Interception Techniques

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Reasons for Interception

- Well Control
- Plug and Abandon
- Platform Extension
- Pipeline Connection
- Production
- Wellbore recovery

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Magnetic Ranging Services

- Access Dependent A magnetic source or receiver must be deployed inside the TW wellbore
- Access Independent All ranging must be performed from the drilling well

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Magnetic Ranging Services

Access Dependent

- ✓ Single Wire Guidance
- ✓ Magnetic Guidance Tool
- ✓ Rotary Magnetic Tool

- ✓ WellSpot
- ✓ Passive Magnetic Ranging

Access Independent

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"Access Independent" Interception

Well path is designed around:

- Required interception point (Well Control)
- Survey management
- Results of the WellSpot modeling
- Interception method

Interception methods Include:

- Hydraulic communication via formation
- Perforation of TW casing
- Milled window TW Casing (hydraulic communication)
- Milled window TW Casing (re-entry)

Typically used for:

- BO Control
- Plug & Abandon
- Wellbore recovery

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WellSpot Planning Factors

- RW well path is designed around the results of this modeling
- WellSpot signal intensity model is impacted by:
 - Relative orientation of the TW and RW
 - Formation resistance
 - TW tubular
 - Bridle configuration
- With pre planning WellSpot can be used on most wells including ultrahigh resistive formations

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"Access Dependent" Interception

Well path is designed around:

- Placement of the magnetic source
- Survey EOU
- Interception method

Typically used for:

- Pipeline connection
- Civil engineering







"Access Dependent" Interception

Well path is designed around:

- Placement of the magnetic source
- Survey EOU
- Interception method



Typically used for:

- Extending Hz wells
- Offshore to Onshore

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"Access Dependent" Interception

Well path is designed around:

- Placement of the magnetic source
- Survey EOU
- Interception method

Typically used for:

- CMB
- Artificial Lift

Perpendicular Interception



Target Well



Drilling Well

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RMRS Procedure



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RMRS Planning Factors

- Max range 240'
- Metallic Casing reduces the detection range by ~40%
- Ranging is not impacted by the well trajectory

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Well Intersection Summary

- Well intersection is not limited to use on relief wells
- Several ranging technologies may be used on the same project
- Advanced survey management may be required to bring the drilling well inside the ranging tools detection range
- Approximately two hundred wells have been intersected using WellSpot
- Over one thousand wells have been intersected using RMRS

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Questions?

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