Volunteer of the Month

The PPDM Association is proud to name Jim Williams as our Volunteer of the Month. Jim is a reservoir engineer and a founding member of “Creating a Raster Well Log Calibration Format,” a joint work group between the PPDM Association and Energistics under the banner of The Standards Leadership Council. Jim was most recently a Petroleum Engineer with Ground Metrics Inc., but also spent time working for Kaiser-Francis Oil Company, IHS, Cimarex Energy Co, and Pogo Producing Company. His extensive experience includes onshore and offshore work environments, specializing in vertical, directional and horizontal drilling operations, reservoir engineering and commercial software development.

Jim recently collaborated on an article on Raster Log Calibration in the 2Q Edition of Foundations, and will continue working with the work group as it goes through its current review and comment period. “Jim has been a valuable asset to our Raster Well Log team and we have found his experience and insights invaluable, and we look forward to collaborating with Jim on future projects,” says Trudy Curtis, CEO of the PPDM Association. Jim has developed electric log depth registration software that will read an unregistered TIF image and provide XML depth registration files in accordance with the standard format as defined by the aforementioned industry work group. Both are executable with source code available for purchase.

Membership

There are many benefits to being a part of the PPDM Association. Members have exclusive access to a variety of perks, including discounts on training and events. If you are an employee of one of our corporate members or a student, your individual membership is free! If you have not yet become a member, now is the
time to join and help us continue to make our programming available, relevant and beneficial to our community.

**Certification**

The **September 9, 2015** deadline to apply for the October 14 sitting of the CPDA Examination is coming soon! If you are interested in upgrading your resume or adding to your professional development by getting your CPDA this Fall, be sure to apply with your references prior to the **September 9, 2015** deadline!

**Training**

E&P Production data can get complicated quickly so give your data the attention it deserves, because it is worth millions! The PPDM Association training series is a highly successful, cost-effective way to help understand E&P data and can help reduce costs and increase the productivity of E&P professionals. Public Training courses are starting up September 22-23 in Calgary at geoLOGIC systems’ offices. **Classes will include Business Life Cycle of the Well, What is a Well, Well Data Management and Intro to Master Data Management.** This fall, classes are also planned in Oklahoma City (October 6-8) and Houston (November 16-18). Register now to save your spot!

Summer is a great time to upgrade your skills - If you are looking for immediate access to PPDM Association training, our Online Training courses run continually and are currently available on our website at a special discounted rate.

**Work Groups**

Through a joint effort between Energistics and PPDM, and under the banner of the Standards Leadership Council (SLC), we are pleased to announce that the **Raster Well Log Depth Registration Data Objects** are now available for review and comment. Evaluation instructions are available on the Energistics website, and comments may be submitted no later than August 31, 2015.

Following months of work by the ‘What is a Well? Phase 2” PPDM Work group, PPDM members are now invited to comment on the recommended revisions to the **Well Status and Classification standard**. The two documents, 2015 Regulatory Life Cycle Phase Proposal and 2015 Well Status Facets Review, are available for all members through login on the **PPDM website**. In this revision, our objectives were to provide better support for information derived from regulatory agencies and to update facet values for clearer usage. The comment period is open until October 1, 2015.

**Community & Events**

Thank you to all attendees for joining us at the recent Brisbane Data Management Workshop, Perth Data Management Symposium and Oklahoma City Data Management Workshop. We hope to see you at one of our **upcoming events**:

- **Tulsa Q3 Data Management Luncheon** – August 18, 2015
- **Dallas/Fort Worth Q3 Data Management Luncheon** – August 20, 2015
• Midland Q3 Data Management Luncheon – August 25, 2015
• Calgary Data Management Luncheon – September 9, 2015
• Calgary Data Management Symposium, Tradeshow & AGM – October 19-21, 2015 – Now accepting abstracts, registrations, sponsors and exhibitors
• SAVE THE DATE: 2016 Houston Data Management Symposium & Tradeshow – April 11-12, 2016

Delegates of the 2015 OKC Data Management Workshop at the National Weather Centre, Norman, OK, USA

Foundations
The 2Q2015 Edition of Foundations is now available! Visit our website ppdm.org/publications to view your copy now. Don’t forget to enter your pictures into our Photo Contest for a chance to see your photo on the cover of a future edition of Foundations!

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