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IADC-Australasia Chapter forms IADC-AC Rig Move Sub-Committee!

The ***IADC-AC AGM*** was held in Brisbane, ***28 May 2013***, at which it was agreed to continue with the creation of the ***IADC-AC Rig Move Sub-Committee*** to address the specific logistics and rig moving issues affecting many companies across Australia. A presentation by both Thomas Ingledew General Manager Savanna Energy Logistics and Warwick Williams Queensland Heavy Vehicle Operations Group provided a summary of the significant task ahead managing the growth of the CSG industry in Australia.

In June, the Sub-committee met to form the ***Logistic Safety Code of Practice Implementation Working Group*** to identify and agree on the groups purpose, the guiding principles, working group members (which representatives' from transport companies, suppliers and clients) and the timeframes, specific activities and the requirements for the NLSC commitment statement.

In August 2013, ***IADC-AC Sub Committee held a Logistics/Rig Moving Forum*** at which had 85 attendees. The first presentation was provided by the ***Department of Main Roads (TMR)***, explaining the new transport laws, new permitting processes and the NHVR (National Heavy Vehicle) classifications and information for these specific heavy vehicles.

The ***Australian Logistics Council's (ALC)*** presentation was in relation to the ***National Logistics Safety Code (NLSC)***, its history, the intentions and the 4 parts that make up the Code (the code, guidelines, responsibility matrix and the audit tool). List of the generic guides, which are available via the ***ALC*** website and the role of the ***ALC***. The final presentation was the ***Coal Seam Gas (CSG) Logistics Safety Code of Conduct***, explaining the relevant parties' commitment to the NLSC-2011. The CSG proponents identified for the working group (Origin, Santos, Arrow and QGC).

The ***CSG Logistics Safety Code of Practice*** will be implemented across Origin as a primary means to mitigate the risk of serious transport related accidents. The code is recognised by each of the CSG proponent groups, identified the other accreditation schemes that will also recognised and advised the subsequent benefits of a robust, industry-wide mitigation of heavy road vehicle safety risks across the CSG supply chain, a standardised tool that improves the understanding of risk and clarity on legal obligations and finally independent audits which will help identify/avoid high-risk for contractors.

A big thank you for all involved for your commitment and support in leading the way to make the National roads in Australia, safer for all.