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Winners to Be Recognized 5 May at Annual OTC Dinner

Houston, Texas, USA (12 February 2013) – The Offshore Technology Conference (OTC) will present its 2013 Distinguished Achievement Awards on 5 May at the Annual OTC Dinner to Ken Arnold for individual achievement and to Total Exploration and Production for corporate achievement. In addition, the Heritage Award will be presented to E. Dendy Sloan, PhD and James Brill, PhD.

The Annual OTC Dinner takes place at 5:30 p.m. Sunday at Reliant Stadium in Houston, Texas. The dinner kicks off the world’s largest conference for offshore development 6-9 May at Reliant Park in Houston.

OTC Distinguished Achievement Award for Individuals
Ken Arnold is being recognized for his outstanding leadership and extensive contributions to the E&P industry. His many achievements include playing an integral role in the offshore industry’s focus on safety through the development of Recommended Practices for offshore design and safety management; and developing approaches to both equipment sizing and facility project management that are still in use today. He also has been instrumental in the effort to establish oilfield facilities engineering as a recognized technical engineering specialty.

OTC Distinguished Achievement Award for Companies, Organizations, or Institutions
Total is being honored for its Pazflor deep offshore development in Angola. Now 18 months into production, Pazflor is one of the world’s largest and most sophisticated deep offshore developments to date. In addition to the first use of subsea separation and pumping on a wide scale, the project included the construction of the world’s largest FPSO, and one of the most complex subsea networks. Pazflor made a significant contribution to industrial development in Angola with 3.5 million man-hours of work undertaken locally. The field started up one month ahead of schedule in August 2011.

OTC Heritage Awards
James Brill and Dendy Sloan are being recognized for their leadership and pioneering spirit. James Brill, Professor Emeritus at the University of Tulsa, is a trailblazer in the discipline of multiphase flow in pipes and wells. His research in this area led to the formation of the Tulsa University Fluid Flow Projects. He also founded the Tulsa University Paraffin Deposition Projects. He has published more than 200 technical papers and research reports.

Dendy Sloan has been an industry leader, professor and researcher in the area of hydrates for four decades. The modeling and simulation tools resulting from his research are used daily for the design and operation of offshore production systems. In 1993, he founded the International Conference on Gas Hydrates. Two decades later, the conference has grown to more than 1,000 participants. He has authored more than 230 publications and five books on hydrates in flow assurance.

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Annual OTC Dinner
The Annual OTC Dinner will recognize award recipients, raise funds for the Offshore Energy Center, and provide an excellent opportunity for industry leaders to network with colleagues from around the world. The success of the dinner is dependent upon the generosity of OTC’s supporters. Sponsorship opportunities are available. Contact Craig W. Moritz at 713.457.6888 or email cmoritz@otcnet.org. Individual tickets can be purchased for USD 150. Visit http://www.otcnet.org/2013/pages/general/registration.php.

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