



## Optimizing Fracturing Design by Applying Multicluster (TCP) in Horizontal Wells for Unconventional Development

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## INTRODUCTION

- Unconventional completions optimization is important for shale/tight field development to provide the industry with cost-effective solutions.
- Several technologies are available to create the toe perforations (1<sup>st</sup> stage perforations) required to enable using the pump-down technique.
- In Argentina, several unconventional completions methods are available, such as fracturing sleeves, sand jetting, tractor conveyed perforating, etc.
- However, complex geometry or collapsed wells requires a more reliable completion technic.



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## TCP Multi-cluster & Coiled Tubing

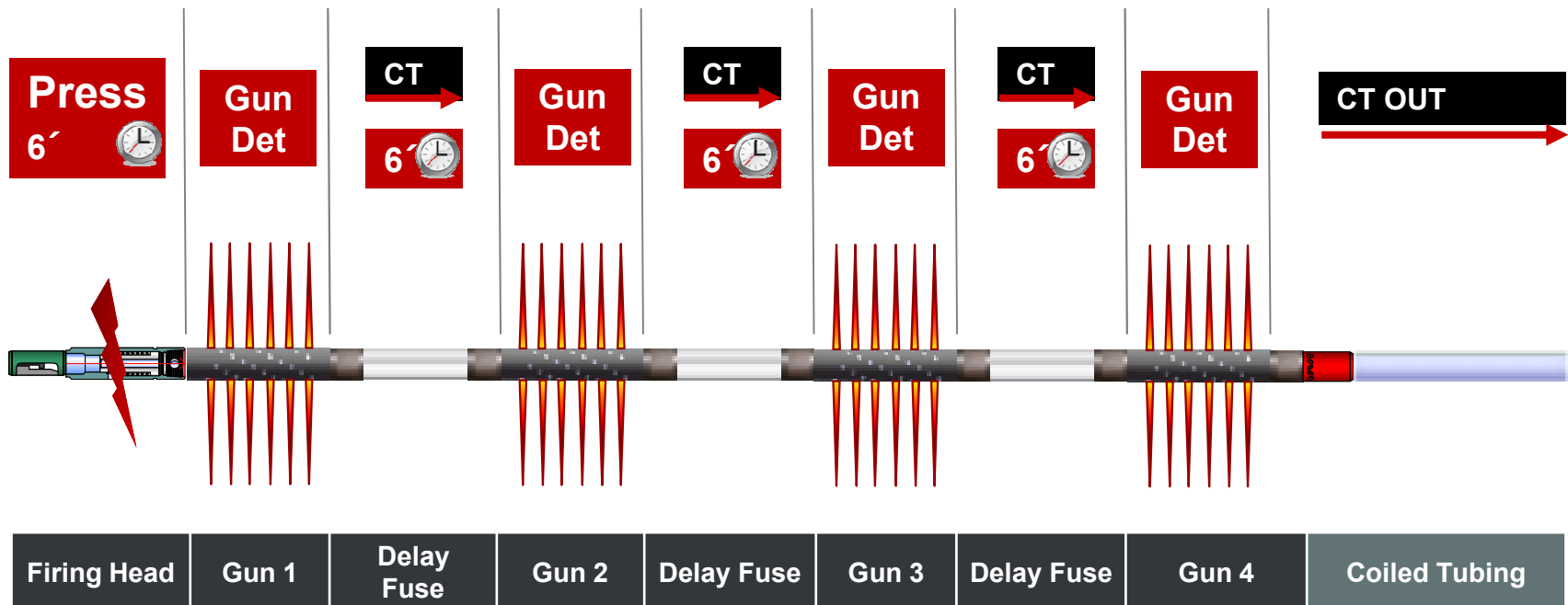
### Objective

- A single tubing conveyed perforating (TCP) run can make a Toe Perforating possible, not only accomplishing cluster distribution to optimize the fracturing design but also allowing complex-geometry well completions for which coiled tubing (CT) is the only conveyance option.
  - Reduce Breakdown pressure of 1<sup>st</sup> stage.
  - Avoid pre-frac treatment.
  - Flexible perforating design for clean perforation tunnel.
  - Provide independent perforating of selected zones.
  - Leave the stage ready for hydraulic stimulation eliminating additional Pump Down run.
  - A safe and reliable system for Toe perforating

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## Multi-cluster sequence

TCP Step by Step



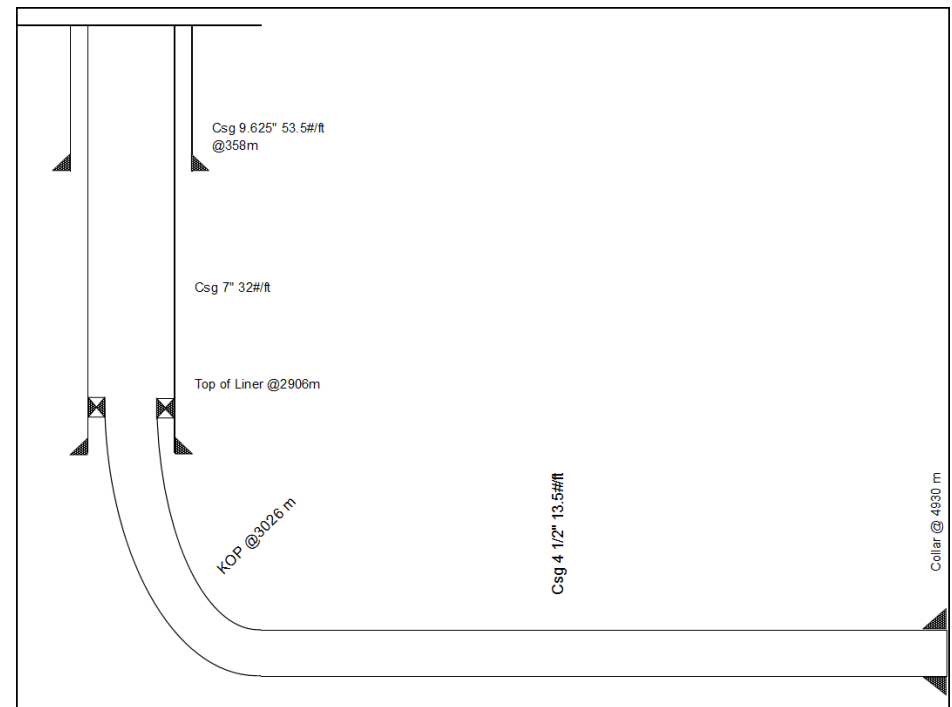
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## CASE HISTORY

### Well conditions - Objective

- Operator requested to perform Toe perforation (1 gun)
- 2000mts Horizontal well
- TVD 3100 mts
- MD 5000 mts
- No Initial Perforation to perform Pump Down.
- No tractor in country.
- Shale Formation (Vaca Muerta)



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# CASE HISTORY

## Solution - TCP

- **TCP Multi-cluster with 4 guns**
- 1 ft of effective perforating length, each gun
- 2-3/4" Gun System
- Deep penetration Charges
- 6 SPF, phase 60° , RDX
- BHA Length 11.4 m
- Distance between clusters ~ 20 mts

Element	Description
Firing Head	Pressure actuated, including delay fuse of 6'.
Delay Fuse	Time delay element that gives 6' for gun positioning.

Item	Description	I.D.	OD	Length	Depth (mKB)
CT	Flapper	25.4mm	73mm	0.00	4871.8
	Coil Disconnect	21mm	73mm	0.00	4871.8
	Crossover 2,3/8 Box PAC-2,3/4 Acme SOLID	N/A	73.00	0.13	4871.93
	Gun Blank top shot	N/A	72.00	0.86	4872.79
	Gun Load	N/A	72.00	0.28	4873.07
	Gun Blank Botton	N/A	72.00	0.23	4873.3
	Dual PAI	N/A	72.00	0.21	4873.51
	Delay Element	N/A	63.00	0.33	4873.84
	Crossover 2,3/8 Box Acme-2,1/2 Acme Box	N/A	72.00	0.40	4874.24
	Gun Blank top shot	N/A	72.00	0.86	4875.1
	Gun Load	N/A	72.00	0.28	4875.38
TCP	Gun Blank Botton	N/A	72.00	0.23	4875.61
	Dual PAI	N/A	72.00	0.21	4875.82
	Delay Element	N/A	63.00	0.33	4876.15
	Crossover 2,3/8 Box Acme-2,1/2 Acme Box	N/A	72.00	0.40	4876.55
	Gun Blank top shot	N/A	72.00	0.86	4877.41
	Gun Load	N/A	72.00	0.28	4877.69
	Gun Blank Botton	N/A	72.00	0.23	4877.92
	Dual PAI	N/A	72.00	0.21	4878.13
	Delay Element	N/A	63.00	0.33	4878.46
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	Gun Blank top shot	N/A	72.00	0.86	4879.72
	Gun Load	N/A	72.00	0.28	4880
	Gun Blank Botton	N/A	72.00	0.23	4880.23
	Dual PAI	N/A	72.00	0.21	4880.44
	TDF	N/A	63.00	0.51	4880.95
	Plug Vent	N/A	63.00	0.13	4881.08

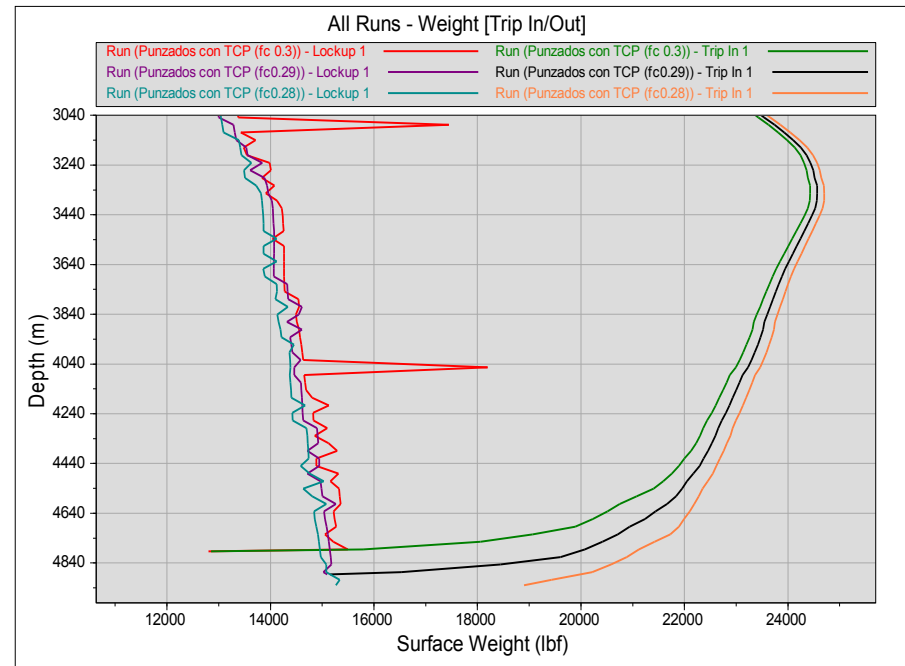
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# CASE HISTORY

## BHA design Coiled Tubing - Challenge

- Achieve well depth with a no flowing tool.
- LockUp following simulation results

FC	Lock Up Depth
0.30	4793 mts
0.29	4886 mts
0.28	No LockUp



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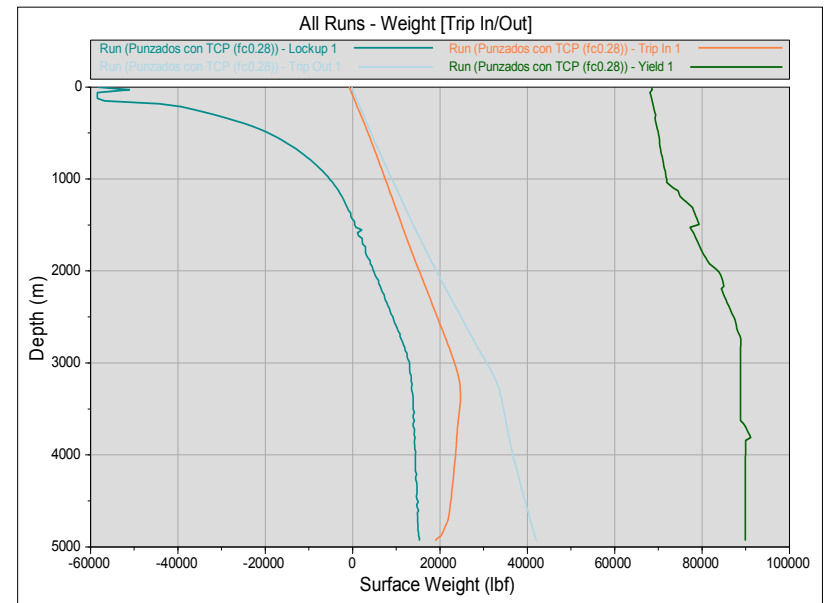


# CASE HISTORY

## BHA design Coiled Tubing - Challenge

- Based on the simulations and experience, it is necessary to perform the job with a vibrating tool and a circulation port that allows pumping through.
- Pump friction reducer.
- Following these conditions, we can consider a FC of 0.28 in order to achieve the bottom of the well.

Depth Variable	Value	Unit
	4930 m	
Max Weight RIH	24698	Lbf
Max Weight POOH	41983	Lbf
Lock Up	N/A	Lbf
Max Pick Up at Depth	17124	Lbf
Max Surface tension	90291	Lbf
Max set down on end	-150	Lbf
CT inner pressure	1486	Psi
Annular velocity	190(4.5")/65(7")	Ft/min



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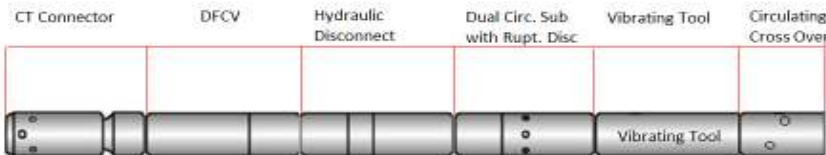
Solution – Coiled Tubing

## BHA details

- CT Connector
- DFCV
- Hydraulic Disconnect
- Circulating Sub + Rupture Disc
- Vibrating Tool
- Cross Over with circulating ports (2 of 1/4")
- Perforating Guns

## CT String

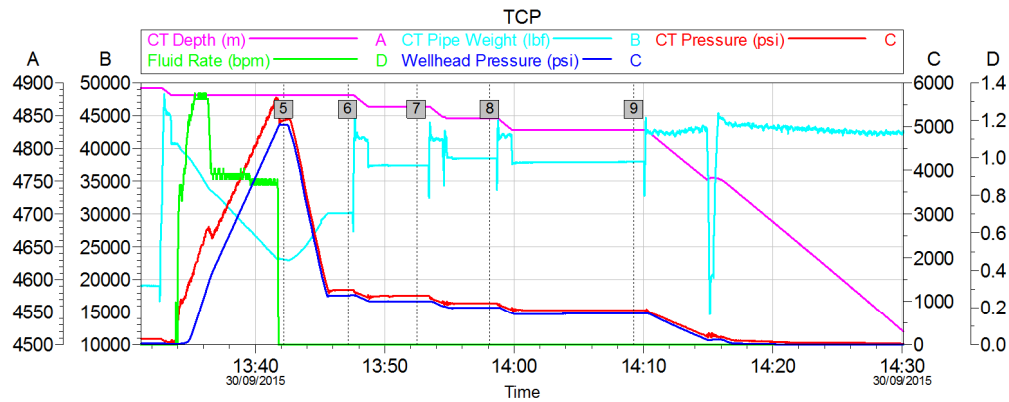
- Quality: QT-1000
- Wall Thickness
  - 0 – 1897 mts → 0.188"
  - 1897 – 4012 mts → 0.175"
  - 4012 – 5300 mts → 0.156"



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# CASE HISTORY

## Operational Description & Outcomes

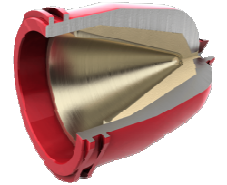


Global Event Log						
Intersection	CD	CPW	CP	FR	WP	
5 Initiator Activation	13:42:12	4881	23112	5140	0.000	5037
6 Fire #1	13:47:11	4881	30184	1266	0.000	1143
7 Fire #2	13:52:29	4864	37384	1132	0.000	1005
8 Fire #3	13:58:08	4846	38498	957.0	0.000	858.0
9 Fire #4	14:09:17	4828	37947	793.0	0.000	721.0

- CT reaches Max Depth to correlate with Collar.
- Detonation sequence initiated by applying 5000 psi over Firing head (pressure actuated)
- Gun detonation not detected at surface.
- Guns positioning performed by monitoring time and delay sequence.
- Coiled Tubing POOH and Gun detonation confirmed at surface.

Hydraulic treatment executed avoiding the additional Wireline intervention for Pump-Down run.

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## CONCLUSION

- Cluster distribution (for Toe Perforating) executed according to the frac plan.
- Improved perforating design to reduce the need of pumping additional treatments.
  - Increase N° of shots/guns
  - Use of different shaped charges technology to improve tunnel clean up.
- Has been proven effective and safe for toe perforating.
  - This is a feasible option for complex-geometry well.
  - Early production of collapsed wells.
- Operator saving and additional Perforating run to complete the stage design.
  
- Execute the entire completion program replacing other perforating technics.
  - Plug & Perforating run deployed by Coiled Tubing.

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**QUESTIONS? THANK YOU!**

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