



NOTICE TO MARINERS

No. 24 – 14th December 2017

Subject: Seismic Survey at Ras Al Khaimah Offshore

Ref : Chart 3174

Mariners are advised that a Seismic Survey will be conducted by RAK Gas using survey vessel Polarcus Alima in the offshore waters of Ras Al Khaimah (within UAE waters), for a period of 70 days commencing from 10th December 2017. Survey will be conducted on 24 hour basis and will not stop after commencing.

Survey vessel will be towing sensing devices streamed up to 3.25 NM astern and will be submerged below the water surface to a depth of 8 to 10 metres. A yellow float with white light (flashing U) and radar reflector is attached to the end of the cable to mark the extent of the streamers.

Survey vessel Polarcus Alima is assisted by following vessels:

- Maria G (IMO 9480875) - Supply Vessel
- Zakher Fugro (IMO 9200873) - Guard Vessel
- Miclyn Orion (IMO 9448463) - Guard Vessel

The survey will be conducted within the following co-ordinates (diagram attached):

Sl.No	Latitude	Longitude	Sl.No	Latitude	Longitude
1	26°15'03.332"N	055°44'11.993"E	8	26°02'26.476"N	055°19'44.175"E
2	26°04'29.435"N	056°02'37.978"E	9	26°04'03.307"N	055°25'35.678"E
3	26°03'30.598"N	056°04'20.151"E	10	26°06'47.497"N	055°31'11.942"E
4	25°59'41.079"N	056°02'24.620"E	11	26°07'54.149"N	055°34'11.910"E
5	25°55'13.973"N	055°56'37.951"E	12	26°10'56.747"N	055°38'04.442"E
6	25°50'17.581"N	055°50'13.844"E	13	26°13'08.278"N	055°41'02.112"E
7	25°43'39.707"N	055°42'00.579"E	14	26°14'45.618"N	055°43'35.497"E

The survey vessel MV Polarcus Alima will be restricted in its ability to manoeuvre and will make regular broadcasts. The details of survey will broadcast on VHF Channel-16 to all mariners.

During the period of survey, vessels anchored within the SPA anchorage Zone-III & IV may require to shift their anchor position and they will be advised by Saqr Port Control as necessary.

All mariners are advised to give a wide berth to survey vessel and exercise caution while operating in above-mentioned co-ordinates.

Capt. Michael Magee

Harbour Master, RAK Ports

Status of previously published notices:

2015: 1

2016: 2

2017: 5, 10, 14, 15, 18, 19, 22, 23

Seismic Vessel Polarcus Alima

With support vessels Maria G – Miclyn Orion – Zakher Fugro

Seismic vessel Polarcus Alima is conducting a seismic survey in the area highlighted in Blue

Commencing 7th Dec for approx 70 days.

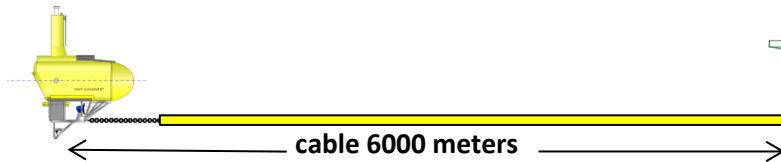
She is towing 6 cables 6000 meters long and 1000m wide.

Polarcus Alima requires clearance of **3000** meters ahead, **3000** meters from both sides and **10,000** meters astern . We are standing by (24 hour watch) on VHF chanel **16** and **73**

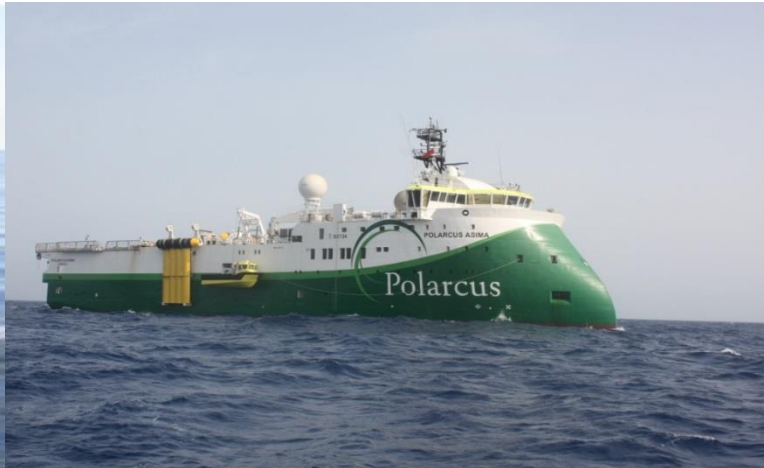
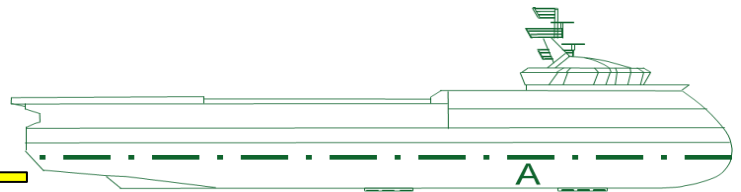
Please keep clear of the vessel at all times to ensure your safety.

Thank you for your cooperation!

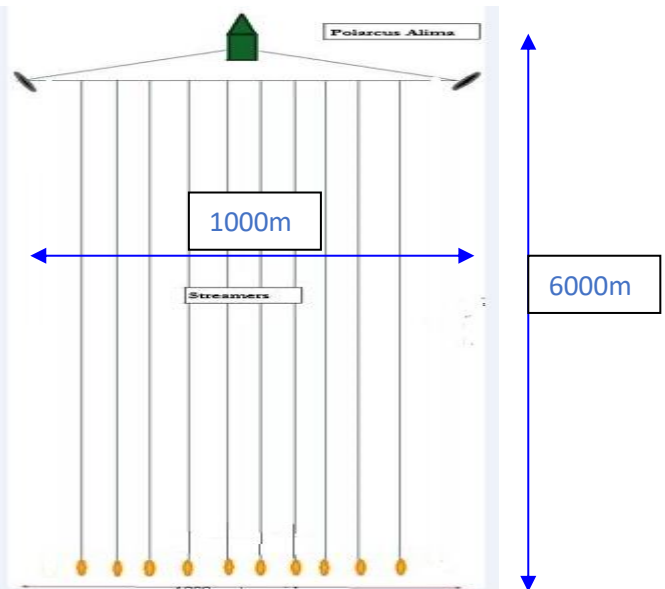
Tail Buoy



Vessel



Keep clear **2000m** behind Tailbuoys

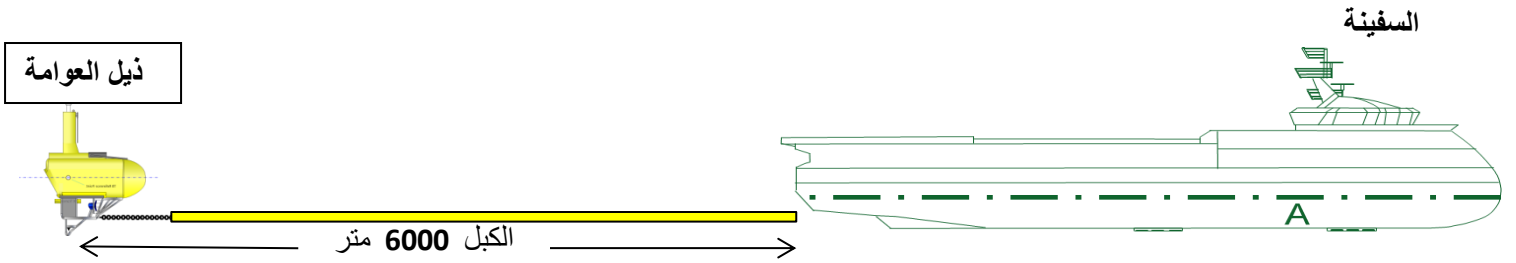


السفينة زلزالية (بولاركوس أليما) :

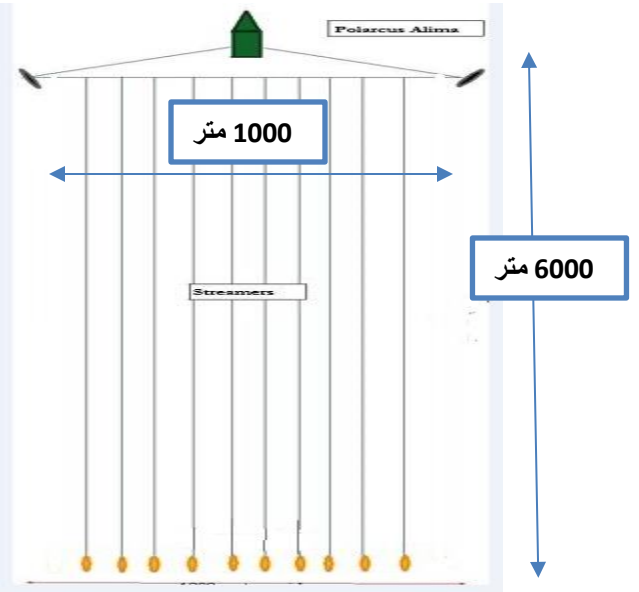
مع سفن الدعم ماريا-ج - ميكلين أوريون - زاخر فوجرو
السفينة بولاركوس أليما ستجري دراسة في مياه رأس الخيمة بحسب الخريطة المبينة أدناه بالأزرق
تبدأ العمليات من 7 ديسمبر ٢٠١٧ و لمدة 70 يوما تقريبا
وهي تقطر 6 كابلات طولها 6000 متر و عرضها 1000 متر.

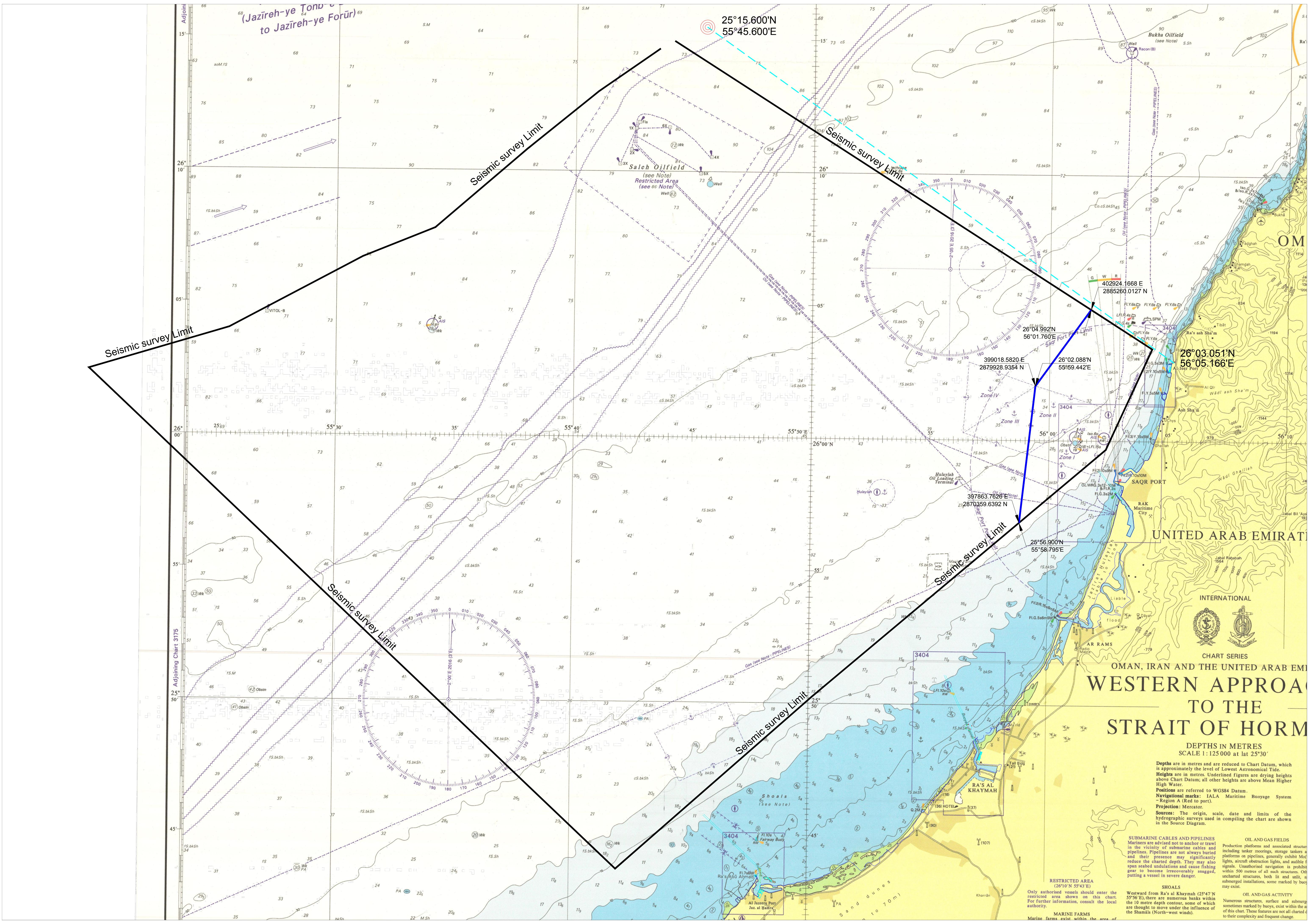
نرجو افساح المجال لبولاركوس أليما على بعد 3000 متر من الأمام و 3000 متر من كلا الجانبين و 10000 متر من المؤخرة
سنكون على البث (24 ساعة) على موجة تردد العالي جداً VHF 16 و 73

يرجى افساح المجال للسفينة في جميع الاوقات لضمان سلامتكم
شكرا لتعاونكم معنا



يرجى افساح المجال 2000 متر من ذيل العوامة





DEPTHS IN METRES
SCALE 1:125 000 at lat 25°30'

Depths are in metres and are reduced to Chart Datum, which is approximately the level of Lowest Astronomical Tide. Heights are in metres. Underlined figures are drying heights above Chart Datum; all other heights are above Mean Higher High Water.

Positions are referred to WGS84 Datum.

Navigational marks: IALA Maritime Buoyage System - Region A (Red to port).

Projection: Mercator.

Sources: The origin, scale, date and limits of the hydrographic surveys used in compiling the chart are shown in the Source Diagram.

SUBMARINE CABLES AND PIPELINES
Mariners are advised not to anchor or travel in the vicinity of submarine cables and pipelines. Pipelines are not always buried and their presence may significantly reduce the charted depth. They may also span seabed undulations and cause fishing gear to become irreversibly snagged, putting a vessel in severe danger.

OIL AND GAS FIELDS
Production platforms and associated structures including tanker moorings, storage tankers and platforms on pipelines, generally exhibit MoT lights, aircraft obstruction lights, and audible signals. Unauthorised navigation is prohibited within 500 metres of all such structures. Oil uncharted structures, both lit and unlit, at submerged installations, some marked by buoy may exist.

SHOALS
Westward from Ra's al Khaymah (25°47'N 55°56'E), there are numerous banks within the 10 metre depth contour, some of which are thought to move under the influence of the Shamals (North-west winds).

OIL AND GAS ACTIVITY
Numerous structures, surface and sub-sea, sometimes marked by buoys, exist within the area of this chart. These features are not all charted due to their complexity and frequent change.