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THE EVOLUTION OF COMPLETION PRACTICES AND RESERVOIR STIMULATION TECHNIQUES IN THE GAS FIELDS OF THE SOUTHERN NORTH SEA

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Well Stimulation in the North Sea





Well Stimulation in the North Sea – Sandstones

Objective: To create a high conductivity using a bant h he fracture 6860.2 120 F s, to the ta M



The Early Days Challenges

- Pumping equipment availability
- Fracturing materials performance
- Proppant flowback and erosion of surface facilities
- Modelling and technical understanding of the technique

Evolution of Stimulation Equipment



Evolution of Fracturing Design Models

Traditional Analytical Models



Modern P3D Numerical Models



The Transition to Multistage Fractured Horizontal Wells



Evolution of Technologies – Resin Coated Proppant

- Resin coated proppant has completely removed the proppant flowback issue
- The triple coating allows the proppant to bond when subjected to both pressure and stress
- Due to its outer cured coating the proppant does not bond if not subjected to mechanical pressure eliminating the risk of proppant binding in the wellbore
- Resin coated proppant has been successfully used in fracturing both platform and subsea wells



New Technologies for Maximising Operations Efficiency and Production Gains

Multistage Stimulation Systems





Channel Fracturing





Seawater Fracturing Fluid





Thank you!!!

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