

Dawson Geophysical Company receives BLM "Best Practices Award"

MIDLAND, Texas, September 11, 2007 / PRNewswire / - Dawson Geophysical Company (Nasdaq: DWSN).

Citing the companies' high regard for sensitive environmental and archeological areas, the US Bureau of Land Management (BLM) honored Dawson Geophysical Company and BP with a Best Management Practices award for their 18-month Manzanaras 3D Seismic Survey project in northwest New Mexico.

This is the first time such an award has been given for a seismic survey from the BLM. Dawson Geophysical Company and BP received the award at the recent 2007 Rocky Mountain Natural Gas conference in Denver.

Navigating 600 ft. cliffs, sensitive archeological sites and a world-class fly fishing river, Dawson Geophysical Company and BP successfully obtained the 180-square mile seismic survey while avoiding damage to the environment.

"Our priority throughout this survey was to safely obtain high-caliber seismic information while not disturbing the environment," said Rob Horine, BP geophysicist and project manager.

By making use of existing roads, pipeline right-of-ways and dry creek beds, the team was able to greatly limit surface damages.

Although most of the survey was on public lands, the team also worked closely with the local communities and more than 900 private land owners.

"We did a lot of educating as we went from land owner to land owner getting our surface agreements and explaining to them exactly what we were doing," said Dan Larson, GPA regional director of BP. "Our intent was to be very responsive to every question or concern."

"The survey information acquired is certainly comparable to the best in BP with negligible environmental impact," said Andy Cunningham, San Juan South resource manager. "By combining planning and technology, it is possible to virtually eliminate the impacts of a seismic survey."

"In July, we visited one of the main equipment staging areas for the BLM video," said Larson. "Two summers ago, there were trucks, trailers, helicopter flight operations, miles of sensor cables and hundreds of workers occupying the top of the mesa above the San Juan River. Now we see the grass on the mesa has recovered and there's fresh evidence that a rancher is running his cattle across. You'd hardly know we were there."

A panel composed of BLM representatives, the energy industry and representatives of conservation groups review the nominations for the annual BMP awards. The awards recognize "operators and their partners who demonstrate leadership and creativity in reducing the impacts of development. The Bureau defines BMP's as: innovative, dynamic and economically feasible mitigation measures applied on a site-specific basis to reduce, prevent or avoid adverse environmental impacts," said Larson.

About Dawson Geophysical Company

Dawson Geophysical Company is the leading provider of U.S. onshore seismic data acquisition services as measured by the number of active data acquisition crews. Founded in 1952, Dawson acquires and processes 2-D, 3-D, and multi-component seismic data solely for its clients, ranging from major oil and gas companies to independent oil and gas operators as well as providers of multi-client data libraries.

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