

Ball Seat Milling using Electric Wireline



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Overview

- **Agenda**
 - Introduce Welltec
 - Milling Ball Seats on Electric Wireline
 - Why
 - Bit selection/ design
 - Rotary tool/ Bottom hole assembly
 - Surface trials
 - Lessons learned
 - Operational success
 - Open Discussion

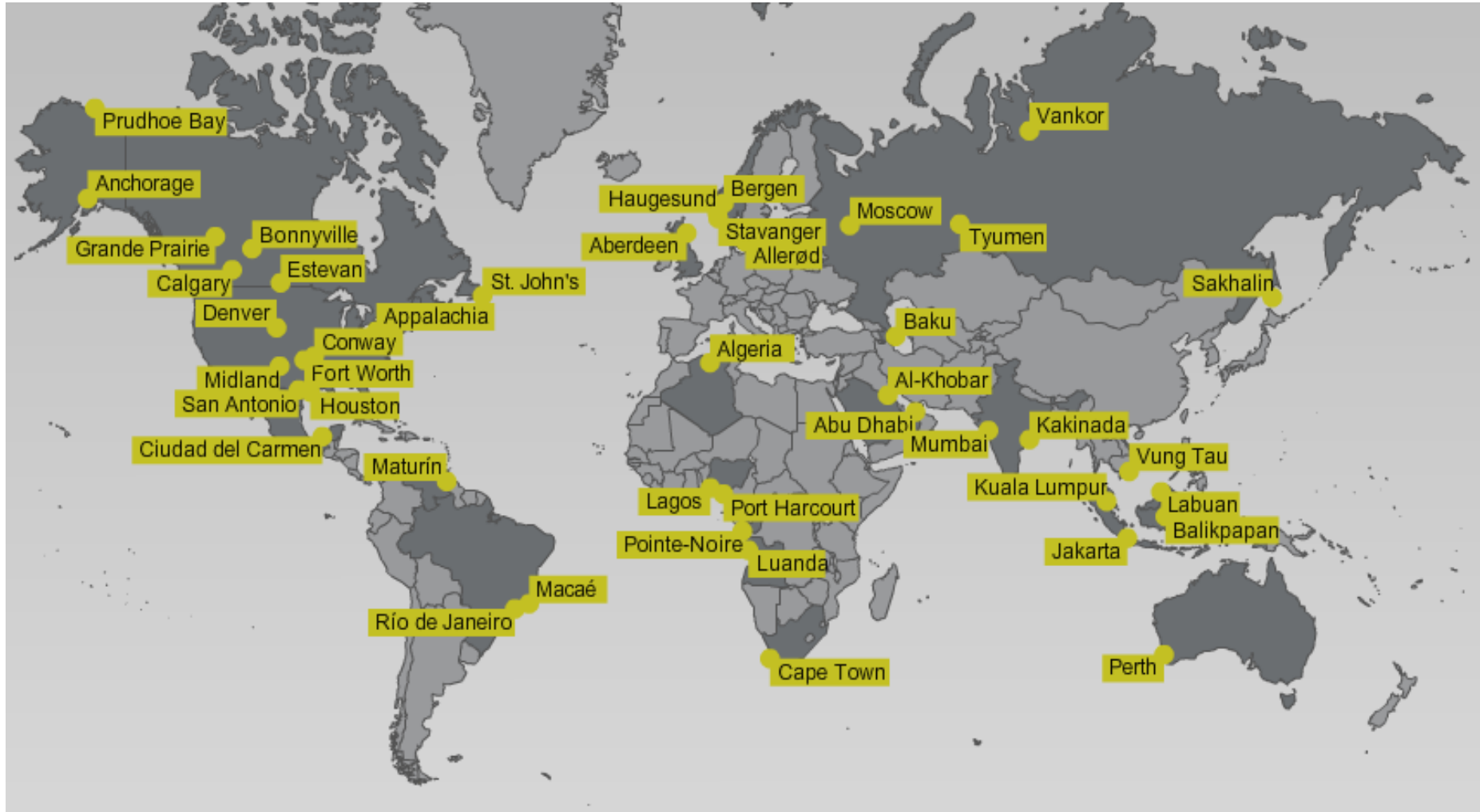


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Geographic Footprint



Product Family



Well Conveyance Services



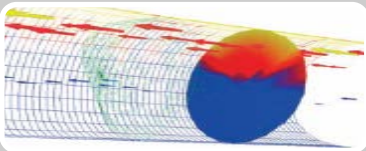
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Well Subsea Intervention



Well Completion Products



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What is a Ball Seat?

Profile in each stage of a multi zone frac

As fracing occurs, a ball is dropped

The ball seats into this profile and:

- **Isolates the frac interval below**
- **Slides a sleeve to open the next frac stage**



Why remove Ball Seats?

- To increase production flow area
- To remove blockages/ potential debris
- To enable future interventions:
 - Production logging
 - Perforating
 - Diagnostic camera services
 - Casing patch



How are they currently removed?

- Coiled tubing with milling bit
- Jointed pipe – Service or Drilling rig
 - Heavy/Costly equipment
 - Fluid driven bits
 - Equipment be better used for other services such as drilling/ stimulating wells

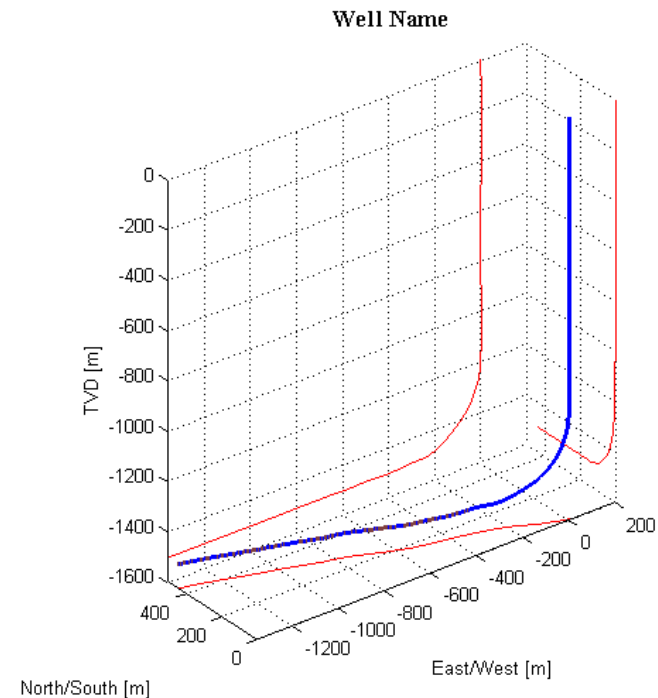
Why using Wireline?

- Reduce intervention costs
- Fluid sensitive formation
- Coil/Rigs could be better used elsewhere
- Grease injector friendly (wireline)
- Accomplish multiple interventions while onsite:
 - Production logging
 - Perforating
 - Diagnostic camera services
 - Casing patch



Preliminary solution considerations

- Weight on bit
- Rotary force
- Bit design
- Cuttings handling
- Potential debris/ frac sand
- Cost



Milling Bit Design

- Initial surface trials were using a “conventional” Welltec Scale Milling Bit
- Tungsten Carbide teeth on tapered mill
- We created increased performance by adding deeper sidewall, and teeth to side



Weight on Bit

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- Provide conveyance in high angle
- Provide weight on bit while milling
- Provide anti-rotation while milling

Rotational Force

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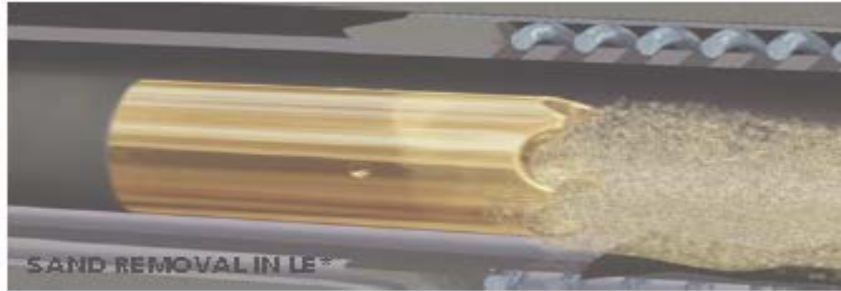
- Electric rotational device
- Hydraulic fluid compensated
- Adjustable gear ratio for milling purpose

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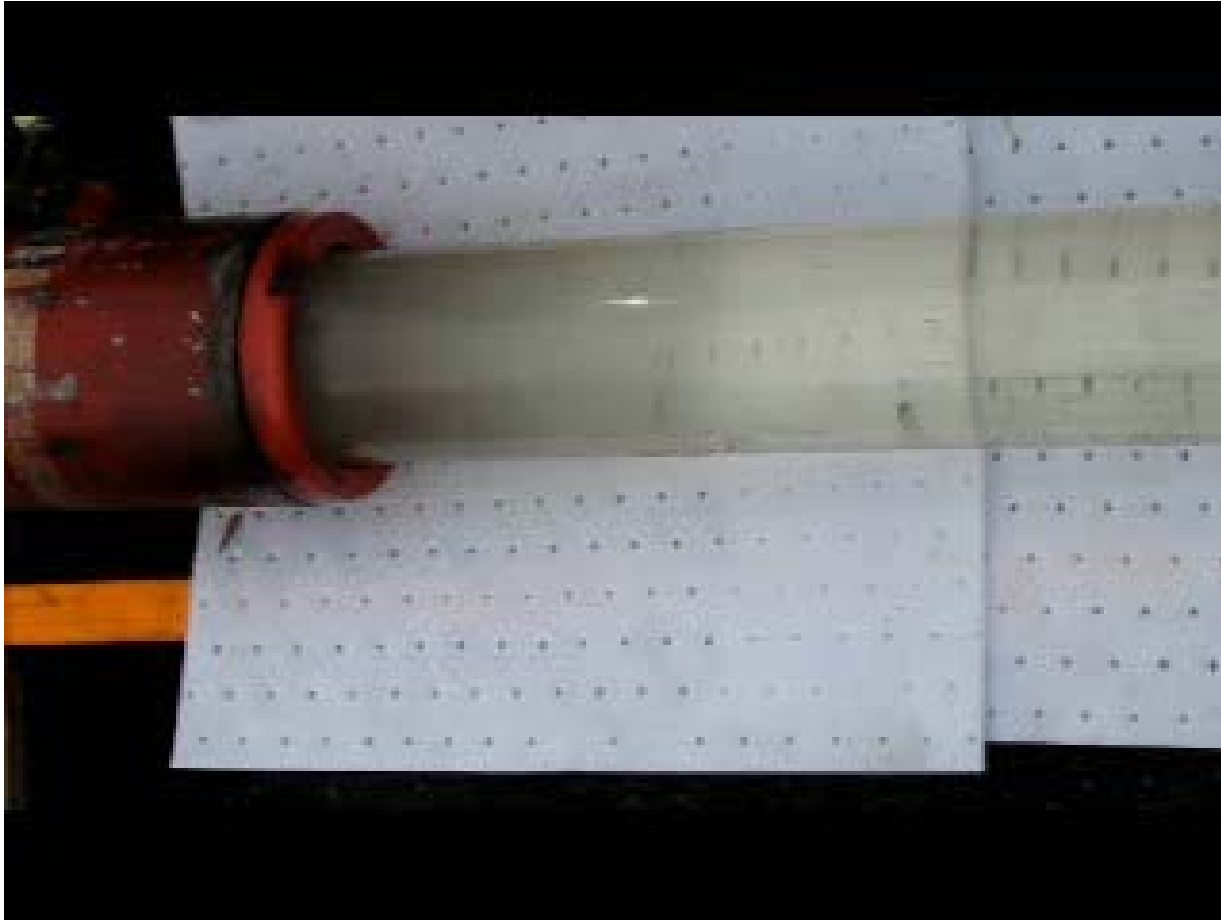
Debris Handling

Power Suction Tool®



- Downhole debris removal device
- Can remove produced sand, frac sand, scale, cement

Debris Handling



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Surface Trials

Ball Seat milling trials held in:

- Calgary
- Houston
- Aleroed



Surface Trials

Milled a variety of styles and sizes:

Packers Plus

- Ball seats
- Repeater sub

Baker

- Ball seats

Peak

- Ball seats



Summary of Results from Testing

- A total of 20 ball seats of various company design, size and material have been milled at surface
- The ball seats were milled in varied stages, with frac ball in place, and without
- The quickest ball seat milling took 6 minutes, with the longest taking 20 minutes
- Post milling debris is minimal



Summary of Lessons Learned

- Bit design modification enabled higher performance
- Use of additional wheel sections in Well Tractor to provide sufficient power, speed and push force
- Use of Wireline tension, to maintain a controlled weight on bit
- Debris appeared to not be of concern in milling process
- Milling “untouched” ball seats is preferred
- Confirm bottom hole assemblies – bent tubing joints for multilateral well orientation can prove challenging

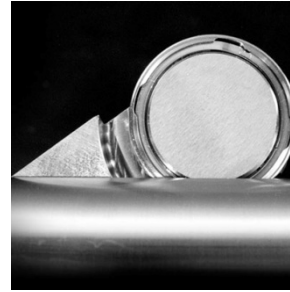
Case Study

- North sea operator had a ball and seat to remove from well as a part of workover to reduce restrictions in the well for further intervention
- Alternatives were considered, but ultimately the operator selected to utilize a lightweight intervention of wireline with Well Tractor and Milling solution
- Total intervention offshore took 13 hours from rig up to rig down, with a milling time of 15 minutes
- Well depth 3,800m MD

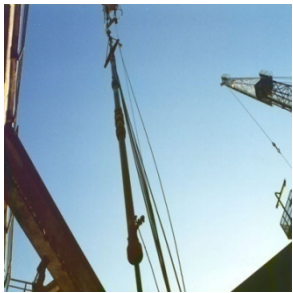
Conclusion

Surface trials, successful interventions and development from lessons learned have proven that Wireline technology can provide alternatives to conventional milling operations.

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