

PEOPLE & COMPANIES

Global Industries reorganization.

Peter S Atkinson, President of **Global Industries**, will assume responsibilities for all administrative functions worldwide including accounting, human resources, information and communications, investor relations, legal, purchasing, risk, safety and all other functions reporting to these groups. **J Michael Pearson** was appointed COO and will continue to conduct strategic planning activities as well as oversee all worldwide offshore construction, project management, diving and special services operations. **Nicholas A Alvarado** was named senior Vice President - Worldwide Business Development. **Eduardo Borja** was named Area Vice President - Mexico and Latin America.

Knight Oil Tools names manager.

Frank Bonner joined **Knight Oil Tools** as quality of service manager. He previously worked for Hydril Company and Baker Tanks.

Grant Prideco names executives.

David (Yuming) Tian was named General Manager - China and **Wen Tong Tai** was appointed Director of Engineering and Technical Sales - Far East for the company's China operation.

BJ Tubular Services manager. Kenny

Watt was appointed Area Manager - Middle East Region for **BJ Tubular Services**, responsible for all operational, financial, business development and personnel activities throughout the Middle East region.



Kenny Watt

RigNet appoints sales director.

Andreas Elton was appointed Sales Director with responsibility for domestic and international sales and customer consulting services for the company that provides communications networks on drilling rigs.

Grant Prideco announces management team.

Grant Prideco's management team for its newly created Marine Products and Services Division will be led by **Curtis D Burton**, President.

Earl Broussard is Vice President and General Manager of XL Systems; **Ben van Bilderbeek** is CEO of Plexus Ocean Systems and Chairman of Plexus Deepwater Technologies; **Ian Milne** is President of Plexus Ocean Systems; and **Craig Hendrie** is President of Plexus Deepwater Technology.

New Caterpillar Global Petroleum Managers.

Jim Bielenberg was named Global Petroleum Manager to lead the company's Power Systems Petroleum Business worldwide. **Bob Tyson** was named Regional Manager for North and Latin America; **Dave Blessin** was named Regional Manager for Europe, Africa and the Middle East and former Soviet territories; **Tom Holland** was named Regional Manager for Asia and Pacific Rim; and **Dave Krenek** was named Technical Sales Support Supervisor.

Grant Prideco marketing VP. John R Beltz was named Vice President-Marketing Communications at **Grant Prideco**. Beltz has more than 28 years experience in business-to-business marketing, corporate and division marketing communications, business development and sales. Prior to joining **Grant Prideco** he was a vice president at **Pierpont Communications**.



John R Beltz

FORTA has fluid markets rights.

FORTA Corp acquired the marketing rights and production facility of the drilling fluid product **PhenoSeal** from **Montello Inc**. **FORTA** plans to continue to produce, promote and expand **PhenoSeal** to the lost circulation material market worldwide.

Schlumberger acquires A Comeau.

Schlumberger Oilfield Services acquired Canadian-based **A Comeau and Associates Limited (ACA)**, a provider of electrical engineering products and services for artificially lifted wells. **ACA** is the latest addition to the **Schlumberger Artificial Lift** group, that provides full service capabilities in electrical submersible pumps, gas lift systems, hydraulic lifting, progressing cavity pumping and real time monitoring and control.

PRODUCTS

New generator. Kato Engineering

introduced its new 2500 kVA generator that is smaller and less costly than its current 2500 kVA design to better meet the needs of the drilling industry. It is based on its 1,200 rpm design and is designed to be driven by a CAT 3516B diesel engine. The generator meets ABS MODU requirements for pitch and roll. The generator has a two-year warranty.

Mud pump rentals. The **LeTourneau Ellis Williams Co (LEWCO)** is offering "Power by the Hour" rental program for new or factory rebuilt 1,300 or 1,600 hp mud pumps. Available only to US customers, the program offers short-term, long-term and rent-to-own contracts on special packages comprising mud pump, Caterpillar diesel drive and

accessories. The rentals can be structured to include a service agreement, spare parts consignment and factory or on-site training by **LEWCO** personnel.

New cementing system. Schlumberger's

FlexSTONE flexible cementing systems maintains long-term zonal isolation in changing wellbore environments. The slurry can be adapted to match dynamic conditions of pressure, temperature and formation stress over the life of the well. The technology uses nonmineral-based particles in an optimized distribution to produce set cement with variable mechanical properties. Using **Schlumberger's** stress analysis model software, the wellbore can be evaluated for future problems of zonal isolation caused by imposed stresses.