IADC thanks Roy Caldwell. Roy J Caldwell, retiring President of Reed-Hycalog, a Schlumberger Company, was honored by IADC for his years of service to the industry in general and to IADC in particular. IADC President Dr Lee Hunt presented Mr Caldwell with a commemorative plaque during the ‘99 IADC Annual Meeting, 29 Sept-1 Oct in Houston. Mr Caldwell was named President of Reed Tool Co, the predecessor of Reed-Hycalog, in June 1987. He also served as President of the Camco Drilling Group, which included Reed and Hycalog. Mr Caldwell, a native of Belfast, joined Camco Ltd in Northern Ireland in 1969 as Production Manager of Electronics. He moved through the ranks of the company in the years that followed and came to Houston in 1980 as Assistant to the President.

Deane new Reed-Hycalog President. John Deane, formerly president of Hycalog, was named President of Reed-Hycalog, a Schlumberger Company, in August, following the retirement of Roy J Caldwell. (See item above.) During his 24-year career at Reed and Hycalog, Mr Deane held numerous positions, including Vice President-Operations, Vice President-Engineering, and Manager of Research and Development. Mr Deane holds a degree in physics from Colorado School of Mines.

Union Drilling moves to PA. Union Drilling Inc recently moved its corporate office to Bridgeville, Penn, from Bucks County, W V. UDI also appointed Christopher D Strong Vice President/COO and Daniel J Simon Vice President-Human Resources and Safety. Mr Strong comes to UDI from Hvide Marine, where he served as Vice President of Finance. He is a graduate of Vassar and received his MBA from Wharton. Mr Simon previously worked for Nabors Drilling and holds a degree in safety engineering and psychology from the University of Dubuque. He is a past chairman of the IADC Accident Prevention Committee and now serves as Vice President of the Board of Directors for the Industrial Foundation of America. Mr Simon was also previously employed by Welltech, Delta Drilling and Exeter Drilling.

Schlumberger reorganization over. Schlumberger recently completed reorganizing its Oilfield Services business segment. The 8 Schlumberger product lines have been restructured into 13 business segments, which are organized into 3 Product Groups—Reservoir Development (Anadroll, Cameo Products & Services, Dowell, Reda, Reed-Hycalog, and Testing), Reservoir Management (Geoquest, Holditch-Reservoir Technologies, Integrated Project Management, Production Operators International, and Production Systems), and Reservoir Engineering (Geco-Prakla and Wireline). 4 Presidents will manage the 3 groups and report to Andrew Gould, Executive Vice President, Schlumberger Oilfield Services. The 4 Presidents are Rene Huck, Reservoir Development, Houston; Peter Goode, Reservoir Management, Houston; Mario Reston, Reservoir Evaluation Seismic, Gatwick, UK; and Adil Toubia, Reservoir Evaluation Wireline, Montreau, France.

Steve Nelson named Diamond VP. Steven A Nelson was recently promoted to Vice President-International Operations for Diamond Offshore Drilling. Mr Nelson has worked for Diamond Offshore since 1977 and has served in numerous management positions. He holds a BS in civil engineering with honors from Texas A&M University.

Weatherford buys Williams Tool. Weatherford International recently acquired Williams Tool Co for $64 million in Weatherford common stock, or some 175 million shares. Williams Tool, based in Fort Smith, Ark, is a leading supplier of state-of-the-art technology for underbalanced pressure control. Williams’s rotating control heads provide essential well control for UB drilling, completion and workover.

Davis joins Tech Power Controls. Tech Power Controls has named Michael Davis as Product Manager-Drilling Optimization Systems. Mr Davis has held drilling-engineering positions with Cliffs Drilling and Triton Engineering Services, where he gained extensive experience with well planning and turnkey drilling. Prior to that, he worked with both Chevco and BP. He holds a petroleum engineering degree from the University of Texas.

Grant Prideco acquires H-Tech. Grant Prideco recently acquired a controlling 54% interest in H-Tech, a Singapore-based drillpipe manufacturer with facilities located on Batam Island. In Houston, Grant Prideco added 2 sales managers—Randall Edwards as Inside Sales Manager, and Glenn Westerman as Regional Sales Manager.

Subsurface safety valve brochure. Baker Oil Tools offers a free 12-page, 4-color brochure describing the function, operation, features and benefits of their SelectT Tubing Retrieval Surface Controlled Subsurface Safety Valve. Features noted by Baker in the brochure are their through-the-flapper, metal-to-metal self-equalizing system and advanced wireline damage-resistant flapper design. 654 N Sam Houston Pkwy E, Suite 400, Houston, Texas 77060-5919; 713/625-0600.

Balanced elliptical motion shaker. Swaco, in conjunction with Sweco, introduced their Balanced Elliptical Motion Shaker (BEM-3) for separation of drilling fluids from drill cuttings. In an exclusive agreement, Swaco will provide Sweco’s proprietary shakers to the oilfield markets. The BEM-3 utilizes patented Sweco technology to produce balanced elliptical vibratory motion, a gentler rolling motion, which Swaco literature says results in maximum recovery of valuable drilling fluids, cleaner drier cuttings and resulting minimization of drilling waste, higher screen capacity, longer screen life, reduced downstream equipment wear and lower capital expenditures. Larry Barker, Sr Vice President; 713/308-9426.