MAXIMIZING PRODUCTION: CBM WELL TESTING AND DATA MANAGEMENT

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- Participation in upstream project gate review for CSG-LNG project, Queensland, Australia;
- Lead adviser providing technical and commercial due diligence, financial modelling and reserves certification for acquisition of interest diligence for two major CSG to LNG projects in Australia and one with CSG to LNG potential;
- Resource assessment, conceptual development planning and introductory training for CBM project, Mozambique;
- Resource assessment, pilot test evaluation and development plan optimization for CBM project, West Bengal;
- Evaluation of resource aggregation options for CSG-LNG company in Queensland, Australia;
- Review of the exploration potential for conventional and CSG in the Galilee Basin, Queensland;
- Technical and commercial due diligence for Kogas acquisition of 10% of Blue Energy and permit farm-in options;
- Financial modelling of domestic CSG contracts and options;
- Evaluation of a pilot project performance and commercialisation potential in the Galilee Basin, Queensland, Australia;
- Independent Audit of reserves for a 250 PJ gas project in support of a gas sales agreement, Walloon coal Measures, Queensland, Australia;
- Independent Audit of reserves for a CSG to LNG project, Queensland, Australia;
- Independent assessment of in-place and recoverable CSG to support an acquisition in Indonesia;
- Independent Expert's Report for IPO on Indonesian CSG play;
- Independent Technical Specialists report for Comet Ridge's proposed merger with Chartwell;
- Independent report on CSG Resources for South Wales CSG Project, UK;
- Independent report of resources for portfolio of European CSG properties;
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- Independent Technical Specialist's Report for Adelphi Energy Limited's US assets in the Eagleford Shale including resource estimate, gas and condensate values, well productivity and decline, development scenarios, production forecasts, development costs
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- Technical and commercial review of the potential for shale gas in the Perth Basin Australia identifying the main potential horizons, in-place volumes and economic scenarios
- Review of the potential of the Canning Basin Australia as a new frontier for shale gas including commercial analysis of both domestic and export (LNG) gas markets
- Desk studies including compilation of analogue data from all USA shale gas regions
- Scoping study of Australian shale gas opportunities including analysis of prospective formations in different age basins, gas contents, reservoir type and continuity, identification of prospective zones from wireline and mud logs, resource estimate
- Evaluation of shale gas projects, land leasing, drilling projects in West Virginia and Kentucky including the new Marcellus play
- Management of equity interests in the US Appalachians Devonian shale
- Drilling projects for Devonian Shale in Kentucky

RISC Tight Gas Experience

Examples of recent assignments and team experience include:

- RISC provided an independent Technical Specialist Report on tight gas assets in the Ordos Basin, onshore China, for Sino Gas & Energy's listing on the Australian Stock Exchange
- RISC conducted an independent review of the reserves, deliverability and further development potential of a tight gas field, onshore Perth Basin
- A number of evaluations of tight gas field development in both the Cooper Basin and Canning Super Basin, onshore Australia

Project management for a tight gas appraisal program including well testing and fracture stimulation, onshore Vietnam



AGENDA

- 1. Test types & objectives
- Old & new paradigms
- 2. Reservoir management examples
- 3. Diagnostic fracture injection test (DFIT)
- 4. Testing in complex situations
- 5. Test duration
- 6. Initial and final static gradients
- 7. Wellbore Dynamics
- 8. Future of Testing
- 9. Conclusion



WHAT IS TESTING TRADITIONALLY?



A series of fluid is injected or produced from the formation. Analysts evaluate the pressure response for permeability, wellbore skin (Formation damage), and reservoir pressure.

Common tests include DST; Injection Fall-off; Flow & Buildup; Slug Tests; and more



TYPES OF TESTS

COMMON CLASSIFICATION OF TESTS (OLD PARADIGM)





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NEW PARADIGM OF TESTING & WORKFLOW



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•Permeability, drainage area, radius of investigation, reservoir pressure

Long-term deliverability predictions
Recoverable gas
Field Development plans



TEST OBJECTIVES

•Traditional Short-Term Objectives

- Permeability
- Skin (formation damage?)
- Initial reservoir pressure
- Boundaries
- New Paradigm Objectives
- Dewatering Efficiency
- Reservoir size, and shape
 - Production based analysis
- Heterogeneity
 - Effective permeability
 - Client orientation
- Resource and/or reserves

Generally, IFO, FBU, PDA, DFIT will provide estimates of nearly all parameters.

Pressure and rate analysis is progressing from early-time formation evaluation and becoming an integral part of reservoir management.

Modern CSG testing has progressed from DST and IFO to on-going data collection, analyses, modeling, and forecasting.



RESERVOIR MANAGEMENT: ADVICE & OBSERVATIONS

RESERVOIR MANAGEMENT

Local well performance variations in a group of 23 wells from the Black Warrior Basin. Differences were attributed to local changes in cleat and natural-fracture permeability c) Fetkovich/BlasingameType-Curves



Development plans should incorporate: Regular shut-in pressure data; Both flow & buildups should be analyzed for kh/skin; Material balance modeling of shut-in pressures



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Rate analysis of production periods (Blasingame, NPI, FMB)

Pressure analysis of shutin data (Traditional derivative analysis)

Material balance analysis of shut-in data



Sundaram (2007)

RESERVOIR MANAGEMENT

Example demonstrating a range of permeability, core, and production test locations throughout project area. Example drawn from Sohagpur Block in India







On-going observation wells can be used to help determine if field development area has passed desorption point. Corbett Creek Mannville CBM (Canada) project implemented a series of test wells to observe regional pressure response during development



RESERVOIR MANAGEMENT



Numeric values represent well names in Cdn nomenclature

Pressure and production data was monitored from a series of Hz wells to help characterize cleat orientation

Measured pressure and rate data was supplemented with select pressure observation points

Analysis can be supplemented by core samples and image logs.



RESERVOIR MANAGEMENT

Corbett Creek CBM Project(Canada)





DIAG. FRACTURE INJECTION TEST (DFIT): ADVICE & OBSERVATIONS

DFIT / MINI-FRAC

•Simple, cost effective method for estimating pressure and flow capacity (kh), emphasis on formations that require stimulation due to low permeability

- Also provides information on fracture gradient, fracture closure, and other fracture parameters
- Pressure transient analysis is more complicated
- Interpretation can be challenging (potentially different type curve library)



G-Function Analysis



BHP BILLITON ILLAWARRA COALS

If fracture pressure is not reached, a traditional IFO may still exist





INTERESTING FIELD EXAMPLES DEMONSTRATING TECHNOLOGY & THEORY

CHINA CSG DST #1





<u>CSG does not</u> <u>exclusively require</u> <u>DFIT or IFO</u>

Conventional DST with proper test design will provide reliable results.

These examples are from Dajing Basin & incorporated downhole shut-in



CHINA CSG DST #2

1. Design

- Cushion to keep BHP > Desportion Pressure
- -Test duration based on expected low k of Dajing region
- Wellbore storage calculated assuming downhole shutin
- Ran commercial software simulation to find optimum design

2. Execution with downhole shut-in



3. Analysis: Repeatable results



RECOGNIZE UNCERTAINTY IN PTA





INTEGRATE OTHER DATA SOURCES





PRESSURE TESTING IN COMPLEX SITUATIONS

COMPLEX WELLS (MANNVILLE CBM, CANADA)



Log-Log plot: m(p)-m(p@dt=0) and derivative [psi2/cp] vs dt [hr]

What flow regimes are expected?
Stimulated rock volume?
Can we still do production forecast with k_{eff}?
Does k_{eff} represent effective Productivity Index?
Were laterals isolated during testing?
How do we resolve k, skin, and Le?



CSG STIMULATED WITH N2



Nitrogen DFIT's were performed on Mannville CSG

Wells were stimulated with nitrogen.

Nitrogen flow-back data was analysed, post closure.



TEST DURATION GUIDELINES

HOW MUCH TIME DO WE NEED #1?

Canadian unconventional gas example





HOW MUCH TIME DO WE NEED #2?

Canadian unconventional gas example





ACOUSTIC WELL SOUNDER



Computerized instrument for collecting liquid level data, and used to calculate BHP.

- Low Cost
- Can be used to provide semi-real time analysis
- Could potentially be used in tandem with downhole recorders



QUALITY CONTROL : GENERAL TESTING GUIDELINES

IDEALIZED TESTING RECOMMENDATION GENERIC TO ALL TEST



Time



INITIAL AND FINAL STATIC GRADIENTS

Static gradients and initial pressure

Buildup derivative soleley fracture or bilinear flow, however, permeability and/or boundaries must be constrained if we honor initial pressure





WHY INITIAL RESERVOIR PRESSURE?

Work with all data! Any pressure-rate data can be potentially analyzed



Production period can be analysed as well. Linear trend may suggest PSS



WELLBORE DYNAMICS: RESERVOIR VS. WELLBORE

DUAL POROSITY OR OTHER?

Liquid moving past recorders signature is very reminiscent of dual porosity one might expect in CBM reservoirs





CHANGING LIQUID LEVELS



Tandem recorders as well as initial & final static gradients can help indentify moving liquid levels

Mattar, L. (n.d.). Wellbore Dynamics in Well Testing. SPE Distinguished Lecturer Program.





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LAYERING? OR OTHER PHENOMENA







Well Testing Discussion Forum: Anomalous PBU Early Time

Subject	Anomalous PBU Early Time
Body	Dear Forum folks: I am looking at possible reasons for the change in the pressure response while the well is shut-in (see attached). This is a vertical well. The gauges are at 900ft above the perforations. The perforations cover multiple reservoir layers. What could be reasons for the pressure (cartesian plot) and the pressure derivative behaviour? appreciate your ideas. regards Tony
SPE Created	01-Jul-2012
SPE Posted By	MR Tony Thomas, SPEC
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Edited: 7/9/2012 11:53 AM by Ms. Yan Pan

It is not the layered behavior that was causing the anomaly. If it were, you would not be able to tell from any of the history, semi-log or log-log plots - these plots would have been as smooth as a homogeneous system. As suggested by some others, it was indeed due to phase segregation and changing fluid-interface level.

View Properties Rephy Dr. N M Approved Anisur Rahman



DUAL POROSITY OR OTHER?

Is this really CBM dual porosity behaviour? Example from Canadian Horseshoe CBM (Dry coals)



Clarkson, C. R. (2008)

Dual porosity? Smoothing? Filtering? How confident are we in the interpretation?



SOME BASIC GAUGE TYPES



EVEN BAD DATA CAN BE USEFUL FIELD EXAMPLE:

IFO TEST FAILURE: INDONESIAN CSG



FUTURE OF TESTING

PERMANENT DOWN HOLE GAUGES

• Allows easy integration of common data set between PTA/PA and reservoir modelling



Some SCADA systems remove shut-in data!







Filtering of data occurs at all levels of PA and PBUPA: 1 point / hourPBU: 1000 / hour



OTHER REMARKS: PTA VS. RTA

Pressure transient analysis: wellbore permeability & skin Rate transient analysis: Wellbore drainage area, pool size



Combined pressure and rate analysis provides more comprehensive reservoir description







OTHER REMARKS: PTA VS. RTA





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FINAL COMMENTS



Pressure and rate analysis are coalescing

Transient analysis is moving away from the wellbore, further into the reservoir

Integrated platforms, analysis methods, and tools are being deployed including:

Ecrin (Kappa Eng) Harmony (Fekete Associates)





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