## **HSE & training conference set for 4-5 Feb, Houston**

ONE OF IADC'S most popular conference is the Health, Safety, Environment & Training Conference and Exhibition scheduled for 4-5 February at the Omni Houston Hotel Westside. Conference registration runs from 7:30-8:30 am with the conference officially opening at 8:30 with a welcome and introduction by William P Hedrick, Chairman, IADC Health, Safety & Environment Committee, and HSE Manager, Rowan Companies, Inc, and Larry E Andrews, Chairman, IADC Training Committee, and Training Manager, Noble Drilling Services, Inc.

Lawrence R Dickerson, 2003 IADC Chairman, and President & COO of Diamond Offshore Drilling Inc, will present opening remarks. James K Wicklund, Managing Director, Banc of America Securities in Houston, will make the keynote address at the conference by presenting a market outlook.

Following the keynote address will be a presentation on *Spill Prevention Control & Counter-Measure Plan: Responsibility & Applicability* by **Mickey W Carter**, Upstream Regulatory Coordinator for **ConocoPhillips**.

Following a brief coffee break, the first panel session of the conference will be an Operator Panel discussing the *Expectation of Contractor Safety*. Moderator William P Hedrick will host Will Pecue, Manager-Well Engineering & Operations, ChevronTexaco, New Orleans; Dave Perkins, Manager-Environmental, Health and Safety, Anadarko Petroleum Corporation, Houston; and a speaker to be named from ExxonMobil.

After the luncheon and time for viewing exhibits, Mr Hedrick will moderate the second panel of the day to discuss regulatory updates. On the panel will be Jack Leezy, Operations Analyst for the Minerals Management Service in New Orleans, with an MMS update. A US Coast Guard update will be presented by Alan Spackman, Director, Offshore Technical & Regulatory Affairs for IADC. Al Hicks, HSE Manager, Tesco Corporation (U.S.), will present an OSHA update.

Nabors' High Potential Incident Program and Transocean's START Pro-

gram will be presented by Mike Stephens, Manager Safety (HSE), Nabors Drilling USA, L.P., and John Patton, NAR HSE Coordinator and Glen Shropshire, NAR HSE Coordinator, Transocean Inc.

Following a coffee break, a panel will present HSE Success Stories. Moderated by Mr Hedrick, the panel will include Bill Chiles, Vice President Business Development, ENSCO International Inc; Johnny Blocker, Vice President Latin America, Pride International Inc; Dr Bill Jackson, High Plains Institute of Technology, Woodward, OK; and John Auth, Manager Health, Safety & Environment, Diamond Offshore Drilling Inc.

Wellsite Incidence Reporting: Meeting Customer Expectations, the last panel of the day, will be moderated by Rick McClaine, Vice President Safety, Training & Environmental Affairs, Global-SantaFe Corporation.

Many parties work at the wellsite during drilling operations, and not all share the same philosophy or procedures on incidence reporting.

This panel of operators and contractors will review current practice and how to improve accuracy and consistency for reporting wellsite incidents.

John Boone, Director of Safety & Health, Pioneer Natural Resources USA, Inc, Irving, TX; Donna J. Parker, Drilling SH&E Manager, ExxonMobil Development Company, Houston, TX; and Brad Smolen, HSE Director-Upstream Technology Directorate, BP, Houston, TX, will present their expectations.

A busy first day will be capped by time for viewing the exhibits as well as welcoming reception from 5:00-7:00 pm.

The conference's second day will open with a timely, interesting and informative keynote address on security by **The Honorable Theo Duroncelet**, U.S. Marshal, U.S. Department of Justice, Eastern District of Louisiana, New Orleans.

Following the keynote presentation, Matt Rohert, Drilling Manager, Caza Drilling, Inc, Denver, will discuss Caza's Master Driller Training Course that is used to train its top-level rig personnel.

The day's first panel will be presented next when the Oil-based/Synthetic-based Mud (OBM/SMB) Respiratory Protection Presentation will be moderated by Bill Winney, Chairman, IADC Health Task Group; Health and Medical Advisor, Transocean, Inc, Houston. On the panel will be Jim MacVicar, HSE Director, Parker Drilling Company New Zealand.

Hand injuries are one of the most common types of injuries on rigs and in other industrial settings. **Terry Adamson**, Manager Regulatory Affairs HS & E, BP, Houston, will present ways to protect hands during his presentation of *BP Safe Hands - Prevent Hand Injuries for You and Your Future*.

Following lunch and time to view exhibits, topical presentations with demonstrations will be moderated by Mr Hedrick. Fall protection will be demonstrated by Brian Fowler, Master Trainer, DBI/SALA, Houston. A safety expert from ExxonMobil will also be on the panel to demonstrate safety.

The final panel session of the conference will present Contractor Panel: Repetitive or Potentially Serious Incidents-Success Stories. Again moderated by Mr Hedrick, the panel will consist of Dan Holbert, Corporate Safety Engineer, Rowan Companies, Houston; Bill Robinson, HSE Manager International, GlobalSantaFe Corporation, Houston: Michael Cadigan, HSEQ Manager, Noble Drilling Services, Inc, Houston; Tom Guilbeau, Safety Manager-Gulf Coast Region, Unit Drilling Company, Houston; and Greg Detillier, Personnel/Safety Manager, Grey Wolf Drilling Company LP, Houston.

Following the final panel will be a Q&A session, drawings for door prizes and closing remarks by Mr Hedrick and Mr Andrews.

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