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Less important but a problem none the less was the inability of the contractor to supply the required number of 6.25 meter groups, namely 80, with 160 12.5 meter groups. The net result of this was a very uneven fold pattern for the survey, rather than a regular 10/40 fold, and is an area which the contractor could easily improve the streamer's capabilities.

Another careless and expensive oversight on the contractor's part was the fact that only on the day prior to sailing was the contract sighted by the personnel on the vessel, and only then was it realized that the streamer plugs required to use 6.25 meter groups were not available on board the vessel. Because of this a period of some 14 hours was spent waiting for the arrival of the plugs.

The only instrument problem which resulted in lost time was that of mass memory failure. This occurred on line 192 on the 18th and on line 204 on the 19th. In both instances the lines had to be terminated and restarted. This is a very difficult area to troubleshoot and really define the cause of such a problem, but it is to be hoped that the cause of this fault is found and rectified by the crew in the near future.

Another problem area was that of tape quality. This was not a serious problem during the survey, but there were several instances of tape related misfires on the 15th, 16th and 17th of November.

Overall the performance of the streamer/instruments was relatively good and the data quality, while of a mixed quality because of swell noise, was good for the vast majority of the survey.