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Solid-State Gyro Technology Allows Safe and Reliable Real-time Remote Operations (Based on SPE-205870-MS)

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Gyro Sensors - Background

Post-drilling surveys

- The gyro is not part of the BHA
- Wireline
- Memory (drop or slickline)

"Real-time" drilling surveys

- The gyro survey tool is part of the BHA
- Closer to the bit
- Independent survey data
- Uncertainty reduction



Motor Assembly



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Dry Tuned Gyroscope (DTG) Gyro Sensors





- Very low noise
- Fragile (8G's rms Vibration)
- Very complex (~16ft tool)
- High power consumption
- Spin-up time required (~30 sec)

Solid State Gyroscope



- Low noise
- Robust (20G's rms Vibration)
- Simple (~3ft tool)
- Very low power consumption
- No spin-up time



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Tool Verification Process





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Uncrewed Operations





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Survey Automation

Auto-decode of survey data means no intervention required from RMC and minimal training required for 3rd party monitoring





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Survey Automation - Troubleshooting

Interrogation of additional data in the WITSML feed allows basic troubleshooting and recommended actions to be generated when surveys fail QC.





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Case Study I



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• Jack-up - 16" hole section

- Phase II uncrewed operations.
- North Sea Norwegian sector
- Expected magnetic interference from 550 to 850 mts.
- Inclination: 5 to 27 deg.

Benefits of the solid-state GWD:

- Seamless drilling in area of magnetic interference
- Rig-time saving of 30 minutes
- Independent validation of MWD data





Case Study I



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Case Study II



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Jack-up – 12.25" hole section

- Phase II uncrewed operations.
- North Sea –UK sector
- No expected magnetic interference
- Inclination: 68 to 71 deg.

Benefits of the solid-state GWD:

 MWD & Solid state GWD surveys over 18,000 ft section combined to produce reduced EOU making hitting geological target achievable.





Case Study II



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Uncrewed Operations – Environmental Benefits Summary

Remote Operations

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- Engineer not travelling Offshore •
 - Fase POB constraints & costs
- Reduce helicopter requirements ٠

Reduced Rig Operational impact

- **Reduced Crane Operations**
- Reduced Footprint On Rig
- Reduced BHA handling
- Testing /verification onshore

Engineer Travel

Remote Operations • reducing domestic & International travel



Lower Power Consumption

- **Reduced Battery Consumption**
- Reduced Environmental Impact
- **Enabling Remote Operations**

Reduced / Lighter Shipments

- Smaller shipping boxes
- Loaded out in collar no container
- Shortened collar required

Fewer Shipments

- Maintenance frequency reduced
- Calibration frequency reduced



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Conclusion

- Solid state technology contains a number of benefits over spinning mass gyros to enable remote monitoring
 - Lower power consumption
 - Increased shock tolerance
 - No shift in calibration
 - No requirement for real time or post run correction
 - Simplified testing and QC
- High levels of automation are achievable allowing tools to be run by 3rd parties with minimum training requirements.



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