Thums Subsea Pipeline Mechanical Integrity Program



Thums Subsea Pipelines

Original Pipelines installed in 1966 New Pipeline Installations in 1987 and 1993







Thums Subsea Pipelines

- Pipelines Located in an Environmentally Sensitive area
- Potential Impact if Pipeline failure occurs



 Rigorous Integrity Strategy Program must be in place





Mechanical Integrity Program

- Monitoring Program (Inspection Surveys)
- Cathodic Protection
- Chemical Inhibition



• Pipeline Cleaning Program (Pigging)





Monitoring Program History

- Magnetic flux surveys conducted annually from 1960's to early 1990's
- Best available technology until 1992
- Problems identifying mill defects and certain anomalies







Monitoring Program History

- Ultrasonic Surveys conducted starting in 1992
- Excavations correlated well with survey data



• Excellent Repeatability of Data between Surveys





Monitoring Program History

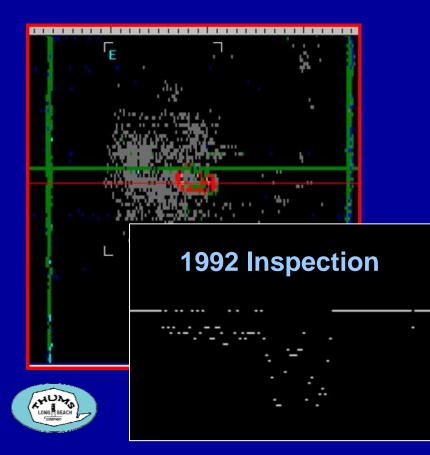
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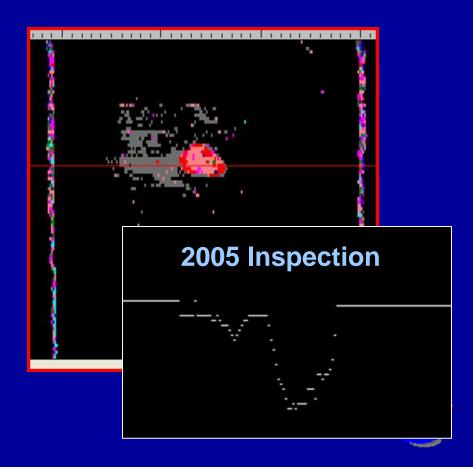
- General localized External Corrosion on Land Portion of pipelines
- Subsea Portions have Low Corrosion rates
- Piping in good shape





- Long History of Correlating Surveys
- Improvements to UT Technology have increased the Measurement Accuracy of Metal loss Contours





• The Improved Resolution

- Increased the Accuracy of the data
- Increased the Number of minor corrosion pits
- Need to compare the Corrosion rates between surveys
- Thums utilized a Corrosion Growth Assessment software called RUNCOMTM





RUNCOMTM Objectives

- Compare Data between Surveys
- Identify corrosion features which have grown between surveys



• Identifies areas of New corrosion





Corrosion Growth Data from RUNCOMTM is used to determine:

- Future Growth Behavior (Key to Integrity Assessment)
- Develop a Schedule of Repairs



Provide a Basis for Re-inspection Intervals





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Cathodic Protection Program

Rectifier Monitoring

- Cathodic Protection based on an Impressed Current
 Design
- Monthly Voltage Monitoring
- Data Analysed to determine Adequate Level of Protection



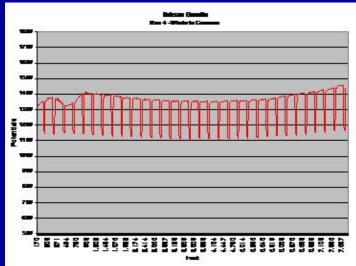




Cathodic Protection Program

Cathodic Protection Surveys

- Annual Over-the-line Close Interval Potential Survey
- Annual Inspection of Isolation Flanges
- Quarterly Pipeline surveys
- Monitor the Potential across the pipelines
- Adjustment made to maintain correct Potential







Chemical Corrosion Inhibition

- Active Pipelines Treated Continuously with Chemical Corrosion Inhibitor
- Batch Treat the Pipelines with Corrosion inhibitor during Maintenance Cleaning (Pigging) Operations
- Corrosion coupons analyzed to ensure adequate Corrosion protection



• Deposits analyzed for evidence of corrosion products





Maintenance Cleaning (Pigging)

- Oil & Gas Pipelines are Pigged on Alternating Weekends.
 - Brush and Wiper Mechanical Pigs
 - Established Pig Maintenance Program

Solids are Analyzed for Evidence of Corrosion





Subsea Pipeline Program Review

- Peer review conducted in early July 2006
- Well-represented team (16 people): Oxy, LBGO, SLC, Chemical Experts & Industry Consultants
- Objective was to utilize industry expertise to conduct an independent review of Thums Pipeline mechanical integrity program
- Identify improvement opportunities and validate the existing program elements

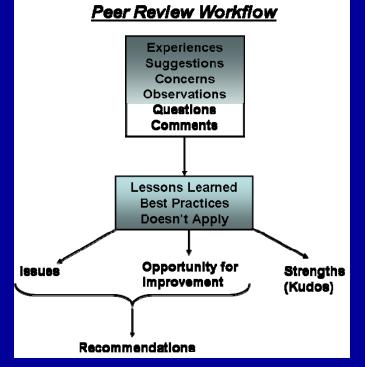




Subsea Pipeline Program Review

General Results

- Good existing Corrosion program in place
- Well documented Maintenance Pigging Program
- Utilizing state of the art Smart Pig tools and data analysis







Mechanical Integrity Program Summary

 Maintaining Pipeline Integrity is a dynamic Process



THUMS Oil & Gas Pipelines are well protected

- Well Maintained Cathodic Protection system
- High Level of Chemical Protection
- Regular Cleaning Program
- Frequent Monitoring of the Pipelines







Support slides







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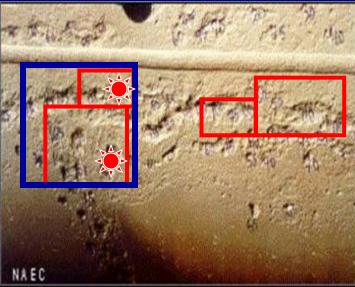


Survey Data Analysis Techniques

 Basic Integrity Data Analysis use Clustered Data

- Rely on Peak Depth
 Comparisons between surveys
 - Analysis based on Peak Depth may not detect active growth areas







Survey Data Analysis Techniques

Key Analysis Issue:

• Maximum corrosion growth does not always



occur at the peak depth on the feature.

• In order to reliably determine corrosion growth rates, a method is required that doesn't rely on peak depth comparison between surveys





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