

Timely Technology Reduces Operating Costs of Horizontal Wells

The HEAL System™ addresses Permian Basin Artificial Lift Challenges

CALGARY AB, December 9, 2015 – The Permian Basin is one of the few active plays in North America with drilling programs, but with oil creeping below \$40/barrel, it is becoming increasingly difficult for operators to get it out of the ground profitably.

This is the time for Permian operators to seek efficiency opportunities developed and proven in other basins. A technology from Production Plus Energy Services offers a solution for operators to reduce lifting costs and increase production in the deep and high-volume horizontal wells of the Permian. The Horizontal Enhanced Artificial Lift System, or HEAL System™, complements existing artificial lift systems, settling the messiness of horizontal flow, reducing fluid density and lifting fluids up higher in the vertical where a pump can operate most reliably.

“Traditional artificial lift systems are often pushed beyond their limits when placed in deep Permian Basin wells. Operators face excessive costs as pumps prematurely wear and require expensive maintenance and frequent workovers,” said Jeff Saponja, CEO of Production Plus. “We’ve seen similarities to Permian horizontals in other basins. The root cause of excessive operating cost is inconsistent, sluggish flow from horizontal wellbores. The HEAL System delivers smooth flow to the pump that is placed shallower in the vertical, to allow the pump to work more reliably and efficiently, ultimately reducing operating costs and increasing production.”

The System is suitable for both existing and new wells. It allows natural flow during the early part of the life cycle, and then integrates (with minimal expense) into artificial lift systems once they are required. The HEAL System was installed in several wells in the Permian Basin in October 2015. Operators who have installed the HEAL System have experienced a material improvement in production and reserves in the order of 30 per cent, or more, over the remaining life of the well.

With a strong market response to the HEAL System, Production Plus is currently planning to expand its US operations and is now establishing infrastructure in Midland, Texas.

For more information, visit the company’s LinkedIn [page](#).

About Production Plus Energy Services Inc.

Production Plus is an oil and gas production optimization innovator that engineers and delivers reliable artificial lift enhancing systems to oil and gas operators. Our HEAL System™ complements existing artificial lift systems, has no moving parts and benefits a well during any phase of its life cycle. The System has reduced operating costs in over 70 wells in North America.

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