# Company Overview: Issues and Opportunities

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## Albatern and the WaveNET

- Wave Energy Developer
  - Founded 2007, focused on developing modular, scalable WEC concept









Operating principle: Attenuator





## **Development Roadmap**

- Current design: 6 Series (6S) 7.5kW
- In development: 12 Series (12S) 75kW
- Future work: 24 Series (24S) 750kW





## **Kishorn Project Overview**

• Location: Loch Kishorn, NW Highlands. Sheltered sea loch with access to Port Kishorn dry dock.



- Deployment: o Squids deployed in thangular mooring grid
- Horse Box converted to mobile power station with dump resistor
- Tidal range: ~6m, Wave Conditions: typically o-o.5m Significant Wave Height



### Kishorn Project Overview – Deploy & Retrieval















## **Mingary Project Overview**





- Partner: Marine Harvest Offshore Fish Farm
- Location: 52 Miles from Fort William, 2 Hours driving
- Deployment: 6 Squids deployed in triangular mooring grid
- Power transmission: 800m from SQUID to onshore station, 1800m from onshore station to feed barge, 1300m from onshore station to utility grid
- Power range: 50kVA, 3.3kV



## **Mingary Project Overview**

- PLC is used for control and instrumentation
- Fibre Optic is used for communication
- 25kW dump load is integrated to maintain hydraulic pressure
- Isolation transformer is used for power converter protection





## **Mingary Project Overview - Instrumentation**

#### • Each Power Take Off system has:

- Generator RPM, temperature and current
- High and Low pressure sensors in accumulators
- Mooring Loads at each PTO node
- Contactor switches to control hydraulic circuit





### Mingary Project Overview - SCADA

#### Monitor System

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#### Control System

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## **Offshore Survey Footage**



Kishorn Offshore Survey 30<sup>th</sup> September 2015



## **Offshore Survey Footage**





## **Offshore Survey Results**

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Key: Operational History

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## Marine Growth Comparison

• Squids 2 and 3 retrieval from Isle of Muck test site (service 13 weeks)



• Squid 5 retrieval from Loch Kishorn test site (service 27 weeks)





# 'Dirty Squid'

#### • Retrieval after 6 months service. Mid-January to Mid-July 2015.







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#### End of Presentation Thank You

