

Emerging Maintenance Trends

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Abstract:

We are all generally aware of the amount of investment either in place or planned for heavy oil and oilsands development. Even more impressive, however, is the amount of maintenance, sustaining capital, and turnaround work that these investments will generate. It is essential that this work be done in the most effective manner possible. Otherwise, development costs will soar and skilled manpower will become even scarcer. Contractual relationships which align owner and contractor objectives have a number of advantages over more traditional approaches. Some aspects of emerging trends will be discussed.

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