



Date : January 22, 2010

Location : Houston (@ Marathon Oil Company's office)

Present	Earl Doyle	Consultant	Craig Shipp	Shell
	Mike Horsnell	Fugro GeoConsulting	Kerry Campbell	Fugro GeoConsulting
	Jason Newlin	Shell	Andy Hill	BP
	Alan Young`	GEMS	Zenon Medina-Cetina	Texas A&M
	Jan Van Smirren	Fugro GEOS	James Niemann	Chevron
	Jim Collins	Marathon	Rathindra Dutt	Dutt & Assoc
	Steve Taylor	BHP Billiton	Dan McConnell	AOA Geophysics
			Jodi Roberts	SUT - Houston

Subject : **SUT – OSIG (Houston) COMMITTEE MEETING**

1	<p>Welcome, Introductions, Apologies MH welcomed all to the meeting of the Houston committee of OSIG. Apologies for absence were received from the following members: Clarence Ehlers, Anne Rutledge and Louis Long. Absent was Andrew Haigh. MH turned the meeting over to CS who is the chair for the next two years.</p>	
2	<p>Minutes of Previous Meeting – Approved November 6, 2009 minutes.</p>	
3	<p>Safety Moment JC gave the safety moment and talked about knife safety. Some of the practical things he pointed out were to keep the knife sharp and use it only as intended.</p>	
4	<p>Membership Membership applications were discussed and voted upon by the members present. Jack Templeton (Sage) was elected to Full Membership. Clarence Ehlers informed the committee of his intent to retire and requested his membership status be moved to Associate Member. His request was approved and it was hoped he would remain active. It was also agreed to invite Associate Members to all future meetings. They have to inform the secretary of their intent to attend. The secretary will allow attendance on a first come - first served basis as space allows.</p>	
5	<p>Teleconference with Pat Power In order to promote closer cooperation with the OSIG-UK Committee a teleconference was held with UK Chair Pat Power. Pat reviewed the latest news from the UK committee and told of its composition and plans for 2010. Some of their activities include pipelines, subsea structures, offshore renewable projects and top hole well engineering guidance notes. They are planning for a 2-day course in Aberdeen and a 1-day condensed course</p>	



	<p>for universities in London.</p> <p>MH & CS are going to teleconference with Pat to develop future coordination activities.</p> <p>AH is planning on attending the March OSIG meeting in the UK.</p>	<p>CS, MH</p>
<p>6</p>	<p>Liaison with other industry bodies</p> <p>The following groups and organizations are monitored and reported when appropriate news is received.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • AAPG Craig Shipp The April meeting is in New Orleans. There are planned geohazard papers and papers on the seismic response to hydrates by Dan McConnell. • HGS: Kerry Campbell For HGS activities see their web site at www.hgs.org. • SEG/GSH/SEPM: Kerry Campbell The SEG annual meeting is in Houston from October 25-30, 2010. The 2010 SEG/GSH symposia will be held March 10-11 (see http://www.gshtx.org/en/cev/579) • MTS: Jim Collins A conference titled "Ocean Observing: Thinking Outside the Basin" will be held June 8–9, 2010 at the Sheraton Norfolk Waterside Hotel in Norfolk, Va. • ISO/API: Jason Newlin JN reported on the status of RP2GEO (which combines all general geotechnical guidance), RP2RD (riser design) and RP2SK (mooring design). All documents are still being revised or reviewed. <p>A discussion of the progress of TP2 on geophysical investigations resulted in the unanimous recommendation that the geotechnical engineers on the task panel resign and allow the geophysicists and geologists to complete their work with the hope that a TP3 on integrated geoscience combine the work of TP1 (on geotechnical investigations) and TP2 with input from all disciplines.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • OTC: Dan McConnell/Jason Newlin .Several sessions pertain to our interests. They include a foundations and anchors session, two metocean sessions, seafloor imaging applications of multibeam backscatter session, four sessions on gas hydrates, an Arctic session and a session on updated API recommended practices, <p>KC also pointed out that there will be an Arctic OTC February 7-9, 2011 with about 125 presentations (see http://www.otcnet.org/pages/general/arctic.html)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • OGP: Andy Hill The OGP geohazard guidelines and have been edited. See AH for copies. A second document on technical notes is expected later this year. • IMCA: Andy Hill. • IADC/DEA: Alan Young There is an ongoing calibration with three companies using the proposed jack up standard. • IMaREST: Jan Van Smirren A metocean course is being developed for the U.S. • IAGC: Kerry Campbell The annual meeting is to be held February 18 in Houston. (See http://www.iagc.org/). • Hydro Soc.: Andy Hill 	



	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • NOIA: Jan van Smirren • MMS(geohazards/environmental): Andy Hill <p>A new NTL has been issued entitled "Deepwater Benthic Communities" NTL 2009-G40.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • MMS (structural): Jan van Smirren • NETL: Dan McConnell <p>They are looking at logging science and plan to propose another hydrate coring program.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ASCE: Jason Newlin <p>The ASCE sponsored OTC Hall of Fame paper banquet is in need of sponsors. A committee of previous winners has recommended awards for the 2010 banquet.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • OTRC: To be filled later • IODP: Craig Shipp <p>Severe funding problems are limiting offshore operations to 6 months/year for the Chikyu and 7 months/year for the JR.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • OSIG – UK: Earl Doyle • NOAA Jan van Smirren • Integrated Ocean Observations Jan van Smirren • ONR Dan McConnell • Mexican Petroleum Society: Zenon Medina-Cetina <p>MPS are welcoming geotechnical research proposals. See ZM-C for details.</p>	
7	<p>SUT Houston Jodi Roberts</p> <p>A fund raising golf tourney will be held April 8 at the Blackhorse Golf Club. Contact JR at jodiroberts@SUTHouston.com for details and to enter.</p> <p>The web site is up and running and OSIG is there and will be added to in the future. It was agreed to post our minutes on the web site.</p> <p>Proposed Dates:</p> <p>3/9 – MMS study of the cause of structural failures during hurricanes by Prof Bob Gilbert.</p> <p>4/5,6 – OSIG course at Norris Conference Center</p> <p>4/15,16 – OSIG course in New Orleans</p> <p>6/2 - OSIG sponsored luncheon talk. (No speaker yet.)</p> <p>9/8- OSIG sponsored luncheon talk. (No speaker yet.)</p> <p>12/3 - OSIG sponsored luncheon talk. (No speaker yet.)</p>	
8	<p>OSIG Houston Course Andy Hill</p> <p>Presentations are due 2/14. JC to check on possible Marathon venue. JR to put together a budget to determine price. AH to meet with subcommittee to finalize speakers and content.</p>	JC, JR AH
9	<p>Invited Presentations</p> <p>Joe Dellinger (BP) gave a very interesting talk on recent earthquakes in the Gulf of Mexico.</p>	



10	Next Meeting The next meeting will be on Friday, April 9, 2010. AH offered the BP facilities.	AH
11	Minutes prepared by: ED	