

Transformational low-carbon subsea power project:

Renewables for Subsea Power (RSP)

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Global Underwater Hub





Blue X wave energy converter

with Sat Comms/3G/4G

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Renewables for Subsea Power

RSP is a Net Zero Technology Centre flagship project:

- "First-of-a-kind" commercial full-scale system to provide renewable power & communications offshore
- Combined system deployed, connected & operational as of February 2023

Demonstration via 12-month deployment:

- 3.5 nautical miles east of Orkney mainland; 50-53m water depth
- Remote comms, control & monitoring

Qualification to a system TRL 6-7 (API):

actual system completed & qualified via test and demo

RSP aims to:

- Boost industry confidence in the proposed solution
- Pave the way to wider carbon mitigation via systems scalable in size and number across off-grid subsea power applications











Transmark Subsea - ARV-i

residential autonomous underwater vehicle (AUV)





Verlume - HALO

energy management and storage system, with internal power &

comms distribution modules





Baker Hughes - SEM Star 5 subsea control module & AE valves

Umbilical provides power & comms link from WEC to HALO battery & other assets



Technical Specification & System Integration

Transmark – ARV-i

Battery Capacity	600 Wh charged via WiSub pinless connection
Endurance	14 hrs
Machine Vision	Up to 6 HD cameras
Camera	4K uncompressed video, suitable for photogrammetry
ARV-I Drone Dims	0.61 m (L) × 0.4 m (W) × 0.36 m (H)
ARV-I Doc Dims	1.2 m (L) × 1.25 m (W) × 0.7 m (H)

Baker Hughes – SEM Star 5

Power at XT (valve op's)	620 W with batteries charging and choke operating
Power at XT (valve op's)	770 W max power for fast charging
Power at XT (no valve op's)	535 W with no batteries charging or valve op's
Communication	DSL or Ethernet depending on offset (primary)
Communication	Electrical actuators are fault tolerant CAN

Verlume - HALO

Energy Capacity	46 kWh (Scalable to 10 MWh+)	
Output 1A &1B (SPCS)	415 VAC, 50 Htz, 2kW Max (Shared)	
Output 2 (ARV-i)	220VDC, 1 kW Max	
Dimensions	4 m (L) × 2.9 m (H) × 2.5 m (D)	
Total Mass	10 Te ·	







Use Cases

RSP is an enabler for wide ranging electrification & decarbonisation of subsea solutions ...



We make wave energy work



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Independently de-risked

- Via internationally recognised IEA metrics and performance evaluation criteria
- Success in 6 consecutive PCP stage-gates (WES & EuropeWave)

Track-record



- At-sea validation via 5-month Blue X trial to prove behaviour and operations
- 1-year+ deployment via RSP at more energetic site east of Orkney

Integration

- **Commercial traction & readiness**
- Optimised in parallel with subsea energy management, subsea control, residential AUV technologies

Performance



- Relevance across markets via scalability in WEC size and number
- Effective system hybridisation demo'd by robust wave + solar yields

Blue X WEC Dashboard



As of 2nd February; excess power is dumped to the resistor when the battery is at max capacity. This can be observed highlighted in **blue** in the middle graphic.



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Halo: Robust Hardware for Marine Environment

- Designed specifically for integration of Marine Renewable Energy Converters to subsea payloads.
- State-of-the-art Lithium-ion battery technology maximises energy density and operating efficiency.
- Off-the-shelf hardware, combined with sophisticated IP from Verlume, minimises supply chain risk.
- Energy capacity and power output scalable and configurable to suit end user requirements.
- Adaptable for a range of output applications.









RSP System Overview: battery storage

Intelligent Software – Verlume's Energy Management Solution

- **Resource and yield analysis:** assessment of energy resource at a project location to determine the optimum power generation system.
- **Capacity analysis:** optimised energy storage for overcoming generation intermittency and ensuring maximum energy availability.
- **Performance and safety management:** power management integrated with battery management for enhanced safety and performance in operation.
- Patented technology with no comparable on the market.









HaloView Dashboard



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RSP System Overview: battery storage

Autonomous Resident Vehicle (ARV-i)

ARV

Transmark Subsea



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Power Stabilisation

Variable wave power availability \rightarrow consistent power delivery.

RENEWABLE POWER GENERATED

Blue X converts energy from waves with daily, monthly, and annual variability.



Normalised power generated.

POWER AVAILABLE

Halo ensures that there is always power available.



Normalised state of charge.

RSP Phase 3 Highlights

Key outcomes

Average power: ~2.6 kW (September) ~1.9 kW (overall)

Total energy

converted:

9 MWh

(as of February)

Best daily solar yield:

Solar

contribution:

covers 200%

comms

demand

800Wh

Max Hs encountered:

Max hinge

angles:

+/- 50deg

(within limits)

>7 m

ARV-i docking: 50 autonomous docks/undocks

Availability for comms: 99.9% uptime

Data from 11 months of operation (Mar-Jan) suggests robust wave & solar yields, and reliable system integration.





Showing solar panels at hinge & forward wave channel.

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Concluding Remarks



RSP type solutions have a significant role to play in the North Sea, across Europe, and globally.

- Ready, reliable, renewable, source of local, clean energy at sea
- Cross-industry collaboration is key:
 - RSP brings industry together developers, operators, integrators all building towards Net Zero targets
- Larger scale decarbonisation opportunities await:
 - Islanded systems and larger scale off-grid (e.g. CCS, hydrogen)
 - Mocean awarded £3.2 Grant awarded to deliver next size machine by 2025
 - Verlume technology is modular and scalable, with active offshore wind projects taking seabed battery storage to MWh range.
- Gaining momentum and seeing growing industry traction
 - Attracting international investment and energy super majors into demonstration projects
 - Several completed and active feasibility projects ongoing assessing global opportunities across the energy sector.



"How do wave powered RSP solutions fit with your projects, and how can they play a part in your strategy towards decarbonisation?"