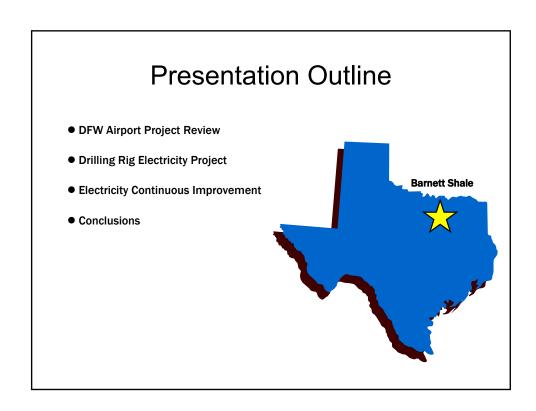
## DFW Airport Project – Barnett Shale Drilling Rig Electricity

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### **DFW Airport Project Overview**



- 2<sup>nd</sup> Largest Airport in United States
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Busiest Airport in United States
- 18,453 Acres
- Up to 5 Drilling Rigs
- 53 pad sites
- 330 Horizontal Barnett Shale Wells
- 2 Salt Water Disposal Wells

### **DFW Airport Project Milestones**

• 10/2006 Lease signed for \$186 million

• 12/2006 Started seismic survey

● 5/2007 First well drilled

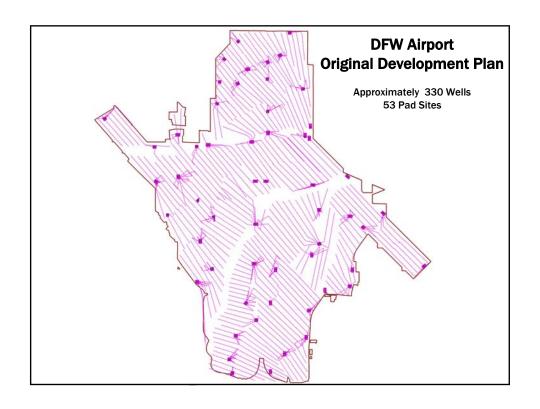
● 8/2007 First gas production

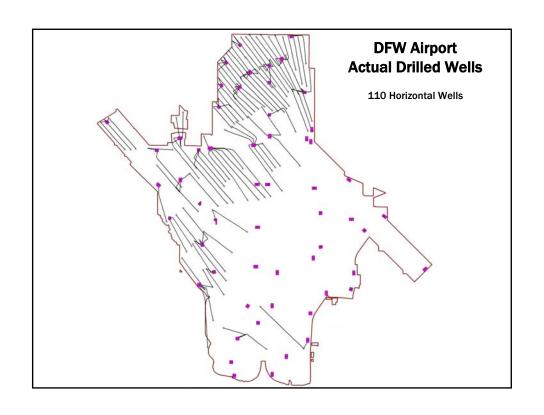
• 9/2007 First drilling rig electricity test

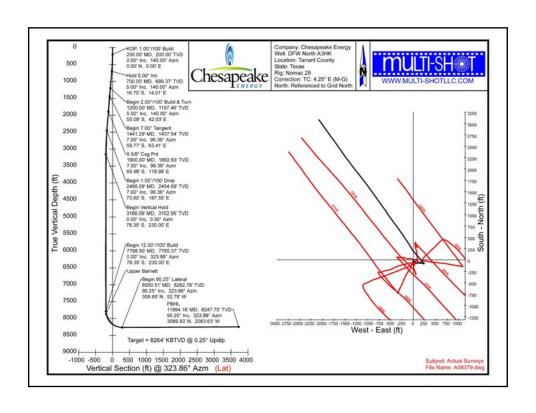
● 5/2008 Full implementation of electricity

## DFW Airport Project Considerations

- Safety
- Security
- Environment and Emissions
- Drilling rig heights in restricted airspace areas
- Derrick lighting
- Radar interference







### **DFW Airport Drilling Statistics**

	Average	Record
Drilling Dave	21	14
True Vertical	ጻ 5በበ ft	9 563 ft
Total	19 51 <u>4</u> ft	16 547 ft
Horizontal	ვ 77 <u>⊿</u> ft	7 350 ft
Vertical Earlian Length	4,251 ft	9,356 ft

### **Drilling Rig Electricity Project**

- Why? To reduce drilling rig emissions at DFW Airport FAA Rules
- Production facilities sharing electrical installations
- 25,000 Volts on electricity grid at DFW Airport
- Compliance with IEEE-519 Standard for voltage harmonics
- Installation of harmonic filters (capacitors)
- Achieved all 5 drilling rigs running on electricity

### **DFW Airport Rig Fleet**



#### **Nomac Drilling**

National 610 Drilling Rigs Derrick Height: 170' Horsepower: 750 HP Fuel Usage: 1600 GPD Electric Power: 1500 kilowatts

Voltage: 600 Volts

#### **Mountain Drilling**

Drillmec HH-220 Drilling Rigs Derrick Height: 100' Horsepower: 1500 HP Fuel Usage: 2200 GPD

Electric Power: 2200 kilowatts

Voltage: 600 Volts



### Benefits of Electricity for Drilling Rigs

• Eliminates Drilling Rig Emissions

NOX (Nitrogen Oxides)

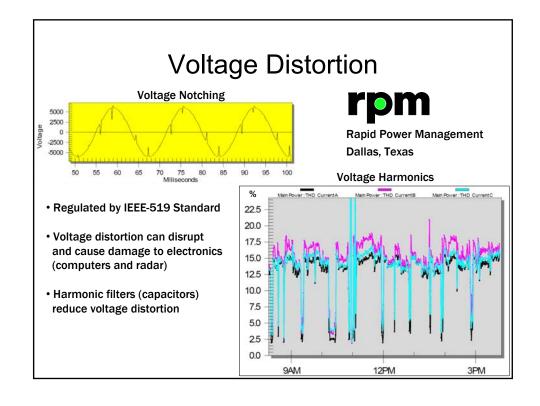
**VOC (Volatile Organic Compounds)** 

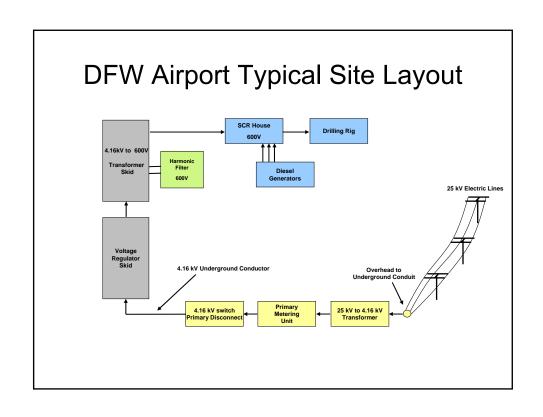
- Eliminates Drilling Rig Engine Noise
- Economic Benefits

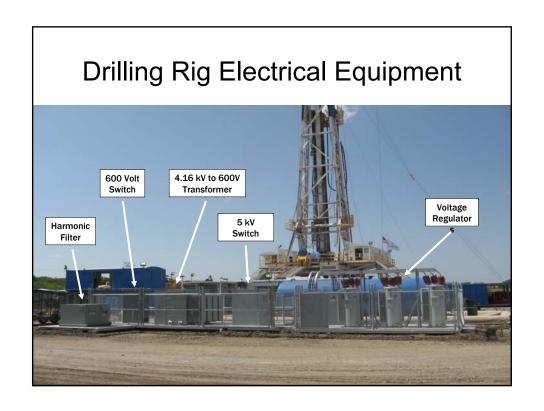
Saves +/- \$60,000 per well with \$4.00 diesel prices

# Disadvantages of Electricity for Drilling Rigs

- Electric power may not be available at all locations
- Logistics are difficult
- Relies on utility companies
- Requires equipment investment
- Can be interruptions in electric power

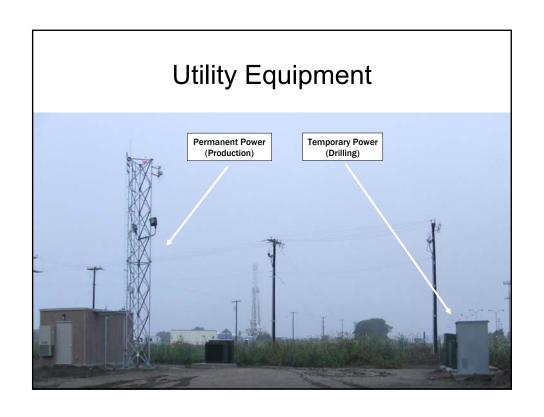


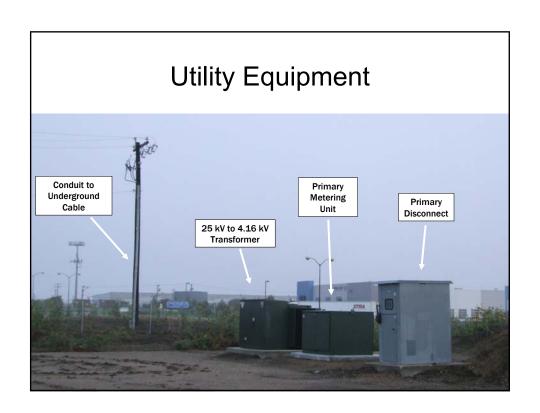












### **Electrical Equipment Costs**

#### **Initial Drilling Rig Equipment Purchases**

Transformer Skid	\$180,000
Voltage Regulator Skid	\$110,000
Harmonic Filter Skid	\$100,000
Electrical Wiring	\$ 20,000
Primary Disconnect	\$ 10,000
Total	\$420,000 per rig

### **Economic Evaluation**

**Fuel Savings** 

Diesel Cost (1,600 gallons per day \$4.00 per gallon) \$6,400 per day

Electricity Cost - \$2,700 per day

Daily Fuel Savings \$3,700 per day

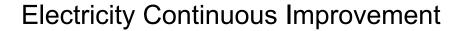
25 Day Well Fuel Savings \$92,500 per well

<u>Total Electrical Installation – Pad Site</u> - \$25,000 per well (assuming 3 wells per pad)

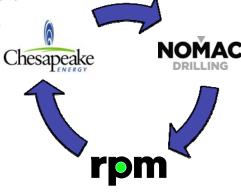
Savings on a 25 day well: \$67,500 per well @\$4.00 per gallon

\$35,000 per well @ \$3.00 per gallon

Break-Even Economic Diesel Price: \$1.65 per gallon

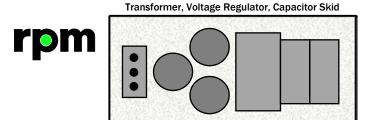


- Reduce interaction with utility company
- Change from secondary to primary power
- Make incoming voltage more flexible
- Reduce equipment



### Improved Design

- Replaces 6 pieces of equipment with one skid
- Capable of connecting to any utility voltage
- Capable of connecting to majority of diesel-electric drilling rigs



### Conclusions

- Environmental benefits (emissions and noise)
- Economic benefits
- Logistics are difficult
- Electricity fulfilled drilling requirements at DFW Airport



