

# NORLED

World's first ship driven by liquid hydrogen  
Preliminary safety considerations

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## *About Norled*



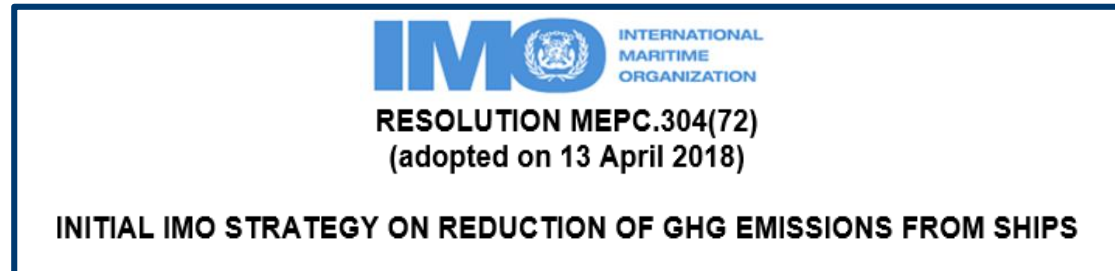
- 1 000 employees
- Turnover NOK 2 billions
- 80 vessels
- Transport of 8 million cars and over 18 mill pax annually
- Operations from the Oslo Fjord to Troms County in Norway
- Operation of 23 ferry and express boat contracts, about 50 different services

# *Initiating zero emission ship operations*



1st December 2015 the Norwegian Parliament made a decision to support actions enabling all Norwegian car ferries and high speed passenger vessels to utilise low or zero emission energy systems onboard.

MF Ampere had since early in 2015 proved that this technology was possible and this ferry has now sailed a distance equal to six times around equator in 4 years.



# *World's first ship driven by LH<sub>2</sub>*

Hjelmeland-Nesvik-Skipavik route



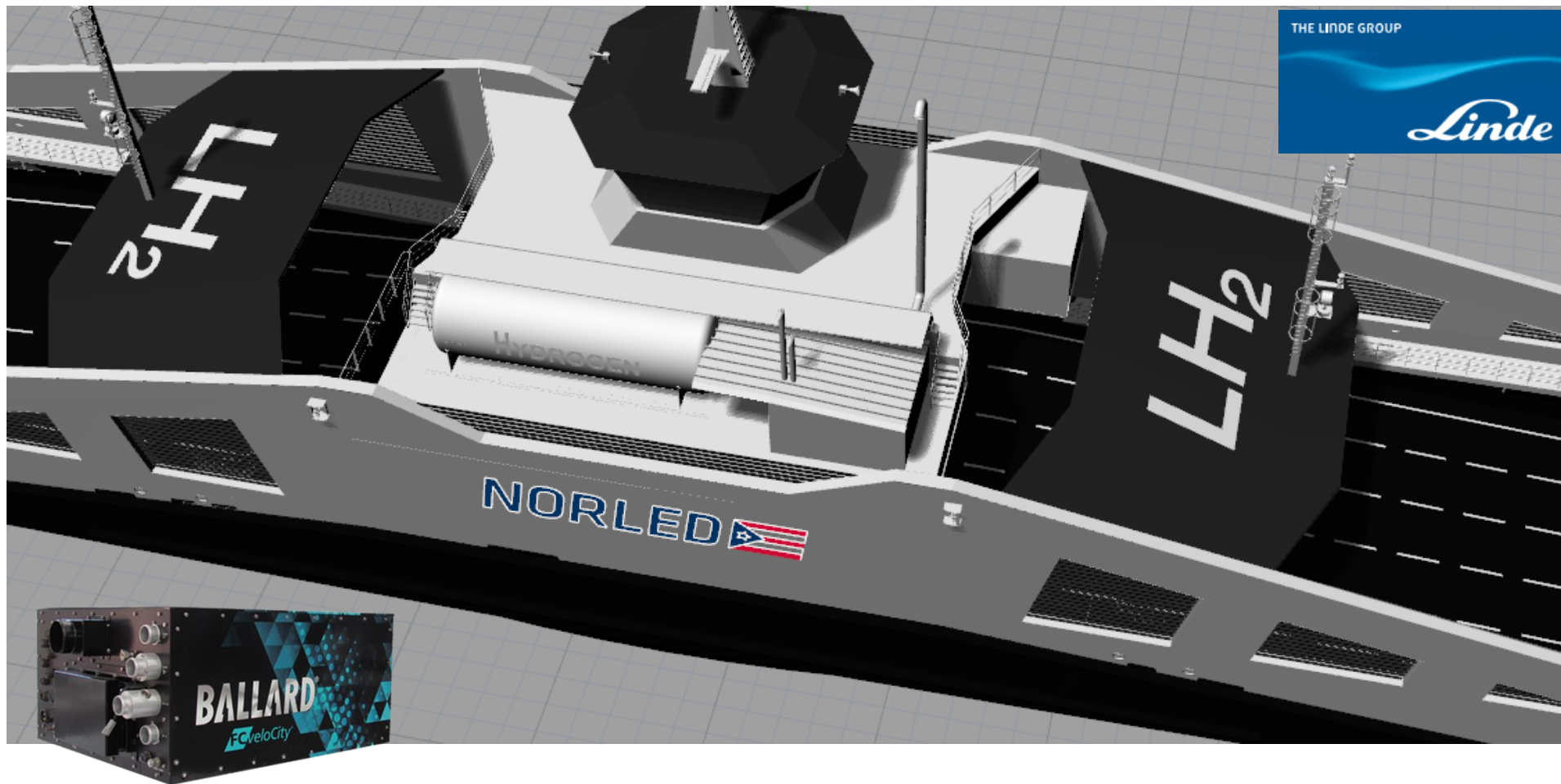
Length 82.40 m  
Beam 16.75 m  
Draught 2.8 m

Car capacity 80  
Truck capacity 10  
Passenger capacity 299

LMG80-DEH2

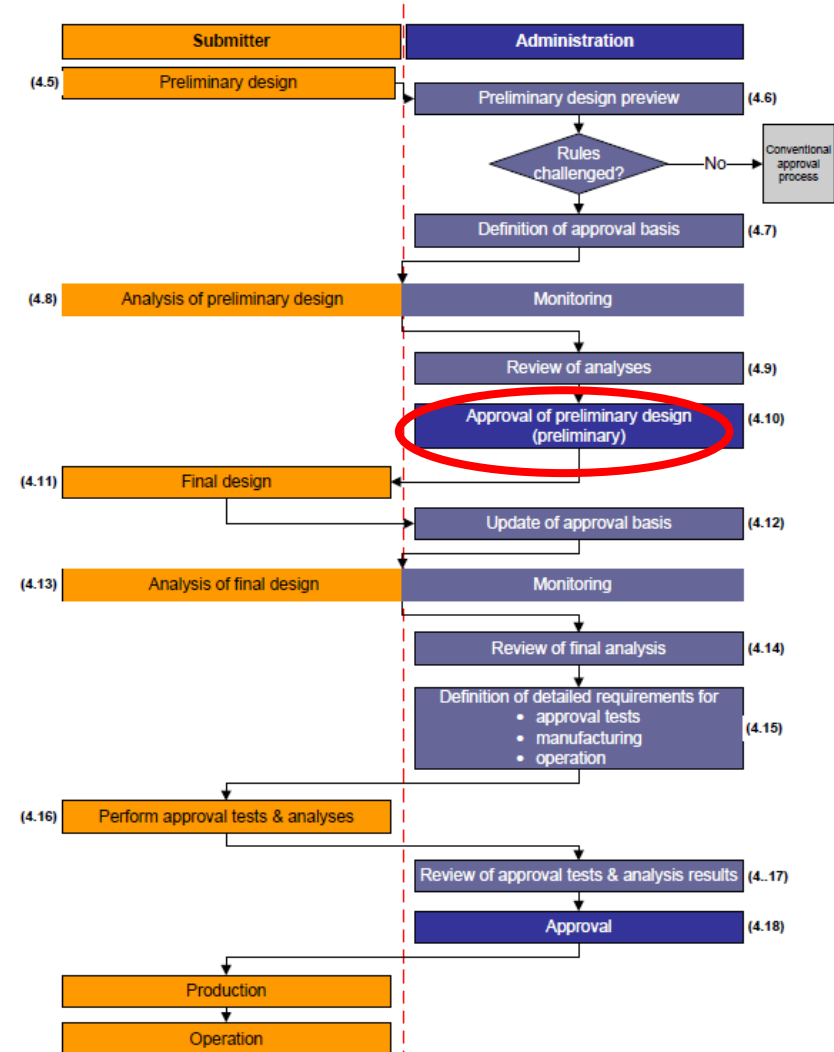


# *Hydrogen arrangement*

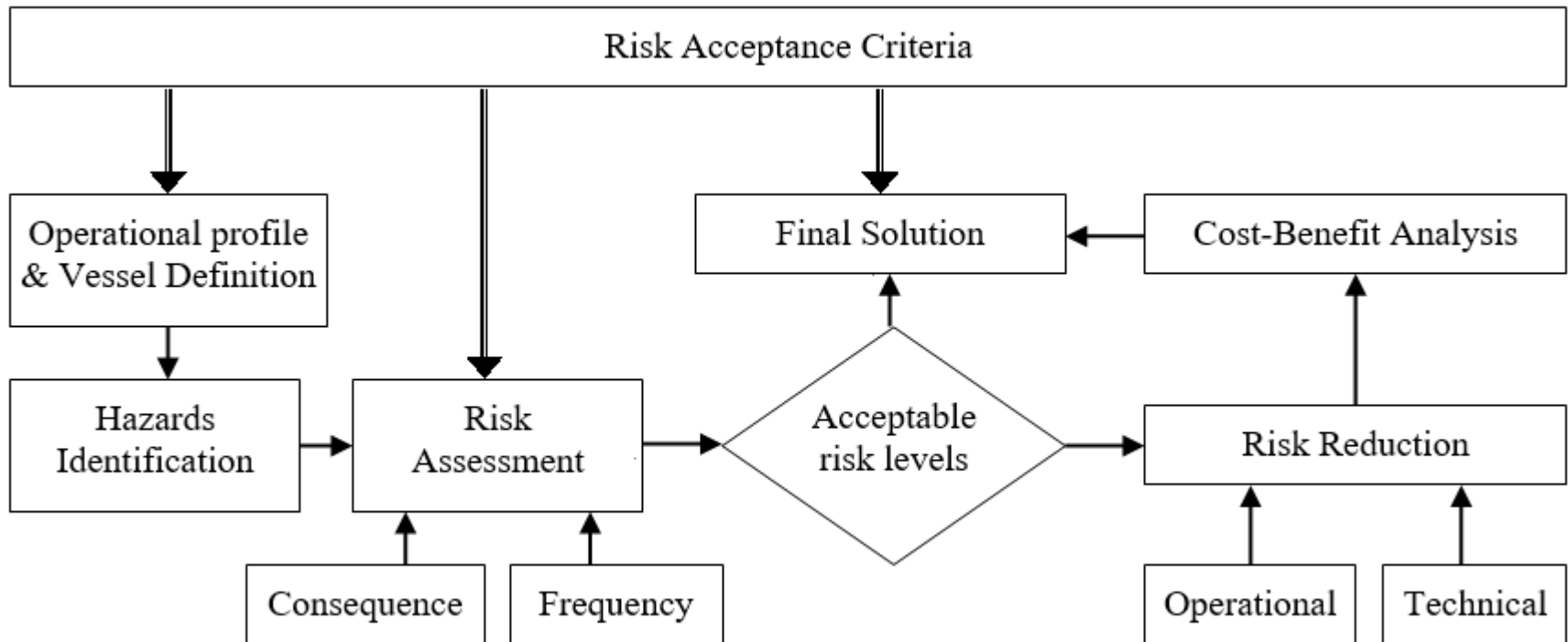


# *Risk-based approach (IMO Circ. 1455)*

- A well-known method for the development of ship designs where risks shall be as low as reasonable practicable (ALARP)
- Utilized by LMG Marin and Gexcon for the development and construction of the LNG-driven gas ferries (Halhjem-Sandvikvåg) in 2004-2006, which become the basis for rules development for such ferries
- The aim for Norled, assisted by LMG and Gexcon, is to prove that the hydrogen-driven ferry is as safe as diesel-driven ferries – an equivalent risk level
- Approval in principle received from DNVGL and NMA



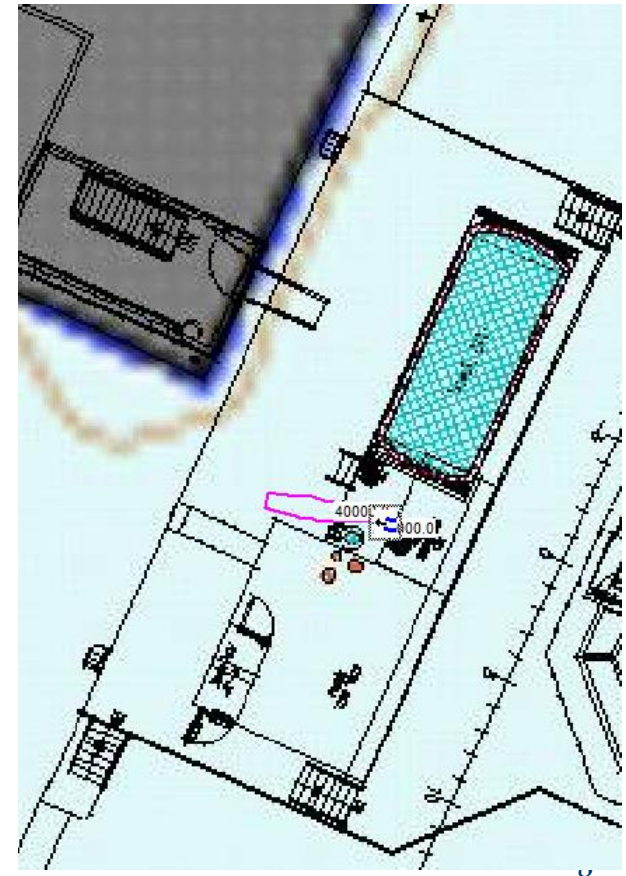
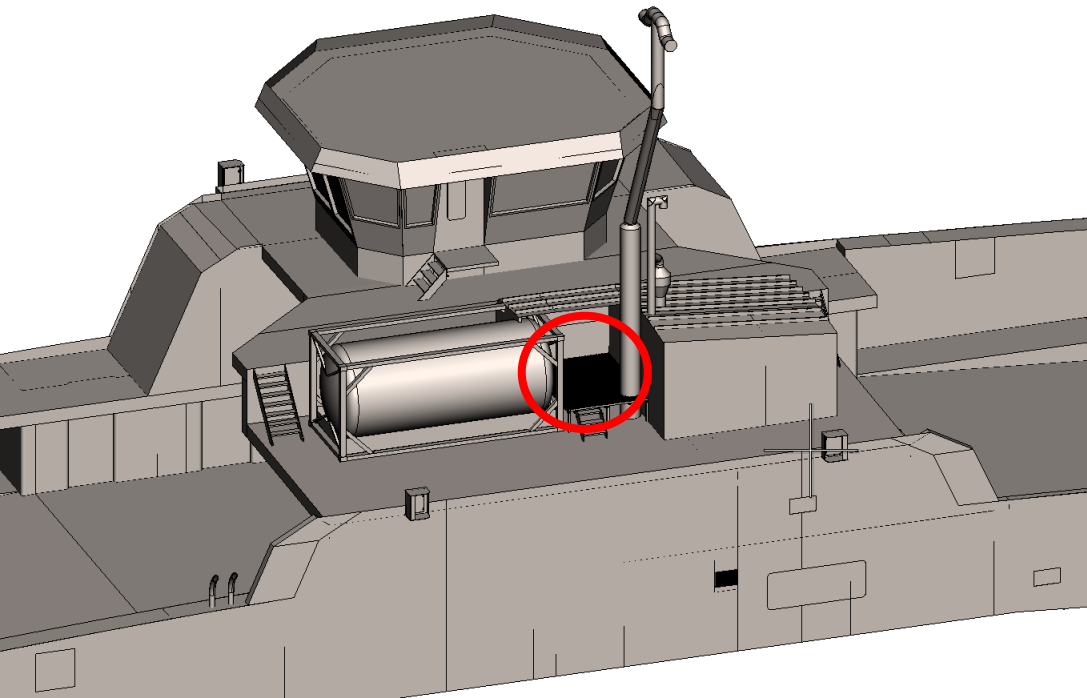
# *Risk-based ship design*



- Results in an improved overall design
- Little extra costs if conducted as an integral part of the design process
- Currently limited risk (frequency) data available for ships

# *Scenario – LH<sub>2</sub> pipe leakage*

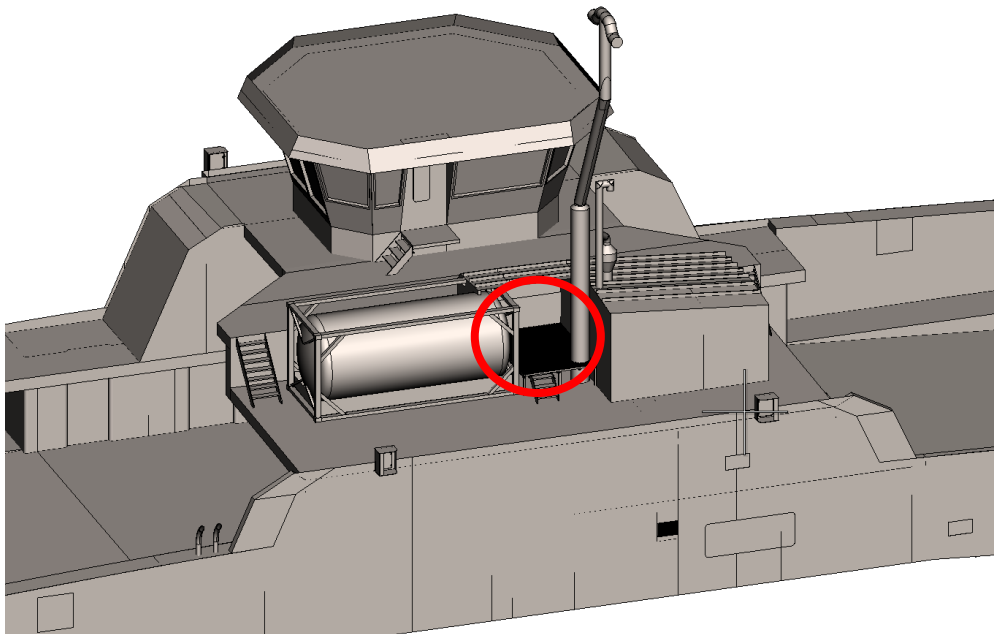
- Rupture of 3 meter 10 mm LH<sub>2</sub> pipe
- All liquid released within 7.5 seconds
- Leak rate: 2 g/s
- Plume length: 3 m
- If ignited: Minor flash fire (dangerous to nearby personnel, but unlikely to cause escalation).



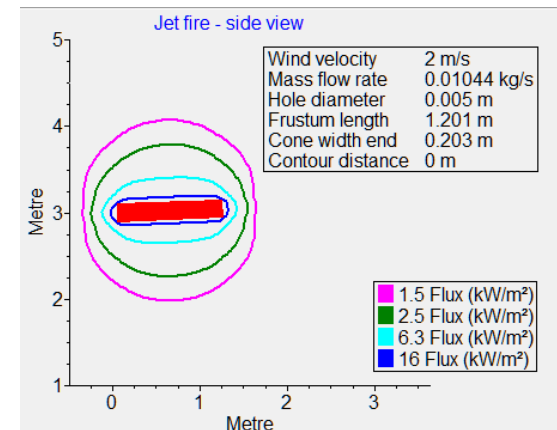


# Scenario – gas phase hydrogen pipe leakage

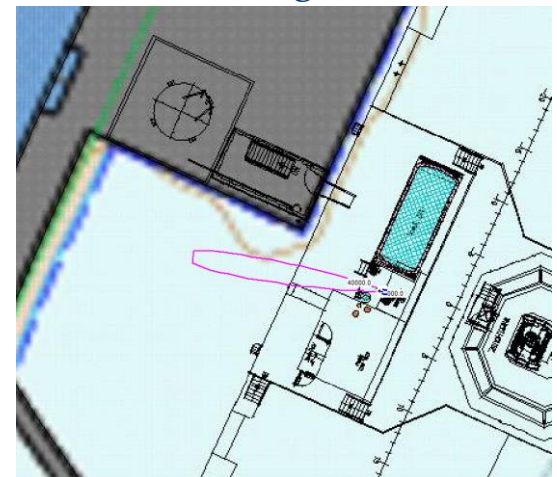
- Rupture of 10 mm H<sub>2</sub> gas pipe
- Conservative case: Assuming gas is close to boiling point (more dense/higher leak rate)
- Leak rate: 54 g/s
- Plume length: 12 m
- Jet fire hazard distance: 3.5 m



Fire radiation

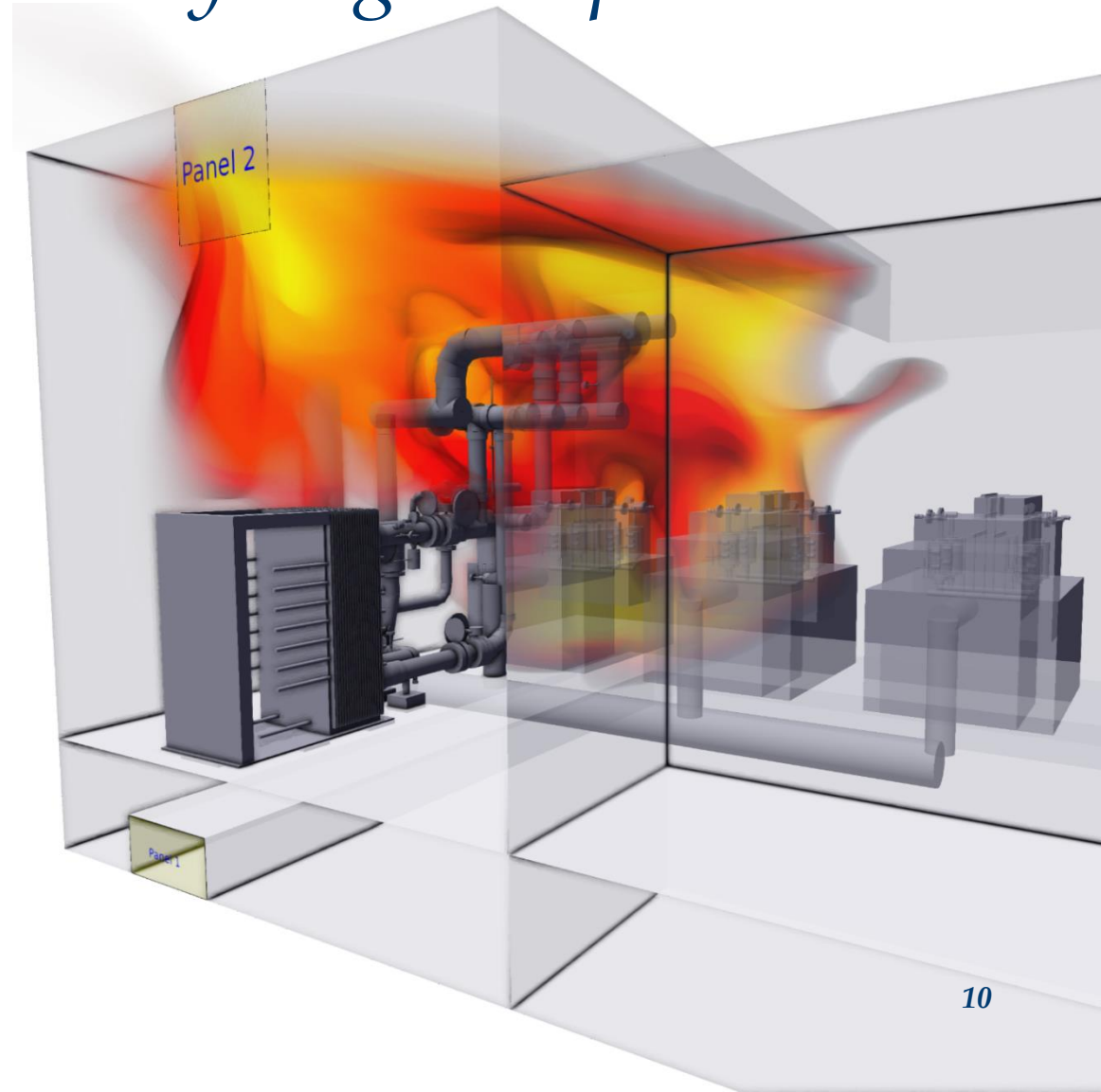
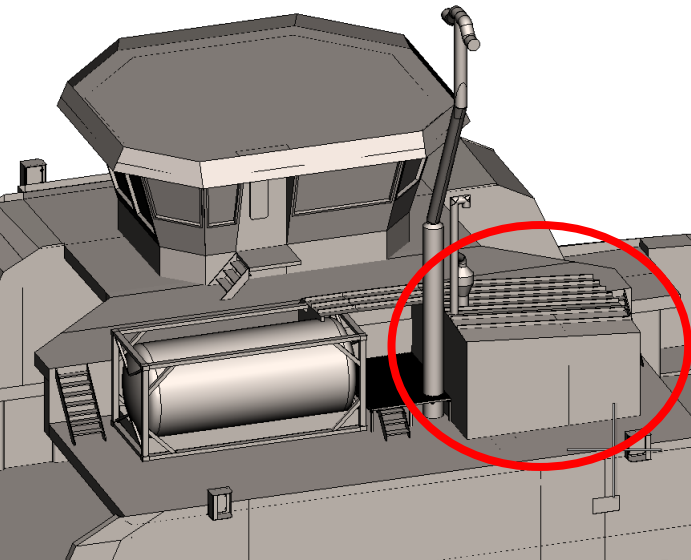


Flammable gas



# *Scenario – FC room hydrogen explosion*

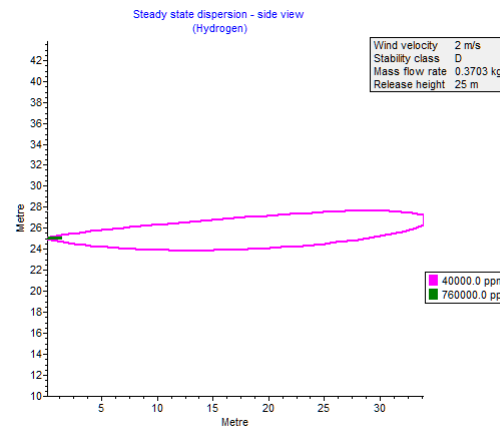
- 1 minute undetected leak
- Assumed no ventilation
- 83 g H<sub>2</sub> – 3 m<sup>3</sup> gas cloud
- Peak pressure 0.55 bar
- Possible mitigation:
  - Pressure relief panels
  - Gas detection/shutdown
  - Ventilation
  - Wall design



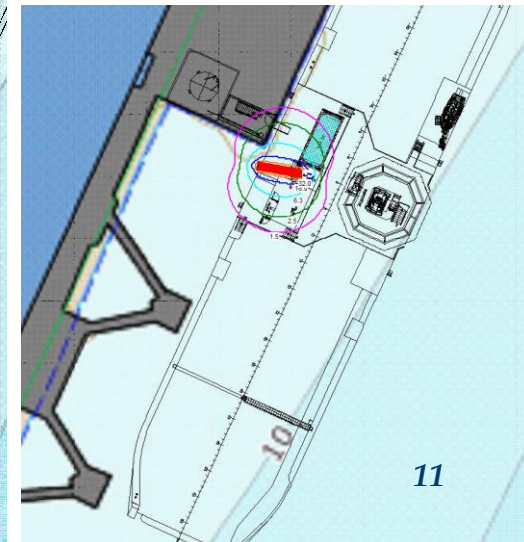
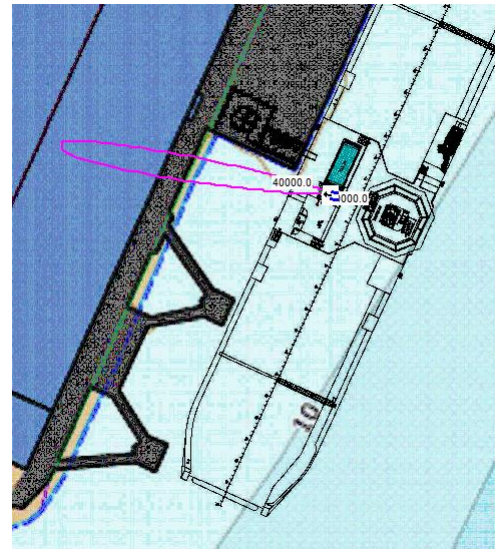
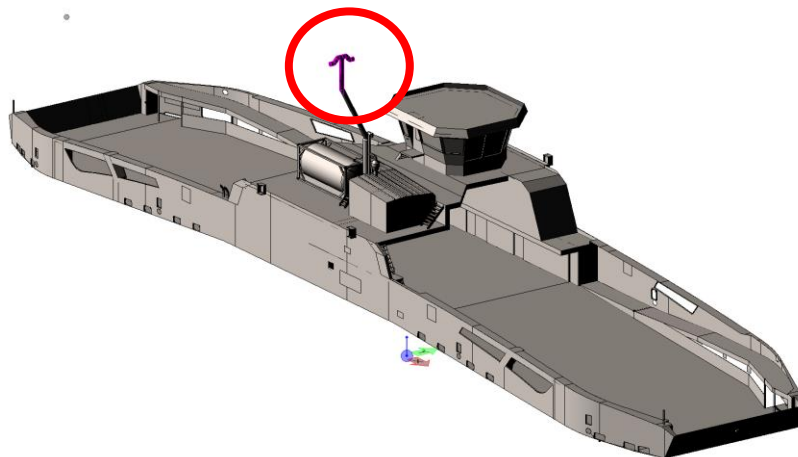
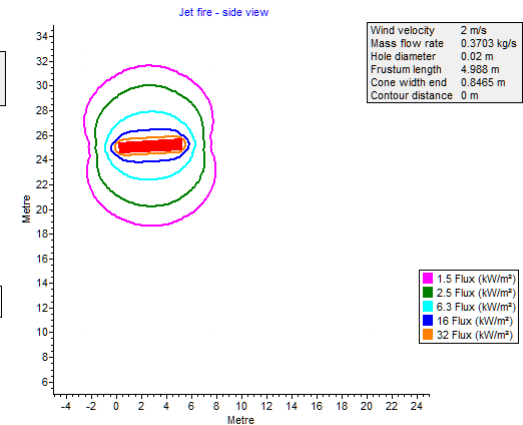
# Scenario – vent mast hydrogen dispersion

- High pressure vent (6 barg)
- 20 mm vent at 25 m height
- Flammable gas reaches 35 meters horizontally
- Gas is never brought toward ground
- If ignited, radiation contours would be limited to at the lowest 18 meter above ground

## Flammable gas



## Fire



## *Some discussion points*

- Initial risk analysis work started with AIP received from DNVGL and NMA
- Selected (dimensioning) consequence scenarios analysed, frequency data limited
- Much analysis work remains
- Aiming to be just as safe as existing diesel-driven ships
- Norled also focuses on risks during the bunkering operations towards DSB

*Thank you for the attention*

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