Baker Hughes Announces September 2013 Rig Counts

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HOUSTON, Oct. 7, 2013 /PRNewswire/ -- Baker Hughes Incorporated (NYSE:BHI) announced today that the international rig count for September 2013 was 1,284, up 17 from the 1,267 counted in August 2013, and up 30 from the 1,254 counted in September 2012. The international offshore rig count for September 2013 was 313, up 4 from the 309 counted in August 2013, and up 20 from the 293 counted in September 2012.

The average U.S. rig count for September 2013 was 1,760, down 21 from the 1,781 counted in August 2013, and down 99 from the 1,859 counted in September 2012. The average Canadian rig count for September 2013 was 387, up 19 from the 368 counted in August 2013, and up 32 from the 355 counted in September 2012.

The worldwide rig count for September 2013 was 3,431, up 15 from the 3,416 counted in August 2013, and down 37 from the 3,468 counted in September 2012.

September 2013 Rotary Rig Counts

	September 2013			Month	August 2013			September 2012		
	Land	Offshore	Total	Variance	Land	Offshore	Total	Land	Offshore	Total
Latin America	319	85	404	5	318	81	399	331	80	411
Europe	88	51	139	-4	88	55	143	78	46	124
Africa	84	35	119	-6	93	32	125	84	24	108
Middle East*	337	42	379	17	317	45	362	336	45	381
Asia Pacific	143	100	243	5	142	96	238	132	98	230
International	**971**	**313**	**1,284**	**17**	**958**	**309**	**1,267**	**961**	**293**	**1,254**
United States	1,695	65	1,760	-21	1,720	61	1,781	1,808	51	1,859
Canada	382	5	387	19	364	4	368	354	1	355
North America	**2,077**	**70**	**2,147**	**-2**	**2,084**	**65**	**2,149**	**2,162**	**52**	**2,214**
Worldwide	**3,048**	**383**	**3,431**	**15**	**3,042**	**374**	**3,416**	**3,123**	**345**	**3,468**

* The Middle East rig count excludes rigs in Syria for August and September 2013.

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. Baker Hughes initiated the monthly international rig count in 1975.

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 is 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.

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