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Varel expands sales, operations team. Varel International announced the reorganization of its Western Hemisphere sales and operations team. William Burton was named Vice President of Sales and Operations for Western Hemisphere-North. David Wilson joined Varel as the new Vice President of Sales and Operations for Western Hemisphere-South. Varel also appointed F Michael Pisch as its new Chief Financial Officer.

Burleson joins Boots & Coots. Larry

Burleson joined Boots & Coots as Director of Global Relations. Mr Burleson was most recently Director of Sales for Wild Well Control. His more than 29 years experience in the oil and gas industry ranges from downhole drilling tools and surface equipment to



Larry Burleson

drilling contractor and turnkey operations.

Flowserve names
President and CEO.
Flowserve
Corporation selected
Lewis M Kling as
President, CEO and a
member of the board.
He was previously
COO for the company.



Lewis M Kling

Liebherr Cranes names vice president. Liebherr Nenzing Crane Company named Scott Moreland Vice President of Sales and Marketing for the US, responsible for lift cranes of 45-300 ton capacity, duty cycle cranes and combination drill/pile machines.

Rigtrain receives IADC accreditation. Rigtrain, Weatherford's training division, was declared a fully accredited institution for training of underbalanced operations at Supervisory Level by IADC.

Schlumberger, Sense to collaborate on drilling operation centers.

Schlumberger signed a joint marketing agreement with Sense Intellifield to provide customers with design and installation of real-time drilling operation centers. Schlumberger will provide operations management and technical services including the analysis and interpretation of data, software, connectivity and data security. Sense Intellifield will provide complementary design, construction, commissioning, hardware and software, and system support services. Schlumberger presently operates 27 in house drilling operation centers worldwide, providing its customers with secure access to its InterAct real-time monitoring and data delivery technology and expertise. Sense Intellifield has constructed more than 80 systems in the North Sea and elsewhere. The company offers equipment and services for automation and remote operations of offshore installations.

Stallion acquires trucking and rental company. Stallion Oilfield Services acquired the assets of GL Trucking &

Rental Inc of Williston, N Dakota, which provides drilling support services for the Williston Basin and surrounding areas. The assets include more than 100 rig housing units, significant rig hauling capacity, loaders and equipment setting capacity.

BJ Completion Assembly Services opens new US base. BJ Completions

Assembly Services opened its first US operations base in Lafayette, Louisiana. The base features extensive operations, training and research facilities to prepare well servicing equipment onshore for drilling contractors and operators across the US. A comprehensive line of equipment is housed at the base including a high tech test facility, non-marking torquing equipment and several STATS units, BJ's torque monitoring, control and analysis system. Kevin Robertson is Operations Manager-North America for the company, who will oversee all operations issues for the facility in the region.

LEWCO mud pumps for ENSCO International rig. Three LeTourneau Ellis Williams Company (LEWCO) W-2215 mud pumps were sold to ENSCO International for the ENSCO 108 jackup under construction at Keppel FELS in Singapore. The rig is scheduled for delivery in the first quarter 2007. The pumps operate at 110 strokes per minute with a 15-in. piston stroke and feature a maximum input rating of 2,200 hp and a maximum working pressure of 7,500 psi.

PRODUCTS

Gravel pack system. Baker Oil Tools' DIRECT PAK screen system is a gravel pack system developed to provide solutions to two major sandface completion concerns, hole instability in horizontal open-hole gravel packs and annular bridging during long-interval cased hole fracs. The system's unique design provides an additional flow path for slurry transport should annular bridging occur while packing; maximum mechanical strength while minimizing OD; simple construction that ensures reliability; fast assembly that minimizes rig time and doesn't require special connections; and a spiral design that aids in the centralization of the screen and even distribution of sand slurry to reduce the possibility of annular voids.

Anti-seize compounds. Jet Lube's specially formulated anti-seize compounds extend the maintenance intervals and simplify makeup and break out operations by protecting threads from freeze up, corrosion and galling. The company offers ten unique anti-seize formulas and also has the capability to custom compound for special requirements. The company's compounds meet a wide range of NSF, MIL, USDA and DOT specifications and can resist temperatures ranging from -65°F to 1,800°F. All of its products are manufactured under an ISO quality control program and are available in packaging ranging from cartridges and aerosols to 50 gallon drums.