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IADC WELL CONTROL ACCREDITATION PROGRAM

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This bulletin is issued to all schools that are accredited or are now in the process of completing an Application for Accreditation.

Minimum Simulation Time Set

Following the recommendation of the Curriculum Subcommittee, the Well Control Committee approved a change to the WellCAP course instruction time requirements. These changes are applicable to all WellCAP-accredited training providers or those seeking accreditation.

New Requirement

The total percentage of the minimum course time involved in hands-on or interactive activities (i.e., simulator exercises, kill sheets, etc.) has been changed. The previous requirement stated that the hands-on time should not exceed 20 to 30 percent of the total course time. The new requirement states that at least 30 percent of total minimum course time, exclusive of testing/assessment time, should be devoted to hands-on or interactive activities.

As justification for the change, the Well Control Committee's Curriculum Subcommittee cited government regulators' expectation of a competent workforce for the industry, the industry's increased utilization of simulation in the learning process to enhance skills development, and the growing evidence of knowledge and skills retention enhancement when the learner is more actively engaged in training.

The WellCAP Handbook for Accreditation (Form WCT-01, Second Edition, Revision 0) published 7 November 2011 includes this requirement.

Effective Dates

This program change is effective immediately and must be implemented by each WellCAP-accredited training provider no later than **30 July 2012.**

Response to Program Change

Accredited training providers must revise each of their WellCAP courses to expand hands-on delivery time. To demonstrate compliance with this requirement, accredited training providers must submit the following documents to IADC:

- Revised WCT-03, Page 8 completed for **each currently approved WellCAP course** to show updated course composition
- Revised course outline for **each currently approved WellCAP course** – when updating the course outline, please show edits by changing font color.

The documents should be submitted to Marlene Diaz at marlene.diaz@iadc.org:

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