

Meeting Minutes
IADC Contracts Committee Meeting
September 10, 2021 - 0900 – 1050 hours
Video Conference due to COVID-19



In attendance via video conference:

Tyler Smith – Nabors (TS) – Chairman
David Odom-Harris – Vice Chair Patterson- UTI Energy Services (DOH)
John Kilburn – Transocean (JK) -Vice Chair Offshore
Tom Bowes – Precision Drilling (TB)
Michael Ferrier – Parker Drilling (MF)
Cary Moomjian – CAM Oilserv Advisors (CM)
Mike DuBose – IADC Committee Liaison (MD)

Apologies –
David Faure – Transocean

Welcome

Tyler Smith, Committee Chair – Nabors opened the meeting at 0900, welcomed the group and thanked everyone for being available. TS explained that due to persisting COVID-19 conditions, this meeting would be conducted via videoconference only.

General Antitrust Guidelines for IADC Members

TS reminded the attendees of the IADC General Antitrust Guidelines. Reviewed the housekeeping information, protocols for Q&A.

Safety Moment

MD reminded participations of the importance of vehicle safety practices and wearing your seat belt. MD was involved in a vehicle accident because of another driver running a red light, thankfully no one was seriously injured.

Approval of the Proposed Meeting Agenda

TS proposed the members accept the meeting agenda as offered in the pre-read materials, motion seconded by DOH. Agenda approved by acclamation.

Approval of the Minutes of the previous committee meeting.

TS proposed the members accept the minutes of the previous meeting of 14 May 2021, as offered in the pre-read material. Motion was made by MD, seconded by DOH, and the minutes approved by acclamation.

Update on Various IADC/Committee Initiatives

MD advised members of the work ongoing to revise the IADC HSE Guidelines for Land Drilling units. He advised that the workgroup chairman Dave Martin of Marriott Drilling (UK) has called several meetings to reconvene the work. MD reported a newly revised draft of Part 4 (Risk Management) has now been circulated for review. The workgroup has engaged two of our IADC Student Chapters to assist by offering some ad-min assistance. Two students from PDEU University & 2 from MIT University India have been assigned. Our workgroup consultant Jerrard Winter of Hubtech has now engaged with Grey Wolf Drilling in the Middle East to make a test run of Part 4 against a working unit. Results of the test case will be reported to the committee at its next regularly scheduled meeting. While the test case work is ongoing the committee is now engaged in their initial review of Part 2 (Drilling Contractors Management Systems)

Group Discussion on topics of industry interest. – TS led the group in a round table discussion on 3 items of relevance including.

- a) Employee retention**
- b) Vaccine Mandates**
- c) The ESG Movement in the oilfield services industry**

Amicus Brief Reports

The Contracts Committee is currently engaged in 1 ongoing Amicus Brief project for IADC Members.

- a) Our Brazilian Chapter has received approval and consent to proceed with an Amicus Brief regarding the reapportionment of royalties from oil & gas offshore resources to inland states vs. current distribution only amongst coastal states. The project lead is our Brazilian Chapter Secretary – Attorney Leandro Luzone. MD to speak with Leandro to determine if IADC HQ should prepare any additional payments relating to the case in the 4th Qtr. 2021.

Copyrights on various IADC Model Contracts

Several IADC Model Contracts hold Copyright dates that are over 10 years old. TS has requested that David Odom Harris Vice Chairman – Land, along with MD review those contracts and update the Copyrights, if warranted and within budget considerations. DOH and MD have engaged an IP attorney in Houston. IADC has retained the services of IP attorney Gregory Hasley from Houston. Current status is Mr. Hasley has received new copyright registrations’ for 5 of the 6 original applications. We are still waiting on the registration for the Offshore Turnkey Drilling Contract application. We have filed a response to the Examiner’s objections.

Subcommittees

Subcommittees – MD offered the following update on the IADC Standard Equipment Format list for Floating Units.

- a) “Interim Equipment List” now finalized. After discussions with the IP attorney as related to the IADC Copyright issue mentioned above, the IP attorney has reviewed the equipment list and has filed a copyright on this document as well.
- b) IADC has now formed a Directional Drillers Committee. The committee has elected officers and will soon be formally recognized by IADC.
- c) The ESG workgroup has now been upgraded to IADC Committee level status. The committee will now be called the IADC Sustainability Committee. The committee has elected new officers and has begun meeting on a regular basis. IADC has scheduled one HSE & Sustainability Conference next week in Amsterdam (Sept. 15-16).
- d) IADC’s Contracts Committee is making steady progress on our 2021 Committee Initiatives as outlined above.

Any Other Business.

1. MD reminded members of the upcoming IADC HSE & Sustainability Conference (Sept. 15-16) as well as the Managed Pressure Drilling/Underbalanced Operations Conference scheduled for Sept. 14-15th
2. The IADC Annual General Meeting will take place in Dallas at the Fairmont Hotel on Nov. 3-5. Currently this is scheduled as an in-person event.
3. In 2022, the IADC Contracts & Risk Management Conference will be held Oct. 4-5th in Houston.

Meeting was adjourned at 10:50 am.

Date for the next meeting will be Friday Dec. 3rd, 2021. The meeting is anticipated to be held in person for those who are comfortable to attend at the IADC Offices in Houston.