



Canadian Association of Oilwell Drilling Contractors (CAODC)

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Canadian Association of Oilwell Drilling Contractors (CAODC) announces new President

Mr. Joe Bruce, Chairman of the Board of Directors, is pleased to announce the appointment of Mark A. Scholz to the position of President of the Canadian Association of Oilwell Drilling Contractors (CAODC), effective August 1, 2011. Mr. Scholz replaces Mr. Don Herring who has served the Association for almost 30 years and will be retiring this summer.

“We are delighted to appoint Mr. Scholz as the incoming President of our Association. He will be a key asset as we move the Association forward. I would personally like to thank Mr. Herring for his years of service and wish him all the best in his retirement,” stated Mr. Bruce.

“It is truly an honour to be given this responsibility to serve the membership of the CAODC. I look forward to this new and exciting challenge. I want to thank Mr. Herring for his support and mentorship over the years. Mr. Herring has led the organization with his overflowing integrity and unmatched intuition. He will be greatly missed,” stated Mr. Scholz

Mr. Scholz has been employed with the Association for the past three years, previously as Manager, Technical Services. In his new role, Mr. Scholz will be responsible for all aspects of the CAODC and report to the Board of Directors and the executive committees of the association.

Mr. Scholz holds a Bachelor of Arts degree, Economics (concentration in Energy Markets) from the University of Calgary, as well as a Bachelor of Arts degree, Political Science, also from the University of Calgary. Prior to employment with CAODC, Mr. Scholz worked for ATB Financial and was Chief of Staff for the leader of the Wildrose Alliance Party.

The CAODC was formed in 1949 and represents the contract drilling and service rig industry across Canada. The membership is comprised of 41 drilling contractors, 71 service rig contractors and 175 associate members.

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