DECOMMISSIONING
CASE STUDY

FLEXIBLE FLOWLINES

John Lawrie Group is the largest metal recycler and exporter of processed metal in North and North-East Scotland and an experienced member of the decommissioning supply chain. With current strategically located licensed facilities in Aberdeen, Shetland, Evanton and Montrose, and the addition of our new quayside facility in Dundee opening in 2020 bringing our combined annual licensed tonnage to 360,000 tonnes, John Lawrie Decom is your decommissioning partner of choice.

Project Summary

Many miles of flexible flowlines, risers and umbilicals play an important role in oil and gas production in the North Sea. During field decommissioning programmes these items need recovered and brought ashore.

Over the past decade, John Lawrie Group has brought ashore thousands of tonnes of flexible flowlines, risers and umbilicals at ports across Scotland. It has successfully developed processing methods that result in high recovery and recycling rates of the metallic and non-metallic content.

The predominately mechanical recycling process involves separating the various metallic and non-metallic layers of the flowlines and umbilicals. Each layer is systematically removed and the component parts sorted for recycling.

Plastic materials are transferred to authorised recycling contractors for further processing before being made into new products. The separated metal content is processed at one of John Lawrie Group’s metal recycling facilities to ESSS standard, before being exported to European steel mills for recycling into new steel products, delivering significant environmental benefits.

Highlights

| Client: | Numerous North Sea Operators |
| Field: | Various Fields in North Sea |
| Port: | Nigg, Invergordon, Peterhead, Aberdeen, Dundee and Lerwick |
| Project: | Processing and recycling flexible risers and flowlines |
| Recycling Rate: | 100% |
Provision of specialist trucks, lifting and cutting equipment and a fully mobile, well-trained workforce as well as a highly innovative approach to project management and logistics means decisions are made quickly and jobs expedited efficiently. Our in-house HSE function includes method statements/risk assessments, training & competences.

We have a long established and experienced hands-on management team in place and a proven track record in managing, handling and processing a large number of decommissioning projects.