Baker Hughes Announces June 2006 Rig Counts

HOUSTON, July 11 /PRNewswire-FirstCall/ -- Baker Hughes Incorporated (NYSE: BHI; EBS) announced today that the international rig count for June 2006 was 906, down 14 from the 920 counted in May 2006, and down 26 from the 932 counted in June 2005. The international offshore rig count for June 2006 was 265, down 10 from the 275 counted in May 2006 and down 26 from the 291 counted in June 2005.

(1) Excluding Iran and Sudan, the international rig count for June 2006 was 906, down 14 from the 920 counted in May 2006, and up 30 from the 876 counted in June 2005. The international offshore rig count for June 2006 was 265, down 10 from the 275 counted in May 2006 and down 18 from the 283 counted in June 2005.

The US rig count for June 2006 was 1,665 up 30 from the 1,635 counted in May 2006 and up 310 from the 1,355 counted in June 2005. The Canadian rig count for June 2006 was 408, up 168 from the 240 counted in May 2006 and up 115 from the 293 counted in June 2005.

The worldwide rig count for June 2006 was 2,979, up 184 from the 2,795 counted in May 2006 and up 399 from the 2,580 counted in June 2005. 1Excluding Iran and Sudan, the worldwide rig count for June 2006 was 2,979, up 184 from the 2,795 counted in May 2006 and up 455 from the 2,524 counted in June 2005.

June 2006 Rotary Rig Counts

	June 2006				May 2006			June 2005		
	Land	OS	Total	Var.	Land	OS	Total	Land	OS	Total
Europe	21	57	78	-8	25	61	86	25	53	78
Middle East	203	32	235	6	198	31	229	210	38	248
Africa	35	13	48	-2	38	12	50	36	17	53
Latin America	266	62	328	-5	268	65	333	261	67	328
Asia Pacific	116	101	217	-5	116	106	222	109	116	225
International	641	265	906	-14	645	275	920	641	291	932
United States	1570	95	1665	30	1512	100	1635	1259	96	1355
Canada	404	4	408	168	237	3	240	289	4	293
North America	1974	99	2073	221	1749	103	1875	1548	100	1648
Worldwide	2615	364	2979	184	2394	378	2795	2189	391	2580

(1) Beginning with the January 2006 report, the company has discontinued its rig count for Iran and Sudan. In the third quarter of 2005, our independent foreign subsidiaries initiated a process to prohibit any business activity that directly or indirectly involves or facilitates transactions in Iran, Sudan or with their governments, including government-controlled companies operating outside of these countries.

(1) June 2006 Totals excluding Iran and Sudan

	June 2006				May 2006			June 2005		
	Land	OS	Total	Var.	Land	OS	Total	Land	OS	Total
Middle East	203	32	235	6	198	31	229	162	30	192
International	641	265	906	-14	645	275	920	593	283	876

Worldwide Total	2615	364	2979	184	2417	378	2795	2141	383	2524

June 2006 Workover Rig Counts

	June 2006	Var.	May 2006	June 2005
United States	1647	10	1657	1309
Canada	760	234	526	508
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North America	2407	224	2183	1817

About the Baker Hughes Rig Counts

The Baker Hughes Rotary Rig Counts are counts of the number of drilling rigs actively exploring for or developing oil or natural gas in the United States, Canada and international markets. Baker Hughes has issued the rotary rig counts as a service to the petroleum industry since 1944, when Hughes Tool Company began weekly counts of US and Canadian drilling activity. Hughes initiated the monthly international rig count in 1975. In 1987, Baker Oil Tools began its monthly workover rig count.

North American rig count data is scheduled to be released at noon central time on the last working day of each week. The international rig count and North American workover rig counts are scheduled to be released on the 5th working day of the month. Additional detailed information on the Baker Hughes rig counts is available from our website at http://www.bakerhughes.com/investor/rig .

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