

RestrictionVA

WELLBORE ACCESS RESTORED WITH VISUAL ANALYTICS

EV's Optis Infinity M125 provides a complete 360° image of the well enabling a new quantum of data to identify the root cause of restricted wellbore access

WELLBORE RESTRICTIONS

The operator experienced a restriction within their oil producing well during a production optimization intervention. The well has a history of corrosion, with a replacement wellhead recently installed as a result, and any further integrity issues would force the operator to plug and abandon the well.

Following multiple unsuccessful drift runs, and no clear indication of the cause of the hold up, the operator needed a clear understanding of the restriction to determine the future of the well.

OVER-TORQUED CONNECTION

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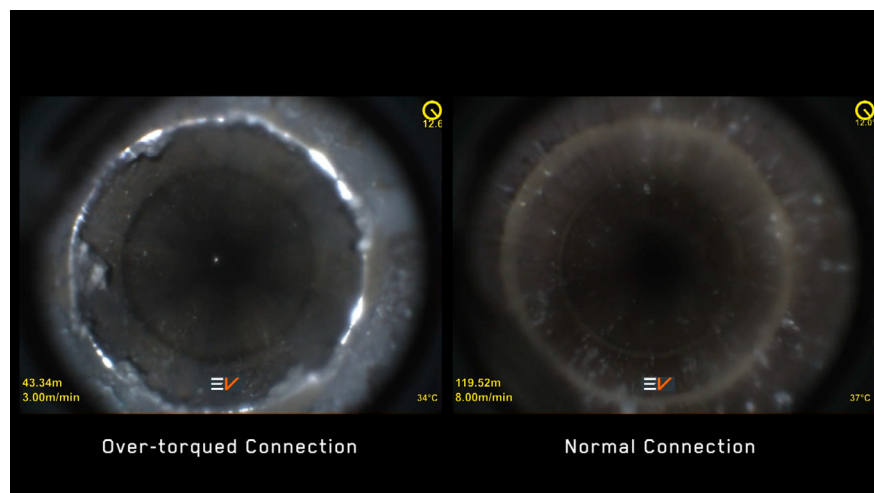


Figure 1: Downview footage of over-torqued connection vs normal connection

⚠ THE CHALLENGE

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💡 THE SOLUTION

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✅ THE RESULTS

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UNDERSTANDING THE SEVERITY

Thirteen individual measurements were made by an EV analyst around the ID of the restricted connection (**Fig.2**). Although the restrictions are relatively small their apparent square edged nature may have been problematic for the passage of some BHAs.

With the restriction diagnosed, the operator also wanted to confirm the condition and integrity of a new wellhead that was recently installed.

EV's proprietary Visual Analytics process were applied to create a fully interactive 3D model of the wellhead (**Fig.3**), enabling direct comparison with engineering drawings and confirming the wellhead was intact and corrosion-free.

WELL ACCESS RESTORED

Based on the quantitative information provided by RestrictionVA, it was concluded that the restriction was caused during well construction and was not a symptom of an underlying well integrity issue.

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RestrictionVA delivers rapid and comprehensive evaluation of downhole restrictions, identifying their root cause and determining their severity. Through quantified visual assessment and advanced 3D modelling techniques, RestrictionVA provides the definitive, proactive service for de-risking well interventions.

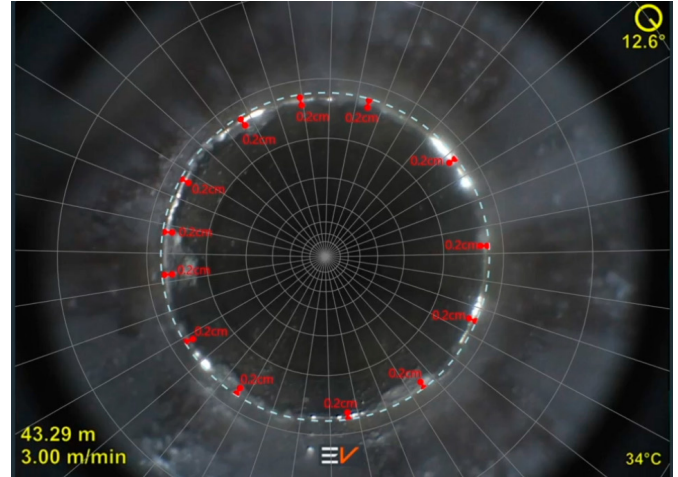


Figure 2: Measurements revealing extent of restriction around ID

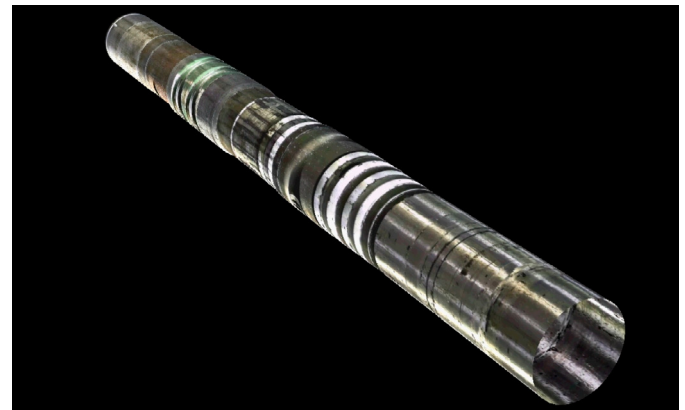


Figure 3: Interactive 3D model of wellhead

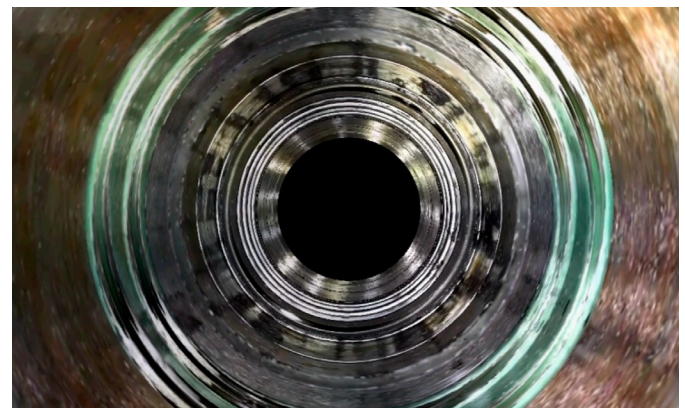


Figure 4: Wellhead fly-through view