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SESSION 1:

A Decade of Partnerships in Sustainable Development of the Seas of East Asia: Synergies and Achievements

WORKSHOP 1.2:

Maritime Sector Contributions to a Blue Economy for the Seas of East Asia

Perspectives from the Oil and Gas Industry and Efforts to Strengthen Preparedness and Response to Oil Spill Incidents (The Oil Spill Response Joint Industry Project)



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The April 2010 Gulf of Mexico (Macondo) oil spill incident, and the Montara incident in Australia which preceded it, have had far-reaching consequences in prompting the re-examination by industry not only of operational aspects of offshore operations, but also of an operator's ability to respond in the event of an oil spill incident or well blowout. While the response to the Gulf of Mexico spill is widely recognised to have been successful, there are a number of lessons that can be learned from the response effort which provide an opportunity to inform and further strengthen future preparedness and response initiatives for E&P operations and the maritime (shipping) community.

In response to the foregoing, the International Association of Oil and Gas Producers (IOGP) formed the Global Industry Response Group (GIRG), tasked with identifying learning opportunities both on causation and in respect of the response to the incident. Three sub-groups were set up on Prevention, Capping and Containment, and Oil Spill Response.

On the topic of oil spill response, nineteen recommendations were identified and these were addressed via a three-year Joint Industry Project funded by nineteen oil industry members. The Oil Spill Response JIP (OSR-JIP) initiated discreet projects or provided support to projects initiated by other trade associations in the nineteen subject areas resulting from the GIRG-OSR project. The OSR- JIP is managed by IPIECA on behalf of IOGP in recognition of its long-standing experience with Oil Spill Response matters.

Many of the outputs of the OSR-JIP are now complete and available online, and include Good Practice Guides (GPG), short technical reports, research reports, and communications & education materials. This presentation will summarise the work of the OSR-JIP, including highlighting the ongoing work being conducted as part of a Phase II of the JIP.



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About Dave Davidson:

A 1977 graduate of the United States Coast Guard Academy, Dave spent 12 years on active duty, primarily in the Coast Guard's Marine Safety program where he was involved in numerous oil spill incidents including the T/V BURMAH AGATE (1979) and the T/V EXXON VALDEZ (1989). In 1990, Dave joined Texaco's Corporate Oil Spill Response staff in Beacon, New York where he concentrated on working with Texaco's U.S. facilities in developing spill response contingency plans to meet new Federal and State regulations. In 1993 he transferred to Texaco's Environment, Health, and Safety Auditing Staff, also in Beacon, New York. After five years with the Audit staff, Dave joined the newly reorganized Texaco Emergency Response staff in New Orleans, Louisiana and subsequently Houston, Texas, where he spent the next fifteen plus years as Texaco's then Chevron's primary international Emergency Management Advisor. During this time Dave became quite involved with the IPIECA Oil Spill Working Group where he served as Vice-Chair for five years and Chair for two years. He was also Chair of three of the Joint Industry Project (JIP) teams including the Oil Spill Risk Assessment and Response Planning team, and the Global Distribution and Assessment of Major Oil Spill Response Resources team. In early 2014, Dave accepted the position as Lead Operational Excellence Process Advisor for Emergency Management for Chevron's Asia South Business Unit headquartered in Bangkok, Thailand where he is responsible for advising and assisting Chevron operations in Bangladesh, Myanmar, Thailand, and China as well as providing general assistance to other Chevron Business Units within the region including Indonesia and Australia. Dave and his wife of 38 plus years, Linda, currently live in Bangkok. They have two children, Brian and Jennifer, who live and work in New York City.