

To: Guide, John
Subject: RE: call
Importance: Normal

John,

On the contrary, i did listen. I don't think you did. I heard all the opinions - except yours. I heard you say several times, "OK David, what do you want to do". I did not hear the Wells Team Leader take charge of the discussion, weigh the FACTS and the opinions, and then offer a logical, fact based decision. I value our WSL's opinions immensely. I do not always blindly follow them when they have no basis, only gut feel, and ignore the facts.

Jimmy Adams is in Mississippi. He stated that he is a long way away and not fully familiar with the circumstances. Do you honestly believe that I should base a decision on his opinion we he admits he has limited knowledge of our well?

This morning, you agreed with me. You said, "I agree with you 100%". Bleeding off 10.5 bbls to check for trapped pressure was incorrect, and I believe that you know it. The facts are that the 16" casing test required approximately 3 bbls to change the casing pressure by 358 psi. Adding 1700' more hole and associated volume (25%) does not translate into 7.5 bbls more. Ronnie's desire to bleed off 3 bbls this afternoon (with DP pressure of 100 psi) to 'check for trapped pressure' is way too much. The facts support this - he even admitted it - if you were listening. The fact that the second circulation had more gas than the first is evidence that something changed to reduce the bottom hole pressure. Also, everyone, even the WSLs, agreed that even if we bled trapped pressure, we would still have to go to 12.3 ppg, at least. So why chance it?

It is good well control practice to check for trapped pressure after shutting down - but only when you are close to bottom and have equal, clean fluids on both sides. In this case, 1200' off bottom, with unknown column of gassy fluid below us, 12.1 ppg fluid above and at least a 12.5 ppg kick zone below, bleeding an arbitrary volume of mud off to "see if we have trapped pressure" is the wrong thing to do. I challenge you to find a single well control expert that would disagree. The WSLs are not well control experts. They are fantastic drillers - the best in the SPU, if not the industry. However, they do not circulate out kicks for a living, especially 1200' off bottom with many unknowns.

I also heard you say disgustedly that we "can't take forever to make a decision" after a few second pause while everyone was thinking. Also heard, "I had to go outside to save my family from being killed" apparently randomly during the call. I'm sure nobody had a clue what you were talking about.

Crane incident contacting the Schl unit - John had not heard about it when I read it in the morning.

Kick and stuck at 10 pm - Brett got call hours later. He made no call during the night - I learned about it in the morning.

First aid - slip and fall in the living quarters - no call to John or anyone - read about it in the report.

You seem to love being the victim. Everything is someone else's fault. You criticize nearly everything we do on the rig but don't seem to realize that you are responsible for everything we do on the rig.

You seem to think that running is more important than well control. Left to go run in the middle of trying to pull the stuck logging tool free.

You will not call the rig in the ops room. you have to sneak out of the room and call them on your cell

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phone or go back to your office while everyone is in the ops room.

You can't sit in a meeting and listen to others' opinions without arguing them. You think when somebody has an opinion that they are demanding action. You complain that a bunch of young engineers are throwing out all kinds of wild ideas and that it is driving you crazy. You don't listen. You key on a random word or phrase and then you fixate on that and don't hear anything else. You are always defensive and the victim. You seem to not want to make a decision so that you can criticize it later.

I will hand this well over to you in the morning and then you will be able to do whatever you want. I would strongly suggest, for everyone's sake, that you make logical decisions, based on facts, after weighing all the opinions. Taking an action just because the WSLs want to do it, when there is a strong argument against and multiple contrary opinions is not advised.

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You did not listen. Jimmy adams a person you asked to be involved agreed with murry and ronnie. Your mind was wade up. You never asked the wsl opinions.

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What did I do to make you mad?