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Digital Gas Lift Applied Technology & Business Justification

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Gas Lift Production Optimization is Difficult

- Is my well completely unloaded?
- Is the well multi-point injecting?
- What is my lift depth?
- Am I optimized on gas lift?
- Can I lift deeper?
- Is my hydraulic model a good match to actual well performance?

- Should I run a well test and production log?
- How much will I have to intervene?
- Do I have enough gas?
- What should be my lifting life-cycle?



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ARTIFICIAL LIFT INTELLIGENCE

Overcome limitations of existing gas-lift technology

Improve life-of-well production economics

TECHNOLOGY & APPLICATION

Legacy Technology Challenges

- Narrow Operating Window.
- Design safety margins.
- Injection depth limited.
- Difficult to assess lift effectiveness.
- Intervention to optimize.
- Sensitive to well dynamics.
- Multi-point injection.
- Valve Chatter



Digital Intelligent Artificial Lift - DIAL

Functionality

Business Value

- Variable orifice size at any depth
- Deeper injection
- No deviation
 limitation
- No well intervention
- Pressure and temperature data
- Remote monitoring and control
- Intelligent field-wide management
- Eliminate intervention Reduce OPEX Mitigate instabilities Enhance recoveries Optimize production Reduce HSE risk





DIAL Unit Specification

- Multiple tubing deployed DIAL units per well.
- Controlled by a single ¼" TEC and SCS.
- 6,000psi Collapse rated Pressure.
- 10,000psi Burst rated Pressure.
- 2-7/8", 3.5" and 4.5" tubing configurations.
- 125°C Max. rated Temperature.
- Binary Actuation, real time gas injection rate.
- Max. choked Flow Rate 6MMscfD.
- Fully MR0175 / ISO 15156 compliant.
- Electron Beam Welded construction.





Actuator & Valve Technology





Operating Envelope





Efficient Production Optimization DIAL User Interface – Concept to Reality









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ARTIFICIAL LIFT INTELLIGENCE

Enhance life-of-well business case

Field proven technology

JUSTIFICATION & OPERATION





Comparative Performance Testing Improved Lift Performance Throughout Well Life in Permian

- In all three reservoir pressure cases, the Silverwell DIAL installation yields a higher production rate through deeper injection.
- DIAL technology eliminates multipoint injection.
- DIAL remote control technology enables Gas Assisted Plunger Lift (GAPL) in late life.



| | | | IP | 0 | Silve | erwell | Added Value | | |
|------------|-----------|-------------------|------|------|-------|--------|---------------|------|--|
| Year | Water Cut | Reservoir P (Psi) | TBFD | BOPD | TBFD | BOPD | % | BOPD | |
| Early life | 50% | 3456 | 718 | 358 | 839 | 417 | 16.5% | 59 | |
| Mid life | 60% | 2112 | 313 | 125 | 519 | 208 | 66.4% | 83 | |
| Late life | 80% | 1500 | 156 | 31 | 246 | 48 | 54.8 % | 17 | |



Early-life Performance Comparison

Deeper injection | More production | No multi-pointing | Less stations

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Gas Lifting from DIAL unit at **8056' MD** – **Station 6.**

Production Rate = 833 BFD

The well is **injecting as deep as possible**, with the 1100 Psi compressor discharge at surface.





IPO

Gas Lifting from **11**th IPO at **6827' MD.**

Production Rate = 718 BFD

The well is **multipointing as 4 IPO valves are open**, and capable of passing gas.



Cross-functional Business-case Development

- Life of field finance model
- Enables case-by-case assessment when coupled with well performance modelling
- Coarse but directionally accurate
- Captures delta due to production up-lift, intervention OPEX reduction, CAPEX & optimization
- Reservoir Engineering "lens" under development





Benefits Observed







15% Oil Gain

Mitigating Instability

25% Gas Savings



Case History 1 – Well Optimization

Through downhole gauge measurement, the operator recognised the opportunity to increase gas injection rate from 400 to 500MCFD.

Silverwell DIAL valves were opened, decreasing casing pressure.

Net Oil Production increased **10% from 217 to 239BOPD**.



| Date | Time | Chk | FTHP | CHP_A | Gross | Net Oil | Gas | GL | FLP | Sep_P | Remark |
|------------|----------|-----|------|-------|--------|---------|---------|---------|-------|-------|---------------|
| | | | | | Prod | Prod | (mscfd) | (mscfd) | (psi) | (psi) | |
| | | | | | (bpd) | (bpd) | | | | | |
| 18/04/2017 | 11:25:00 | 128 | 254 | - | 265.43 | 239.15 | 610 | 500 | 150 | 165 | GL 500 MSCFD |
| 18/04/2017 | 07:45:00 | 128 | 251 | - | 252.7 | 227.68 | 596 | 500 | 150 | 165 | GL 500 Mscfd. |
| 17/04/2017 | 08:00:00 | 128 | 234 | - | 247.79 | 217.87 | 521 | 400 | 140 | 152 | - |





Case History 2 – Mitigating Instability

8/64th orifice size causing **multi-point injection** and well instability.

Upper IPO valve continuously **opening and closing**.

Operator increased the port size to 10/64 by opening an additional valve. Well stability achieved.

Valve closed to replicate issue and confirm the DIAL action.





Case History 3 – Gas Management

Through downhole gauge measurement, the operator recognized the opportunity to **reduce the gas injection rate**.

The valve combination was changed from 18/64 to 12/64ths.

The operator increased casing pressure and increased Net Oil Production by 18%.



| ^Date | SPT Code | Total Fluid(bbl/d) | Oil | Water | Total Gas(MCF/D) | Gas Lift Gas(MCF/D) | Reservoir Gas(MCF/D) | GOR | Total GOR | Water Cut(%) | Tubing Pressure(PSIG) | Duration (Hrs) | Casing Pressure | Flow-Line Pressure(PSIG) | Test Separator Pressure |
|------------|----------|-----------------------|-------|-------|---------------------|------------------------|-------------------------|---------|-----------|-----------------|--------------------------|-------------------|--------------------|-----------------------------|----------------------------|
| | | stb/d | stb/d | stb/d | mscf/d | mscf/d | mscf/d | scf/stb | | % | psig | | psig | psig | psig |
| 06/09/2017 | 0 | 81.36 | 81.36 | 0.00 | 472.12 | 356.54 | 115.59 | 1420.73 | 5803.12 | 0.00 | 999.00 | 10.00 | 755.71 | 45.82 | 39.93 |
| 01/09/2017 | 0 | 68.19 | 68.19 | 0.00 | 493.73 | 354.53 | 139.20 | 2041.23 | 7240.12 | 0.00 | 999.00 | 10.00 | 775.80 | 46.14 | 40.11 |
| 23/08/2017 | 0 | 69.38 | 66.30 | 3.08 | 591.11 | 480.89 | 110.22 | 1662.45 | 8916.00 | 4.44 | 999.00 | 10.00 | 449.03 | 46.78 | 39.84 |



Gas Lift Optimization From Months to Minutes



ARTIFICIAL LIFT INTELLIGENCE

Eliminate production uncertainty, instabilities and operational costs with continuous, intervention-free, artificially lifted well optimization.

More production

Accelerating return-on-investment increased well production from enhanced lift efficiency

Less intervention

Reducing opex & risk reduced well down-time from intervention-free operation

More data

Informing production optimization increased insight from multiple in-well sensors



Enabling management decisions reduced misunderstanding from integrated gas lift system

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