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## A Novel Cement Spacer System to Optimize Spacer Stability Performance in HTHP Wells

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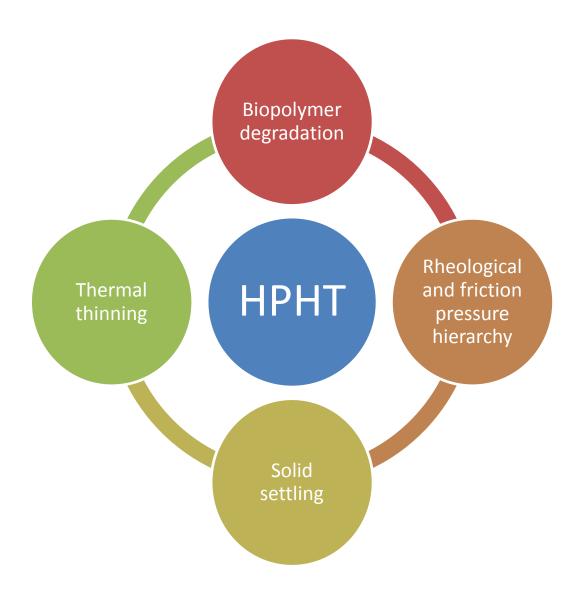
## Agenda

- Background
- Novel Cement Spacer System
  - Description
  - Application
  - Benefits
  - Laboratory results
- Conclusion

#### Cement Spacer System

- Pumped between drilling fluid and cement
  - Displacing the drilling fluid
  - Cleaning the pipe and wellbore
  - Improving cement bond
- Composition
  - Base fluid
  - Gelling agent
  - Weighting agent
  - Surfactant package





#### **Novel Spacer System**

#### Hierarchy

- Rheology
- Friction pressure gradient

#### Stability

- Static
- Dynamic

#### Efficiency

- Wettability
- Compatibility

#### **Applications**

- HPHT wells
- Vertical, highly deviated and horizontal wells
- Density range: 13 18 ppg
- Temperature range: 250 400 °F



#### Benefits

Performance at HPHT condition

• Superior

Reliability

Viscosity

• Low at surface

Maintain at BHCT

Solid settling

Mitigated

Zonal isolation

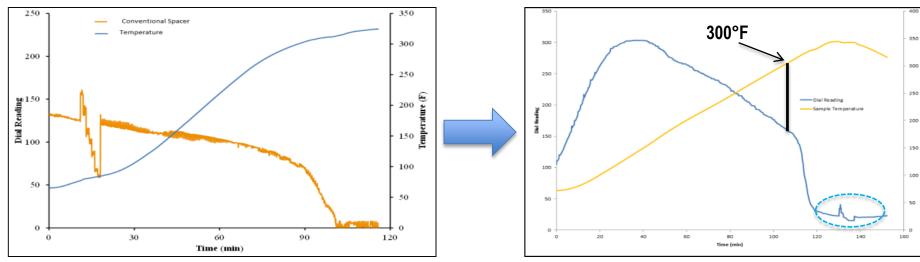
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### **Laboratory Testing**

# **HPHT Rheology Tests**





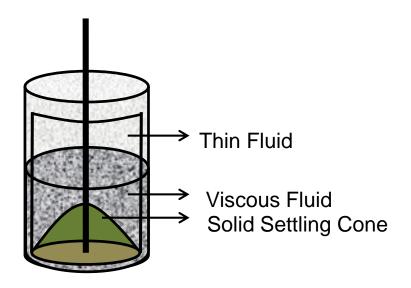
**Conventional Spacer** 

**Novel Spacer** 

#### **Dynamic Settling Tests**

 The stability of cement spacer while pumping it downhole





## **Dynamic Settling Tests**







**Novel Spacer** 

## **Rheology Tests**

	300 RPM	200 RPM	100 RPM	60 RPM	30 RPM	6 RPM	3 RPM
Dial reading at ambient	199	151	98	71	50	23	16
Dial reading at 330 °F	57	43	27	19	14	10	10

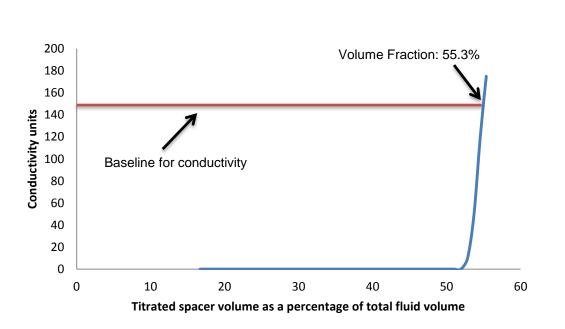


Grace M3600 Rheometer



Chandler 7600 Rheometer

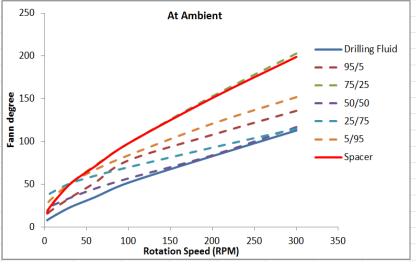
#### **Wettability Tests**

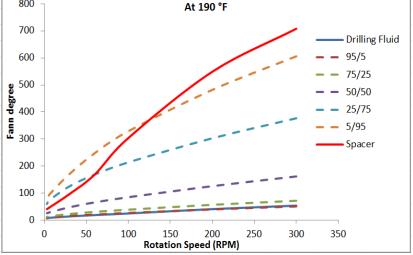




## **Compatibility Tests**

RPM	300	200	100	60	30	6	3	RPM	300	200	100	60	30	6	3
Drilling Fluid	113	83	52	35	23	10	8	Drilling Fluid	54	41	25	19	14	9	7
95	136	108	78	52	34	18	14	95	51	40	27	21	16	10	8
75	203	153	98	72	50	24	19	75	72	57	39	31	23	14	12
50	117	84	57	45	34	24	23	50	162	126	85	66	48	29	26
25	115	93	70	60	51	39	36	25	377	303	214	169	126	74	60
5	152	121	84	67	51	31	26	5	606	482	329	248	171	95	74
Spacer	199	151	98	71	50	23	16	Spacer	708	549	304	169	97	47	41
250 At Ambient						800 At 190 °F									
								700 -							





#### Conclusion

- A novel cement spacer has been developed demonstrating
  - Good rheological profile
  - Thermal stability at HPHT conditions
  - Good compatibility with various drilling fluids and cement
- This system has been utilized on several field jobs with much success



# Acknowledgements Questions

