's full business time and attention (except for permitted vacation periods and reasonable periods of illness or other incapacity) to the business and affairs of the Company, Seadrill, and all of Seadrill's subsidiary companies from time to time (each of the Company, Seadrill and such subsidiaries, a "Group Company" and collectively, the "Group Companies");
    - (ii) perform Executive's duties and responsibilities to the best of Executive's abilities in a faithful, diligent, trustworthy, businesslike and efficient manner;



- (iii) keep the Chief Executive Officer fully informed of Executive's conduct of the business of any Group Company for which Executive is responsible in a prompt and timely manner;
  - (iv) obey all reasonable, lawful and proper directions and requests of the Chief Executive Officer;
  - (v) act in such a way as to promote and protect the interests and reputation of every Group Company;
  - (vi) comply with all Group Company policies and procedures, including anti-corruption and bribery policies; and
  - (vii) bring to the attention of the Chief Executive Officer any relevant material business opportunities for any Group Company of which Executive becomes aware.
- (d) Executive will not, whether during or outside regular business hours:
- (i) directly or indirectly be engaged or concerned in the conduct of any business activity whether as shareholder, employee, director or other officer (except as a representative of the Company or with the prior written consent of the Board or the Chief Executive Officer, which shall not be unreasonably withheld); or
  - (ii) accept any appointment as director of any company which is not a Group Company without the prior written consent of the Board or the Chief Executive Officer which shall not be unreasonably withheld.
- (e) Executive shall perform Executive's duties and responsibilities principally at the office of the Company in the Houston, Texas area. Executive may be required to travel and work outside of the Houston, Texas area from time to time including at other Group Company locations or client locations but, unless otherwise agreed with the Chief Executive Officer, Executive will not be required to live outside of the Houston, Texas area.

4. Compensation and Benefits.

- (a) Salary. The Company agrees to pay Executive a salary during the Employment Period in installments based on the Company's practices as may be in effect from time to time. Executive's initial salary shall be at the rate of \$372,000 per year (the "Base Salary"). The Board shall review and may adjust Executive's salary from time to time.
- (b) Annual Bonus. During the Employment Period, beginning with calendar year 2024, Executive will be eligible for an annual bonus of up to 75% of Executive's Base Salary, based on the achievement of specified performance goals (as determined by the Board). Except as otherwise provided, Executive must be employed by the Company on the date any bonus is paid to be eligible to receive such bonus.
- (c) Standard Benefits Package. Executive shall be entitled during the Employment Period to participate, on the same basis as other employees of the Company, in the Company's Standard Benefits Package. The Company's "Standard Benefits Package" means those benefits (including insurance and other benefits, but excluding,



except as hereinafter provided in subparagraph 6(b), any severance pay program or policy of the Company) for which substantially all of the employees of the Company are from time to time generally eligible, as determined from time to time by the Board.

(d) Vacation. During the Employment Period, Executive shall be entitled to twenty-five (25) days of paid vacation during each calendar year.

(e) Indemnification. With respect to Executive's acts or failures to act during the Employment Period in Executive's capacity as a director, officer, employee or agent of the Company, Executive shall be entitled to liability insurance coverage on the same basis as other directors and officers of Seadrill.

5. Employment Period.

(a) Except as hereinafter provided, the Employment Period shall continue until, and shall end upon, the first anniversary of the Effective Date.

(b) On the first anniversary of the Effective Date and on each anniversary thereafter, unless the Employment Period shall have ended pursuant to subparagraph 5(c) below or the Company shall have given Executive thirty (30) days written notice that the Employment Period will not be extended, the Employment Period shall be extended for an additional year. If the Company gives Executive thirty (30) days written notice that the Employment Period will not be extended, this will be considered a Termination Without Cause.

(c) Notwithstanding (a) or (b) above, the Employment Period shall end upon the first to occur of any of the following events:

- (i) Executive's death;
- (ii) the Company's termination of Executive's employment due to Permanent Disability;
- (iii) a Termination For Cause;
- (iv) a Termination Without Cause;
- (v) a Termination For Good Reason; or
- (vi) a Voluntary Termination.

6. Post-Employment Payments.

(a) Accrued Payments. At the end of Executive's employment for any reason, Executive shall cease to have any rights to salary, equity awards, expense reimbursements or other benefits, except that Executive shall be entitled to (i) any Base Salary which has accrued but is unpaid, any reimbursable expenses which have been incurred but are unpaid, and any unexpired vacation days which have accrued under the Company's vacation policy but are unused, as of the end of the Employment Period, (ii) any equity compensation rights or plan benefits which by their terms extend beyond termination of Executive's employment (but only to the extent provided in any equity compensation theretofore granted to Executive or any other benefit plan in which Executive has participated as an employee of the Company and excluding, except as hereinafter provided in subparagraph 6(b), any severance pay program or policy of the



Company) and (iii) any benefits to which Executive is entitled under Part 6 of Subtitle B of Title I of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, as amended (“COBRA”). In addition, Executive shall be entitled to the additional amounts described in subparagraph 6(b), in the circumstances described in such subparagraph.

(b) Termination Without Cause or Termination For Good Reason. If the Employment Period ends early pursuant to paragraph 5 on account of a Termination Without Cause or a Termination For Good Reason, the Company shall continue to pay Executive Executive’s Base Salary at the time of such termination and, if Executive timely and properly elects continuation of health care coverage under COBRA, the Company shall reimburse Executive for the portion of the monthly COBRA premium paid by Executive that is typically covered by the employer for active employees (the “COBRA Continuation”), in each case, for a period of eighteen (18) months following such termination in accordance with the Company’s normal payroll practices. Notwithstanding the foregoing, such COBRA Continuation shall terminate on the earliest of: (i) the end of the eighteen (18) -month period; (ii) the date Executive is no longer eligible to receive COBRA coverage; and (iii) the date on which Executive becomes eligible for group medical coverage from another employer or the employer of a spouse. Additionally, if the Employment Period ends early pursuant to paragraph 5 on account of a Termination Without Cause or Termination For Good Reason, Executive shall be entitled to receive a pro rata amount of the bonus (if any) Executive would have otherwise received pursuant to paragraph 4(b) for the year in which the Employment Period ends (based on the number of days during such bonus year Executive was employed up to and including the last day of the Employment Period), which such bonus amount (if any) shall be based on the extent to which the performance measures are met but assuming satisfaction of any personal objectives, and shall be payable at the same time as bonuses are paid to employees generally.

(c) Compliance with Restrictive Covenants. It is expressly understood that the Company’s payment obligations under subparagraph 6(b) shall cease in the event Executive breaches any of the agreements in paragraph 7 hereof and in such event, to the extent any payment was previously made to Executive under subparagraph 6(b), Executive will immediately return any such payment to the Company.

(d) No Mitigation. Executive shall not be required to mitigate the amount of any payment provided for in this Agreement by seeking other employment.

(e) Release. Notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, the Company shall not be obligated to make any payment under subparagraph 6(b) hereof unless (i) prior to the 60<sup>th</sup> day following the Termination Without Cause or Termination For Good Reason, Executive executes a release of all current or future claims, known or unknown, arising on or before the date of the release against any of the Group Companies and their respective directors, officers, employees and affiliates, in a form approved by the Company and (ii) any applicable revocation period has expired during such 60-day period without Executive revoking such release.

(f) Payment Timing. The amounts payable to Executive pursuant to subparagraph 6(b) shall commence or become payable on the first regularly scheduled payroll date following the 60<sup>th</sup> day after the Termination Without Cause or Termination For Good Reason, subject to subparagraph 6(c), with the aggregate of any payments that would otherwise have been paid prior to such payroll date paid to Executive in a lump sum on such payroll date.



(g) Liquidation. Executive will have no claim against any Group Company, including that a Termination Without Cause or a Termination For Good Reason has occurred, if Executive's employment is terminated by reason of a liquidation in order to reconstruct or amalgamate the Company or by reason of reorganization of the Company and:

(i) Executive is offered employment with the company succeeding the Company upon such liquidation or reorganization; and

(ii) the new terms of employment offered to Executive are no less favorable to Executive than the terms of this Agreement.

7. Restrictive Covenants

(a) Acknowledgements and Agreements. Executive hereby acknowledges and agrees that in the performance of Executive's duties to the Company during the Employment Period, Executive will be brought into frequent contact with existing and potential customers of the Group Companies throughout the world. Executive also agrees that trade secrets and confidential information of the Group Companies, more fully described in subparagraph 7(f), gained by Executive during Executive's association with the Group Companies, have been developed by each Group Company through substantial expenditures of time, effort and money and constitute valuable and unique property of the Group Companies. Executive further understands and agrees that the foregoing makes it necessary for the protection of the Businesses that Executive not compete with the Businesses during Executive's employment with the Company and not compete with the Businesses for a reasonable period thereafter, as further provided in the following subparagraphs.

(b) Covenants During Employment Period. While employed by the Company, Executive will not compete with the Businesses anywhere in the world. In accordance with this restriction, but without limiting its terms, while employed by the Company, Executive will not:

(i) enter into or engage in any business which competes with the Businesses;

(ii) solicit customers, business, patronage or orders for, or sell, any products or services in competition with, or for any business that competes with, the Businesses;

(iii) divert, entice or otherwise take away any customers, business, patronage or orders of the Group Companies or attempt to do so; or

(iv) promote or assist, financially or otherwise, any person, firm, association, partnership, corporation or other entity engaged in any business which competes with the Businesses.

(c) Non-Competition. For a period of twelve (12) months following the termination of Executive's employment, Executive shall not be employed in, or carry on for Executive's own account or for any other person, or provide advisory services to



(whether directly or indirectly), or be a director of any company, business or venture, which:

- (i) is, or is about to be in competition with the Businesses (or any part thereof); or
  - (ii) is likely to result in the intentional or unintentional disclosure or use of Confidential Information by Executive in order for Executive to properly discharge Executive's duties or further Executive's interest in that company business or venture.
- (d) Non-Solicitation. For a period of twelve (12) months following the termination of Executive's employment, Executive shall not (either on Executive's own behalf or for or with any other person), whether directly or indirectly:
- (i) in respect of any Goods and/or Services:
    - (A) solicit, facilitate the solicitation of, or canvass the custom or business of any Customer, or
    - (B) solicit, facilitate the solicitation of, or canvas the custom or business of any Prospective Customer; or
  - (ii) in respect of any Employee:
    - (A) solicit or entice or endeavor to solicit or entice any Employee to leave such Employee's employment with or cease such Employee's directorship or consultancy with any Group Company, whether or not that person would breach any obligations owed to the Company or any relevant Group Company by so doing, or
    - (B) offer employment or any contract for services to or employ or engage any Employee.
- (e) Non-Interference. For a period of twelve (12) months following the termination of Executive's employment, Executive shall not (either on Executive's own behalf or for or with any other person), whether directly or indirectly:
- (i) in regards to any Customer or Prospective Customer:
    - (A) deal with or supply any Customer, or
    - (B) deal with or supply any Prospective Customer; or
  - (ii) in regards to any Supplier:
    - (A) deal with or accept the supply of any goods or services from any Supplier where such supply is likely to be to the detriment of any Group Company whether by causing the Supplier to reduce or alter the terms or quantity of supply to the Group Company or, where the value of the Group Company's arrangement with the Supplier is diminished; or
    - (B) solicit, facilitate the solicitation of, or canvass the supply of any goods or services from any Supplier where such supply is likely to be



to the detriment of any Group Company whether by causing the Supplier to reduce or alter the terms or quantity of supply to the Group Company, or where the value of the Group Company's arrangement with the Supplier is diminished.

(f) **Confidential Information.** Executive shall not (except in the proper performance of Executive's duties) use or disclose to any person, company or other organization (and shall use every reasonable endeavor to prevent the publication or disclosure of) any of the trade secrets or confidential information of any Group Company. This restriction shall continue to apply after the termination of Executive's employment but will not apply to information or knowledge which may come into the public domain other than through unauthorized disclosure, or any use or disclosure authorized by the Board or required by law.

(i) For purposes of this subparagraph 7(f), trade secrets and confidential information include but will not be limited to:

(A) information relating to the business methods, corporate plans, management systems, finances, new business opportunities, research and development projects, marketing or sales of any past, present or future product or service of any Group Company;

(B) secret formulae, processes, inventions, designed, know-how discoveries, technical specifications and other technical information relating to the creation, production or supply of any past, present or future product or services of any Group Company;

(C) lists or details of customers, potential customers or suppliers of the arrangements made with any customer or supplier of any Group Company;

(D) any information in respect of which any Group Company owes an obligation of confidentiality to any third party (provided that with respect to such third party Executive knows or reasonably should have known that the third party provided it to any Group Company on a confidential basis);

(E) information and details of and concerning the engagement, employment and termination of employment of Executive and any other personnel;

(F) information concerning any litigation proposed, in progress or settled; and,

(G) any other information in whatever form (written, oral, visual and electronic) concerning the confidential affairs of any Group Company.

(ii) During Executive's employment, Executive shall not make (other than for the benefit of any Group Company) any record or copy (whether on paper, computer memory, disc or otherwise) relating to any matter within the scope of the business of any Group Company or their customers and supplies or concerning its or their dealings or affairs or (either during Executive's employment or afterwards) use such records (or allow them to be used) other than



for the benefit of the Company or the other relevant Group Company. All such records (and any copies of them) shall belong to the Company or the other relevant Group Company and shall be handed over to the Company by Executive on the termination of the Employment or at any time during the Employment at the request of the Company.

(g) Intellectual Property. Executive shall give the Company full written details of all Inventions and of all works embodying Intellectual Property Rights made wholly or partially by Executive at any time during the course of Executive's employment. Executive acknowledges that all Intellectual Property Rights subsisting (or which may in the future subsist) in all such Inventions and works shall automatically, on creation, vest in the Company absolutely. To the extent that they do not vest automatically, Executive holds them on trust for the Company. Executive agrees promptly to execute all documents and do all acts as may, in the opinion of the Company, be necessary to give effect to this subparagraph 7(g).

(i) Executive hereby irrevocably waives Executive's entire right, title, and interest in and to all Inventions and Intellectual Property Rights therein, including the right to sue, counterclaim, and recover for all past, present and future infringement, misappropriation, or dilution thereof, and all rights corresponding thereto throughout the world, including, without limitation, all moral rights under the Copyright, Designs and Patents Act 1988 of the United Kingdom (and all similar rights in other jurisdictions) which Executive has or will have in any existing or future works referred to in this subparagraph 7(g).

(ii) Rights and obligations under this subparagraph 7(g) will continue after the termination of this Agreement in respect of all Inventions, works and information made or obtained during the Employment Period and will be binding on the personal representatives of Executive.

(iii) By entering into this Agreement, Executive irrevocably appoints the Company to act on Executive's behalf to execute any document and do anything in Executive's name for the purpose of giving the Company (or its nominee) the full benefit of the provisions of this subparagraph 7(g) or the Company's entitlement under statute. If there is any doubt as to whether such a document (or other thing) has been carried out within the authority conferred by this subparagraph 7(g)(iii), a certificate in writing (signed by any director of the Company) will be sufficient to prove that the act or thing falls within that authority.

(h) Non-Disparagement. During the Employment Period and at all times thereafter, regardless of the reason for the termination of the Employment Period, each of the Company and the Executive agrees that it shall not (and the Company shall ensure that each other Group Company shall not) make negative comments to third parties or otherwise disparage the Executive, the Company or any other Group Company to any third parties. The provisions of this subparagraph 7(h) will not be breached in respect of any truthful statements made by the Executive or any Group Company in response to any legal proceedings or regulatory investigations.

(i) Certain Definitions for this Paragraph 7. For purposes of this paragraph 7:

(i) "Businesses" shall mean offshore drilling and any other trade or commercial activity which is carried on by any Group Company or which any



Group Company shall have determined to carry on with a view to profit in the immediate or foreseeable future.

(ii) “Confidential Information” shall have the meaning given to trade secrets and confidential information in subparagraph 7(f).

(iii) “Customer” shall mean any person who at any time during the 12 months immediately preceding the termination of Executive’s employment was a customer of any Group Company with whom Executive had material dealings or in relation to whom Executive acquired confidential information.

(iv) “Employee” shall mean any individual who is employed or engaged by any Group Company, or any person who, during the 12 months immediately preceding the termination of Executive’s employment, is or was employed or engaged by any Group Company.

(v) “Intellectual Property Rights” shall mean patents, utility models, rights to Inventions, copyright and neighboring and related rights, moral rights, trademarks and service marks, business names and domain names, rights in get-up and trade dress, goodwill and the right to sue for passing off or unfair competition, rights in designs, rights in computer software, database rights, rights to use, and protect the confidentiality of, confidential information (including know-how and trade secrets) and all other intellectual property rights, in each case whether registered or unregistered and including all applications and rights to apply for and be granted, renewals or extensions of, and rights to claim priority from, such rights and all similar or equivalent rights or forms of protection which subsist or will subsist now or in the future in any part of the world.

(vi) “Invention” shall mean any invention, idea, discovery, development, improvement or innovation, whether or not patentable or capable of registration, and whether or not recorded in any medium.

(vii) “Goods and/or Services” shall mean any goods and/or services competitive with those supplied by any Group Company at any time during the 12 months immediately preceding the termination of Executive’s employment and in relation to which Executive was materially involved or concerned or for which Executive was directly responsible during that time.

(viii) “Prospective Customer” shall mean any person who was at any time during the 12 months immediately preceding the termination of Executive’s employment engaged in negotiations, with which Executive was personally involved, with any Group Company with a view to obtaining Goods and/or Services from any Group Company or in relation to whom Executive has acquired Confidential Information.

(ix) “Supplier” shall mean any person with whom Executive had material dealings at any time during the 12 months immediately preceding the termination of Executive’s employment and who during that period supplied goods or services to any Group Company on terms other than those available to another purchaser in the market during that period, whether by reason of exclusivity (either de facto or contractually obliged), price or otherwise.



(j) Return of Company Property. Executive agrees that upon termination of Executive's employment with the Company, for any reason, Executive shall

(i) return to the Company or any relevant Group Company, in good condition, all property of the Company, including without limitation, the originals and all copies of any files, sketches, plans, drawings, equipment, tools, instruments, computers, devices, telephones, credit cards, letters, calendars, reports, memoranda, notes, correspondence, databases, discs, records, books, papers, letters, CD ROMs, keys, computer access codes, forms, contracts, software programs, information and records, training guides and manuals, and other documents or materials that Executive made, compiled, copied or acquired during Executive's employment that relate to the business, finances or affairs of the Company or any Group Company or which contain, reflect, summarize, describe, analyze or refer or relate to any items of information listed in subparagraph 7(f) of this Agreement, and that are in Executive's possession, custody or control;

(ii) irrevocably delete and erase any information relating to the business of any Group Company stored on any computer, technological or memory device maintained or used by Executive for work purposes during Executive's employment and which is in Executive's possession, custody, care or control outside the premises of the Company and, if required by the Company, deliver any such equipment (electronic or otherwise) that is not company property and was used for the storage of the matters in subparagraph 7(j)(i) above so that the Company may review and delete and erase the same;

(iii) transfer (without payment) to the Company (or as it may direct) any qualifying nominee shareholdings which Executive holds in connection with Executive's employment with the Company and Executive hereby irrevocably appoints the Company to be Executive's attorney to execute such transfers on Executive's behalf; and

(iv) return all other property belonging or relating to any of the Group Companies.

(k) Notwithstanding any other provisions of this Agreement, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 1833(b), an individual will not be held criminally or civilly liable under any federal or state trade secret law for the disclosure of a trade secret that is made: (I) solely for the purpose of reporting or investigating a suspected violation of law and in confidence to a federal, state or local government official (either directly or indirectly) or to an attorney; or (II) in a complaint or other document filed in a lawsuit or other proceeding, if such filing is made under seal. An individual who files a lawsuit for retaliation by an employer for reporting a suspected violation of law may disclose the trade secret to the attorney of the individual and use the trade secret information in the court proceeding, if the individual files any document containing the trade secret under seal; and does not disclose the trade secret, except pursuant to court order.

(l) Communication of Contents of Agreement. While employed by the Company and for one (1) year thereafter, Executive will communicate the contents of paragraph 7 of this Agreement to any person, firm, association, partnership, corporation or other entity that Executive intends to be employed by, associated with, or represent.

(m) Relief. Executive acknowledges and agrees that the remedy at law available to the Company for breach of any of Executive's obligations under this



Agreement would be inadequate. Executive therefore agrees that, in addition to any other rights or remedies that the Company may have at law or in equity, temporary and permanent injunctive relief may be granted in any proceeding which may be brought to enforce any provision contained in subparagraphs 7(b), 7(c), 7(d), 7(e), 7(f), 7(g), 7(h) and 7(i) inclusive, of this Agreement, without the necessity of proof of actual damage.

(n) Reasonableness. Executive acknowledges that Executive's obligations under this paragraph 7 are reasonable in the context of the nature of the Businesses and the competitive injuries likely to be sustained by the Company and the other Group Companies if Executive were to violate such obligations. Executive further acknowledges that this Agreement is made in consideration of, and is adequately supported by the agreement of the Company to perform its obligations under this Agreement and by other consideration, which Executive acknowledges constitutes good, valuable and sufficient consideration.

8. Definitions.

(a) "Board" means the Board of Directors of Seadrill from time to time or any person or committee nominated by the Board as its representative for the purpose of this Agreement.

(b) "Change in Control" shall have the meaning ascribed thereto in the Seadrill Management Limited 2022 Management Incentive Plan, as amended from time to time.

(c) "Chief Executive Officer" means the Chief Executive Officer from time to time of Seadrill.

(d) "Permanent Disability" means that Executive, because of accident, disability, or physical or mental illness, is incapable of performing Executive's duties to the Company or any Group Company, as determined by the Board. Notwithstanding the foregoing, Executive will be deemed to have become incapable of performing Executive's duties to the Company or any Group Company, if Executive is incapable of so doing for (i) a continuous period of 90 days and remains so incapable at the end of such 90 day period or (ii) periods amounting in the aggregate to 180 days within any one period of 365 days and remains so incapable at the end of such aggregate period of 180 days.

(e) "Termination For Cause" means the termination by the Company or any Group Company of Executive's employment with the Company as a result of (i) Executive's serious or repeated breach of this Agreement, (ii) Executive's failure to comply with any reasonable and lawful order or direction given to him by the Board or Chief Executive Officer, (iii) Executive's commission of any gross misconduct or conduct (whether in connection with Executive's employment with the Company or not) which in the reasonable opinion of the Board or the Chief Executive Officer is or could reasonably be expected to be materially harmful to the Company or any Group Company, (iv) Executive's conviction of any criminal offense (other than a traffic offense for which Executive is not sentenced to any term of imprisonment, whether immediate or suspended), (v) Executive's commission of any act of fraud or dishonesty or corrupt practice relating to the Company or any Group Company, any of its or their employees, customers or otherwise or a breach of the Foreign Corrupt Practices Act of 1977, as amended, and the rules and regulations thereunder, as such laws, rules and regulations may be amended from time to time, (vi) Executive's breach of any legislation or



regulation in force which may affect or relate to the business or securities of the Company or any Group Company.

(f) “Termination For Good Reason” means Executive’s termination of Executive’s employment as a result of (i) a material adverse change in Executive’s title, authority, duties or responsibilities other than (a) temporarily in the event of physical or mental incapacitation, (b) as required by applicable law or regulatory requirements, or (c) due to any such change made in the ordinary course of business that is due to an internal restructuring of employees and their corresponding titles, authorities, duties, and/or responsibilities (which exception (c) shall apply prior to a Change in Control only); (ii) a material reduction in Executive’s Base Salary or target annual bonus except to the extent that the base salaries or target annual bonuses of all other similarly situated executives of the Company are similarly reduced; (iii) a relocation of Executive’s principal office to a location that is in excess of fifty (50) miles from its location as of the Effective Date; or (iv) any material breach of this Agreement by the Company. Notwithstanding the foregoing, no termination of employment by Executive shall constitute a “Termination For Good Reason” unless (A) Executive gives the Company notice of the existence of an event described in clause (i), (ii), (iii) or (iv) above, within sixty (60) days following the occurrence thereof, (B) the Company does not remedy such event described in clause (i), (ii), (iii) or (iv) above, as applicable, within thirty (30) days of receiving the notice described in the preceding clause (A), and (C) Executive terminates employment within five (5) days of the end of the cure period specified in clause (B), above.

(g) “Termination Without Cause” means the termination by the Company or any Group Company of Executive’s employment with the Company prior to the end of the Employment Period for any reason other than a termination for Permanent Disability or Executive’s death, or a Termination For Cause and, for the avoidance of doubt, shall include the Company’s giving notice pursuant to subparagraph 5(b) that the Employment Period will not be extended.

(h) “Voluntary Termination” means Executive’s termination of Executive’s employment with the Company for any reason, other than a Termination For Good Reason.

9. Executive Representations. Executive represents and warrants to the Company that (a) Executive is entering into this Agreement voluntarily and that the performance of Executive’s obligations hereunder will not violate any agreement between Executive and any other person, firm, organization or other entity, (b) Executive is not bound by the terms of any agreement with any previous employer or other party to refrain from competing, directly or indirectly, with the business of such previous employer or other party that would be violated by Executive’s entering into this Agreement and/or providing services to the Company pursuant to the terms of this Agreement, and (c) Executive is not subject to any pending or, to Executive’s knowledge, threatened claim, action, judgment, or investigation that could adversely affect his ability to perform his obligations under this Agreement or the business reputation of the Company or any Group Company.

10. Survival. Subject to any limits on applicability contained therein, paragraph 7 hereof shall survive and continue in full force in accordance with its terms notwithstanding any termination of the Employment Period.

11. Taxes. The Company may withhold from any amounts payable under this Agreement all federal, state, city or other taxes as the Company is required to withhold pursuant to any applicable law, regulation or ruling. Notwithstanding any other provision of this



Agreement, the Company shall not be obligated to guarantee any particular tax result for Executive with respect to any payment provided to Executive hereunder, and Executive shall be responsible for any taxes imposed on Executive with respect to any such payment.

12. Notices. Any notice provided for in this Agreement shall be in writing and shall be either personally delivered, sent by reputable overnight carrier or mailed by first class mail, return receipt requested, to the recipient at the address below indicated:

Notices to Executive:

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Notices to the Company:

Seadrill Americas, Inc.  
Attn: EVP, HR  
11025 Equity Drive  
Suite 150  
Houston, Texas 77041

or such other address or to the attention of such other person as the recipient party shall have specified by prior written notice to the sending party. Any notice under this Agreement will be deemed to have been given when so delivered.

13. Severability. Whenever possible, each provision of this Agreement shall be interpreted in such manner as to be effective and valid under applicable law, but if any provision of this Agreement is held to be invalid or unenforceable in any respect under any applicable law, such invalidity or unenforceability shall not affect any other provision, but this Agreement shall be reformed, construed and enforced as if such invalid or unenforceable provision had never been contained herein.

14. Right to Offset. The Company may deduct from any money due to Executive any amount which Executive owes to any Group Company and Executive hereby consents to such deduction.

15. Prevailing Party's Litigation Expenses. In the event of litigation between the Company and Executive related to this Agreement, the non-prevailing party shall reimburse the prevailing party for any costs and expenses (including, without limitation, attorneys' fees) reasonably incurred by the prevailing party in connection therewith.

16. Complete Agreement. This Agreement embodies the complete agreement and understanding between the parties with respect to the subject matter hereof and effective as of its date supersedes and preempts any prior understandings, agreements or representations by or between the parties or any Group Company, written or oral, which may have related to the subject matter hereof in any way, including the Prior Agreement, as described herein.

17. Counterparts. This Agreement may be executed in separate counterparts, each of which shall be deemed to be an original and both of which taken together shall constitute one and the same agreement.



18. Successors and Assigns. This Agreement shall bind and inure to the benefit of and be enforceable by Executive, the Company and their respective heirs, executors, personal representatives, successors and assigns, except that neither party may assign any rights or delegate any obligations hereunder without the prior written consent of the other party. Executive hereby consents to the assignment by the Company of all of its rights and obligations hereunder to any successor to the Company by merger, consolidation or purchase of all or substantially all of the Company's assets, or other corporate transaction, provided such transferee or successor assumes the liabilities of the Company hereunder.

19. Choice of Law. This Agreement shall be governed by, and construed in accordance with, the internal, substantive laws of the State of Texas. Executive agrees that the state and federal courts located in the State of Texas shall have jurisdiction in any action, suit or proceeding against Executive based on or arising out of this Agreement and Executive hereby: (a) submits to the personal jurisdiction of such courts; (b) consents to service of process in connection with any action, suit or proceeding against Executive; and (c) waives any other requirement (whether imposed by statute, rule of court or otherwise) with respect to personal jurisdiction, venue or service of process. The Company's powers under this Agreement will not be affected if the Company delays in enforcing any provision of this Agreement or Executive grants time to the Company.

20. Amendment and Waiver. The provisions of this Agreement may be amended or waived only with the prior written consent of the Company and Executive, and no course of conduct or failure or delay in enforcing the provisions of this Agreement shall affect the validity, binding effect or enforceability of this Agreement.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have executed this Agreement as of the date first written above.

**Seadrill Americas, Inc.**

By: /s/ Torsten Sauer-Petersen

Name: Torsten Sauer-Petersen

Title: Executive Vice President Human Resources

**EXECUTIVE**

/s/ Marcel Wieggers

Marcel Wieggers



*Exhibit 10.23*

**AMENDMENT NO. 1 TO  
EMPLOYMENT AGREEMENT**

This AMENDMENT NO. 1 TO EMPLOYMENT AGREEMENT (this "Amendment") is entered into as of September 30, 2024 between Seadrill Americas, Inc., a company incorporated in the State of Texas (the "Company"), whose parent company is Seadrill Limited, an exempted company incorporated and existing under the laws of Bermuda ("Seadrill"), and Simon Johnson ("Executive").

WHEREAS, Executive and the Company are party to that certain Employment Agreement dated November 21, 2023, (the "Employment Agreement"), pursuant to which Executive serves as President and Chief Executive Officer of Seadrill and such offices of the other Group Companies as Executive currently holds; and WHEREAS, the Company and Executive desire to amend the Employment Agreement as more fully set forth herein.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual covenants contained herein and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, the parties hereto agree as follows:

1. Certain Definitions. Capitalized terms used and not otherwise defined herein shall have the meanings ascribed to them in the Employment Agreement.

2. Termination Without Cause or Termination for Good Reason. Subparagraph 7(b) of the Employment Agreement is hereby amended as follows:

- (a) The existing language in subparagraph 7(b) shall be moved to a new subparagraph 7(b)(i).
- (b) A new subparagraph 7(b)(ii) shall be inserted as follows:

“Notwithstanding the foregoing, if the Employment Period ends early pursuant to paragraph 6 on account of a Termination Without Cause or a Termination For Good Reason, in each case, within the twenty-four (24)-month period immediately following a Change in Control (a "CIC Termination"), the Company shall pay Executive an amount equal to three times (3x) the sum of (A) Executive’s Base Salary at the time of such termination, plus (B) Executive’s annual bonus in effect for the year in which the Employment Period ends, based on the target level of performance, plus (C) the annualized amount (for the avoidance of doubt, twelve (12) months) of COBRA Continuation. Additionally, in the event of a CIC Termination, Executive shall be entitled to receive a pro rata amount of the bonus (if any) Executive would have otherwise received pursuant to paragraph 5(b) for the year in which the Employment Period ends (based on the number of days during such bonus year Executive was employed up to and including the last day of the Employment Period), which such bonus amount (if any) shall be based on the extent to which the performance measures are met but assuming satisfaction of any personal objectives, and shall be payable at the same time as bonuses are paid to employees generally.”



(c) Subparagraph 7(f) of the Employment Agreement is hereby deleted in its entirety and replaced with the following:

“The amounts payable to Executive pursuant to subparagraph 7(b)(i) shall commence or become payable on the first regularly scheduled payroll date following the 60<sup>th</sup> day after the Termination Without Cause or Termination For Good Reason, subject to subparagraph 7(e), with the aggregate of any payments that would otherwise have been paid prior to such payroll date paid to Executive in a lump sum on such payroll date. The amounts payable to Executive pursuant to subparagraph 7(b)(ii) shall be paid as soon as practicable following Executive’s timely execution and nonrevocation of the release described in subparagraph 7(e); provided, however, that if the 60-day period described therein spans two calendar years, the amounts payable to Executive pursuant to subparagraph 7(b)(ii) shall be made in the second calendar year.”

3. Tax Treatment of Certain Payments Received. A new paragraph 17 shall be inserted as follows:

“Internal Revenue Code Section 280G.

(a) Notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement or any other plan, arrangement or agreement to the contrary, if any of the payments or benefits provided or to be provided by the Company or its affiliates to Executive or for Executive’s benefit pursuant to the terms of this Agreement or otherwise (such payments or benefits, “Covered Payments”) constitute parachute payments within the meaning of Code Section 280G (“Parachute Payments”) and would, but for this paragraph 17, be subject to the excise tax imposed under Code Section 4999 (or any successor provision thereto) or any similar tax imposed by state or local law or any interest or penalties with respect to such taxes (collectively, the “Excise Tax”), then the Covered Payments shall be either (a) delivered in full or (b) delivered to such lesser extent which would result in no portion of such payments or benefits being subject to the Excise Tax, whichever of the foregoing amounts, taking into account the applicable federal, state and local income taxes and the Excise Tax, results in the receipt by Executive on an after-tax basis, of the greatest amount of Covered Payments, notwithstanding that all or some portion of such payments or benefits may be taxable under Code Section 4999. Any determination required under this paragraph 17 shall be made in writing in good faith by an independent accounting firm selected by the Company that is reasonably acceptable to Executive (the “Accountants”), which shall take into account all possible mitigating factors and shall provide detailed supporting calculations to the Company and Executive as requested by the Company or Executive. For purposes of making the calculations required by this paragraph 17, the Accountants may make reasonable assumptions and approximations concerning applicable taxes and may rely on reasonable, good faith interpretations concerning the application of Code Section 280G and Code Section 4999. The Company and Executive shall furnish to the Accountants such information and documents as the Accountants may reasonably request in order to make a determination under this paragraph 17. The Company shall be responsible for all fees and expenses incurred by the Accountants in connection with the calculations required by this paragraph 17.

(b) If a reduction in payments or benefits is required by subparagraph 17(a), such reduction shall be made in a manner that maximized Executive’s economic position. In applying this principle, the reduction shall be made in a manner consistent with the



requirements of Code Section 409A, and where two economically equivalent amounts are subject to reduction but payable at different times, such amounts shall be reduced on a pro rata basis but not below zero.”

4. No Further Amendment. Except as amended hereby, the Company and Executive hereby agree that the Employment Agreement shall remain unmodified and in full force and effect.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have executed this Agreement as of the date first written above.

**Seadrill Americas, Inc.**

By: /s/ Torsten Sauer-Petersen

Name: Torsten Sauer-Petersen

Title: Executive Vice President Human Resources

**EXECUTIVE**

/s/ Simon Johnson

Simon Johnson



*Exhibit 10.24*

**AMENDMENT NO. 1 TO  
EMPLOYMENT AGREEMENT**

This AMENDMENT NO. 1 TO EMPLOYMENT AGREEMENT (this "Amendment") is entered into as of October 8, 2024 between Seadrill Americas, Inc., a company incorporated in the State of Texas (the "Company"), whose parent company is Seadrill Limited, an exempted company incorporated and existing under the laws of Bermuda ("Seadrill"), and Grant Creed ("Executive").

WHEREAS, Executive and the Company are party to that certain Employment Agreement dated November 21, 2023, (the "Employment Agreement"), pursuant to which Executive serves as Executive Vice President, Chief Financial Officer of Seadrill and such offices of the other Group Companies as Executive currently holds; and

WHEREAS, the Company and Executive desire to amend the Employment Agreement as more fully set forth herein.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual covenants contained herein and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, the parties hereto agree as follows:

1. Certain Definitions. Capitalized terms used and not otherwise defined herein shall have the meanings ascribed to them in the Employment Agreement.

2. Termination Without Cause or Termination for Good Reason. Subparagraph 7(b) of the Employment Agreement is hereby amended as follows:

- (a) The existing language in subparagraph 7(b) shall be moved to a new subparagraph 7(b)(i).
- (b) A new subparagraph 7(b)(ii) shall be inserted as follows:

"Notwithstanding the foregoing, if the Employment Period ends early pursuant to paragraph 6 on account of a Termination Without Cause or a Termination For Good Reason, in each case, within the twenty-four (24)-month period immediately following a Change in Control (a "CIC Termination"), the Company shall pay Executive an amount equal to two times (2x) the sum of (A) Executive's Base Salary at the time of such termination, plus (B) Executive's annual bonus in effect for the year in which the Employment Period ends, based on the target level of performance, plus (C) the annualized amount (for the avoidance of doubt, twelve (12) months) of COBRA Continuation. Additionally, in the event of a CIC Termination, Executive shall be entitled to receive a pro rata amount of the bonus (if any) Executive would have otherwise received pursuant to paragraph 5(b) for the year in which the Employment Period ends (based on the number of days during such bonus year Executive was employed up to and including the last day of the Employment Period), which such bonus amount (if any) shall be based on the extent to which the performance measures are met



but assuming satisfaction of any personal objectives, and shall be payable at the same time as bonuses are paid to employees generally.”

(c) Subparagraph 7(f) of the Employment Agreement is hereby deleted in its entirety and replaced with the following:

“The amounts payable to Executive pursuant to subparagraph 7(b)(i) shall commence or become payable on the first regularly scheduled payroll date following the 60<sup>th</sup> day after the Termination Without Cause or Termination For Good Reason, subject to subparagraph 7(e), with the aggregate of any payments that would otherwise have been paid prior to such payroll date paid to Executive in a lump sum on such payroll date. The amounts payable to Executive pursuant to subparagraph 7(b)(ii) shall be paid as soon as practicable following Executive’s timely execution and nonrevocation of the release described in subparagraph 7(e); provided, however, that if the 60-day period described therein spans two calendar years, the amounts payable to Executive pursuant to subparagraph 7(b)(ii) shall be made in the second calendar year.”

3. Tax Treatment of Certain Payments Received. A new paragraph 17 shall be inserted as follows:

“Internal Revenue Code Section 280G.

(a) Notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement or any other plan, arrangement or agreement to the contrary, if any of the payments or benefits provided or to be provided by the Company or its affiliates to Executive or for Executive’s benefit pursuant to the terms of this Agreement or otherwise (such payments or benefits, “Covered Payments”) constitute parachute payments within the meaning of Code Section 280G (“Parachute Payments”) and would, but for this paragraph 17, be subject to the excise tax imposed under Code Section 4999 (or any successor provision thereto) or any similar tax imposed by state or local law or any interest or penalties with respect to such taxes (collectively, the “Excise Tax”), then the Covered Payments shall be either (a) delivered in full or (b) delivered to such lesser extent which would result in no portion of such payments or benefits being subject to the Excise Tax, whichever of the foregoing amounts, taking into account the applicable federal, state and local income taxes and the Excise Tax, results in the receipt by Executive on an after-tax basis, of the greatest amount of Covered Payments, notwithstanding that all or some portion of such payments or benefits may be taxable under Code Section 4999. Any determination required under this paragraph 17 shall be made in writing in good faith by an independent accounting firm selected by the Company that is reasonably acceptable to Executive (the “Accountants”), which shall take into account all possible mitigating factors and shall provide detailed supporting calculations to the Company and Executive as requested by the Company or Executive. For purposes of making the calculations required by this paragraph 17, the Accountants may make reasonable assumptions and approximations concerning applicable taxes and may rely on reasonable, good faith interpretations concerning the application of Code Section 280G and Code Section 4999. The Company and Executive shall furnish to the Accountants such information and documents as the Accountants may reasonably request in order to make a determination under this paragraph 17. The Company shall be responsible for all fees and expenses incurred by the Accountants in connection with the calculations required by this paragraph 17.



(b) If a reduction in payments or benefits is required by subparagraph 17(a), such reduction shall be made in a manner that maximized Executive's economic position. In applying this principle, the reduction shall be made in a manner consistent with the requirements of Code Section 409A, and where two economically equivalent amounts are subject to reduction but payable at different times, such amounts shall be reduced on a pro rata basis but not below zero."

4. No Further Amendment. Except as amended hereby, the Company and Executive hereby agree that the Employment Agreement shall remain unmodified and in full force and effect.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have executed this Agreement as of the date first written above.

**Seadrill Americas, Inc.**

By: /s/ Torsten Sauer-Petersen

Name: Torsten Sauer-Petersen

Title: Executive Vice President Human Resources

**EXECUTIVE**

/s/ Grant Creed

Grant Creed



*Exhibit 10.25*

**AMENDMENT NO. 1 TO  
EMPLOYMENT AGREEMENT**

This AMENDMENT NO. 1 TO EMPLOYMENT AGREEMENT (this "Amendment") is entered into as of October 2, 2024 between Seadrill Americas, Inc., a company incorporated in the State of Texas (the "Company"), whose parent company is Seadrill Limited, an exempted company incorporated and existing under the laws of Bermuda ("Seadrill"), and Samir Ali ("Executive").

WHEREAS, Executive and the Company are party to that certain Employment Agreement dated November 21, 2023, (the "Employment Agreement"), pursuant to which Executive serves as Executive Vice President, Chief Commercial Officer of Seadrill and such offices of the other Group Companies as Executive currently holds; and

WHEREAS, the Company and Executive desire to amend the Employment Agreement as more fully set forth herein.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual covenants contained herein and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, the parties hereto agree as follows:

1. Certain Definitions. Capitalized terms used and not otherwise defined herein shall have the meanings ascribed to them in the Employment Agreement.

2. Termination Without Cause or Termination for Good Reason. Subparagraph 6(b) of the Employment Agreement is hereby amended as follows:

(a) The existing language in subparagraph 6(b) shall be moved to a new subparagraph 6(b)(i).

(b) A new subparagraph 6(b)(ii) shall be inserted as follows:

"Notwithstanding the foregoing, if the Employment Period ends early pursuant to paragraph 5 on account of a Termination Without Cause or a Termination For Good Reason, in each case, within the twenty-four (24)-month period immediately following a Change in Control (a "CIC Termination"), the Company shall pay Executive an amount equal to two times (2x) the sum of (A) Executive's Base Salary at the time of such termination, plus (B) Executive's annual bonus in effect for the year in which the Employment Period ends, based on the target level of performance, plus (C) the annualized amount (for the avoidance of doubt, twelve (12) months) of COBRA Continuation. Additionally, in the event of a CIC Termination, Executive shall be entitled to receive a pro rata amount of the bonus (if any) Executive would have otherwise received pursuant to paragraph 4(b) for the year in which the Employment Period ends (based on the number of days during such bonus year Executive was employed up to and including the last day of the Employment Period), which such bonus amount (if any) shall be based on the extent to which the performance measures are met



but assuming satisfaction of any personal objectives, and shall be payable at the same time as bonuses are paid to employees generally.”

(c) Subparagraph 6(f) of the Employment Agreement is hereby deleted in its entirety and replaced with the following:

“The amounts payable to Executive pursuant to subparagraph 6(b)(i) shall commence or become payable on the first regularly scheduled payroll date following the 60<sup>th</sup> day after the Termination Without Cause or Termination For Good Reason, subject to subparagraph 6(e), with the aggregate of any payments that would otherwise have been paid prior to such payroll date paid to Executive in a lump sum on such payroll date. The amounts payable to Executive pursuant to subparagraph 6(b)(ii) shall be paid as soon as practicable following Executive’s timely execution and nonrevocation of the release described in subparagraph 6(e); provided, however, that if the 60-day period described therein spans two calendar years, the amounts payable to Executive pursuant to subparagraph 6(b)(ii) shall be made in the second calendar year.”

3. Tax Treatment of Certain Payments Received. A new paragraph 16 shall be inserted as follows:

“Internal Revenue Code Section 280G.

(a) Notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement or any other plan, arrangement or agreement to the contrary, if any of the payments or benefits provided or to be provided by the Company or its affiliates to Executive or for Executive’s benefit pursuant to the terms of this Agreement or otherwise (such payments or benefits, “Covered Payments”) constitute parachute payments within the meaning of Code Section 280G (“Parachute Payments”) and would, but for this paragraph 16, be subject to the excise tax imposed under Code Section 4999 (or any successor provision thereto) or any similar tax imposed by state or local law or any interest or penalties with respect to such taxes (collectively, the “Excise Tax”), then the Covered Payments shall be either (a) delivered in full or (b) delivered to such lesser extent which would result in no portion of such payments or benefits being subject to the Excise Tax, whichever of the foregoing amounts, taking into account the applicable federal, state and local income taxes and the Excise Tax, results in the receipt by Executive on an after-tax basis, of the greatest amount of Covered Payments, notwithstanding that all or some portion of such payments or benefits may be taxable under Code Section 4999. Any determination required under this paragraph 16 shall be made in writing in good faith by an independent accounting firm selected by the Company that is reasonably acceptable to Executive (the “Accountants”), which shall take into account all possible mitigating factors and shall provide detailed supporting calculations to the Company and Executive as requested by the Company or Executive. For purposes of making the calculations required by this paragraph 16, the Accountants may make reasonable assumptions and approximations concerning applicable taxes and may rely on reasonable, good faith interpretations concerning the application of Code Section 280G and Code Section 4999. The Company and Executive shall furnish to the Accountants such information and documents as the Accountants may reasonably request in order to make a determination under this paragraph 16. The Company shall be responsible for all fees and expenses incurred by the Accountants in connection with the calculations required by this paragraph 16.



(b) If a reduction in payments or benefits is required by subparagraph 16(a), such reduction shall be made in a manner that maximized Executive's economic position. In applying this principle, the reduction shall be made in a manner consistent with the requirements of Code Section 409A, and where two economically equivalent amounts are subject to reduction but payable at different times, such amounts shall be reduced on a pro rata basis but not below zero."

4. No Further Amendment. Except as amended hereby, the Company and Executive hereby agree that the Employment Agreement shall remain unmodified and in full force and effect.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have executed this Agreement as of the date first written above.

**Seadrill Americas, Inc.**

By: /s/ Torsten Sauer-Petersen

Name: Torsten Sauer-Petersen

Title: Executive Vice President Human Resources

**EXECUTIVE**

/s/ Samir Ali

Samir Ali



*Exhibit 10.26*

**AMENDMENT NO. 1 TO  
EMPLOYMENT AGREEMENT**

This AMENDMENT NO. 1 TO EMPLOYMENT AGREEMENT (this "Amendment") is entered into as of September 30, 2024 between Seadrill Americas, Inc., a company incorporated in the State of Texas (the "Company"), whose parent company is Seadrill Limited, an exempted company incorporated and existing under the laws of Bermuda ("Seadrill"), and Torsten Sauer-Petersen ("Executive").

WHEREAS, Executive and the Company are party to that certain Employment Agreement dated November 21, 2023, (the "Employment Agreement"), pursuant to which Executive serves as Executive Vice President Human Resources of Seadrill and such offices of the other Group Companies as Executive currently holds; and

WHEREAS, the Company and Executive desire to amend the Employment Agreement as more fully set forth herein.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual covenants contained herein and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, the parties hereto agree as follows:

1. Certain Definitions. Capitalized terms used and not otherwise defined herein shall have the meanings ascribed to them in the Employment Agreement.
2. Termination Without Cause or Termination for Good Reason. Subparagraph 7(b) of the Employment Agreement is hereby amended as follows:

- (a) The existing language in subparagraph 7(b) shall be moved to a new subparagraph 7(b)(i).
- (b) A new subparagraph 7(b)(ii) shall be inserted as follows:

"Notwithstanding the foregoing, if the Employment Period ends early pursuant to paragraph 6 on account of a Termination Without Cause or a Termination For Good Reason, in each case, within the twenty-four (24)-month period immediately following a Change in Control (a "CIC Termination"), the Company shall pay Executive an amount equal to two times (2x) the sum of (A) Executive's Base Salary at the time of such termination, plus (B) Executive's annual bonus in effect for the year in which the Employment Period ends, based on the target level of performance, plus (C) the annualized amount (for the avoidance of doubt, twelve (12) months) of COBRA Continuation. Additionally, in the event of a CIC Termination, Executive shall be entitled to receive a pro rata amount of the bonus (if any) Executive would have otherwise received pursuant to paragraph 5(b) for the year in which the Employment Period ends (based on the number of days during such bonus year Executive was employed up to and including the last day of the Employment Period), which such bonus amount (if any) shall be based on the extent to which the performance measures are met



but assuming satisfaction of any personal objectives, and shall be payable at the same time as bonuses are paid to employees generally.”

(c) Subparagraph 7(f) of the Employment Agreement is hereby deleted in its entirety and replaced with the following:

“The amounts payable to Executive pursuant to subparagraph 7(b)(i) shall commence or become payable on the first regularly scheduled payroll date following the 60<sup>th</sup> day after the Termination Without Cause or Termination For Good Reason, subject to subparagraph 7(e), with the aggregate of any payments that would otherwise have been paid prior to such payroll date paid to Executive in a lump sum on such payroll date. The amounts payable to Executive pursuant to subparagraph 7(b)(ii) shall be paid as soon as practicable following Executive’s timely execution and nonrevocation of the release described in subparagraph 7(e); provided, however, that if the 60-day period described therein spans two calendar years, the amounts payable to Executive pursuant to subparagraph 7(b)(ii) shall be made in the second calendar year.”

3. Tax Treatment of Certain Payments Received. A new paragraph 17 shall be inserted as follows:

“Internal Revenue Code Section 280G.

(a) Notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement or any other plan, arrangement or agreement to the contrary, if any of the payments or benefits provided or to be provided by the Company or its affiliates to Executive or for Executive’s benefit pursuant to the terms of this Agreement or otherwise (such payments or benefits, “Covered Payments”) constitute parachute payments within the meaning of Code Section 280G (“Parachute Payments”) and would, but for this paragraph 17, be subject to the excise tax imposed under Code Section 4999 (or any successor provision thereto) or any similar tax imposed by state or local law or any interest or penalties with respect to such taxes (collectively, the “Excise Tax”), then the Covered Payments shall be either (a) delivered in full or (b) delivered to such lesser extent which would result in no portion of such payments or benefits being subject to the Excise Tax, whichever of the foregoing amounts, taking into account the applicable federal, state and local income taxes and the Excise Tax, results in the receipt by Executive on an after-tax basis, of the greatest amount of Covered Payments, notwithstanding that all or some portion of such payments or benefits may be taxable under Code Section 4999. Any determination required under this paragraph 17 shall be made in writing in good faith by an independent accounting firm selected by the Company that is reasonably acceptable to Executive (the “Accountants”), which shall take into account all possible mitigating factors and shall provide detailed supporting calculations to the Company and Executive as requested by the Company or Executive. For purposes of making the calculations required by this paragraph 17, the Accountants may make reasonable assumptions and approximations concerning applicable taxes and may rely on reasonable, good faith interpretations concerning the application of Code Section 280G and Code Section 4999. The Company and Executive shall furnish to the Accountants such information and documents as the Accountants may reasonably request in order to make a determination under this paragraph 17. The Company shall be responsible for all fees and expenses incurred by the Accountants in connection with the calculations required by this paragraph 17.



(b) If a reduction in payments or benefits is required by subparagraph 17(a), such reduction shall be made in a manner that maximized Executive's economic position. In applying this principle, the reduction shall be made in a manner consistent with the requirements of Code Section 409A, and where two economically equivalent amounts are subject to reduction but payable at different times, such amounts shall be reduced on a pro rata basis but not below zero."

4. No Further Amendment. Except as amended hereby, the Company and Executive hereby agree that the Employment Agreement shall remain unmodified and in full force and effect.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have executed this Agreement as of the date first written above.

**Seadrill Americas, Inc.**

By: /s/ Simon Johnson

Name: Simon Johnson

Title: Chief Executive Officer

**EXECUTIVE**

/s/ Torsten Sauer-Petersen

Torsten Sauer-Petersen



*Exhibit 10.27*

**AMENDMENT NO. 1 TO  
EMPLOYMENT AGREEMENT**

This AMENDMENT NO. 1 TO EMPLOYMENT AGREEMENT (this "Amendment") is entered into as of September 30, 2024 between Seadrill Americas, Inc., a company incorporated in the State of Texas (the "Company"), whose parent company is Seadrill Limited, an exempted company incorporated and existing under the laws of Bermuda ("Seadrill"), and Todd Strickler ("Executive").

WHEREAS, Executive and the Company are party to that certain Employment Agreement dated November 21, 2023, (the "Employment Agreement"), pursuant to which Executive serves as Senior Vice President and General Counsel of Seadrill and such offices of the other Group Companies as Executive currently holds; and WHEREAS, the Company and Executive desire to amend the Employment Agreement as more fully set forth herein.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual covenants contained herein and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, the parties hereto agree as follows:

1. Certain Definitions. Capitalized terms used and not otherwise defined herein shall have the meanings ascribed to them in the Employment Agreement.
2. Termination Without Cause or Termination for Good Reason. Subparagraph 6(b) of the Employment Agreement is hereby amended as follows:
  - (a) The existing language in subparagraph 6(b) shall be moved to a new subparagraph 6(b)(i).
  - (b) A new subparagraph 6(b)(ii) shall be inserted as follows:

"Notwithstanding the foregoing, if the Employment Period ends early pursuant to paragraph 5 on account of a Termination Without Cause or a Termination For Good Reason, in each case, within the twenty-four (24)-month period immediately following a Change in Control (a "CIC Termination"), the Company shall pay Executive an amount equal to two times (2x) the sum of (A) Executive's Base Salary at the time of such termination, plus (B) Executive's annual bonus in effect for the year in which the Employment Period ends, based on the target level of performance, plus (C) the annualized amount (for the avoidance of doubt, twelve (12) months) of COBRA Continuation. Additionally, in the event of a CIC Termination, Executive shall be entitled to receive a pro rata amount of the bonus (if any) Executive would have otherwise received pursuant to paragraph 4(b) for the year in which the Employment Period ends (based on the number of days during such bonus year Executive was employed up to and including the last day of the Employment Period), which such bonus amount (if any) shall be based on the extent to which the performance measures are met but assuming satisfaction of any personal objectives, and shall be payable at the same time as bonuses are paid to employees generally."



(c) Subparagraph 6(f) of the Employment Agreement is hereby deleted in its entirety and replaced with the following:

“The amounts payable to Executive pursuant to subparagraph 6(b)(i) shall commence or become payable on the first regularly scheduled payroll date following the 60<sup>th</sup> day after the Termination Without Cause or Termination For Good Reason, subject to subparagraph 6(e), with the aggregate of any payments that would otherwise have been paid prior to such payroll date paid to Executive in a lump sum on such payroll date. The amounts payable to Executive pursuant to subparagraph 6(b)(ii) shall be paid as soon as practicable following Executive’s timely execution and nonrevocation of the release described in subparagraph 6(e); provided, however, that if the 60-day period described therein spans two calendar years, the amounts payable to Executive pursuant to subparagraph 6(b)(ii) shall be made in the second calendar year.”

3. Tax Treatment of Certain Payments Received. A new paragraph 16 shall be inserted as follows:

“Internal Revenue Code Section 280G.

(a) Notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement or any other plan, arrangement or agreement to the contrary, if any of the payments or benefits provided or to be provided by the Company or its affiliates to Executive or for Executive’s benefit pursuant to the terms of this Agreement or otherwise (such payments or benefits, “Covered Payments”) constitute parachute payments within the meaning of Code Section 280G (“Parachute Payments”) and would, but for this paragraph 16, be subject to the excise tax imposed under Code Section 4999 (or any successor provision thereto) or any similar tax imposed by state or local law or any interest or penalties with respect to such taxes (collectively, the “Excise Tax”), then the Covered Payments shall be either (a) delivered in full or (b) delivered to such lesser extent which would result in no portion of such payments or benefits being subject to the Excise Tax, whichever of the foregoing amounts, taking into account the applicable federal, state and local income taxes and the Excise Tax, results in the receipt by Executive on an after-tax basis, of the greatest amount of Covered Payments, notwithstanding that all or some portion of such payments or benefits may be taxable under Code Section 4999. Any determination required under this paragraph 16 shall be made in writing in good faith by an independent accounting firm selected by the Company that is reasonably acceptable to Executive (the “Accountants”), which shall take into account all possible mitigating factors and shall provide detailed supporting calculations to the Company and Executive as requested by the Company or Executive. For purposes of making the calculations required by this paragraph 16, the Accountants may make reasonable assumptions and approximations concerning applicable taxes and may rely on reasonable, good faith interpretations concerning the application of Code Section 280G and Code Section 4999. The Company and Executive shall furnish to the Accountants such information and documents as the Accountants may reasonably request in order to make a determination under this paragraph 16. The Company shall be responsible for all fees and expenses incurred by the Accountants in connection with the calculations required by this paragraph 16.

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**Seadrill Americas, Inc.**

By: /s/ Torsten Sauer-Petersen  
Name: Torsten Sauer-Petersen  
Title: Executive Vice President Human Resources

**EXECUTIVE**

/s/ Todd Strickler  
Todd Strickler



*Exhibit 10.28*

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EMPLOYMENT AGREEMENT**

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WHEREAS, Executive and the Company are party to that certain Employment Agreement dated December 14, 2023, (the "Employment Agreement"), pursuant to which Executive serves as Senior Vice President, Operations of Seadrill and such offices of the other Group Companies as Executive currently holds; and

WHEREAS, the Company and Executive desire to amend the Employment Agreement as more fully set forth herein.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have executed this Agreement as of the date first written above.

**Seadrill Americas, Inc.**

By: /s/ Torsten Sauer-Petersen

Name: Torsten Sauer-Petersen

Title: Executive Vice President Human Resources

**EXECUTIVE**

/s/ Marcel Wieggers

Marcel Wieggers



*Exhibit 10.29*

**Dated [ \_\_\_\_\_ ]**

**SEADRILL LIMITED**

**and**

**[ \_\_\_\_\_ ]**

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**FORM OF DEED OF INDEMNITY**  
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THIS DEED is made on the [ ] day of [ ]

**BETWEEN:**

1. **SEADRILL LIMITED**, a company incorporated in Bermuda, whose registered office is at Park Place 55 Par-La-Ville Road, Hamilton HM11, Bermuda (the "**Company**"); and

2. [ ] of [ ] (the "**Director**").

**WHEREAS:**

(A) The Director is a director of the Company on the date of this Deed.

(B) The Company has agreed to indemnify the Director, and the Director has agreed to give certain undertakings to the Company, in each case on the terms of and subject to the conditions in this Deed.

**THIS DEED PROVIDES** as follows:

**1. Interpretation**

1.1 In this Deed:

<b>"Business Day"</b>	means a day (other than a Saturday or a Sunday) on which banks are open for business (other than solely for trading and settlement in euro) in London;
<b>"Claim"</b>	means any investigation, demand, claim, action or proceeding, brought or threatened, against the Director or any other person in any jurisdiction;
<b>"Confidential Information"</b>	has the meaning given in sub-clause 13.1;
<b>"Group Company"</b>	means the Company and any Subsidiary of the Company from time to time;
<b>"Indemnity"</b>	has the meaning given in sub-clause 2.1;
<b>"Indemnity Claim"</b>	means any investigation, demand, claim, action or proceeding by the Director against the Company under the Indemnity;
<b>"Indemnity Payment"</b>	means a payment under the Indemnity;
<b>"Loss"</b>	means any and all liability suffered or incurred by the Director on or after the date of this Deed;



<b>“Pre-Contractual Statement”</b>	has the meaning given in sub-clause 11.4;
<b>“Subsidiary”</b>	has the meaning given to it in section 1159 of the UK Companies Act 2006;
<b>“Tax”</b>	includes (without limitation) all taxes, levies, duties, imposts, charges and withholdings of any nature whatsoever, whether of Bermuda, the United Kingdom or elsewhere, together with all penalties, charges and interest relating to any of them or to any failure to file any return required for the purposes of any of them; and
<b>“Termination”</b>	has the meaning given in sub-clause 6.2.

1.2 In this Deed:

- (A) references to clauses and sub-clauses are to clauses and sub-clauses of this Deed;
- (B) use of either gender includes the other gender;
- (C) a reference to any statute or statutory provision shall be construed as a reference to the same as it may have been, or may from time to time be, amended, modified or re-enacted;
- (D) headings and titles are inserted for convenience only and are to be ignored in the interpretation of this Deed;
- (E) “UK” means the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland; and
- (F) “USD” and “\$” denote the lawful currency of the United States of America.

**2. Indemnity and Advance of Funds for Defence Proceedings**

2.1 Subject to the terms of this Deed, the Company undertakes to indemnify the Director against any Loss in respect of the Director’s acts or omissions whilst in the course of acting or purporting to act as a director or employee of any Group Company or which otherwise arises by virtue of the Director holding or having held such position, in each case, to the extent arising out of or in connection with, directly or indirectly, any Claim (the “**Indemnity**”) PROVIDED THAT, without prejudice to any other rights or remedies available to the Director, the Indemnity shall not extend to any Loss:

- (A) arising out of, based upon or attributable to any dishonest or fraudulent act or omission by the Director;
- (B) where such indemnification or payment in any particular jurisdiction would be rendered void or voidable by, contravene or be prohibited by (i) any applicable



- law, regulation, listing, disclosure or other similar rules from time to time binding on the relevant Group Company in that jurisdiction, or (ii) the terms of any undertaking given or required to be given by the relevant Group Company to any regulatory authority; or
- (C) arising from loss of earnings or any other employment benefit including, without limitation, rights to bonus or other monetary incentives, share options or other share-based incentives or pension or other retirement benefits which the Director may suffer as a result of any period of disqualification from office of director (or other similar office) by any relevant court, tribunal or other legal or regulatory authority.
- 2.2 When computing the amount of any Indemnity Payment there shall be taken into account the amount of any Tax deduction or Tax saving obtained by the Director in consequence of the matter that has given rise to the Indemnity Payment.
- 2.3 Without prejudice to the Indemnity, but subject always to sub-clause 2.4, the Company shall advance such funds to the Director as are reasonably required, from time to time, for the Director to meet expenditure incurred or to be incurred by the Director:
- (A) in defending any criminal or civil proceedings in connection with any alleged negligence, default, breach of duty or breach of trust by the Director in relation to any Group Company; or
- (B) in defending himself:
- (i) in an investigation by a regulatory authority; or
- (ii) against action proposed to be taken by a regulatory authority,
- in connection with any alleged negligence, default, breach of duty or breach of trust by the Director in relation to any Group Company.
- 2.4 Any advance requested pursuant to sub-clause 2.3, shall be made except where prohibited by applicable law, regulation, judgement, market listing rule or similar requirement and provided always that the advance shall be interest-free and shall not be repayable except in the event that judgment of the relevant court, tribunal or other legal or regulatory authority is given against the Director on allegations arising out of, based upon or attributable to any dishonest or fraudulent act or omission of the Director, or in accordance with clause 2.6.
- 2.5 If the Director is at any time entitled (whether by reason of insurance or otherwise) to recover from some other person any sum in respect of any matter giving rise (or which may give rise) to an Indemnity Claim the Director shall:
- (A) promptly notify the Company and provide such information as the Company may reasonably require relating to such right of recovery and the steps taken or to be taken by the Director in connection with it;
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(B) unless such entitlement is contingent upon the Director having first exhausted her rights to indemnification in respect of the relevant liability under this Deed, if so required by the Company take all steps (whether by way of a claim against her insurers or otherwise including, without limitation, legal proceedings) as the Company may reasonably require to enforce such recovery; and

(C) keep the Company fully informed of the progress of any action taken,

and thereafter any Indemnity Payment shall be limited to the amount by which the Loss suffered as a result of the matter giving rise to the Indemnity Claim shall exceed the amount so recovered. No other person shall have the right to pursue any Indemnity Claim (or to seek contribution from the Company) whether in its own name or that of the Director.

2.6 If the Company makes an Indemnity Payment to the Director or makes an advance under sub-clause 2.3 and the Director subsequently recovers from a third party a sum which is referable to the matter giving rise to the Indemnity Claim, the Director shall forthwith repay to the Company:

(A) an amount equal to the sum recovered from the third party less any reasonable out-of-pocket costs and expenses incurred by the Director in recovering the same; or

(B) if the figure resulting under sub-clause (A) above is greater than the Indemnity Payment, a sum equal to the Indemnity Payment.

2.7 If the Company makes an Indemnity Payment, it shall be subrogated to the extent of such Indemnity Payment to Director's right of recovery against any third party (including any claim under any applicable directors' and officers' insurance policy) in respect of the Indemnity Payment. The Director shall provide all reasonable cooperation as may be requested by the Company for the purpose of securing and exercising such rights of recovery and in no event shall the Director do anything to prejudice the Company's ability to assert such rights.

2.8 If a body corporate ceases to be a Group Company after the date of this Deed, the Indemnity shall only apply in respect of liabilities in relation to that body corporate which arose before the date on which that body corporate ceased to be a Group Company.

2.9 If a body corporate becomes a Group Company after the date of this Deed, the Indemnity shall only apply in respect of liabilities in relation to that body corporate which arose after the date on which that body corporate became a Group Company.

2.10 References in this clause to acts or omissions are to acts or omissions respectively carried out, made or omitted to be made before, on or after the date of this Deed.



**3. Conduct of Claims and Access to Information**

- 3.1 Without prejudice to sub-clause 3.5, if the Director becomes aware of any Claim giving rise to an Indemnity Claim (or any circumstances that may reasonably be expected to give rise to an Indemnity Claim) the Director shall:
- (A) as soon as reasonably practicable thereafter, notify the Company in writing of the existence of such Indemnity Claim (or circumstances), giving full details in that notification (or, to the extent that such details are not available to the Director at that time, as soon as possible thereafter) of the circumstances leading to (or expected to lead to), and the grounds for, that Indemnity Claim and the quantum or possible quantum of that Indemnity Claim;
  - (B) subject to the Company agreeing to pay the reasonable out-of-pocket expenses of the Director, take such action and give such information and assistance and access to premises, chattels, documents and records as the Company may reasonably request in order to avoid, dispute, resist, mitigate, settle, compromise, defend or appeal any Claim or judgment or adjudication with respect thereto (including, without limitation, instructing such solicitors or other professional advisers as the Company may nominate to act on the Director's behalf but in accordance with the Company's sole instructions) in connection with the Claim;
  - (C) without prejudice to the generality of sub-clause (B) above, at the request of the Company, allow the Company to take the sole conduct of such actions in the name of the Director as the Company may deem appropriate in connection with such Claim;
  - (D) without prejudice to the generality of sub-clause (B) above, make no admission of liability, agreement, settlement or compromise with any person in relation to such Claim without the prior written consent of the Company;
  - (E) comply with the terms and conditions of any policy of directors' and officers' insurance which covers the Director; and
  - (F) take all reasonable action to mitigate any Loss suffered by the Director in respect of such Claim.
- 3.2 The provisions of sub-clauses 3.1(B), (C) and (D) shall not apply to any Claim brought against the Director by any Group Company.
- 3.3 If the Director fails to comply with her obligations under this clause 3 in any material respect then the amount of any Indemnity Payment shall be reduced to the amount which the Director would have been entitled to receive pursuant to the Indemnity had the Director complied with her obligations.
- 3.4 Any information the Company receives from the Director pursuant to this Deed may be provided by the Company to its advisers, insurers and to any other Group Company without notice to the Director.
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- 3.5 If the Company exercises its rights under clauses 3.1(B) or 3.1(C) the Company agrees to: (i) consult with the Director on aspects of the conduct of the Claim materially relevant to the Director; (ii) keep the Director reasonably informed of relevant developments in relation to conduct of the Claim; and (iii) take into account the Director's reasonable requests related to the conduct of the Claim on issues which the Director reasonably believes may result in damage to the Director's reputation.
- 3.6 The Company shall be entitled at any stage and at its sole discretion to settle any Claim. However, before finalising any such settlement, the Company agrees to:
- (A) consult with the Director on aspects of the settlement materially relevant to the Director;
  - (B) not make any admission of liability on behalf of the Director without her consent, such consent not to be unreasonably withheld; and
  - (C) take into account the Director's reasonable requests related to the settlement on issues which the Director reasonably believes may result in damage to the Director's reputation.

#### **4. Tax**

- 4.1 Any Indemnity Payment shall be paid by the Company free and clear of all deductions for or on account of Tax, save as required by law.
- 4.2 Without prejudice to sub-clause 2.2, if any deduction is required by law to be made from any Indemnity Payment or if an Indemnity Payment is subject to a liability to Tax in the hands of the Director then the Company shall pay to the Director such sum as will, after such deduction has been made or after such liability to Tax has been taken into account, leave the Director with the same amount as they would have been entitled to receive had no such deduction been required by law or as they would have been entitled to retain had no such liability to Tax arisen.

#### **5. Establishment of Liability**

The Company shall only be liable in respect of any Indemnity Claim if and to the extent that such Indemnity Claim is admitted by the Company or proven in a court of competent jurisdiction.

#### **6. Termination**

- 6.1 The Indemnity shall terminate:
- (A) on the date on which the insurance cover for directors' and officers' liabilities in respect of the Group Companies is bound or policies have been issued with an aggregate minimum policy limit of USD120million; or
  - (B) with regard to a Group Company, on the date after the date on which the Director is no longer a director or employee of such Group Company.



6.2 Any termination pursuant to sub-clause 6.1 ("Termination") does not affect:

- (A) any rights and obligations in respect of any matter notified pursuant to clause 3 before Termination;
- (B) the right of the Director to the Indemnity in respect of any Indemnity Claim made before or after Termination in respect of conduct or omission occurring before Termination, provided that such Indemnity Claim is notified to the Company in accordance with the terms of this Deed and in any event within six years after the date of Termination. For the avoidance of doubt, where a Director ceases to be a director or employee of a Group Company and accordingly the Indemnity ceases to apply in respect of that Group Company pursuant to sub-clause 6.1(B), the six year period in respect of Indemnity Claims relating to that Group Company commences from her ceasing to be a director or employee of that Group Company notwithstanding that the Deed may remain in force with regard to other Group Companies.

6.3 The provisions of clauses 6 to 16 (inclusive) will survive Termination of this Deed. The other provisions of this Deed will survive Termination of this Deed so far as relevant in relation to any Indemnity Claim covered by sub-clause 6.2.

## 7. Notices

7.1 A notice under this Deed shall only be effective if it is in writing. E-mail is permitted.

7.2 Notices under this Deed shall be sent to a party at its address or number and, in the case of the Company, for the attention of the individual, set out below:

<u>Party and title of individual</u>	<u>Address</u>	<u>E-mail</u>
Company Attention: General Counsel	The registered office of the Company [       ] from time to time	
Director	[       ]	[       ]

PROVIDED THAT either party may change its notice details on giving notice to the other party of the change in accordance with this clause. That notice shall only be effective on the date falling five Business Days after the notification has been received or on such later date as may be specified in the notice.

7.3 Any notice given under this Deed shall, in the absence of earlier receipt, be deemed to have been duly given:

- (A) if delivered personally, on delivery;



(B) if sent by first class post, two clear Business Days after the date of posting; and

(C) if sent by e-mail, when despatched.

7.4 No notice given under this Deed may be withdrawn or revoked except by notice given in accordance with this clause.

#### **8. Remedies and Waivers**

8.1 No delay or omission by either party to this Deed in exercising any right, power or remedy provided by law or under this Deed shall affect that right, power or remedy or operate as a waiver of such right, power or remedy or constitute an election to affirm the Deed.

8.2 The single or partial exercise of any right, power or remedy provided by law or under this Deed shall not unless otherwise expressly stated preclude any other or further exercise of it or the exercise of any other right, power or remedy.

8.3 The rights, powers and remedies provided in this Deed are cumulative and not exclusive of any rights, powers and remedies provided by law.

#### **9. Invalidity**

If at any time any provision of this Deed is or becomes illegal, invalid or unenforceable in any respect under the law of any jurisdiction, that shall not affect or impair:

(A) the legality, validity or enforceability in that jurisdiction of any other provision of this Deed; or

(B) the legality, validity or enforceability under the law of any other jurisdiction of that or any other provision of this Deed.

#### **10. Contracts (Rights of Third Parties) Act 1999**

The parties to this Deed do not intend that any term of this Deed should be enforceable, by virtue of the Contracts (Rights of Third Parties) Act 1999, by any person who is not a party to this Deed.

#### **11. Entire Agreement**

11.1 This Deed constitutes the whole and only agreement between the parties relating to the indemnification of the Director by the Company, the funding of defending proceedings against the Director and the obligations of the parties in relation to Indemnity Claims.

11.2 Each party acknowledges that in entering into this Deed it is not relying upon any Pre-Contractual Statement which is not set out in this Deed.



11.3 Except in the case of fraud, no party shall have any right of action against any other party to this Deed arising out of or in connection with any Pre-Contractual Statement except to the extent that it is repeated in this Deed.

11.4 For the purposes of this clause, "**Pre-Contractual Statement**" means any draft, agreement, undertaking, representation, warranty, promise, assurance or arrangement of any nature whatsoever, whether or not in writing, relating to:

- (A) the indemnification of the Director by the Company; and/or
- (B) the funding of defending proceedings against the Director; and/or
- (C) the obligations of the parties in relation to Indemnity Claims,

made or given by any person at any time prior to this Deed becoming legally binding, other than, in any case, the Employment Contract or provision thereof.

11.5 This Deed may only be varied in writing signed by each of the parties.

## 12. Assignment

12.1 The Director shall not assign, or purport to assign, all or any part of the benefit of, or her rights or benefits under, this Deed.

## 13. Confidentiality

13.1 Subject to sub-clause 13.2, the Director shall treat as confidential and shall not disclose to any person all information that relates to:

- (A) an Indemnity Claim or any matter which results or may result in an Indemnity Claim (including without limitation the existence of an Indemnity Claim); or
- (B) any advance made under sub-clause 2.3,

(any such information being "**Confidential Information**").

13.2 Notwithstanding the other provisions of this clause, the Director may disclose Confidential Information:

- (A) to her professional advisers provided that they procure that such advisers comply with the restrictions contained in this clause as if such advisers were a party to this Deed;
- (B) to the extent required by law;
- (C) to the extent the Confidential Information has come into the public domain through no fault of that party; or



(D) to the extent the Company has given prior written consent to the disclosure, such consent not to be unreasonably withheld or delayed.

Any Confidential Information to be disclosed by the Director pursuant to sub-clause (B) or (C) above shall be disclosed only after notice to the Company.

13.3 The restrictions contained in this clause shall continue to apply after Termination, and, for the avoidance of doubt, after the Director ceases to be a director of any Group Company, in each case without limit in time.

**14. Counterparts**

14.1 This Deed may be executed in any number of counterparts, and by the parties on separate counterparts, but shall not be effective until each party has executed at least one counterpart.

14.2 Each counterpart shall constitute an original of this Deed, but all the counterparts shall together constitute but one and the same instrument.

**15. Choice of Governing Law**

This Deed is to be governed by and construed in accordance with English law. Any matter, claim or dispute arising out of or in connection with this Deed, whether contractual or non-contractual, is to be governed by and determined in accordance with English law.

**16. Jurisdiction**

The courts of England are to have exclusive jurisdiction to settle any dispute arising out of or in connection with this Deed. Any proceedings, suit or action arising out of or in connection with this Deed shall therefore be brought in the English courts.



**IN WITNESS** of which this document has been executed and delivered as a deed on the date which first appears on page 1 above.

Executed and delivered as a deed by )

**SEADRILL LIMITED** acting by an Authorised Signatory )

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Chief Executive Officer

Executed and delivered as a deed by [ ] )

in the presence of:

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(Signature of individual)

Witness's signature:

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Name (print):

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Occupation:

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Address:

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*Exhibit 10.30*

Dated [.]

**SEADRILL LIMITED**

**and**

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**DEED OF INDEMNITY**

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**THIS DEED** is made on the [ ] day of [ ], [ ]

**BETWEEN:**

1. **SEADRILL LIMITED**, a company incorporated in Bermuda, whose registered office is at Par-La-Ville Place, 14 Par-La-Ville Road, Hamilton HM08, Bermuda (the “**Company**”); and
2. [ ], of [ ] (the “**Employee**”).

**WHEREAS:**

- (A) [ ].
- (B) The Company has agreed to indemnify the Employee, and the Employee has agreed to give certain undertakings to the Company, in each case on the terms of and subject to the conditions in this Deed.

**THIS DEED PROVIDES** as follows:

**1. Interpretation**

1.1 In this Deed:

“**Associate**” means:

- (A) any body corporate in which the Company holds directly or indirectly an equity interest so that it is able to (i) exercise or control the exercise of 25 per cent. or more of the votes able to be cast at general meetings on all, or substantially all, matters; or (ii) appoint or remove directors holding a majority of voting rights at board meetings on all, or substantially all, matters; and
- (B) any partnership in which the Company is directly or indirectly interested so that it is able to hold or control (i) a voting interest greater than or equal to 25 per cent. in the partnership; or (ii) at least 25 per cent. of the partnership;

“**Business Day**” means a day (other than a Saturday or a Sunday) on which banks are open for business (other than solely for trading and settlement in euro) in London;



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“**Claim**” means any investigation, demand, claim, action or proceeding, brought or threatened, against the Employee or any other person in any jurisdiction;

“**Confidential Information**” has the meaning given in sub-clause 13.1;

“**Employment Contract**” means any contract of employment in effect on the date of this Deed between the Employee and a Group Company;

“**Group Company**” means:

- (C) the Company and any Subsidiary of the Company from time to time;
- (D) any Associate designated by the Company from time to time pursuant to sub-clause 1.3; and
- (E) any Subsidiary of any Associate as described in sub-paragraph (B) above;

“**Indemnity**” has the meaning given in sub-clause 2.1;

“**Indemnity Claim**” means any investigation, demand, claim, action or proceeding by the Employee against the Company under the Indemnity;

“**Indemnity Payment**” means a payment under the Indemnity;

“**Loss**” means any and all liability suffered or incurred by the Employee on or after the date of this Deed;

“**Pre-Contractual Statement**” has the meaning given in sub-clause 11.4;

“**Subsidiary**” has the meaning given to it in section 1159 of the UK Companies Act 2006;

“**Tax**” includes (without limitation) all taxes, levies, duties, imposts, charges and withholdings of any nature whatsoever, whether of Bermuda, the United Kingdom or elsewhere, together with all penalties, charges and interest relating to any of them or to any failure to file any return required for the purposes of any of them; and

“**Termination**” has the meaning given in sub-clause 6.2.



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1.2 In this Deed:

- (A) references to clauses and sub-clauses are to clauses and sub-clauses of this Deed;
- (B) use of either gender includes the other gender;
- (C) a reference to any statute or statutory provision shall be construed as a reference to the same as it may have been, or may from time to time be, amended, modified or re-enacted;
- (D) headings and titles are inserted for convenience only and are to be ignored in the interpretation of this Deed;
- (E) “UK” means the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland; and
- (F) “USD” and “\$” denote the lawful currency of the United States of America.

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- (A) At any time the Company may, by notice to the Employee, designate any Associate as a Group Company which shall take effect upon delivery of such notice in accordance with clause 7.
- (B) The Company confirms that the following Associates are each designated as a Group Company as at the date of this Deed:
  - (i) SeaMex Ltd;
  - (ii) Sonadrill Holding Ltd;
  - (iii) Gulfdrill LLC;
  - (iv) Seabras Sapura Holding GmbH;
  - (v) Seadrill Nigeria Deepwater Contracting Limited;
  - (vi) Seadrill Partners LLC.

1.4 If there is any inconsistency between the provisions of this Deed and the provisions of any Employment Contract, the provisions of this Deed shall prevail.

**2. Indemnity and Loan of Funds for Defence Proceedings**

2.1 Subject to the terms of this Deed, the Company undertakes to indemnify the Employee against any Loss in respect of the Employee’s acts or omissions whilst in the course of acting or purporting to act as either a director or an employee of any Group Company or which otherwise arises by virtue of the Employee holding or having held any directorship or senior position in a Group Company, in each case, to the extent arising out of or in connection with, directly or indirectly, any Claim (the “**Indemnity**”) PROVIDED THAT, without prejudice to any other rights or remedies available to the Employee, the Indemnity shall not extend to any Loss:

- (A) arising out of, based upon or attributable to any dishonest or fraudulent act or omission by the Employee;



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- (B) where such indemnification or payment in any particular jurisdiction would be rendered void or voidable by, contravene or be prohibited by (i) any applicable law, regulation, listing, disclosure or other similar rules from time to time binding on the relevant Group Company in that jurisdiction, or (ii) the terms of any undertaking given or required to be given by the relevant Group Company to any regulatory authority; or
    - (C) arising from loss of earnings or any other employment benefit including, without limitation, rights to bonus or other monetary incentives, share options or other share-based incentives or pension or other retirement benefits which the Employee may suffer as a result of any period of disqualification from office of director (or other similar office) in any Group Company other than the Company, or from any role in the Employee's area of expertise, by any relevant court, tribunal or other legal or regulatory authority.
  - 2.2 When computing the amount of any Indemnity Payment there shall be taken into account the amount of any Tax deduction or Tax saving obtained by the Employee in consequence of the matter that has given rise to the Indemnity Payment.
  - 2.3 Without prejudice to the Indemnity, but subject always to sub-clause 2.4, the Company shall advance such funds to the Employee as are reasonably required, from time to time, for the Employee to meet expenditure incurred or to be incurred by the Employee:
    - (A) in defending any criminal or civil proceedings in connection with any alleged negligence, default, breach of duty or breach of trust by the Employee in relation to any Group Company; or
    - (B) in defending himself:
      - (i) in an investigation by a regulatory authority; or
      - (ii) against action proposed to be taken by a regulatory authority,

in connection with any alleged negligence, default, breach of duty or breach of trust by the Employee in relation to any Group Company.
  - 2.4 Any advance requested pursuant to sub-clause 2.3, shall be made except where prohibited by applicable law, regulation, judgement, market listing rule or similar requirement and provided always that the advance shall be interest-free and shall not be repayable except in the event that judgment of the relevant court, tribunal or other legal or regulatory authority is given against the Employee on allegations arising out of, based upon or attributable to any dishonest or fraudulent act or omission of the Employee, or in accordance with clause 2.6.
  - 2.5 If the Employee is at any time entitled (whether by reason of insurance or otherwise) to recover from some other person any sum in respect of any matter giving rise (or which may give rise) to an Indemnity Claim the Employee shall:
    - (A) promptly notify the Company and provide such information as the Company may reasonably require relating to such right of recovery and the steps taken or to be taken by the Employee in connection with it;
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- (B) unless such entitlement is contingent upon the Employee having first exhausted his rights to indemnification in respect of the relevant liability under this Deed, if so required by the Company take all steps (whether by way of a claim against his insurers or otherwise including, without limitation, legal proceedings) as the Company may reasonably require to enforce such recovery; and
- (C) keep the Company fully informed of the progress of any action taken

and thereafter any Indemnity Payment shall be limited to the amount by which the Loss suffered as a result of the matter giving rise to the Indemnity Claim shall exceed the amount so recovered. No other person shall have the right to pursue any Indemnity Claim (or to seek contribution from the Company) whether in its own name or that of the Employee.

- 2.6 If the Company makes an Indemnity Payment to the Employee or makes a loan under sub-clause 2.3 and the Employee subsequently recovers from a third party a sum which is referable to the matter giving rise to the Indemnity Claim, the Employee shall forthwith repay to the Company:
    - (A) an amount equal to the sum recovered from the third party less any reasonable out-of-pocket costs and expenses incurred by the Employee in recovering the same; or
    - (B) if the figure resulting under sub-clause (A) above is greater than the Indemnity Payment, a sum equal to the Indemnity Payment.
  - 2.7 If the Company makes an Indemnity Payment it shall be subrogated to the extent of such Indemnity Payment to Employee's right of recovery against any third party (including any claim under any applicable directors' and officers' insurance policy) in respect of the Indemnity Payment. The Employee shall provide all reasonable cooperation as may be requested by the Company for the purpose of securing and exercising such rights of recovery and in no event shall the Employee do anything to prejudice the Company's ability to assert such rights.
  - 2.8 If a body corporate ceases to be a Group Company after the date of this Deed, (including, without limitation, by virtue of the body corporate ceasing to be an Associate), the Indemnity shall only apply in respect of liabilities in relation to that body corporate which arose before the date on which that body corporate ceased to be a Group Company.
  - 2.9 If a body corporate becomes a Group Company after the date of this Deed, the Indemnity shall only apply in respect of liabilities in relation to that body corporate which arose after the date on which that body corporate became a Group Company.
  - 2.10 References in this clause to acts or omissions are to acts or omissions respectively carried out, made or omitted to be made before, on or after the date of this Deed.
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**3. Conduct of Claims and Access to Information**

- 3.1 Without prejudice to sub-clause 3.5, if the Employee becomes aware of any Claim giving rise to an Indemnity Claim (or any circumstances that may reasonably be expected to give rise to an Indemnity Claim) the Employee shall:
- (A) as soon as reasonably practicable thereafter, notify the Company in writing of the existence of such Indemnity Claim (or circumstances), giving full details in that notification (or, to the extent that such details are not available to the Employee at that time, as soon as possible thereafter) of the circumstances leading to (or expected to lead to), and the grounds for, that Indemnity Claim and the quantum or possible quantum of that Indemnity Claim;
  - (B) subject to the Company agreeing to pay the reasonable out-of-pocket expenses of the Employee, take such action and give such information and assistance and access to premises, chattels, documents and records as the Company may reasonably request in order to avoid, dispute, resist, mitigate, settle, compromise, defend or appeal any Claim or judgment or adjudication with respect thereto (including, without limitation, instructing such solicitors or other professional advisers as the Company may nominate to act on the Employee's behalf but in accordance with the Company's sole instructions) in connection with the Claim;
  - (C) without prejudice to the generality of sub-clause (B) above, at the request of the Company, allow the Company to take the sole conduct of such actions in the name of the Employee as the Company may deem appropriate in connection with such Claim;
  - (D) without prejudice to the generality of sub-clause (B) above, make no admission of liability, agreement, settlement or compromise with any person in relation to such Claim without the prior written consent of the Company;
  - (E) comply with the terms and conditions of any policy of directors' and officers' insurance which covers the Employee; and
  - (F) take all reasonable action to mitigate any Loss suffered by the Employee in respect of such Claim.
- 3.2 The provisions of sub-clauses 3.1(B), (C) and (D) shall not apply to any Claim brought against the Employee by any Group Company.
- 3.3 If the Employee fails to comply with his obligations under this clause 3 in any material respect then the amount of any Indemnity Payment shall be reduced to the amount which the Employee would have been entitled to receive pursuant to the Indemnity had the Employee complied with his obligations.
- 3.4 Any information the Company receives from the Employee pursuant to this Deed may be provided by the Company to its advisers, insurers and to any other Group Company without notice to the Employee.
- 3.5 If the Company exercises its rights under clauses 3.1(B) or 3.1(C) the Company agrees to: (i) consult with the Employee on aspects of the conduct of the Claim materially relevant to the Employee; (ii) keep the Employee reasonably informed of relevant developments in relation to conduct of the Claim; and (iii) take into account the
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Employee's reasonable requests related to the conduct of the Claim on issues which the Employee reasonably believes may result in damage to the Employee's reputation.

- 3.6 The Company shall be entitled at any stage and at its sole discretion to settle any Claim. However, before finalising any such settlement, the Company agrees to:
- (A) consult with the Employee on aspects of the settlement materially relevant to the Employee;
  - (B) not make any admission of liability on behalf of the Employee without his consent, such consent not to be unreasonably withheld; and
  - (C) take into account the Employee's reasonable requests related to the settlement on issues which the Employee reasonably believes may result in damage to the Employee's reputation.

#### **4. Tax**

- 4.1 Any Indemnity Payment shall be paid by the Company free and clear of all deductions for or on account of Tax, save as required by law.
- 4.2 Without prejudice to sub-clause 2.2, if any deduction is required by law to be made from any Indemnity Payment or if an Indemnity Payment is subject to a liability to Tax in the hands of the Employee then the Company shall pay to the Employee such sum as will, after such deduction has been made or after such liability to Tax has been taken into account, leave the Employee with the same amount as he would have been entitled to receive had no such deduction been required by law or as he would have been entitled to retain had no such liability to Tax arisen.

#### **5. Establishment of Liability**

The Company shall only be liable in respect of any Indemnity Claim if and to the extent that such Indemnity Claim is admitted by the Company or proven in a court of competent jurisdiction.

#### **6. Termination**

- 6.1 The Indemnity shall terminate:
- (A) in respect of each Group Company, on the date on which the insurance cover for directors' and officers' liabilities in respect of such Group Company is bound or policies have been issued with an aggregate minimum policy limit of USD120million;
  - (B) with regard to a Group Company, on the date after the date on which the Employee is no longer an employee or a director of that Group Company excluding the Company; or
  - (C) with regard to any body corporate or partnership which has been designated as a Group Company pursuant to sub-clause 1.3, the date on which that body corporate or partnership ceases to be an Associate, in each case, with the effect that the Indemnity shall also terminate with regard to any Subsidiary of such Associate.



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6.2 Any termination pursuant to sub-clause 6.1 (“**Termination**”) does not affect:

- (A) any rights and obligations in respect of any matter notified pursuant to clause 3 before Termination;
- (B) the right of the Employee to the Indemnity in respect of any Indemnity Claim made before or after Termination in respect of conduct or omission occurring before Termination, provided that such Indemnity Claim is notified to the Company in accordance with the terms of this Deed and in any event within six years after the date of Termination. For the avoidance of doubt, where a Employee ceases to be a director or employee of a Group Company and accordingly the Indemnity ceases to apply in respect of that Group Company pursuant to sub-clause 6.1(B) the six year period in respect of Indemnity Claims relating to that Group Company commences from his ceasing to be a director or employee of that Group Company notwithstanding that the Deed may remain in force with regard to other Group Companies.

6.3 The provisions of clauses 6 to 16 (inclusive) will survive Termination of this Deed. The other provisions of this Deed will survive Termination of this Deed so far as relevant in relation to any Indemnity Claim covered by sub-clause 6.2.

## 7. Notices

7.1 A notice under this Deed shall only be effective if it is in writing. E-mail is permitted.

7.2 Notices under this Deed shall be sent to a party at its address or number and, in the case of the Company, for the attention of the individual, set out below:

<u>Party and title of Address</u>	<u>E-mail</u>
<u>individual</u>	
Company Attention:	The registered office of the [ ] Company from time to time
General Counsel	
Employee	The address provided by the [ ] Director in recital 2 above.

PROVIDED THAT either party may change its notice details on giving notice to the other party of the change in accordance with this clause. That notice shall only be effective on the date falling five Business Days after the notification has been received or on such later date as may be specified in the notice.

7.3 Any notice given under this Deed shall, in the absence of earlier receipt, be deemed to have been duly given:

- (A) if delivered personally, on delivery;
- (B) if sent by first class post, two clear Business Days after the date of posting; and



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(C) if sent by e-mail, when despatched.

7.4 No notice given under this Deed may be withdrawn or revoked except by notice given in accordance with this clause.

#### **8. Remedies and Waivers**

8.1 No delay or omission by either party to this Deed in exercising any right, power or remedy provided by law or under this Deed shall affect that right, power or remedy or operate as a waiver of such right, power or remedy or constitute an election to affirm the Deed.

8.2 The single or partial exercise of any right, power or remedy provided by law or under this Deed shall not unless otherwise expressly stated preclude any other or further exercise of it or the exercise of any other right, power or remedy.

8.3 The rights, powers and remedies provided in this Deed are cumulative and not exclusive of any rights, powers and remedies provided by law.

#### **9. Invalidity**

If at any time any provision of this Deed is or becomes illegal, invalid or unenforceable in any respect under the law of any jurisdiction, that shall not affect or impair:

(A) the legality, validity or enforceability in that jurisdiction of any other provision of this Deed; or

(B) the legality, validity or enforceability under the law of any other jurisdiction of that or any other provision of this Deed.

#### **10. Contracts (Rights of Third Parties) Act 1999**

The parties to this Deed do not intend that any term of this Deed should be enforceable, by virtue of the Contracts (Rights of Third Parties) Act 1999, by any person who is not a party to this Deed.

#### **11. Entire Agreement**

11.1 This Deed and, subject to sub-clause 1.3, any provision of any Employment Contract under which the Employee is, or is entitled to be, indemnified by the Company, constitutes the whole and only agreement between the parties relating to the indemnification of the Employee by the Company, the funding of defending proceedings against the Employee and the obligations of the parties in relation to Indemnity Claims.

11.2 Each party acknowledges that in entering into this Deed it is not relying upon any Pre-Contractual Statement which is not set out in this Deed.

11.3 Except in the case of fraud, no party shall have any right of action against any other party to this Deed arising out of or in connection with any Pre-Contractual Statement except to the extent that it is repeated in this Deed.



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11.4 For the purposes of this clause, “**Pre-Contractual Statement**” means any draft, agreement, undertaking, representation, warranty, promise, assurance or arrangement of any nature whatsoever, whether or not in writing, relating to:

- (A) the indemnification of the Employee by the Company; and/or
- (B) the funding of defending proceedings against the Employee; and/or
- (C) the obligations of the parties in relation to Indemnity Claims

made or given by any person at any time prior to this Deed becoming legally binding, other than, in any case, the Employment Contract or provision thereof.

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## 12. Assignment

The Employee shall not assign, or purport to assign, all or any part of the benefit of, or his rights or benefits under, this Deed.

## 13. Confidentiality

13.1 Subject to sub-clause 13.2, the Employee shall treat as confidential and shall not disclose to any person all information that relates to:

- (A) an Indemnity Claim or any matter which results or may result in an Indemnity Claim (including without limitation the existence of an Indemnity Claim); or
- (B) any advance made under sub-clause 2.3

(any such information being “**Confidential Information**”).

13.2 Notwithstanding the other provisions of this clause, the Employee may disclose Confidential Information:

- (A) to his professional advisers provided that he procures that such advisers comply with the restrictions contained in this clause as if such advisers were a party to this Deed;
- (B) to the extent required by law;
- (C) to the extent the Confidential Information has come into the public domain through no fault of that party; or
- (D) to the extent the Company has given prior written consent to the disclosure, such consent not to be unreasonably withheld or delayed.

Any Confidential Information to be disclosed by the Employee pursuant to sub-clause (B) or (C) above shall be disclosed only after notice to the Company.



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13.3 The restrictions contained in this clause shall continue to apply after Termination, and, for the avoidance of doubt, after the Employee ceases to be an employee or director of any Group Company, in each case without limit in time.

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14.1 This Deed may be executed in any number of counterparts, and by the parties on separate counterparts, but shall not be effective until each party has executed at least one counterpart.

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This Deed is to be governed by and construed in accordance with English law. Any matter, claim or dispute arising out of or in connection with this Deed, whether contractual or non-contractual, is to be governed by and determined in accordance with English law.

**16. Jurisdiction**

The courts of England are to have exclusive jurisdiction to settle any dispute arising out of or in connection with this Deed. Any proceedings, suit or action arising out of or in connection with this Deed shall therefore be brought in the English courts.



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IN WITNESS of which this document has been executed and delivered as a deed on the date which first appears on page 1 above.

Executed as a deed by )  
**SEADRILL LIMITED** acting by its ) Authorised Signatory  
authorised signatory )  
)  
)

Signed as a deed by [ ] )  
in the presence of: ) (Signature of individual)

Witness's signature:

Name (print):

Occupation:

Address:



*Exhibit 10.31*

Dated [.]

**SEADRILL LIMITED**

**and**

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**THIS DEED** is made on the [ ] day of [ ], [ ]

**BETWEEN:**

1. **SEADRILL LIMITED**, a company incorporated in Bermuda, whose registered office is at Park Place 55 Par-La-Ville Road, Hamilton HM11, Bermuda (the “**Company**”); and
2. [ ], [ ] (the “**Senior Employee**”).

**WHEREAS:**

- (A) The Senior Employee is an employee of a Group Company on the date of this Deed.
- (B) The Company has agreed to indemnify the Senior Employee, and the Senior Employee has agreed to give certain undertakings to the Company, in each case on the terms of and subject to the conditions in this Deed.

**THIS DEED PROVIDES** as follows:

**1. Interpretation**

1.1 In this Deed:

“**Business Day**” means a day (other than a Saturday or a Sunday) on which banks are open for business (other than solely for trading and settlement in euro) in London;

“**Claim**” means any investigation, demand, claim, action or proceeding, brought or threatened, against the Senior Employee or any other person in any jurisdiction;

“**Confidential Information**” has the meaning given in sub-clause 13.1;

“**Employment Contract**” means any contract of employment in effect on the date of this Deed between the Senior Employee and a Group Company;

“**Group Company**” means the Company and any Subsidiary of the Company from time to time;

“**Indemnity**” has the meaning given in sub-clause 2.1;

“**Indemnity Claim**” means any investigation, demand, claim, action or proceeding by the Senior Employee against the Company under the Indemnity;

“**Indemnity Payment**” means a payment under the Indemnity;



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“**Loss**” means any and all liability suffered or incurred by the Employee on or after the date of this Deed;

“**Pre-Contractual Statement**” has the meaning given in sub-clause 11.4;

“**Subsidiary**” has the meaning given to it in section 1159 of the UK Companies Act 2006;

“**Tax**” includes (without limitation) all taxes, levies, duties, imposts, charges and withholdings of any nature whatsoever, whether of Bermuda, the United Kingdom or elsewhere, together with all penalties, charges and interest relating to any of them or to any failure to file any return required for the purposes of any of them; and

“**Termination**” has the meaning given in sub-clause 6.2.

1.2 In this Deed:

- (A) references to clauses and sub-clauses are to clauses and sub-clauses of this Deed;
- (B) use of either gender includes the other gender;
- (C) a reference to any statute or statutory provision shall be construed as a reference to the same as it may have been, or may from time to time be, amended, modified or re-enacted;
- (D) headings and titles are inserted for convenience only and are to be ignored in the interpretation of this Deed;
- (E) “**UK**” means the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland; and
- (F) “**USD**” and “**\$**” denote the lawful currency of the United States of America.

1.3 If there is any inconsistency between the provisions of this Deed and the provisions of any Employment Contract, the provisions of this Deed shall prevail.

## 2. Indemnity and Advance of Funds for Defence Proceedings

2.1 Subject to the terms of this Deed, the Company undertakes to indemnify the Senior Employee against any Loss in respect of the Senior Employee’s acts or omissions whilst in the course of acting or purporting to act as an employee of any Group Company or which otherwise arises by virtue of the Senior Employee holding or having held any senior position in a Group Company (including, for the avoidance of doubt, if the Senior Employee is or was a director of any Group Company other than the Company), in each case, to the extent arising out of or in connection with, directly or indirectly, any Claim



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(the “**Indemnity**”) PROVIDED THAT, without prejudice to any other rights or remedies available to the Senior Employee, the Indemnity shall not extend to any Loss:

- (A) arising out of, based upon or attributable to any dishonest or fraudulent act or omission by the Senior Employee;
  - (B) where such indemnification or payment in any particular jurisdiction would be rendered void or voidable by, contravene or be prohibited by (i) any applicable law, regulation, listing, disclosure or other similar rules from time to time binding on the relevant Group Company in that jurisdiction, or (ii) the terms of any undertaking given or required to be given by the relevant Group Company to any regulatory authority; or
  - (C) arising from loss of earnings or any other employment benefit including, without limitation, rights to bonus or other monetary incentives, share options or other share-based incentives or pension or other retirement benefits which the Senior Employee may suffer as a result of any period of disqualification from office of director (or other similar office) in any Group Company other than the Company, or from any role in the Senior Employee’s area of expertise, by any relevant court, tribunal or other legal or regulatory authority.
- 2.2 When computing the amount of any Indemnity Payment there shall be taken into account the amount of any Tax deduction or Tax saving obtained by the Senior Employee in consequence of the matter that has given rise to the Indemnity Payment.
- 2.3 Without prejudice to the Indemnity, but subject always to sub-clause 2.4, the Company shall advance such funds to the Senior Employee as are reasonably required, from time to time, for the Senior Employee to meet expenditure incurred or to be incurred by the Senior Employee:
- (A) in defending any criminal or civil proceedings in connection with any alleged negligence, default, breach of duty or breach of trust by the Senior Employee in relation to any Group Company; or
  - (B) in defending himself:
    - (i) in an investigation by a regulatory authority; or
    - (ii) against action proposed to be taken by a regulatory authority,
- in connection with any alleged negligence, default, breach of duty or breach of trust by the Senior Employee in relation to any Group Company.
- 2.4 Any advance requested pursuant to sub-clause 2.3, shall be made except where prohibited by applicable law, regulation, judgement, market listing rule or similar requirement and provided always that the advance shall be interest-free and shall not be repayable except in the event that judgment of the relevant court, tribunal or other legal or regulatory authority is given against the Senior Employee on allegations arising out of, based upon or attributable to any dishonest or fraudulent act or omission of the Senior Employee, or in accordance with clause 2.6.
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- 2.5 If the Senior Employee is at any time entitled (whether by reason of insurance or otherwise) to recover from some other person any sum in respect of any matter giving rise (or which may give rise) to an Indemnity Claim the Senior Employee shall:
- (A) promptly notify the Company and provide such information as the Company may reasonably require relating to such right of recovery and the steps taken or to be taken by the Senior Employee in connection with it;
  - (B) unless such entitlement is contingent upon the Senior Employee having first exhausted his rights to indemnification in respect of the relevant liability under this Deed, if so required by the Company take all steps (whether by way of a claim against his insurers or otherwise including, without limitation, legal proceedings) as the Company may reasonably require to enforce such recovery; and
  - (C) keep the Company fully informed of the progress of any action taken
- and thereafter any Indemnity Payment shall be limited to the amount by which the Loss suffered as a result of the matter giving rise to the Indemnity Claim shall exceed the amount so recovered. No other person shall have the right to pursue any Indemnity Claim (or to seek contribution from the Company) whether in its own name or that of the Senior Employee.
- 2.6 If the Company makes an Indemnity Payment to the Senior Employee or makes an advance under sub-clause 2.3 and the Senior Employee subsequently recovers from a third party a sum which is referable to the matter giving rise to the Indemnity Claim, the Senior Employee shall forthwith repay to the Company:
- (A) an amount equal to the sum recovered from the third party less any reasonable out-of-pocket costs and expenses incurred by the Senior Employee in recovering the same; or
  - (B) if the figure resulting under sub-clause (A) above is greater than the Indemnity Payment, a sum equal to the Indemnity Payment.
- 2.7 If the Company makes an Indemnity Payment it shall be subrogated to the extent of such Indemnity Payment to Senior Employee's right of recovery against any third party (including any claim under any applicable directors' and officers' insurance policy) in respect of the Indemnity Payment. The Senior Employee shall provide all reasonable cooperation as may be requested by the Company for the purpose of securing and exercising such rights of recovery and in no event shall the Senior Employee do anything to prejudice the Company's ability to assert such rights.
- 2.8 If a body corporate ceases to be a Group Company after the date of this Deed, the Indemnity shall only apply in respect of liabilities in relation to that body corporate which arose before the date on which that body corporate ceased to be a Group Company.
- 2.9 If a body corporate becomes a Group Company after the date of this Deed, the Indemnity shall only apply in respect of liabilities in relation to that body corporate which arose after the date on which that body corporate became a Group Company.
- 2.10 References in this clause to acts or omissions are to acts or omissions respectively carried out, made or omitted to be made before, on or after the date of this Deed.
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**3. Conduct of Claims and Access to Information**

- 3.1 Without prejudice to sub-clause 3.5, if the Senior Employee becomes aware of any Claim giving rise to an Indemnity Claim (or any circumstances that may reasonably be expected to give rise to an Indemnity Claim) the Senior Employee shall:
- (A) as soon as reasonably practicable thereafter, notify the Company in writing of the existence of such Indemnity Claim (or circumstances), giving full details in that notification (or, to the extent that such details are not available to the Senior Employee at that time, as soon as possible thereafter) of the circumstances leading to (or expected to lead to), and the grounds for, that Indemnity Claim and the quantum or possible quantum of that Indemnity Claim;
  - (B) subject to the Company agreeing to pay the reasonable out-of-pocket expenses of the Senior Employee, take such action and give such information and assistance and access to premises, chattels, documents and records as the Company may reasonably request in order to avoid, dispute, resist, mitigate, settle, compromise, defend or appeal any Claim or judgment or adjudication with respect thereto (including, without limitation, instructing such solicitors or other professional advisers as the Company may nominate to act on the Senior Employee's behalf but in accordance with the Company's sole instructions) in connection with the Claim;
  - (C) without prejudice to the generality of sub-clause (B) above, at the request of the Company, allow the Company to take the sole conduct of such actions in the name of the Senior Employee as the Company may deem appropriate in connection with such Claim;
  - (D) without prejudice to the generality of sub-clause (B) above, make no admission of liability, agreement, settlement or compromise with any person in relation to such Claim without the prior written consent of the Company;
  - (E) comply with the terms and conditions of any policy of directors' and officers' insurance which covers the Senior Employee; and
  - (F) take all reasonable action to mitigate any Loss suffered by the Senior Employee in respect of such Claim.
- 3.2 The provisions of sub-clauses 3.1(B), (C) and (D) shall not apply to any Claim brought against the Senior Employee by any Group Company.
- 3.3 If the Senior Employee fails to comply with his obligations under this clause 3 in any material respect then the amount of any Indemnity Payment shall be reduced to the amount which the Senior Employee would have been entitled to receive pursuant to the Indemnity had the Senior Employee complied with his obligations.
- 3.4 Any information the Company receives from the Senior Employee pursuant to this Deed may be provided by the Company to its advisers, insurers and to any other Group Company without notice to the Senior Employee.
- 3.5 If the Company exercises its rights under clauses 3.1(B) or 3.1(C) the Company agrees to: (i) consult with the Senior Employee on aspects of the conduct of the Claim materially relevant to the Senior Employee; (ii) keep the Senior Employee reasonably informed of relevant developments in relation to conduct of the Claim; and (iii) take into
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account the Senior Employee's reasonable requests related to the conduct of the Claim on issues which the Senior Employee reasonably believes may result in damage to the Senior Employee's reputation.

- 3.6 The Company shall be entitled at any stage and at its sole discretion to settle any Claim. However, before finalising any such settlement, the Company agrees to:
- (A) consult with the Senior Employee on aspects of the settlement materially relevant to the Senior Employee;
  - (B) not make any admission of liability on behalf of the Senior Employee without his consent, such consent not to be unreasonably withheld; and
  - (C) take into account the Senior Employee's reasonable requests related to the settlement on issues which the Senior Employee reasonably believes may result in damage to the Senior Employee's reputation.

#### **4. Tax**

- 4.1 Any Indemnity Payment shall be paid by the Company free and clear of all deductions for or on account of Tax, save as required by law.
- 4.2 Without prejudice to sub-clause 2.2, if any deduction is required by law to be made from any Indemnity Payment or if an Indemnity Payment is subject to a liability to Tax in the hands of the Senior Employee then the Company shall pay to the Senior Employee such sum as will, after such deduction has been made or after such liability to Tax has been taken into account, leave the Senior Employee with the same amount as he would have been entitled to receive had no such deduction been required by law or as he would have been entitled to retain had no such liability to Tax arisen.

#### **5. Establishment of Liability**

The Company shall only be liable in respect of any Indemnity Claim if and to the extent that such Indemnity Claim is admitted by the Company or proven in a court of competent jurisdiction.

#### **6. Termination**

- 6.1 The Indemnity shall terminate:
- (A) on the date on which the insurance cover for directors' and officers' liabilities in respect of the Group Companies is bound or policies have been issued with an aggregate minimum policy limit of USD120million;
  - (B) on the date on which the Senior Employee becomes a director of the Company; or
  - (C) with regard to a Group Company, on the date after the date on which the Senior Employee is no longer an employee or a director of that Group Company excluding the Company.



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6.2 Any termination pursuant to sub-clause 6.1 (“**Termination**”) does not affect:

- (A) any rights and obligations in respect of any matter notified pursuant to clause 3 before Termination;
- (B) the right of the Senior Employee to the Indemnity in respect of any Indemnity Claim made before or after Termination in respect of conduct or omission occurring before Termination, provided that such Indemnity Claim is notified to the Company in accordance with the terms of this Deed and in any event within six years after the date of Termination. For the avoidance of doubt, where a Senior Employee ceases to be a director or employee of a Group Company and accordingly the Indemnity ceases to apply in respect of that Group Company pursuant to sub-clause 6.1(C), the six year period in respect of Indemnity Claims relating to that Group Company commences from his ceasing to be a director or employee of that Group Company notwithstanding that the Deed may remain in force with regard to other Group Companies.

6.3 The provisions of clauses 6 to 16 (inclusive) will survive Termination of this Deed. The other provisions of this Deed will survive Termination of this Deed so far as relevant in relation to any Indemnity Claim covered by sub-clause 6.2.

## 7. Notices

7.1 A notice under this Deed shall only be effective if it is in writing. E-mail is permitted.

7.2 Notices under this Deed shall be sent to a party at its address or number and, in the case of the Company, for the attention of the individual, set out below:

<u>Party and title of individual</u>	<u>Address</u>	<u>E-mail</u>
Company	Attention: The registered office of the Company [ ]	
General Counsel	from time to time	
Senior Employee	[ ]	[ ]

PROVIDED THAT either party may change its notice details on giving notice to the other party of the change in accordance with this clause. That notice shall only be effective on the date falling five Business Days after the notification has been received or on such later date as may be specified in the notice.

7.3 Any notice given under this Deed shall, in the absence of earlier receipt, be deemed to have been duly given:

- (A) if delivered personally, on delivery;
- (B) if sent by first class post, two clear Business Days after the date of posting; and
- (C) if sent by e-mail, when despatched.



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7.4 No notice given under this Deed may be withdrawn or revoked except by notice given in accordance with this clause.

**8. Remedies and Waivers**

8.1 No delay or omission by either party to this Deed in exercising any right, power or remedy provided by law or under this Deed shall affect that right, power or remedy or operate as a waiver of such right, power or remedy or constitute an election to affirm the Deed.

8.2 The single or partial exercise of any right, power or remedy provided by law or under this Deed shall not unless otherwise expressly stated preclude any other or further exercise of it or the exercise of any other right, power or remedy.

8.3 The rights, powers and remedies provided in this Deed are cumulative and not exclusive of any rights, powers and remedies provided by law.

**9. Invalidity**

If at any time any provision of this Deed is or becomes illegal, invalid or unenforceable in any respect under the law of any jurisdiction, that shall not affect or impair:

(A) the legality, validity or enforceability in that jurisdiction of any other provision of this Deed; or

(B) the legality, validity or enforceability under the law of any other jurisdiction of that or any other provision of this Deed.

**10. Contracts (Rights of Third Parties) Act 1999**

The parties to this Deed do not intend that any term of this Deed should be enforceable, by virtue of the Contracts (Rights of Third Parties) Act 1999, by any person who is not a party to this Deed.

**11. Entire Agreement**

11.1 This Deed and, subject to sub-clause 1.3, any provision of any Employment Contract under which the Senior Employee is, or is entitled to be, indemnified by the Company, constitutes the whole and only agreement between the parties relating to the indemnification of the Senior Employee by the Company, the funding of defending proceedings against the Senior Employee and the obligations of the parties in relation to Indemnity Claims.

11.2 Each party acknowledges that in entering into this Deed it is not relying upon any Pre-Contractual Statement which is not set out in this Deed.

11.3 Except in the case of fraud, no party shall have any right of action against any other party to this Deed arising out of or in connection with any Pre-Contractual Statement except to the extent that it is repeated in this Deed.



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11.4 For the purposes of this clause, “**Pre-Contractual Statement**” means any draft, agreement, undertaking, representation, warranty, promise, assurance or arrangement of any nature whatsoever, whether or not in writing, relating to:

- (A) the indemnification of the Senior Employee by the Company; and/or
- (B) the funding of defending proceedings against the Senior Employee; and/or
- (C) the obligations of the parties in relation to Indemnity Claims

made or given by any person at any time prior to this Deed becoming legally binding, other than, in any case, the Employment Contract or provision thereof.

11.5 This Deed may only be varied in writing signed by each of the parties.

## 12. Assignment

The Senior Employee shall not assign, or purport to assign, all or any part of the benefit of, or his rights or benefits under, this Deed.

## 13. Confidentiality

13.1 Subject to sub-clause 13.2, the Senior Employee shall treat as confidential and shall not disclose to any person all information that relates to:

- (A) an Indemnity Claim or any matter which results or may result in an Indemnity Claim (including without limitation the existence of an Indemnity Claim); or
- (B) any advance made under sub-clause 2.3,

(any such information being “**Confidential Information**”).

13.2 Notwithstanding the other provisions of this clause, the Senior Employee may disclose Confidential Information:

- (A) to his professional advisers provided that he procures that such advisers comply with the restrictions contained in this clause as if such advisers were a party to this Deed;
- (B) to the extent required by law;
- (C) to the extent the Confidential Information has come into the public domain through no fault of that party; or
- (D) to the extent the Company has given prior written consent to the disclosure, such consent not to be unreasonably withheld or delayed.

Any Confidential Information to be disclosed by the Senior Employee pursuant to sub-clause (B) or (C) above shall be disclosed only after notice to the Company.



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13.3 The restrictions contained in this clause shall continue to apply after Termination, and, for the avoidance of doubt, after the Senior Employee ceases to be an employee or director of any Group Company, in each case without limit in time.

**14. Counterparts**

14.1 This Deed may be executed in any number of counterparts, and by the parties on separate counterparts, but shall not be effective until each party has executed at least one counterpart.

14.2 Each counterpart shall constitute an original of this Deed, but all the counterparts shall together constitute but one and the same instrument.

**15. Choice of Governing Law**

This Deed is to be governed by and construed in accordance with English law. Any matter, claim or dispute arising out of or in connection with this Deed, whether contractual or non-contractual, is to be governed by and determined in accordance with English law.

**16. Jurisdiction**

The courts of England are to have exclusive jurisdiction to settle any dispute arising out of or in connection with this Deed. Any proceedings, suit or action arising out of or in connection with this Deed shall therefore be brought in the English courts.



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IN WITNESS of which this document has been executed and delivered as a deed on the date which first appears on page 1 above.

Executed as a deed by )  
**SEADRILL LIMITED** acting by an )  
Authorised Signatory )

Signed as a deed by [ ] )  
in the presence of: ) (Signature of individual)

Witness's signature:

Name (print):

Occupation:

Address:



*Exhibit 19.1*

## Seadrill<sup>★</sup>

### INSIDER TRADING POLICY

#### **Purpose**

This Insider Trading Policy (this “Policy”) provides guidelines with respect to transactions in the securities of Seadrill Limited (the “Company”) and the handling of confidential information about the Company. The Company’s Board of Directors has adopted this Policy to promote compliance with U.S. federal, state and foreign securities laws that prohibit certain persons who are aware of material non-public information about the Company from: (i) engaging in transactions in the securities of the Company; or (ii) providing material non-public information to other persons who may trade on the basis of that information.

#### **Prohibition on Insider Trading**

As detailed in this Policy, no director, officer or employee of the Company or its subsidiaries, nor their respective Family Members or Controlled Entities (each as defined herein) (or any other person designated by this Policy or by the Compliance Officer as subject to this Policy), who is aware of material non-public information relating to the Company may (i) engage in transactions in securities of the Company, or (ii) disclose such information to others who might use it for trading or might pass it along to others who might trade.

It is also the policy of the Company that the Company will not engage in transactions in the Company’s securities in violation of insider trading laws.

The anti-fraud provisions of the federal securities laws generally prohibit a person who possesses material non-public information from trading securities on the basis of that information or, in most circumstances, while in possession of that information. Furthermore, it is illegal for any person in possession of material non-public information to provide other people with such information or to recommend that they buy or sell such securities, even if the disclosing person does not profit from the trading. Persons who violate these prohibitions are subject to potential civil damages (such as disgorgement of any illicit profits and a fine of up to three times any profit gained or loss avoided) and criminal penalties (including a substantial jail term and a criminal penalty of several times the amount of profits gained or losses avoided). Additionally, a person’s failure to comply with this Policy can cause significant harm to the Company and could be grounds for disciplinary action by the Company, including immediate dismissal with cause, whether or not the person’s failure to comply results in a violation of law.

#### **Persons Subject to this Policy**

**This Policy applies to all directors, officers and employees of the Company and its subsidiaries.** This Policy also applies to all family members who reside with a director, officer or employee, anyone else who lives in a director’s, officer’s or employee’s household and any family members who do not live in a director’s, officer’s or employee’s household but whose

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transactions in the Company's securities are directed by a director, officer or employee or are subject to influence or control by a director, officer or employee (collectively, "Family Members") and entities influenced or controlled by a director, officer or employee (collectively, "Controlled Entities"). The Company may also determine that this Policy applies to other persons, such as contractors or consultants, that have access to material non-public information.

### **Transactions Subject to this Policy**

This Policy applies to any transaction involving the purchase, sale or *bona fide* gift of any security of the Company, including the Company's common shares, options to purchase common shares, any other securities that the Company may issue, such as preferred shares, notes, bonds, convertible securities and warrants, and any derivative securities that relate to the Company's securities, whether or not issued by the Company. This Policy also applies to any transaction involving a right to acquire or sell any security of the Company, as well as any other transaction that in any way depends on the price of the Company's securities. Any references herein to "trading," a "transaction" or a "trade" shall include all of the foregoing.

### **Individual Responsibility**

Each individual director, officer and employee is responsible for ensuring that he or she complies with this Policy and that his or her respective Family Members and Controlled Entities also comply with this Policy. In all cases, the responsibility for determining whether an individual is in possession of material non-public information rests with that individual. Neither a grant of pre-clearance to execute a transaction nor any other Company action shall in any way constitute legal advice or insulate an individual from liability for insider trading.

### **Administration of the Policy**

The General Counsel shall serve as the Compliance Officer for the purposes of this Policy, and in his absence, an employee designated by the Compliance Officer shall be responsible for the administration of this Policy. All determinations and interpretations of the acting Compliance Officer shall be final and not subject to further review.

### **Definition of Material Non-Public Information**

**Material**: You should consider whether any information with respect to any aspect of the Company's business, operations, financial affairs, securities or prospects is material. Information can be deemed material if a reasonable investor would likely consider the information important in making a decision whether to purchase or sell any of the Company's securities. Information may be material even if it would not alone determine the investor's decision. It is not necessary that the information would impact the trading price of the Company's securities to be material. Information that is more likely to be considered material includes:

1. Annual and quarterly financial results and financial plans;
2. Projections of future earnings or losses, or other earnings guidance;



3. Changes to previously announced earnings guidance or the decision to suspend earnings guidance;
4. Significant gains, losses or impairments;
5. Negotiations and agreements regarding significant alliances, joint ventures, mergers, acquisitions, divestitures and business combinations, and changes in control;
6. Significant related party transactions;
7. Proposed or contemplated restructuring, recapitalization transactions, issuances or buybacks of securities, or other significant financing transactions;
8. Changes in dividend or capital allocation policies;
9. Internal financial information which departs in any significant way from market expectations;
10. A change in auditors or notification that the auditor's reports may no longer be relied upon;
11. Significant labor matters, including potential strikes, strike negotiations and terminations or layoffs of existing employees, or changes in senior management;
12. Impending bankruptcy or the existence of severe liquidity problems;
13. A significant cybersecurity incident, such as a data breach, or any other significant disruption in the Company's operations or loss, potential loss, breach or unauthorized access of its property or assets, whether at its physical locations or through its information technology infrastructure;
14. The acquisition or loss of a significant contract, customer or supplier; and
15. The commencement or threat of significant litigation involving the Company or any developments relating to such litigation.

This list is not comprehensive, and any questions should be directed to the Compliance Officer.

Non-Public: Information that has not been disclosed to the public is generally considered to be non-public information. In order to establish that the information has been disclosed to the public, it may be necessary to demonstrate that the information has been widely disseminated. Information generally would be considered widely disseminated if it has been disclosed through the newswire services, a broadcast on widely-available radio or television programs, publication in a widely-available newspaper, magazine or news website, or public disclosure documents filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC") that are available on the SEC's website. By contrast, information would likely not be considered widely disseminated if it is available only to the Company's employees, or if it is only available to a select group of analysts, brokers and institutional investors.



## **Trading After Information Becomes Public**

After material information has been publicly disclosed, persons subject to this Policy should continue to refrain from trading in the Company's securities until the information has been widely disseminated and the investing public has had sufficient time to absorb the information. Generally, information regarding routine or relatively simple matters will have been adequately disseminated and absorbed by the investing public when two (2) full trading days have elapsed since its release. Depending on the particular circumstances, the Company may determine that a longer or shorter period should apply to the release of specific material non-public information.

## **Pre-Clearance of Transactions Required**

The Company requires that all directors and officers subject to Section 16 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act"; such officers, the "Executive Officers") and Designated Insiders (as defined herein), as well as the Family Members and Controlled Entities of such persons, must obtain pre-clearance from the Compliance Officer prior to engaging in any transaction subject to this Policy. Additionally, any employee who believes he or she may be in possession of material non-public information should consult the Compliance Officer before trading.

A request for pre-clearance should be submitted to the Compliance Officer at least two (2) business days in advance of the proposed transaction. The Compliance Officer is under no obligation to approve a transaction submitted for pre-clearance and may determine not to permit the transaction. If a person seeks pre-clearance and permission to engage in the transaction is denied, then he or she should refrain from initiating any transaction in the Company's securities, and should not inform any other person of the restriction.

The Compliance Officer shall record the date each request is received and the date and time each request is approved or not approved. Unless revoked, a grant of permission will normally remain valid until the close of trading two (2) business days following the day on which it was granted (subject to the current trading window, described below). If the transaction does not occur during the two (2) business day period, pre-clearance of the transaction must be re-requested.

The requirement for pre-clearance does not apply to transactions conducted pursuant to Approved 10b5-1 Plans (as defined herein), described below.

## **Trading Windows and Black-out Periods**

The Company has established trading windows and black-out periods for the Company's directors, Executive Officers and Designated Insiders, as well as the Family Members and Controlled Entities of such persons. "Designated Insiders" are those employees who have been designated as such for purposes of this Policy because they are likely to have access to material non-public information. The open trading windows are the only times during which such persons may trade in the Company's securities, and no trades may be made during the black-out periods.



An open trading window does not imply that you may trade freely, without regard to whether you are in possession of material non-public information. The Company has chosen to prohibit any trades during the black-out periods to avoid an appearance of impropriety, as this is the time period that directors, Executive Officers and Designated Insiders are most likely to be in possession of material non-public information. However, it is possible that, even during an open trading window, an individual may be in possession of material information that has not been made public, and therefore, that individual must still refrain from trading until such information has been publicly disclosed.

**Quarterly Black-out Periods:** The Company has determined that its black-out period will generally (i) begin the last calendar day of the third month of each fiscal quarter and (ii) end on completion of the second (2nd) full trading day following the public release of the Company's earnings results for that quarter.

**Event-Specific Black-out Periods:** From time to time, an event may occur that is material to the Company and is known by only a few directors, officers or employees. So long as the event remains material and non-public, the persons designated by the Compliance Officer may not engage in transactions in the Company's securities. In addition, the Company's financial results may be sufficiently material in a particular fiscal quarter that, in the judgment of the Compliance Officer, the persons designated by the Compliance Officer should refrain from engaging in transactions in the Company's securities even sooner than the quarterly black-out period described above. In that situation, the Compliance Officer may notify these persons that they should not trade in the Company's securities, without disclosing the reason for the restriction. The existence of an event-specific black-out period or the extension of a quarterly black-out period will not be announced to the Company as a whole, and should not be communicated to any other person. Even if the Compliance Officer has not designated you as a person who should not engage in transactions in the Company's securities due to an event-specific black-out period, you should not trade while aware of material non-public information. Exceptions will not be granted during an event-specific black-out period.

**Exceptions:** The quarterly trading restrictions and the event-specific trading restrictions do not apply to transactions to which this Policy does not apply and transactions conducted pursuant to Approved 10b5-1 Plans, in each case as described under "Certain Exceptions."

**All trades by directors, Executive Officers and Designated Insiders, as well as the Family Members and Controlled Entities of such persons, must be pre-cleared through the Compliance Officer regardless of when the trade occurs. It is important to keep in mind that pre-clearance, when given, will be only for the current trading window, which may close at any time.**

### **Restrictions**

**Hedging and Pledging Transactions:** Directors, Executive Officers and Designated Insiders, as well as the Family Members and Controlled Entities of such persons, may not hedge their ownership of the Company's securities, including (a) trading in options, warrants, puts and calls or similar derivative instruments on any security of the Company; (b) selling any security of the



Company “short”; (c) purchasing any financial instruments (including prepaid variable forward contracts, equity swaps, collars and exchange funds) or (d) otherwise engaging in transactions that are designed to or have the effect of offsetting any decrease in the market value of any security of the Company granted as compensation or held, directly or indirectly, by the Director, Executive Officer or Designated Insider. A derivative is a security whose value is based on the performance of an underlying financial asset, index or other investment (mutual funds are not included in this definition). The activities described in this paragraph involve speculation and may put the personal gain of the individual in conflict with the best interests of the Company. This paragraph does not apply to the exercise of stock options granted by the Company. While individuals that are not Directors, Executive Officers or Designated Insiders are not subject to the prohibition on hedging, all employees are highly discouraged from entering into hedging transactions.

Directors and Executive Officers, as well as the Family Members and Controlled Entities of such persons, may not hold the Company’s securities in a margin account or pledge the Company’s securities as collateral for any loan or other obligation because such arrangements could result in the Company’s securities being sold at a time when the insider is aware of material non-public information about the Company. Therefore, to avoid an appearance of impropriety, the transactions described in this paragraph are prohibited for Directors and Executive Officers and are highly discouraged for all other Designated Insiders.

**Standing and Limit Orders:** Standing and limit orders (except standing and limit orders under Approved 10b5-1 Plans, as described under “Certain Exceptions”) create heightened risks for insider trading violations similar to the use of margin accounts. There is no control over the timing of purchases or sales that result from standing instructions to a broker, and as a result the broker could execute a transaction when a director, officer or other employee is in possession of material non-public information. The Company therefore discourages placing standing or limit orders on the Company’s securities. If a person subject to this Policy determines that he or she must use a standing order or limit order, the order should be limited to short duration and should otherwise comply with the trading window and pre-clearance requirements set forth in this Policy.

### **Certain Exceptions**

**Stock Option Exercises:** This Policy does not restrict the exercise of an employee stock option acquired pursuant to the Company’s plans, or to the exercise of a tax withholding right pursuant to which a person has elected to have the Company withhold shares subject to an option to satisfy tax withholding requirements. This Policy **does apply** to any sale of shares as part of a broker-assisted cashless exercise of an option, or any other market sale for the purpose of generating the cash needed to pay the exercise price of an option.

**Restricted Stock Awards:** This Policy does not restrict the vesting of restricted stock, or the exercise of a tax withholding right pursuant to which you elect to have the Company withhold shares to satisfy tax withholding requirements upon the vesting of any restricted stock. The Policy **does apply** to any market sale of restricted stock.



401(k) Plan / Deferral Plan: This Policy does not restrict purchases of the Company's securities or investments in the Company securities fund through a Company 401(k) Plan or Deferral Plan resulting from a prior payroll election. This Policy **does apply** to an election to make a transfer of money into or out of the Company securities fund.

Employee Stock Purchase Plan: This Policy does not restrict purchases of the Company's securities pursuant to an employee stock purchase plan resulting from your periodic contribution of money to the plan pursuant to the election you made at the time of your enrollment in the plan. This Policy also does not restrict purchases of the Company's securities resulting from lump sum contributions to the plan, provided that you elected to participate by lump sum payment at the beginning of the applicable enrollment period. This Policy **does apply** to your election to participate in the plan for any enrollment period and to your sales of the Company's securities purchased pursuant to the plan.

Dividend Reinvestment Plan: This Policy does not restrict purchases of the Company's securities pursuant to a dividend reinvestment plan resulting from your reinvestment of dividends paid on the Company's securities. This Policy **does apply** to voluntary purchases of the Company's securities resulting from additional contributions you choose to make to the dividend reinvestment plan, to your election to participate in the plan or increase your level of participation in the plan and to your sales of the Company's securities purchased pursuant to the plan.

Rule 10b5-1 Plans: This Policy does not restrict transactions under a pre-existing written plan, contract, instruction or arrangement under Rule 10b5-1 under the Exchange Act (a "10b5-1 Plan") that meets the following conditions (an "Approved 10b5-1 Plan"):

1. the 10b5-1 Plan has been reviewed and approved by the Compliance Officer (or, if revised or amended, such revisions or amendments have been reviewed and approved by the Compliance Officer);
2. no transactions occur under the 10b5-1 Plan until the expiration of a cooling-off period consisting of:
  - with respect to directors or Executive Officers, the later of:
    - 90 days after the adoption of the 10b5-1 Plan; and
    - two (2) business days following the disclosure of the Company's financial results in a Form 10-Q or Form 10-K for the completed fiscal quarter in which the 10b5-1 Plan was adopted (but, in any event, subject to a maximum of 120 days after the adoption of the 10b5-1 Plan);
  - with respect to persons other than directors or Executive Officers, 30 days after the adoption of the 10b5-1 plan;



3. the 10b5-1 Plan was entered into or adopted in good faith by the person, and not as part of a plan or scheme to evade the prohibitions of Section 10(b) of the Exchange Act and Rule 10b5-1 under the Exchange Act, at a time when such person was not in possession of material non-public information about the Company or the applicable security;
4. with respect to directors or Executive Officers, the 10b5-1 Plan includes a representation from such person certifying, on the date of adoption of the 10b5-1 Plan, the following:
  - such person is not aware of any material non-public information about the Company or the applicable security; and
  - such person is adopting the 10b5-1 Plan in good faith and not as part of a plan or scheme to evade the prohibitions of Section 10(b) of the Exchange Act and Rule 10b5-1 under the Exchange Act;
5. the person has acted in good faith with respect to the 10b5-1 Plan; and
6. the 10b5-1 Plan gives a third party the discretionary authority to execute such purchases and sales, outside the control of the person, so long as such third party does not possess any material non-public information about the Company; or explicitly specifies the security or securities to be purchased or sold, the number of shares, the prices and/or dates of transactions, or other formula(s) describing such transactions.

A person may not enter into overlapping 10b5-1 Plans (subject to certain exceptions) and may only enter into one single-trade 10b5-1 Plan during any 12-month period (subject to certain exceptions).

Any modification or change to the amount, price or timing of the purchase or sale of the securities (or a modification or change to a written formula or algorithm, or computer program that affects the amount, pricing or timing of the purchase or sale of the securities) underlying a 10b5-1 Plan will, for purposes of the approval and other requirements set forth in this Policy, be treated as a termination of such 10b5-1 Plan and the adoption of a new 10b5-1 Plan, and will require the satisfaction of the foregoing conditions, including a new cooling-off period as set forth in paragraph (2) above.

Any 10b5-1 Plan must be submitted for approval five (5) days prior to the entry into the 10b5-1 Plan. No further pre-approval of transactions conducted pursuant to the 10b5-1 Plan will be required.

**Other Considerations for Transactions in Company Securities**



Share Ownership Guidelines: Any individual subject to any share ownership guidelines of the Company is responsible for ensuring that his or her transactions in the Company's securities comply with such guidelines.

Section 16 Reporting Compliance: Almost all transactions in the Company's securities by directors and Executive Officers, as well as the Family Members of such persons, must be reported as required to the SEC on a Form 4, usually within two (2) business days, or in certain cases on Form 5, within 45 days after fiscal-year end. Accordingly, it is critical that directors and Executive Officers comply with the pre-clearance requirements and fully communicate their transactions to the Compliance Officer.

Short-Swing Profit Liability: Under Section 16(b) of the Exchange Act, directors and Executive Officers are liable to the Company for any profits realized by them from any purchase and sale (or sale and purchase) of the Company's shares that occur within a period of less than six (6) months, unless there is an exemption. For example, if an officer purchases stock on October 30 and sells stock on April 28 (one day short of the six (6) month window), then the officer must disgorge the short-swing profits made on the transaction, unless an exemption applies. Liability for short-swing profits is imposed in a mechanical fashion without regard to whether the person intended to violate the section or traded on inside information. Many **non-discretionary** transactions between the Company and its directors and officers are exempt, including grants or vesting of compensatory stock awards. However, selling shares on the open market to cover option costs in a cashless exercise is not exempt. Additionally, discretionary fund-switching and cash withdrawals from the 401(k) Plan or Deferral Plan are exempt from short-swing profit liability **only** if it has been at least six (6) months since the most recent "opposite way" election.

#### **Responsibility to Prevent Insider Trading by Others**

Section 21A of the Exchange Act provides the SEC with the authority to bring a civil action against any "controlling person" who knows of, or recklessly disregards, a likely insider trading violation by a person under such controlling person's control and fails to take appropriate steps to prevent the violation from occurring. A successful action by the SEC under this provision can result in significant civil fines. Such actions could also subject the controlling person to criminal penalties.

The Company, its directors and Executive Officers, and some managerial personnel (including Designated Insiders), could be deemed controlling persons subject to potential liability under Section 21A of the Exchange Act. Accordingly, it is incumbent on each of the Company's directors, Executive Officers and Designated Insiders to maintain an awareness of possible insider trading violations by persons under their control and to take measures where appropriate to prevent such violations. If a director, Executive Officer or Designated Insider becomes aware of the possibility of such a violation, he or she should contact the Compliance Officer immediately.

#### **Post-Termination Transactions**



This Policy continues to apply to transactions in the Company's securities even after termination of service to the Company. If an individual is in possession of material non-public information when his or her service terminates, that individual may not engage in transactions in the Company's securities until that information has become public or is no longer material.

**Company Assistance**

Any person who has a question about this Policy or its application to any proposed transaction may obtain additional guidance from the Compliance Officer.

**Certification**

All persons subject to this Policy must certify their understanding of, and intent to comply with, this Policy.



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## SUBSIDIARIES OF SEADRILL LIMITED

The table below lists the Company's subsidiaries as of December 31, 2024:

<u>Name of Company</u>	<u>Country of Incorporation</u>
Seadrill Angola, Lda.	Angola
Seabras Holdings GmbH	Austria
Seabras Rig Holding GmbH	Austria
Asia Offshore Drilling Limited	Bermuda
North Atlantic Elara Ltd.	Bermuda
North Atlantic Linus Charterer Ltd.	Bermuda
North Atlantic Phoenix Ltd.	Bermuda
Scorpion Courageous Ltd.	Bermuda
Scorpion Deepwater Ltd.	Bermuda
Scorpion Drilling Ltd.	Bermuda
Scorpion Freedom Ltd.	Bermuda
Scorpion International Ltd.	Bermuda
Scorpion Rigs Ltd.	Bermuda
Scorpion Vigilant Ltd.	Bermuda
Seadrill Abu Dhabi Operations Limited	Bermuda
Seadrill Aquila Ltd.	Bermuda
Seadrill Brunei Ltd.	Bermuda
Seadrill Carina Ltd.	Bermuda
Seadrill Common Holdings Ltd.	Bermuda
Seadrill Contracting Ltd	Bermuda
Seadrill Dione Ltd.	Bermuda
Seadrill Eclipse Ltd.	Bermuda
Seadrill Equatorial Guinea Ltd.	Bermuda
Seadrill Finance Limited	Bermuda
Seadrill Freedom Ltd.	Bermuda
Seadrill Gemini Ltd.	Bermuda
Seadrill Ghana Operations Ltd.	Bermuda
Seadrill Global Services Ltd.	Bermuda
Seadrill Hyperion Ltd.	Bermuda
Seadrill Investment Holding Company Limited	Bermuda
Seadrill Investments Limited	Bermuda
Seadrill Jack-Up Holding Ltd.	Bermuda
Seadrill Jupiter Ltd.	Bermuda
Seadrill Leo Ltd.	Bermuda
Seadrill Limited	Bermuda
Seadrill Management AME Ltd.	Bermuda
Seadrill Mimas Ltd.	Bermuda
Seadrill North Atlantic Holdings Limited	Bermuda



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Seadrill Norway Operations Ltd.	Bermuda
Seadrill Polaris Ltd.	Bermuda
Seadrill Prospero Ltd.	Bermuda
Seadrill Proteus Ltd.	Bermuda
Seadrill Rhea Ltd.	Bermuda
Seadrill Rig Holding Company Limited	Bermuda
Seadrill Saturn Ltd.	Bermuda
Seadrill Sevan Holdings Limited	Bermuda
Seadrill T-15 Ltd.	Bermuda
Seadrill Telesto Ltd.	Bermuda
Seadrill Tellus Ltd.	Bermuda
Seadrill Tethys Ltd.	Bermuda
Seadrill Titan Ltd.	Bermuda
Seadrill Triton Ltd.	Bermuda
Seadrill Tucana Ltd.	Bermuda
Seadrill Umbriel Ltd.	Bermuda
Seadrill Vencedor Ltd.	Bermuda
Scorpion Servicios Offshore Ltda.	Brazil
Seadrill Serviços de Petróleo Ltda.	Brazil
Sevan Investimentos do Brasil Ltda.	Brazil
Sevan Marine Servicios de Perfuracao Ltda.	Brazil
SOAS Servicios de Petroleo Ltda.	Brazil
Seadrill Servicios de Perfuracao Ltda.	Brazil
Seadrill Canada Operations ULC	Canada
Seadrill Newfoundland Operations Ltd.	Canada
Seadrill Deepwater Drillship Ltd.	Cayman Islands
Seadrill JV Ghana Limited Ltd.	Ghana
Seadrill Far East Limited	Hong Kong
Seadrill International Limited	Hong Kong
Seadrill Mira Hungary Kft.	Hungary
Seadrill Neptune Hungary Kft.	Hungary
Sevan Louisiana Hungary Kft.	Hungary
Seadrill Auriga Hungary Kft.	Hungary
Seadrill Hungary Kft.	Hungary
Seadrill Rig Holdco Kft.	Hungary
Seadrill Vela Hungary Kft.	Hungary
Seadrill Ireland Limited	Ireland
Aquadrill Labuan Ltd.	Labuan
Seadrill China Operations Ltd. S.a.r.l.	Luxembourg
Seadrill T-16 Ltd.	Luxembourg
Seadrill Titania S.a.r.l.	Luxembourg
Aquadrill Malaysia Sdn Bhd	Malaysia
Seadrill Labuan Ltd	Malaysia
Seadrill Offshore Malaysia Sdn. Bhd.	Malaysia
Aquadrill Capricorn Holdings LLC	Marshall Islands
Aquadrill LLC	Marshall Islands
Aquadrill Opco Sub LLC	Marshall Islands





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Aquadrill Operating GP LLC	Marshall Islands
Sea Dragon de Mexico S de R.L. de CV	Mexico
Seadrill Operations de Mexico S de R.L. de CV	Mexico
Scorpion Deepwater B.V.	Netherlands
Scorpion Nederlandse B.V.	Netherlands
Seadrill B.V.	Netherlands
Seadrill Jack Up I B.V.	Netherlands
Seadrill Jack Up II B.V.	Netherlands
Seadrill Saudi I B.V.	Netherlands
Seadrill Saudi II B.V.	Netherlands
Seadrill Jack-Ups Nigeria Limited	Nigeria
Seadrill Mobile Units (Nigeria) Limited	Nigeria
Seadrill Offshore Nigeria Limited	Nigeria
Seadrill Europe Management AS	Norway
Seadrill Norway Crew AS	Norway
Seadrill Offshore AS	Norway
Odfjell Drilling Services Company, Limited	Saudi Arabia
Seadrill Saudi Limited Company	Saudi Arabia
Seadrill Australia Pte. Ltd.	Singapore
Seadrill Castor Pte. Ltd.	Singapore
Seadrill Deepwater Units Pte. Ltd.	Singapore
Seadrill Holdings Singapore Pte. Ltd.	Singapore
Seadrill Management (S) Pte Ltd	Singapore
Seadrill Offshore Singapore Pte Ltd	Singapore
Seadrill Pegasus (S) Pte. Ltd.	Singapore
Sevan Drilling Pte Ltd	Singapore
Sevan Drilling Rig II Pte Ltd	Singapore
Sevan Drilling Rig IX Pte Ltd	Singapore
Sevan Drilling Rig V Pte Ltd	Singapore
Sevan Drilling Rig VI Pte Ltd	Singapore
Seadrill Switzerland GmbH	Switzerland
Seadrill International Resourcing DMCC	United Arab Emirates
Seadrill Canadian Holdco Limited	United Kingdom
Seadrill Management Ltd.	United Kingdom
Seadrill Treasury UK Limited	United Kingdom
Seadrill UK Ltd	United Kingdom
Seadrill UK Operations Ltd	United Kingdom
Sevan Drilling Limited	United Kingdom
Aquadrill Gulf Operations Auriga LLC	United States
Aquadrill Gulf Operations Vela LLC	United States
Aquadrill US Gulf LLC	United States
Scorpion Offshore, Inc.	United States
Seadrill Americas, Inc	United States
Seadrill Gulf Operations Neptune LLC	United States
Sevan Drilling North America LLC	United States





**Exhibit 23.1**

CONSENT OF INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM

We hereby consent to the incorporation by reference in the Registration Statements on Form S-8 (No. 333-276710) of Seadrill Limited of our report dated February 27, 2025 relating to the financial statements and the effectiveness of internal control over financial reporting of Seadrill Limited (Successor), which appears in this Form 10-K.

/s/PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP  
Watford, United Kingdom  
February 27, 2025



Exhibit 23.2

CONSENT OF INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM

We hereby consent to the incorporation by reference in the Registration Statements on Form S-8 (No. 333-276710) of Seadrill Limited of our report dated April 19, 2023 relating to the financial statements of Seadrill Limited (Predecessor), which appears in this Form 10-K.

/s/ PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP  
Watford, United Kingdom  
February 27, 2025



Exhibit 31.1

CERTIFICATION OF THE PRINCIPAL EXECUTIVE OFFICER

I, Simon Johnson, certify that:

1. I have reviewed this annual report on Form 10-K of Seadrill Limited;
2. Based on my knowledge, this report does not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements made, in light of the circumstances under which such statements were made, not misleading with respect to the period covered by this report;
3. Based on my knowledge, the financial statements, and other financial information included in this report, fairly present in all material respects the financial condition, results of operations and cash flows of the registrant as of, and for, the periods presented in this report;
4. The registrant's other certifying officer(s) and I are responsible for establishing and maintaining disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e)) and internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(f) and 15d-15(f)) for the registrant and have:
  - (a) Designed such disclosure controls and procedures, or caused such disclosure controls and procedures to be designed under our supervision, to ensure that material information relating to the registrant, including its consolidated subsidiaries, is made known to us by others within those entities, particularly during the period in which this report is being prepared;
  - (b) Designed such internal control over financial reporting, or caused such internal control over financial reporting to be designed under our supervision, to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles;
  - (c) Evaluated the effectiveness of the registrant's disclosure controls and procedures and presented in this report our conclusions about the effectiveness of the disclosure controls and procedures, as of the end of the period covered by this report based on such evaluation; and
  - (d) Disclosed in this report any change in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the registrant's most recent fiscal quarter (the registrant's fourth fiscal quarter in case of an annual report) that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the registrant's internal control over financial reporting; and
5. The registrant's other certifying officer(s) and I have disclosed, based on our most recent evaluation of internal control over financial reporting, to the registrant's auditors and the audit committee of the registrant's board of directors (or persons performing the equivalent functions):
  - (a) All significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in the design or operation of internal control over financial reporting which are reasonably likely to adversely affect the registrant's ability to record, process, summarize and report financial information; and
  - (b) Any fraud, whether or not material, that involves management or other employees who have a significant role in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting.

Date: February 27, 2025

/s/ Simon Johnson  
Simon Johnson  
Chief Executive Officer



Exhibit 31.2

CERTIFICATION OF THE PRINCIPAL FINANCIAL OFFICER

I, Grant Creed, certify that:

1. I have reviewed this annual report on Form 10-K of Seadrill Limited;
2. Based on my knowledge, this report does not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements made, in light of the circumstances under which such statements were made, not misleading with respect to the period covered by this report;
3. Based on my knowledge, the financial statements, and other financial information included in this report, fairly present in all material respects the financial condition, results of operations and cash flows of the registrant as of, and for, the periods presented in this report;
4. The registrant's other certifying officer(s) and I are responsible for establishing and maintaining disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e)) and internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(f) and 15d-15(f)) for the registrant and have:
  - (a) Designed such disclosure controls and procedures, or caused such disclosure controls and procedures to be designed under our supervision, to ensure that material information relating to the registrant, including its consolidated subsidiaries, is made known to us by others within those entities, particularly during the period in which this report is being prepared;
  - (b) Designed such internal control over financial reporting, or caused such internal control over financial reporting to be designed under our supervision, to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles;
  - (c) Evaluated the effectiveness of the registrant's disclosure controls and procedures and presented in this report our conclusions about the effectiveness of the disclosure controls and procedures, as of the end of the period covered by this report based on such evaluation; and
  - (d) Disclosed in this report any change in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the registrant's most recent fiscal quarter (the registrant's fourth fiscal quarter in case of an annual report) that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the registrant's internal control over financial reporting; and
5. The registrant's other certifying officer(s) and I have disclosed, based on our most recent evaluation of internal control over financial reporting, to the registrant's auditors and the audit committee of the registrant's board of directors (or persons performing the equivalent functions):
  - (a) All significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in the design or operation of internal control over financial reporting which are reasonably likely to adversely affect the registrant's ability to record, process, summarize and report financial information; and
  - (b) Any fraud, whether or not material, that involves management or other employees who have a significant role in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting.

Date: February 27, 2025

/s/ Grant Creed  
Grant Creed  
Chief Financial Officer



Exhibit 32.1

PRINCIPAL EXECUTIVE OFFICER CERTIFICATION

In connection with the annual report on Form 10-K of Seadrill Limited (the "Company") for the year ended December 31, 2024 as filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC") on the date hereof (the "Report"), I, Simon Johnson, Chief Executive Officer of the Company, certify, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, to my knowledge, that:

- (1) The Report fully complies with the requirements of Section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934; and
- (2) The information contained in the Report fairly presents, in all material respects, the financial condition and results of operations of the Company.

Date: February 27, 2025

/s/ Simon Johnson  
Simon Johnson  
Chief Executive Officer



Exhibit 32.2

PRINCIPAL FINANCIAL OFFICER CERTIFICATION

In connection with the annual report on Form 10-K of Seadrill Limited (the "Company") for the year ended December 31, 2024 as filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC") on the date hereof (the "Report"), I, Grant Creed, Chief Financial Officer of the Company, certify, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, to my knowledge, that:

- (1) The Report fully complies with the requirements of Section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934; and
- (2) The information contained in the Report fairly presents, in all material respects, the financial condition and results of operations of the Company.

Date: February 27, 2025

/s/ Grant Creed  
Grant Creed  
Chief Financial Officer



**Skattedirektoratet**

Saksbehandler Torstein Kinden Helleland	Deres dato 10.03.2009	Vår dato 05.05.2010
Telefon 22 07 81 39	Deres referanse Arild Ueland	Vår referanse 2009/282532

SEADRILL MANAGEMENT AS  
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**Søknad om tillatelse til å utarbeide årsregnskap og årsberetning på engelsk språk**

Det vises til Deres brev av 10. mars 2009 til Finansdepartementet, oversendt Skattedirektoratet for behandling samt telefonsamtaler i sakens anledning. De søker om dispensasjon fra kravet til å utarbeide årsregnskap og årsberetning på norsk språk. på vegne av følgende selskaper;

<b>Seadrill Norge Holding AS</b>	<b>org. nr. 989 183 680</b>
<b>Seadrill Norge AS</b>	<b>org. nr. 953 114 828</b>
<b>Seadrill Offshore AS</b>	<b>org. nr. 929 350 685</b>
<b>Eastern Drilling AS</b>	<b>org. nr. 978 620 879</b>
<b>Crystal Sea AS</b>	<b>org. nr. 979 637 799</b>
<b>Seadrill Management AS</b>	<b>org. nr. 988 341 002</b>

Seadrill Norge Holding AS er konsernspiss i et norsk underkonsern for de overnevnte selskaper med unntak av Seadrill Management AS som er et søsterselskap. Seadrill Norge Holding AS eier datterselskapene direkte og indirekte 100 %. Seadrill Norge Holding AS og Seadrill Management AS er 100 % eiet av Seadrill Ltd som er hjemmehørende på Bermuda. Seadrill Ltd er konsernspiss for Seadrill konsernet og er notert på både Oslo Børs og New York Stock Exchange. Konsernregnskapet avlegges i henhold til US GAAP, mens de norske datterselskapene avlegger sine selskapsregnskaper i henhold til den norske regnskapsloven. I søknaden er det opplyst at de viktigste brukerne av Seadrill sine norske årsregnskap er banker og banksyndikat, inkl. utenlandske banker, oljeselskaper som har Seadrill Offshore AS som kontraktmøtpart samt offentlige organ i land hvor Seadrill Offshore AS har virksomhet eller filial. All kommunikasjon med regnskapsbrukerne skjer på engelsk. Arbeidsspråket er engelsk og selskapene er i det vesentlige finansiert med konserninterne lån og egenkapital.

Etter regnskapsloven § 3-4 tredje ledd skal "årsregnskapet og årsberetningen ... være på norsk. Departementet kan ved ... enkeltvedtak bestemme at årsregnskapet og/eller årsberetningen kan være på et annet språk."

I Ot. prp. nr. 42 (1997-1998) Om lov om årsregnskap m.v., er det uttalt følgende om regnskapslovens formål, jf. pkt. 1.1:

"Regjeringen har som siktemål at regnskapsloven skal bidra til informative regnskaper for ulike grupper av regnskapsbrukere. Regnskapsbrukerne er dels investorer og kreditorer som tilfører kapital til foretakene, og dels andre grupper som har interesse av å vite hvordan foretaket drives, f.eks. de ansatte og lokalsamfunnet. Informasjonen til kapitalmarkedet skal gi grunnlag for riktig prising av finansielle objekter. Riktig prisdannelse på aksjer er en forutsetning for at ressursbruken i samfunnsøkonomien skal bli best mulig. Gode regnskaper vil også gjøre det vanskeligere for markedsdeltakere å ta ut spekulasjonsgevinster med basis i skjevt fordelt informasjon."

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skattedirektoratet@skatteetaten.no		



Det fremgår således at et av hovedformålene med regnskapsloven er å bidra til "*informative regnskaper for ulike grupper av regnskapsbrukere*". Regnskapsbrukere vil omfatte, jf. uttalelsen i proposisjonen, blant andre investorer, kreditorer, ansatte og lokalsamfunnet. Offentlige myndigheter må også anses som en sentral regnskapsbruker, idet ulike myndigheter, som lignings- og tilsynsmyndigheter, benytter regnskapene som sentrale verktøy i sin kontrollvirksomhet.

Det er etter Skattedirektoratets vurdering derfor avgjørende at spørsmål om dispensasjon fra kravet til å utarbeide årsregnskap og/eller årsberetning på norsk, ikke på vesentlige områder fraviker fra hensynet til brukere av regnskapsinformasjon. Søkeren må dessuten som et utgangspunkt for vurderingen ha en særlig interesse for kun å utarbeide årsregnskap og/eller årsberetning på et annet språk enn norsk.

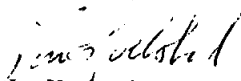
Som nevnt ovenfor er det særlig hensynet til brukerne av regnskapsinformasjon som skal vurderes ved en dispensasjonssøknad. Selskapene er eiet fra utlandet av et selskap som er notert på både Oslo Børs og New York Stock Exchange. Arbeidsspråket er engelsk og selskapene er i det vesentlige finansiert med konserninterne lån og egenkapital. Selskapene driver innen en internasjonal bransje hvor engelsk språk er utbredt.

Skattedirektoratet legger derfor til grunn at det i dette tilfellet ikke syntes å være brukere av selskapets regnskapsinformasjon som foretrekker å få dette på norsk språk.

Skattedirektoratet gir på bakgrunn av en helhetsvurdering de overnevnte selskapene dispensasjon fra kravet til å utarbeide årsregnskap og årsberetning på norsk språk, jf. regnskapsloven § 3-4 tredje ledd. Dispensasjonen forutsetter at engelsk språk benyttes i stedet, og at øvrige opplysninger som vedtaket baserer seg på ikke endres vesentlig.

Vennligst oppgi vår referanse ved henvendelser i anledning saken.

Med hilsen

  
Jan Hoelstad  
seniorrådgiver  
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**Fritak for konsernregnskapsplikt for  
Seadrill Offshore AS, org. nr. 929 350 685**

Det vises til deres brev av 20. september 2013 der det søkes om fritak fra plikten til å utarbeide konsernregnskap for Seadrill Offshore AS.

Skattedirektoratet finner med hjemmel i regnskapsloven av 17. juni 1998 nr. 56 § 3-7 fjerde ledd å kunne gi tillatelse til at det gjøres unntak for konsernregnskapsplikten for Seadrill Offshore AS.

**Bakgrunn**

Seadrill Offshore AS er et heleid datterselskap av Seadrill Limited som er hjemmehørende på Bermuda. Seadrill Limited utarbeider konsernregnskap som omfatter det norske underkonsernet. Regnskapet avlegges i henhold til USGAAP og på engelsk språk.

**Forutsetninger for vedtaket**

Det forutsettes at Seadrill Limited utarbeider konsernregnskap som omfatter den regnskapspliktige og dennes datterselskap. Det legges til grunn at dette konsernregnskapet er utarbeidet i samsvar med USGAAP og at kravene i regnskapsloven § 3-7 for øvrig følges.

Bestemmelsene i regnskapsloven kapittel 8 gjelder tilsvarende for dette konsernregnskapet. Morselskapet kan etter forskrift av 7.9.2006 nr. 1062 til utfylling og gjennomføring mv. av regnskapsloven § 3-7-1 utarbeide konsernregnskapet på norsk, svensk, dansk eller engelsk.

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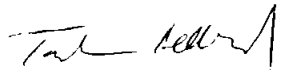


Kopi av dette brev må sendes Regnskapsregisteret i Brønnøysund sammen med årsregnskapet.  
Det påligger den regnskapspliktige å dokumentere ved dette brev at tillatelsen er gitt.

Vennligst oppgi vår referanse ved henvendelser i saken.

Med hilsen

  
Geir Johannessen  
Seniorrådgiver  
Rettsavdelingen, foretaksskatt  
Skattedirektoratet

  
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To the General Meeting of Seadrill Offshore AS

## Independent Auditor's Report

### Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of Seadrill Offshore AS (the Company), which comprise the balance sheet as at 31 December 2024, the income statement for the year then ended, and notes to the financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies.

In our opinion the financial statements comply with applicable statutory requirements, and the financial statements give a true and fair view of the financial position of the Company as at 31 December 2024, and its financial performance for the year then ended in accordance with the Norwegian Accounting Act and accounting standards and practices generally accepted in Norway.

### Basis for Opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (ISAs). Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the *Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements* section of our report. We are independent of the Company as required by relevant laws and regulations in Norway and the International Ethics Standards Board for Accountants' International Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants (including International Independence Standards) (IESBA Code), and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

### Other Information

The Board of Directors and the Managing Director (management) are responsible for the information in the Board of Directors' report. The other information comprises information in the annual report, but does not include the financial statements and our auditor's report thereon. Our opinion on the financial statements does not cover the information in the Board of Directors' report.

In connection with our audit of the financial statements, our responsibility is to read the Board of Directors' report. The purpose is to consider if there is material inconsistency between the Board of Directors' report and the financial statements or our knowledge obtained in the audit, or whether the Board of Directors' report otherwise appears to be materially misstated. We are required to report if there is a material misstatement in the Board of Directors' report. We have nothing to report in this regard.

Based on our knowledge obtained in the audit, it is our opinion that the Board of Directors' report

- is consistent with the financial statements and
- contains the information required by applicable statutory requirements.

### Responsibilities of Management for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation of financial statements that give a true and fair view in accordance with the Norwegian Accounting Act and accounting standards and practices generally accepted in Norway, and for such internal control as management determines is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, management is responsible for assessing the Company's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern. The financial statements use the going concern basis of accounting insofar as it is not likely that the enterprise will cease operations.

### Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements

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Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with ISAs will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements. For further description of Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements reference is made to: <https://revisorforeningen.no/revisionsberetninger>

Stavanger, 30 June 2025

**PricewaterhouseCoopers AS**

Arne Birkeland

State Authorised Public Accountant

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