



Alliance Engineering Wins Prestigious FIATECH CETI Award for Automated Design

HOUSTON, May 21, 2009 - Alliance Wood Group Engineering (“Alliance”), part of international energy services company John Wood Group PLC (“Wood Group”), received the 2008 FIATECH Celebration of Engineering and Technology Innovation (CETI) Award in the category of Automated Design. The award highlighted Alliance’s capabilities as an innovator in single-lift topsides technology to deliver many of the industry’s largest and most visible deepwater projects, utilizing designs assisted by AVEVA’s PDMS 3D modelling software. The award focused on Alliance’s significant responsibilities on the design of the topsides for ConocoPhillips’ Magnolia tension leg platform (TLP). This operating facility was one of the first projects where Alliance utilized complete PDMS modelling as part of their design tool. It also highlighted 11 offshore projects designed by Alliance using PDMS, including Shell’s Perdido Spar.

FIATECH is a consortium of large asset construction owners and contractors, formed with the goal of improving design, engineering, construction and maintenance of capital projects. The award was presented to Alliance at the organization’s CETI Gala, April 7, 2009 at the Green Valley Ranch in Henderson, Nevada.

Alliance President Norb Roobaert commented, “We are honored to receive

the CETI Award from FIATECH, a prestigious organization of our peers. It further signifies Alliance's innovative contributions to the offshore oil and gas industry.

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Alliance is an independent services provider to the domestic and international oil and gas industry. Alliance specializes in engineering, design, procurement, project management and construction management of on and offshore upstream oil and gas facilities and structures. Capabilities range from feasibility studies through complete turn-key installations. Alliance has offices in Houston, Denver and Durango.

Wood Group is an international energy services company with \$5.2bn sales, employing more than 28,000 people worldwide and operating in 46 countries. The Group has three businesses—Engineering & Production Facilities, Well Support, and Gas Turbine Services - providing a range of engineering, production support, maintenance management and industrial gas turbine overhaul and repair services to the oil & gas, and power generation industries worldwide.

FIATECH is a consortium of industries and companies – owners from the industrial, power, and retail markets that, of necessity, build large assets such as refineries, power plants, large commercial buildings, or manufacturing facilities. In addition, it includes the leading providers of engineering, design, and construction services. And finally, but very critically, it encompasses some of the most influential technology providers in the world – offering everything from cutting edge software solutions to nanotechnology to new emerging materials to lasers to GPS to RFID to remote sensing capabilities. All in the consortium are united by one goal – to make a step change improvement in the design, engineering, construction, and maintenance of large capital assets.

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