Expanded 3M Oil & Gas offerings to be showcased at OTC

Featured products range from time-tested to high potential

HOUSTON – April 30, 2007 (Booth #3679) – A broad sampling of 3M products for offshore oil and gas exploration and production will be on display at the 3M Booth (#3679) during the Offshore Technology Conference (OTC) in Houston, Texas, April 30 – May 3, 2007.

During the Conference, visitors can get a firsthand look at a number of new and emerging 3M products for the oil and gas industry debut at OTC, including:

- **3M™ Scotchkote™ 323 Liquid Epoxy Coating** is a two-part system designed to protect steel pipe and other metal surfaces from the harsh effects of corrosion. It can be used as a patch material, a girthweld coating, a stand alone coating for pipe rehabilitation and in a wide variety of other field applications where corrosion protection of metal is required.

- **3M™ Speedglas™ Welding Helmets** are ergonomically designed for improved comfort and worker safety. Speedglas helmets are equipped with an Auto-Darkening Filter (ADF), which turns dark the moment an arc is struck, and returns to a lighter shade when welding stops.
• **3M™ Dynatel™ Locating and Marking Products** provide solutions for locating, fault finding, accurate marking, and relocation of buried facilities for companies concerned with ensuring safety, restoring outages, minimizing operating costs and efficiently managing assets. Included are simple systems using passive and RFID technology for positive identification of buried facilities and functionality with industry standard GPS/GIS mapping systems. The familiar Dynatel yellow is recognized worldwide as a symbol of product quality and ease of use.

• **3M™ Single Gas and Multi-Gas Detectors** – A recent addition to the 3M safety products family, this dependable, accurate and easy to use line of portable monitoring devices helps detect certain gases that may be present in a user’s environment. 3M gas detectors display current and peak gas exposure levels, and give off both a visual and high-decibel audible alarm when exposure levels reach preset alarm levels. Single gas detectors are available for hydrogen sulfide, carbon monoxide or oxygen; while multi-gas detectors detect up to 5 gases at a time, using a series of 3M smart sensors.

Visitors to the 3M booth will have the opportunity to learn about these and a wealth of other 3M products, where some of the company’s best-known products for oil and gas exploration and production will be displayed:

• **3M™ Glass Bubbles** – These high-strength, lightweight additives have been used for years to enhance buoyancy and thermal insulation properties of syntactic foams employed in risers, pipelines and submersible vehicles. They are also finding increasing use as high-performance alternatives to nitrogen foam and cenospheres in low density cements, and for replacing aeration in low density drilling fluids to allow for more predictable hydraulics.
• **CUNO Liquid Filtration** – A wide range of liquid filter systems for oil and gas industry applications, including waterflood, well completion and workover fluids. CUNO filtration technologies offer longer service life and improved capture and retention of contaminants – helping to control maintenance costs, reduce downtime and improve the quality and consistency of process fluids. Manufactured and sold by CUNO Incorporated a 3M company, and its affiliates.

• **3M™ Novec™ 1230 Fire Protection Fluid** – A halon replacement, this clean extinguishing agent is used to safeguard critical assets, while combining high extinguishing efficiency with low global warming potential, short atmospheric lifetime and a wide safety margin. The fluid now comes with the 3M™ Blue SkySM Warranty, an industry-first assurance guaranteeing that if Novec 1230 fluid is banned from or restricted in use as a fire protection agent due to ozone depletion potential or global warming potential, 3M will refund the purchase price of the fluid.

• **3M™ Fire Barrier Products** – Caulks, sealants, wraps, firestop devices and other products that help contain fire hazards and safeguard facilities against catastrophic loss. Used to protect critical cabling, piping and structural members, and to isolate offshore living quarters.

• **3M™ Cold Shrink Splicing and Termination Systems** – Field-tested reliable products for splicing and terminating power cables without heat or special tools. Helps make installation faster and safer, reducing the risk of craft-related failure.

• **Scotch® High Strength Filament Reinforced Tapes For Armored Flexible Piping** – Used as a manufacturing aid during the armoring step in the production of flexible flow lines, risers and umbilicals, Scotch high strength filament reinforced tapes can help to prevent a catastrophic failure called “bird caging.”
• **3M™ Scotchkote™ 352 Liquid Polyurethane Coating For in-Service Pipeline Coating Rehabilitation and Girth Weld Protection** – An easy-to-apply, plural component high-performance coating for cold weather rehabilitation coating of steel pipelines to protect them from corrosion. The product also is used as a high-performance alternative to conventional shrink sleeve technology for projects where sufficient FBE thickness is applied during the line pipe coating process.

• **3M™ Scotchlite™ Reflective Material** – A family of retroreflective products that can be incorporated into apparel, footwear and accessories. Helps workers stay visible at dawn, dusk, or nighttime, and in inclement weather conditions.

• **3M™ Respirators, Protective Eyewear and Ear Muffs** – Lightweight, comfortable and easy-to-use protection for personnel in hazardous, dusty or noisy environments. Available in a variety of configurations to accommodate a wide range of hazards and conditions.

• **3M™ Petroleum, Chemical and Maintenance Sorbents** – 3M™ Petroleum Sorbents are used extensively for controlling, cleaning up, and recovering oil and petroleum-based liquids from bodies of water. They are also widely used as a preventative measure to contain potential spills and leaks from equipment and machinery. 3M offers static-resistant sorbents designed to be used for the safe cleanup of highly-flammable petroleum-based liquids. Spill kits, maintenance and chemical sorbents are also available.

• **Dyneon™ Fluoropolymers** – Temperature and chemical resistant elastomers and plastics used in the manufacture of seals, gaskets, piping, tubing, packers, wire line coating, expansion joints, blowout preventers and a wide variety of other components. Designed to increase reliability and extend the life of critical process equipment. Manufactured and sold by Dyneon, a 3M company, and its affiliates.
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