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## PEOPLE & COMPANIES

**Transocean management changes. Robert L Long** was named President and CEO of Transocean and was elected a director of the company. He previ-

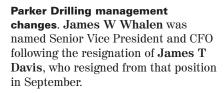
ously was President and COO. Mr Long will succeed J Michael Talbert, who will become Chairman, replacing Victor E Grijalva. Mr Grijalva will continue to serve on the company's board. Additionally, Jean P Cahuzac was named Executive Vice President and COO of Transocean. He previously was **Executive Vice** President of Operations. Donald R Ray was named Executive Vice President, Quality, Health, Safety and Environment. He previously was **Executive Vice** President, Technical Services.



Engineering and

**Robert J Scott** 

Construction. He previously was Director of Engineering and Construction. Also, **Phillip M Hall** was named Vice President, Operations Technical Support. He previously was Director of Corporate Planning.



Weatherford acquires optical company. Weatherford International acquired the specialty fiber and glass micro-structure facility of CiDRA Industrial Sensing Systems, which will allow Weatherford to accelerate development, marketing and delivery of a wide range of in-well optical sensing systems. Assets include an advanced glass pre-form fabrication and draw facility; precision glass machining and laser processing stations; an optical test and metrology laboratory; and extensive environmental test cells.

**Phillips Casing appointment. Dean J Rougas** joined Phillips Casing and Tubing as Vice President of Sales and Marketing.

**PRODUCTS** 

Enventure appoints marketing team. **Enventure Global Technology** created international marketing teams. Randy Merritt was appointed global sales manager, responsible for coordinating and directing the sales efforts of the company's regional business development representatives. He will be based in Houston. Mike Bullock was named European regional manager responsible for overseeing operations in Europe and Russia. He will be based in Aberdeen. Liew Fock was appointed Asia Pacific regional manager and will be responsible for operations and sales for that region. He is located in Kuala Lumpur. George Banashefski was named regional manager for Africa and will also serve as the region's sales manager. He is based in Lagos. Mark Rivenbark was appointed regional manager for the Middle East and will be responsible for operations and sales. Tom Grant was named regional manager for the Americas. He will be based in Houston.

Tetra Technologies expands. Tetra Technologies acquired the assets and business of Kilgore, Texas-based Bee Line Well Services which services onshore well abandonment markets in East Texas, North Louisiana and Southern Arkansas. The company is being incorporated into Tetra's Well Abandonment & Decommissioning Division.



Robert L Long



Jean P Cahuzac



Donald R Ray

New perforating system. Schlumberger Oilfield Services introduced OrientXact perforating system that can improve well productivity and prevent sand production in horizontal and deviated wells. Its first field use resulted in the biggest producer in the Visund field in the North Sea. The Visund A-4AH well is a 25,000 ft horizontal well drilled in the Etive sandstone formation. The OrientXact system perforated a 6,000 ft horizontal section in a single trip, resulting in a flow rate of more than 50,000 barrels per day. The system has a unique orientation confirmatin device that measures the actual perforation tunnel orientation and confirms its accuracy to plus or minus 1%.

New cable technology.  $\operatorname{CME}$  Wire

and Cable introduced a new full line of marine cables featuring proprietary high performance compounds that significantly enahene reliability and durability. CME offers two product type, DRILMAR 125-XE Type P (XPLO) for extreme environments and DRILMAR 90 Type T/N (PVC) for conventional marine service. DRILMAR 125-XE features annealed flexible tin coated copper conductors surrounded by flame retardant crosslinked polyolefin insulation and an arctic rated polyethylene outer jacket. DRILMAR 90 utilizes a flame retardant polyvinyl chloride insulation with a nylon covering and a polyvinyl chloride outer jacket. CME selected Elliott Electric Supply in Houston for distribution of the new DRILMAR product line.