Shared knowledge is the way forward for Aquamarine Power

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Wave energy company Aquamarine Power has secured a three month contract with Wave Energy Scotland to share knowledge gained through the development of Oyster technology.

The work package, known as 'Project Know-How', will enable Aquamarine Power's team to share the experience gained through building, installing and operating two full scale Oyster wave energy machines at the European Marine Energy Centre in Orkney.

Wave Energy Scotland (WES) aims to support and accelerate the development of wave energy technology in Scotland and was established as part of development agency Highlands and Islands Enterprise. It is funded by the Scottish Government.

Commenting on the contract award, Aquamarine Power Chief Executive Officer Paddy O'Kane said:

"Aquamarine Power has accumulated a wealth of knowledge in verifying the Oyster concept. It is important that this learning is shared with others. Public funding is a scarce resource and we must ensure that the lessons we have learned, and the problems we have solved, can be put to good use by others in the industry.

"This work package will help us all to collaborate and 'work smarter' in solving current and future wave industry challenges."

Within the 'know-how' package, Aquamarine Power will hold a workshop for WES industry invitees and will disseminate knowledge in areas as diverse as offshore operations,

corrosion and protection, supply chain components, resource modelling and assessments and maintainability improvements.