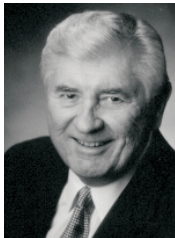


PEOPLE & COMPANIES

Management team named. WellDynamics, a 50-50 joint venture between Shell and Halliburton Co that will develop and commercialize intelligent completion technologies, has named the following to its new leadership team: **Larry Kinch** is Chief Executive Officer; **Jim Bain** is Chief Financial Officer; **Mike Fleming** is Director of Manufacturing; **Ian Phillips** is Director of Strategic Business Development; **Mike Robinson** is Director of Production Technology; **Dick Rubbo** is Director of Technology; **Dave Shand** is Director of the Eastern Hemisphere; **Arun Sharma** is Director of Reservoir Engineering; and **Jerry Wauters** is Director of the Western Hemisphere.

Weatherford buys assets. Weatherford International Inc has acquired **Orwell Group plc**, an Aberdeen-based provider of oilfield services for drilling, fishing, remediation and marine applications. Orwell's drilling solutions, well services and marine services will be integrated into Weatherford's Drilling & Intervention Services division. Weatherford also agreed to purchase the underbalanced drilling assets of **Tesco Corp.**

Foster joins Irving. **Joe D Foster** has been appointed Vice President of Business Development for **Irving Shipbuilding Inc.** Mr Foster recently served as Vice President of Oilfield Marketing at **Baker Hughes Inc.**



Joe D Foster

Groppe, Long & Littell appoints Bahr. Anthony F Bahr has joined **Groppe, Long & Littell**, Houston oil and gas analyst firm as Senior Analyst. Mr Bahr previously served in a variety of management positions with **Berry Petroleum Co.**



Anthony F Bahr

Global Industries names VP. **Celest B Metuassalol** has been appointed Vice President of Information and Communications at **Global Industries Inc.** Ms Metuassalol will oversee the company's information technology and electronic communications functions, including the development of web-based e-business systems related to the company's services. Global also announced that **Robert E Fulton** has joined the company as Vice President and Treasurer.



Celest B Metuassalol

Randy Smith appoints. **Duncan Bonner** has joined **Randy Smith Training Schools** as Managing Director, Eastern Hemisphere, located in the UK office. Mr Bonner previously served with **Salamis M&I Ltd** and **Kvaerner Oil & Gas Ltd.** He will oversee UK operating and marketing and direct the company's expansion into other markets.

PRODUCTS

Drilling software. **Advantica and Technical Toolboxes Inc** have launched **Drillstring Dynamics Calculator (DDC)**, a unique software package that will enable users to extend the working life of the drillstem by predicting rotary drilling speeds that cause resonance. The software works by analyzing the drillstring in sections of the well from surface to TD.

3,000-hp mud pump. The new **W-3000** triplex mud pump, introduced by **LeTourneau Ellis Williams Co Inc**, is rated at 3,000 hp at 100 strokes per minute. Like other LEWCO models, it features an inherently balanced eccentric crankshaft that minimizes vibration for reduced wear, quieter operation and longer life.

KCA established in Houston. **Neil Stevenson** has taken the position of Vice President, **KCA Drilling Inc**, the recently-established American division of the UK's largest offshore drilling contractor. Mr Stevenson previously was **KCA Commercial Director.** **John Nichols** has been appointed to the position of Project Development Manager in the Houston office. He has extensive operations and engineering experience.



Neil Stevenson



John Nichols

Russian Director dies

Evgeney Cheblakov, Executive Director of the Russian "Association of Drilling Contractors," died in June. He had been Executive Director since the Association's founding in 1992. He was also a Director of IADC, and instrumental in forging the alliance between ADC and IADC.

Mr Cheblakov held several positions in Russia's petroleum industry and received many industry awards.

Spill detection. The **Spill-Sentry** System from **Applied Microsystems Ltd** is an in situ early warning system for detecting petroleum products floating on or suspended in water. It can be deployed in harbors, rivers, reservoirs, lakes, the open ocean or sumps. The system uses an upward looking, multi-spectral fluorometer that can detect surface sheens as thin as 10 micrometers as well as emulsified products suspended below the water surface.

Potable water unit. **Air & H2O Technologies Inc** supplies a potable water system for isolated rigs and camps. The 7-ft x 6-ft, 9-in. unit is skid mounted and provides up to 4,457 b/d of potable water. It includes an ultraviolet purifier and a stainless steel filter.