



## **BC Oil and Gas Commission To Assume Responsibility for Core Storage**

**TO:** Industry Clients

**EFFECTIVE DATE:** April 1, 2012

### **BACKGROUND**

The BC Oil and Gas Commission (Commission) is taking over staffing responsibilities at the Charlie Lake core storage facility from the Ministry of Energy and Mines as of April 1, 2012. The Charlie Lake core storage facility is the provincial repository for oil and gas related core and drill cutting samples. This facility is critical to oil and gas development and provides a public archive and access to cores and cuttings.

The current facility was initially built in the late 1950s. There have been five major warehouse expansions, the latest being completed in 2000. Due to high levels of activity in the last decade an expansion of core storage capacity is now required.

The current site will be retained to house the existing core, and the Commission will be constructing a new warehouse and core viewing facility in Fort St. John where all future core will be stored. There will be no change in service levels during this transition.

As part of the process, the Commission is interested in receiving input from industry clients regarding the future facility. Input is requested regarding layout as well as services and amenities that assist clients in their use of the core facility.

**Please forward any suggestions regarding the facility or questions you may have regarding this Industry Bulletin to:**

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