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Keith Grimes, CEO

Hi there everyone,

As I write this we continue to see improvement in some of the basic fundamental measures of our business, so although we remain cautious, things are better and we are looking for people again!

We're also starting to grow the company again and in new directions. To this end, I am pleased to announce a new addition to our team this month, Mike Hiner. Prior to joining Hamilton Mike worked for Devon Energy, Unocal and Shell Oil where he developed an extensive skill-set in technical geophysics and regional petroleum systems in the offshore and onshore operating environments. For the last 17 years Mike has worked extensively in the international arena leveraging the knowledge of the complex geological environments of the Gulf of Mexico to develop exploration plays in almost every major basin around the world. Mike joins us April 1 and will be a key member in our efforts to provide more solutions to our clients.

As we look ahead, I want to also let you know that we will be attending, with our partners DECOM International, LLC, the [2nd Annual Decommissioning and Abandonment Summit for the Gulf of Mexico](#) to be held March 29th and 30th in Houston. As we know, decommissioning and P&A are huge issues not only in the GoM, but throughout the world as well and with DECOM Int'l, we are positioning ourselves as a go-to company in the technical management of these projects. We'll see you there!

Regards,

InterOil Corporation – Antelope #2 Papua New Guinea

“Well flowed at a world record rate of 705 MMCFD and 11,200 BBLS per day of condensate.”



Congratulations to PEI onsite consultants:

Spike Phillips, Dudley Carlisle, Henry Fredrickson, Kelley Pattison and Lawrence Larson

Just Something Fun: Claude Thorp

This week, surfers and snowboarders are everywhere. I saw them competing in the Olympics, playing in the ATT Pebble Beach Pro-Am Golf Tournament, and even saw one at NAPE. It's pretty impressive to drop down 40 foot waves, compete in the Snowboard Cross, and taming a huge half-pipe, but what's really cool is what some of these folks do in their "spare" time.

Kelly Slater, 9 time ASP World Surfing Champion, is a 2 handicap golfer and was playing in the Pebble Beach Pro-Am instead of competing in a surfing tournament down the road. If you saw any views of Pebble Beach this weekend, you were treated to some of the most fantastic ocean scenery ever. In addition, to surfing and golf, Kelly has a band called "The Surfers" (duh) and was in 10 Baywatch episodes. More importantly, [The Kelly Slater Foundation](#) does wonderful things for disadvantaged children, including:

- **LA Surf Bus** brings eager children ages 5 to 17 and their attendants from challenging Los Angeles and Orange County neighborhoods for a day of surf at the beach.
- **Surfers Healing** seeks to enrich the lives of children with Autism and the lives of their families by exposing them to the unique experience of surfing through free surf camps.

Hannah Teter, won the Half-Pipe Gold Medal in the 2006 Olympics and is famous this week for being one of two Olympians in the Sports Illustrated Swim Suit edition. The Belmont, Vt., snowboarder has a big reputation for her benevolence — she gives all her prize money to charity, plus:

- She founded [Hannah's Gold](#) which raises money through the sales of Vermont maple syrup. The charity, in partnership with World Vision, helps to support the village of Kirindon, Kenya through building schools, digging fresh water wells, and providing water filtration.
- Vermont based ice cream company Ben & Jerry's created a new flavor in honor of their fellow Vermonter; Hannah Teter's Maple Blondie, a creamy maple ice cream with blonde brownie pieces and a maple caramel swirl. A portion of proceeds will go to Hannah's Gold.
- Just before the Olympics, she announced that she is selling underwear to support Doctors Without Borders and their relief effort in Haiti. Each pair sold will result in a \$5 donation.

Rusty Yates, past Texas Gulf Coast Surfing Champ, and also of Ayco Energy LLC, found time to be at NAPE. He had just returned from a surfing trip where he rode 15 foot waves over a reef that is five miles from the nearest land mass. In addition to being a surfing oilman, Rusty is passionate about making art through [photography](#). His photography strongly supports his keen interest in conservation and land stewardship, including:

- His work has been featured in Texas Highways and Texas Parks and Wildlife magazines.
- Serves on the boards of [The Bamberger Ranch Preserve](#) and the [Preserve at Walnut Springs](#).

There were just too many surfer and snowboarder sightings during a long weekend for me to ignore. However, I do refuse to lower myself to commenting on the Canadian's tight pants in the Snowboard Cross. This is not a fashion newsletter!!

But it is meant to be a reminder that all of us are more than just what we do for a living!!!

“surfers and snowboarders are everywhere.”

Events of Interest

Decommissioning and
Abandonment Summit
March 29-30, 2010
Westin Oaks Hotel
Houston, TX.

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Visit the DECOM booth

SPE Intelligent Energy
Conference
March 23-25
The Netherlands

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Petroleum Engineers Inc. (Lafayette, LA & Houston, TX), founded in 1970 by Don E. Claxton, Alvin Bellaire, Jr. and C. F. "Skip" Kimball III, specializes in providing the upstream industry with drilling and completion project management services as well as professional engineers, well site supervisors and technical services at a moments notice, worldwide.

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