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## **DrillDocs, a leader in digital rig equipment surveillance, delivers industry-first real-time cuttings data for Aker BP**

Houston, Texas, August 26, 2024 – DrillDocs, a pioneering digital rig surveillance technology provider, is delighted to announce that it has delivered industry-first real-time drilled cuttings size distribution data to Aker BP. The company’s camera-based computer vision technology was deployed on a contracted jack-up rig while drilling a 1,000-metre, 12¼-inch hole section on the Norwegian Continental Shelf.

DrillDocs CleanSight® system employs Axis Communications' cameras designed for hazardous environments, which feature onboard processing capability for real-time image analysis. DrillDocs’s patented and proprietary image-processing algorithms continuously monitor drilled cuttings exiting the rig’s solids control system, calculating the amount and size distribution of recovered drilled solids. This provides valuable information about hole cleaning performance, borehole stability, and solids control equipment operations.

Before introducing DrillDocs’ technology, the rig equipment that separates drilled solids from drilling mud—known as “shale shakers”—was only monitored periodically by drilling staff making visual inspections. This new approach allows the rig team to react in near real-time to events happening in the wellbore.

"Our technology captures and interprets unique and vital information about the drilling process that would otherwise go unreported," said Calvin Holt, founder and CEO of DrillDocs. "By combining advances in camera technology and computer vision, we’re able to spot drilling issues as they are occurring and allow drilling teams to take corrective action before they become much bigger problems."

“This strategic milestone is testimony to Aker BP's commitment to enhancing drilling performance and safety through the application of cutting-edge technology,” commented Knut Eugen Svendsen, Rig Superintendent at Aker BP in Stavanger. “As this technology continues to mature, we foresee it becoming part of standard drilling practice on offshore and high-risk wells worldwide.”

### **About DrillDocs**

Established in 2020, DrillDocs supports an operator's real-time understanding of their wellbore’s state of stability and cleanness while drilling. By deploying a robust, easy-to-install and maintain, surface-based computer vision system on the rig's shale shaker, DrillDocs provides key data about the size, shape, and quantity of rocks returning to the surface. Through edge

computing, the data, alerts, and advice are delivered to drilling team members via laptop or smartphone, giving them greater insights into what is happening downhole and the ability to revise operations quickly to avoid costly downtime.

## **About Aker BP**

Aker BP is a company engaged in exploration, field development and production of oil and gas on the Norwegian continental shelf. The company operates six field centers: Alvheim, Ivar Aasen, Skarv, Edvard Grieg, Ula, and Valhall, and is a partner in the Johan Sverdrup field.

Measured in production, Aker BP is one of the largest independent oil companies in Europe.

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