



## Canadian Association of Oilwell Drilling Contractors (CAODC)

### News Release

#### Service Rig Careers Take Spotlight in New Website

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The general public usually has a basic notion about drilling rigs and drilling rig work, but they need more explanation about where service rigs fit into the big picture of the oil and gas industry. The Canadian Association of Oilwell Drilling Contractors (CAODC) addresses this information gap with the launch of a new career and employment website, [www.ServiceRigDrive.ca](http://www.ServiceRigDrive.ca).

CAODC has maintained a general employment information website since 2005. RigTech.ca focuses first on drilling rigs and, as such, the service rig career path tended to be overshadowed.

Nancy Malone, CAODC's Vice-President, Operations, explains industry's motivation behind the new website: "The service rig job page has been one of the most accessed on the RigTech site. It was time to expand the details we provide to job seekers about securing that first rig job, whether they're looking for service rig work or drilling work."

A service rig is smaller and more mobile than a drilling rig, and this equipment doesn't explore for oil and gas; it works in the production side of the industry. Service rig employees are engaged in "rig work" like drilling rig employees, but the two kinds of rig work offer very different career paths.

Driving is a key distinguishing feature between the two jobs. Drilling contractors require oilfield transport companies to move their equipment. All service rig equipment is truck-mounted. A key message the service rig industry wants potential applicants to hear is that service rig crewmembers need unrestricted class 5 driver's licences to be able to take industry-specific commercial vehicle driver training.

Says Malone, "ServiceRigDrive is the place to find out exactly what a service rig is all about and what a service rig job is all about. I think job seekers will appreciate the resource it provides."

CAODC is the unified voice of the Canadian drilling and service rig industry, promoting safer and more efficient operations through advocacy, communication and needed products and services. CAODC is committed to promoting a culture of safety excellence in the industry, acting in the best interests of its member companies, their employees and the industry as a whole and continuing a strong tradition of leadership and cooperation.

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