



Optimizing the Drilling Efficiency and Corrosion Control of Clear Brine Drilling Fluids through the Automated Measurements of Fluids' Properties.

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Automation

- Automation describes a wide range of technologies that reduce human intervention in processes.
- It is applicable in the drilling fluids industry.

Why Automation

- Cheaper labor costs and improved efficiency.
- It replaces physical and monotonous work.
- Increased consistency.
- Ability to work in hazardous environment and even in extreme temperatures.
- They aid decisions.



Market Drivers

New Normal

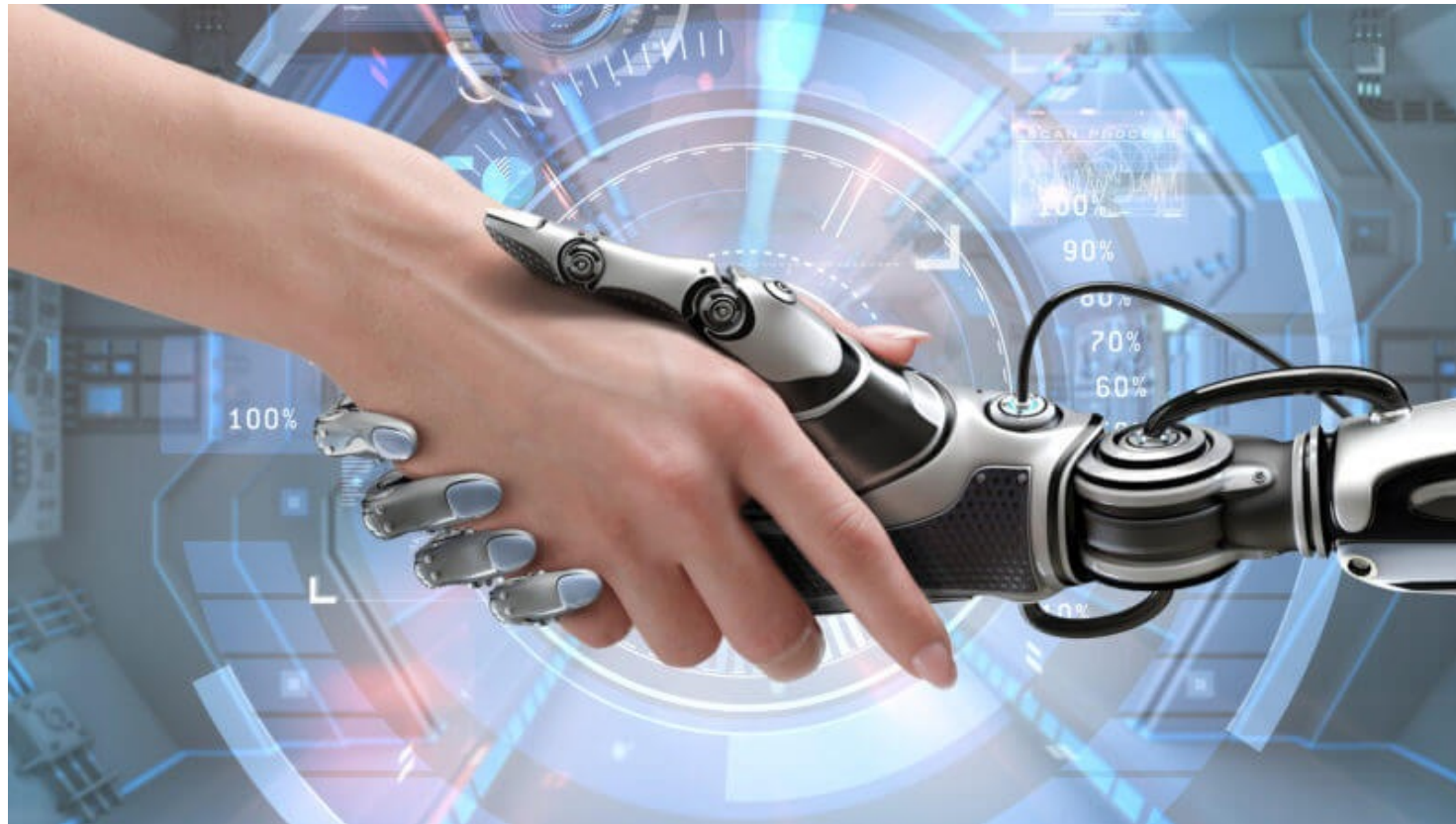
- Doing more with less
- Fewer People on Rigs
- Reliance on Remote Operations Centers

Digitalization

- Decision Support Systems
- Automated Processes
- Real Time

Human Intervention in Automation

- Human involvement is still very critical to the success of Automation.
- There is something called the paradox of automation which says that the more efficient the automated system, the more crucial the human contribution of the operators.
- Think of Automation as a partnership rather than a competition



What is Wilson ?

Wilson is a collection of 4 probes that carry out automated and real-time measurements of important clear brine fluids' properties.

What does Wilson Majorly Measure ?

- Dissolved Oxygen
- pH
- Solids Content
- Conductivity
- Temperature



Wilson Probes



Conductivity Probe



pH Probe



Dissolved Oxygen Probe






Turbidity probe

BC MONTNEY
Hole Instability
Floc Problems
Drilling Performance

AB MONTNEY
Dewatering Problems
Foaming Problems

MIDLAND, TEXAS
Mysterious Corrosion
Problems

-  Over 50 WELLS
-  6 FLUID TYPES
-  2 YEARS OF DATA

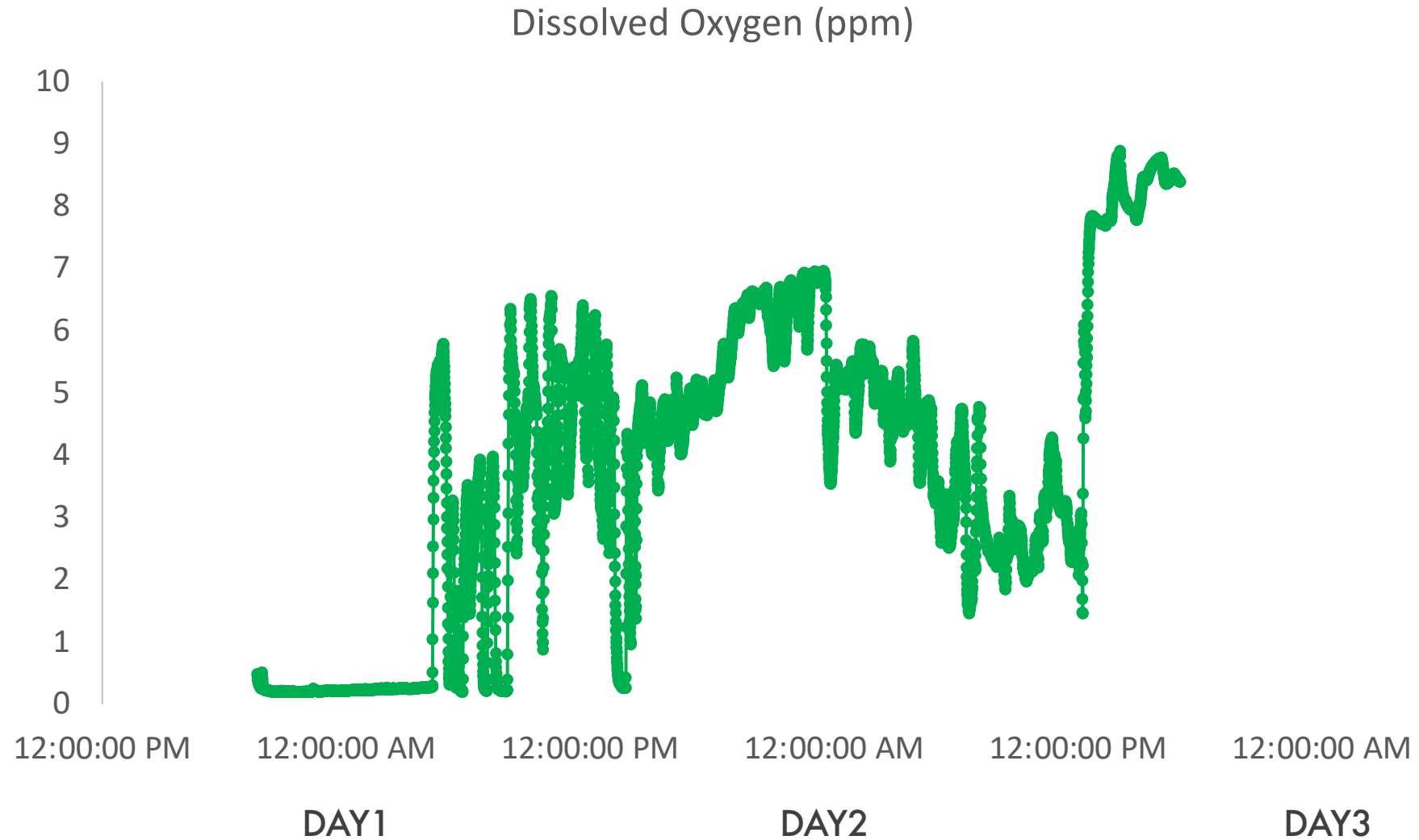
WEST TEXAS

WILSON WENT FOR A SWIM



WEST TEXAS

HIGH CORROSION RESULTS DESPITE EVERY MUD CHECK BEING IN THE RIGHT SPECIFICATIONS



WEST TEXAS

"FOAM PARTY"

WE COULDN'T UNDERSTAND WHY WE WEREN'T GETTING DECENT CORROSION RESULTS WHEN ALL READINGS AND REPORTS LOOKED GOOD



CONTAMINANTS



LOSSES

WEST TEXAS

"FOAM PARTY"

Controlled the oxygen and foaming problems which resulted in the reduction of Corrosion rate.



15.3mpy



Oxygen pitting
Fluid Erosion

103.9mpy

MONTNEY FORMATION

SENT WILSON TO A CLIENT WHO WAS NEW TO BRINE – WE FOUND MORE THAN WE THOUGHT WE WOULD

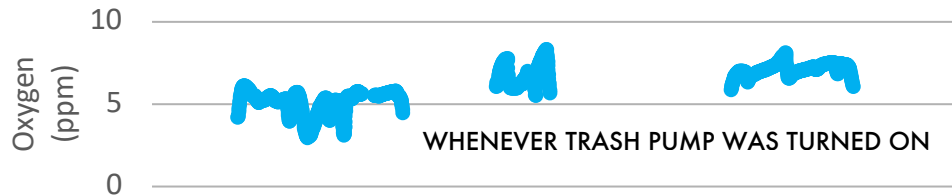
WHAT DID WILSON HELP DO IN THIS SPECIFIC CASE ?

- Improve their operational setup
- Led to less NPT working in a tight hole - \$\$
- Lowered mud bills - \$\$\$

BC Montney

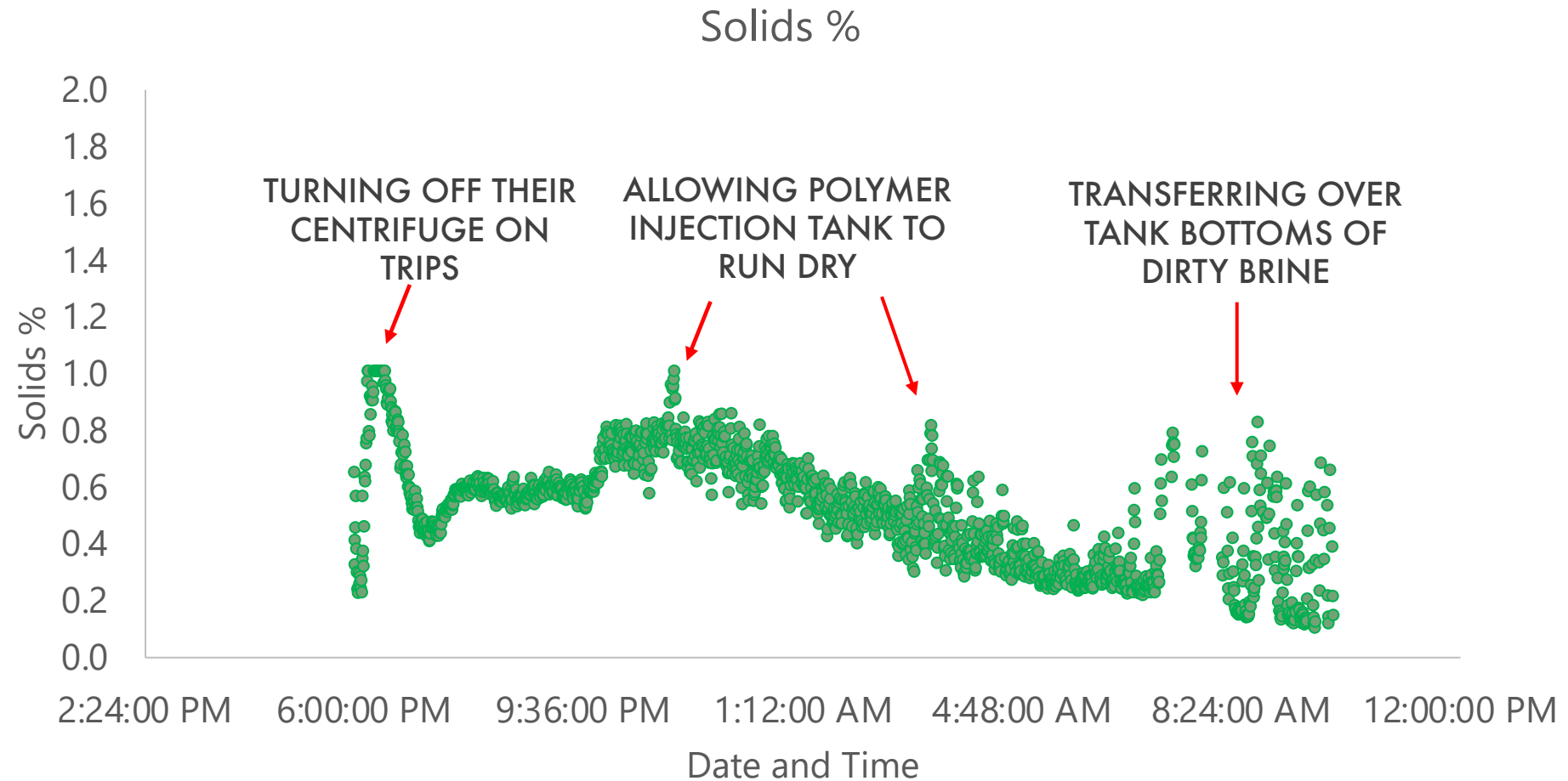
Wilson helped explain poor corrosion results and appearance of oxygen pitting despite good oxygen readings on mud reports.

Date	Time	Reported O ₂
Sept 24	7:48	0.28ppm
Sept 25	18:08	0.27ppm
Sept 27	12:56	0.26ppm



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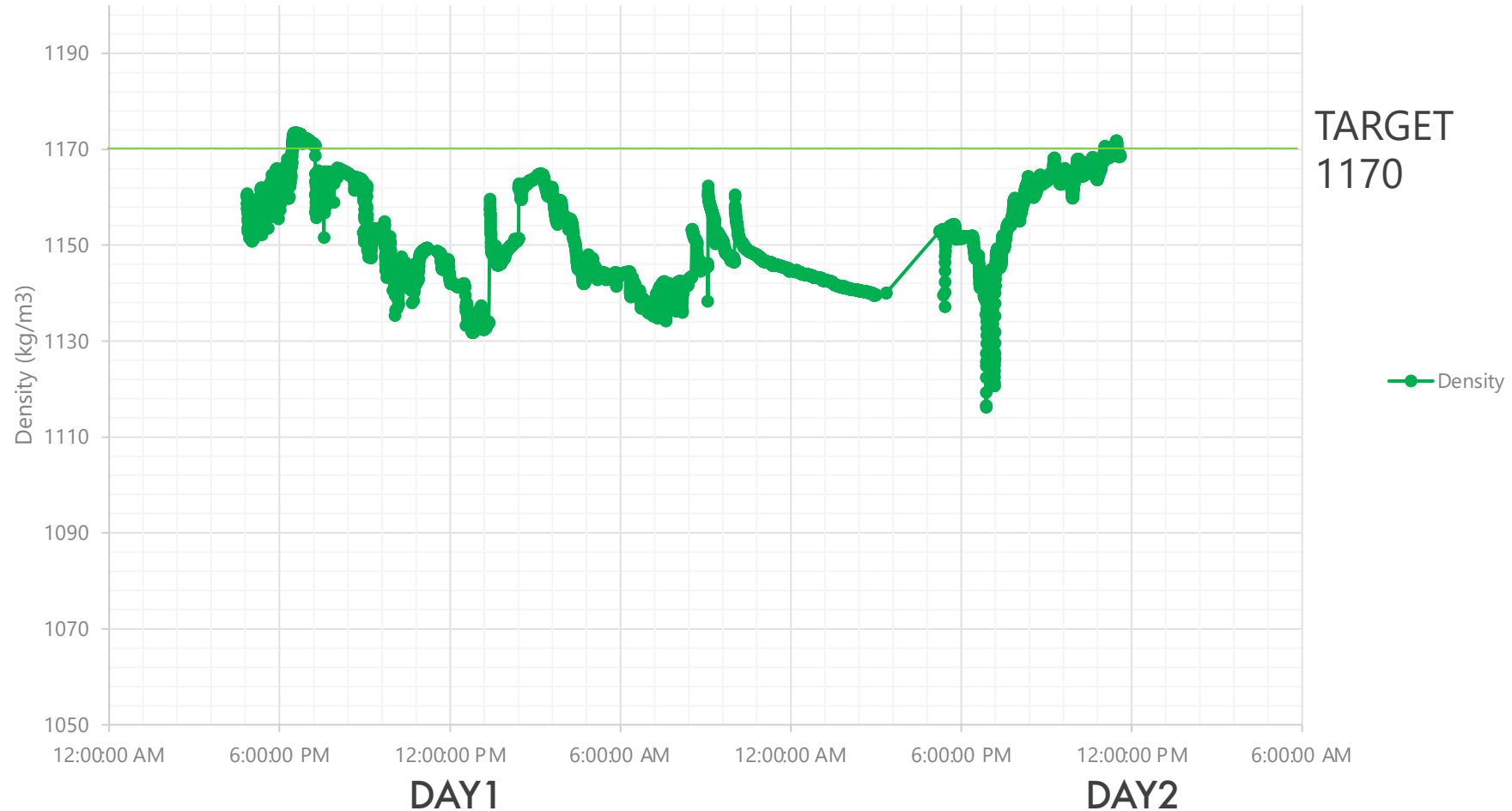
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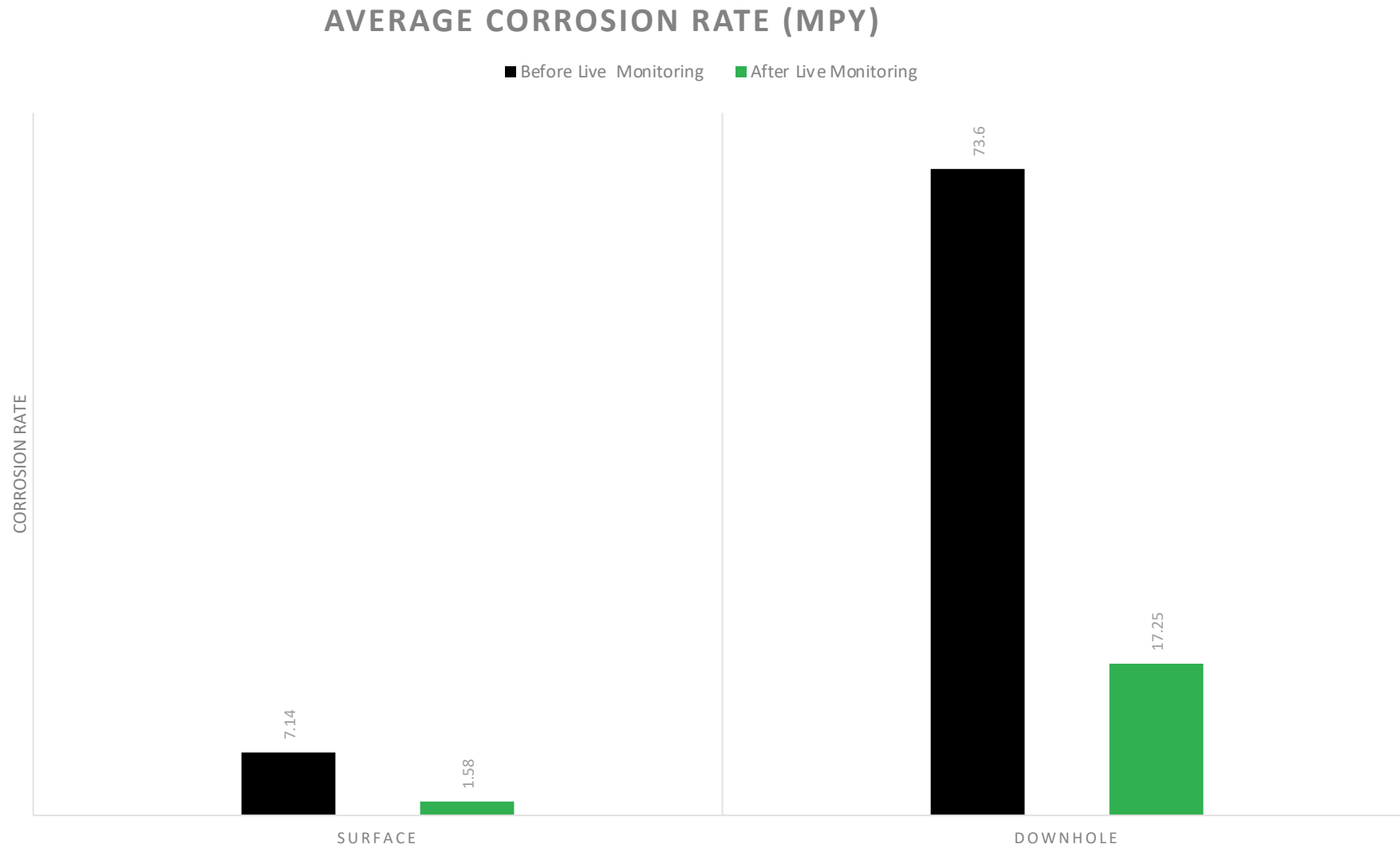
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HOLE INSTABILITY

- Surprised to learn they weren't running the right density very often and Wilson showed why.
- Fresh water slowly makes it way in through flocc polymer injection tanks, transfers and cleanings.
- They were also using fresh water sweeps to clear out an RSS.

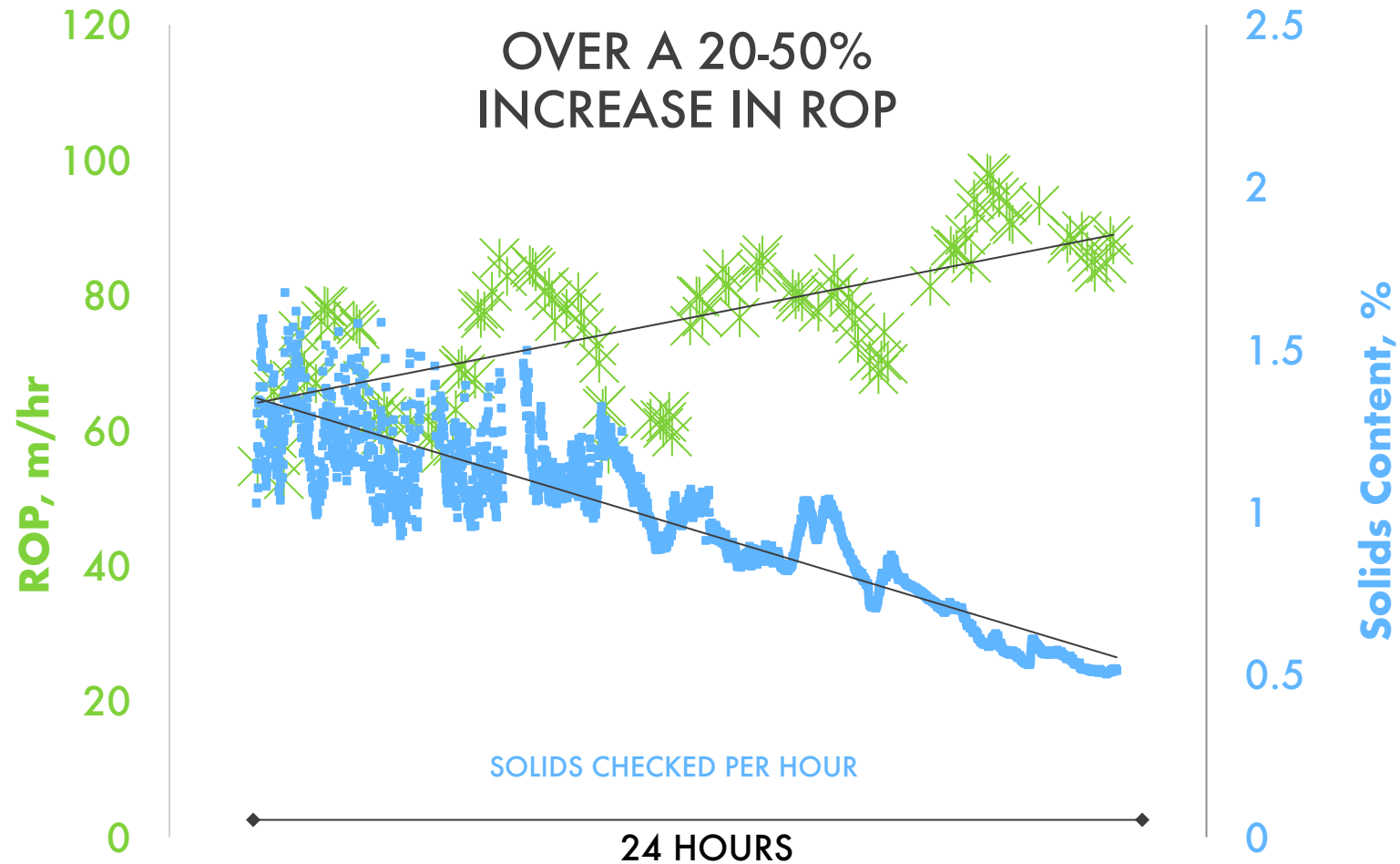


What does this mean for Corrosion in a specific case ?



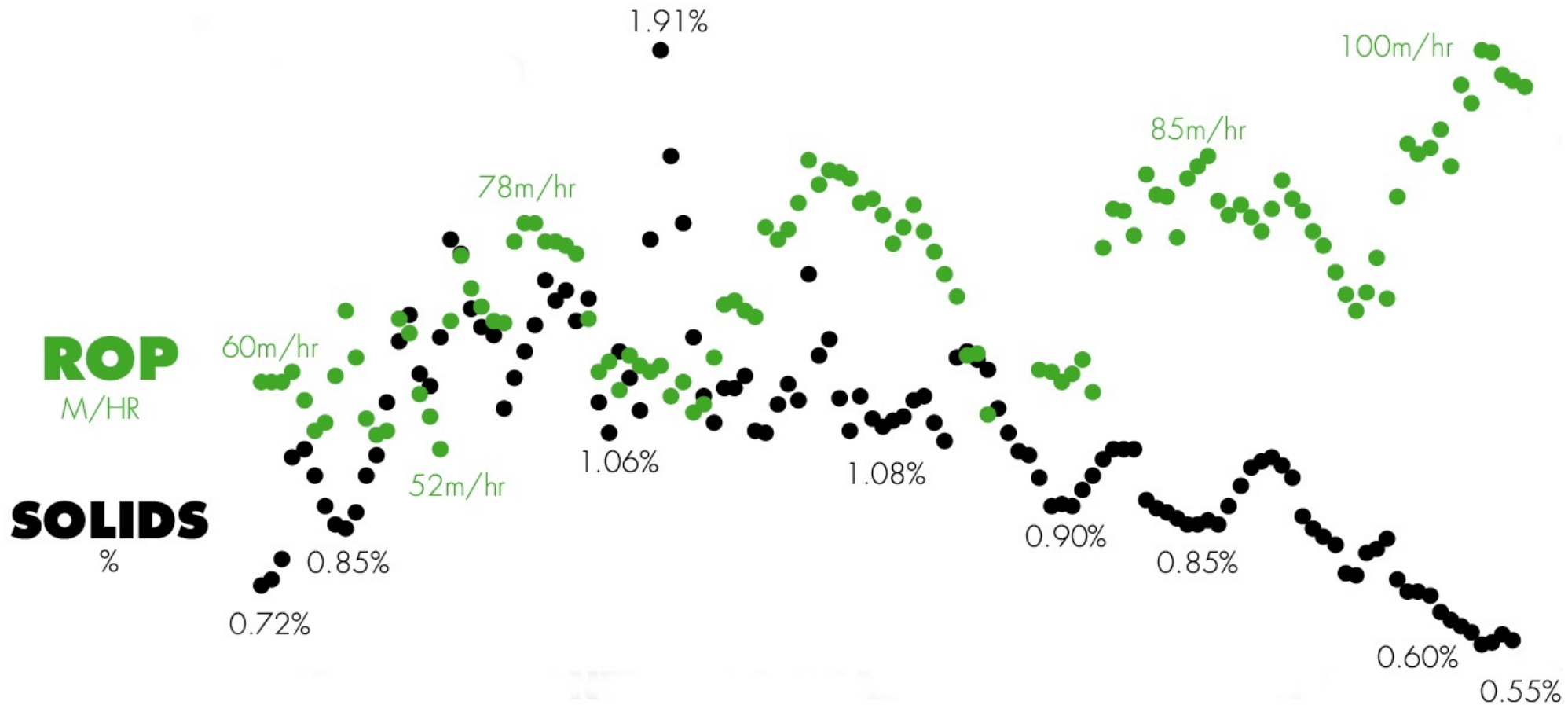
SOLIDS

- WE ARE CONVINCED THAT SOLIDS CONTENT IS THE MAJOR ENEMY AGAINST BRINE.
- THE PROBLEM COMES IN ACTUALLY GETTING QUALITY DATA ON SOLIDS CONTENT.



SOLIDS

WHEN THEY ARE MONITORED, THE IMPACTS ARE APPARENT.



Conclusion

- The result from our case studies showed that ROP was increased by over 20% and the corrosion rates were reduced by up to 60% due to real-time automated fluid measurements.
- These real-time measurements optimize decision-making in fluid compositional and operational setup.
- The incorporation of automated measurements not only improves drilling efficiency but can give answers to previously elusive and unknown questions.

THANK YOU FOR LISTENING!
ANY QUESTIONS ?