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Technician servicing Canyon Offshore ROV

Executive Summary

Highlights (A)

(\$ in millions, except per share data)

	Quarter Ended		
	<u>3/31/2009</u>	<u>3/31/2008</u>	<u>12/31/2008</u>
Revenues (B)	\$ 571	\$ 442	\$ 534
Gross Profit (Loss):			
Operating	\$ 161 28%	\$ 137 31%	\$ 85 16%
Oil & Gas Impairments	-	(17)	(193)
Exploration Expense	-	(2)	(27)
Total	<u>\$ 161</u>	<u>\$ 119</u>	<u>\$ (135)</u>
Goodwill and Other Intangible Impairments	\$ -	\$ -	\$ (704)
Net Income (Loss)	\$ 53 (C)	\$ 73	\$ (861)
Diluted Earnings (Loss) Per Share	\$ 0.50	\$ 0.77	\$ (9.48)
<u>Adjusted EBITDAX (D)</u>			
Contracting Services	\$ 72	\$ 57	\$ 104
Oil & Gas	195	186	18
Elimination	-	(4)	(4)
Adjusted EBITDAX	<u>\$ 267</u>	<u>\$ 239</u>	<u>\$ 118</u>

(A) Results of Helix RDS classified as discontinued operations.

(B) Reflects reversal of \$73.5 million previously disputed accrued royalties.

(C) After \$53 million of non-cash charges related to convertible preferred stock.

(D) See non GAAP reconciliation on slides 24-25.

- First quarter results included the following matters resulting in an after tax net impact of \$0.28 per share:
 - Non-cash dividends related to convertible preferred stock totaling \$53.4 million
 - \$73.5 million gain from MMS royalties reversal in early 2009 based on favorable court decision
 - \$54.6 million in mark-to-market gains on natural gas hedges
- Net debt balance decreased by \$48 million in first quarter (\$97 million on a Helix stand alone basis)
- Repurchase of 13.6 million Cal Dive shares by Cal Dive for proceeds of \$86 million
- Gulf of Mexico Q1 exit production rate restored to near pre-lke levels
- Oil and gas production totaled 11.9 Bcfe for Q1 2009 versus 6.4 Bcfe in Q4 2008
 - Avg realized price for oil \$57.82 / bbl (\$49.08 / bbl in Q4 2008)
 - Avg realized price for gas \$5.35 / Mcf (\$6.32 / Mcf in Q4 2008)

- Helix expects to further reduce net debt in 2009, exclusive of asset sales
- Capital expenditures of approximately \$300 million
 - \$175 million relates to completion of three major vessel projects (Well Enhancer, Caesar and Helix Producer I)
 - Most of remaining CAPEX is maintenance
 - 2009 planned CAPEX spread evenly over the year
- 2009 oil and gas production levels expected to be between 45 – 55 Bcfe



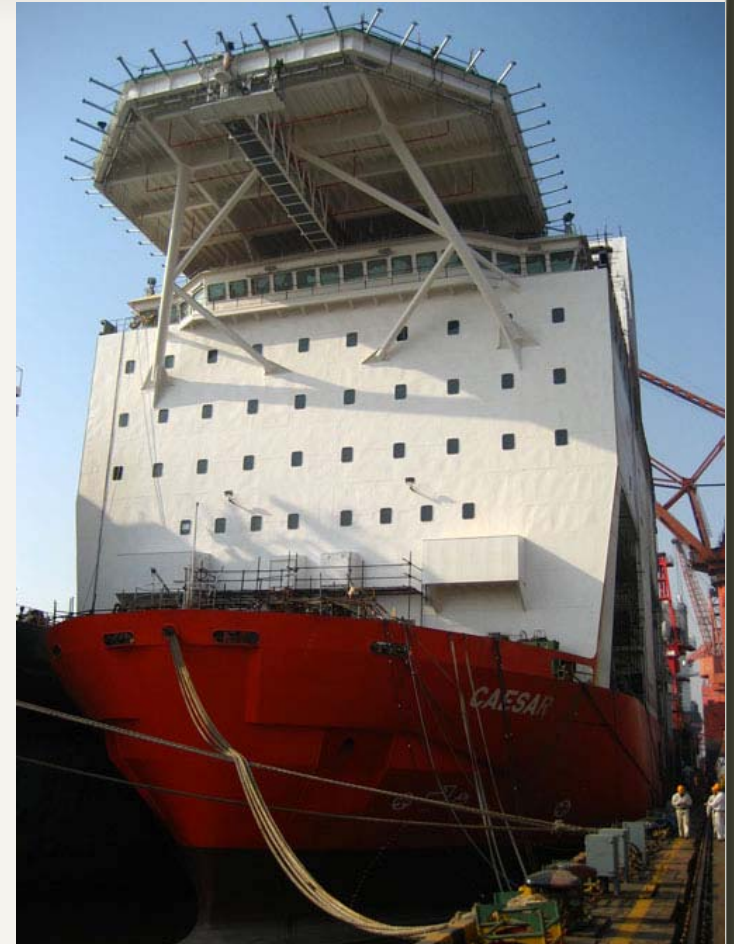
Helix Well Ops' Intervention Riser System

Helix Stand Alone*

	<u>3/31/2009</u>	<u>12/31/2008</u>
Gross Debt (A)	\$ 1,611	\$ 1,712
Cash On Hand	<u>157</u>	<u>161</u>
Net Debt	<u><u>\$1,454</u></u>	<u><u>\$1,551</u></u>

- \$100 million paid down on revolver in Q1
- \$159 million of additional borrowing capacity under revolving credit facility (as of 5/4/2009)
- Net debt position expected to decrease further by 12/31/2009
- Monetization of non-core assets would add additional liquidity and increase net debt reduction

(A) Reflects impact of retrospective adoption of accounting standard which required bifurcation of Helix's convertible senior notes between debt and equity components. Impact on first quarter 2009 and fourth quarter 2008 was reduction in debt totaling \$32.9 million and \$34.8 million, respectively.



Caesar undergoing conversion in China

*All amounts, estimates and commentary exclusive of Cal Dive

Liquidity and Capital Resources

- Approximately 80% of estimated remaining 2009 oil and gas production hedged (see detailed schedule on slide 22 for current hedge positions)
- Company is focused on efforts to monetize non-core assets and businesses
 - Helix RDS, reservoir consulting group, sold for \$25 million on April 27, 2009
 - Oil and gas assets
 - East Cameron 316 sale in February 2009 (\$18 million)
 - Cal Dive (51% owned subsidiary)
 - Sold 13.6 million shares of Cal Dive common stock to Cal Dive for gross proceeds of \$86 million in January 2009

Monetization of some or all non-core assets would accelerate debt reduction and bolster liquidity

Key Credit Facility Covenants

Covenant	Test	Explanation
Collateral Coverage Ratio	> 1.75 : 1	Basket of collateral to Senior Secured Debt
Fixed Charge Coverage Ratio	> 2.75 : 1	Consolidated EBITDA (incl. Cal Dive %) to consolidated interest charges
Consolidated Leverage Ratio	< 3.5 : 1	Consolidated EBITDA (incl. Cal Dive %) to consolidated debt

Company is in compliance as of 3/31/2009, and based on current forecasts expects to be in compliance throughout 2009

Credit Facilities, Commitments and Amortization

- **\$420 Million Revolving Credit Facility** – committed facility through June 2011. No required amortization. \$159 million available as of 5/4/09.
- **\$418 Million Term Loan B** – committed facility through June 2013. \$4.3 million amortization annually.
- **\$550 Million High Yield Notes** – Interest only until maturity (2016) or called by Helix. First Helix call date is 2012.
- **\$300 Million Convertible Notes** – Interest only until put by noteholders or called by Helix. First put/call date is 2012, although noteholders have the right to convert prior to that date if certain stock price triggers are met (\$38.56).
- **\$121 Million MARAD** – Original 25 year term; matures February 2027. \$4.3 million principal payments annually.

*Amounts exclusive of Cal Dive



Canyon Offshore ROV spread mobilizing for ENI Pegasus project in the Gulf of Mexico

Subsea Construction

- Intrepid worked in GOM for ENI and Anadarko
- Express, REM Forza and Olympic Canyon working on Reliance Industries KGD6 project and were instrumental in achieving first gas on April 1.

Helix installed the following structures:

- 30 umbilicals from 30 meters to 7 kilometers in length
- 11 suction piles
- 10 subsea structures
- Fabricated and installed 21 out of 56 rigid jumpers, from 6 to 24 inches in diameter



24-inch deepwater jumper being installed by Express on Reliance KGD6 Project offshore India

Robotics

- Island Pioneer worked on various trenching projects in the North Sea in January and February before going into dry-dock in March. Vessel departed to India late March for trenching job for Reliance Industries
- Olympic Triton and Northern Canyon enjoyed decent utilization on deepwater projects in the Gulf of Mexico
- Olympic Canyon continued to operate in the Bay of Bengal under long term charter
- Seacor Canyon didn't contribute in the first quarter but is currently working for client in Southeast Asia on 50 day project.



Olympic Triton ROV support vessel

Well Ops

- Q4000 was out of service for nearly one month to install new thruster (leftover work from 2008 marine upgrades) and worked in the other months for Shell on well intervention projects and for ENI on the Longhorn project
- Seawell had a successful quarter in the North Sea after a slow start



Q4000 installing ENI Longhorn manifold



(\$ in millions, except percentages)

	Quarter Ended		
	<u>March 31</u>		<u>Dec 31</u>
	<u>2009</u>	<u>2008</u>	<u>2008</u>
<u>Revenues (B)</u>			
Contracting Services	\$ 231	\$ 175	\$ 293
Shelf Contracting	<u>207</u>	<u>145</u>	<u>262</u>
Total Revenue	<u><u>\$ 438</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 320</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 555</u></u>
<u>Gross Profit (B)</u>			
Contracting Services (C)	\$ 46	\$ 37	\$ 45
Profit Margin	20%	21%	15%
Shelf Contracting	39	25	89
Profit Margin	<u>19%</u>	<u>17%</u>	<u>34%</u>
Total Gross Profit	<u><u>\$ 85</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 62</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 134</u></u>
Gross Profit margin	19%	19%	24%
<u>Equity in Earnings (D)</u>	<u><u>\$ 8</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 11</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 6</u></u>

(A) Results of Helix RDS classified as discontinued operations.

(B) See non-GAAP reconciliation on slides 24-25. Amounts are prior to intercompany eliminations.

(C) Includes corporate and operational support overheads.

(D) Amounts primarily represent equity in earnings of Marco Polo and Independence Hub investments.

Revenue and Gross Profit by Division (\$ in millions)

	Quarter Ended		
	March 31		Dec 31
	2009	2008	2008
Revenues (B)			
Subsea Construction	\$ 179	\$ 150	\$ 227
Well Operations	52	25	66
Revenue Before Eliminations	<u>\$ 231</u>	<u>\$ 175</u>	<u>\$ 293</u>
Gross Profit (B)			
Subsea Construction (C)	\$ 34	\$ 36	\$ 19
Well Operations	12	1	26
Gross Profit Before Eliminations	<u>\$ 46</u>	<u>\$ 37</u>	<u>\$ 45</u>
Gross Profit Margin	20%	21%	15%

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	Quarter Ended		
	<u>2009</u>	<u>2008</u>	<u>Dec 31 2008</u>
<u>Vessel Utilization</u>			
<i>Contracting Services</i>			
Subsea Construction Vessels (A)	79%	99%	86%
Well Operations	76%	26%	93%
Robotics	64%	63%	80%
<i>Shelf Contracting</i>	49%	31%	78%
<u>Production Facilities Throughput</u>			
Marco Polo (MBOE)	191	3,126	447
Independence Hub (BCFE)	81.4	77.2	79.8

(A) Includes vessels on long-term charters.

Assets Under Construction

Well Enhancer

- Vessel has been delivered by shipyard
- Tower installation and commissioning complete
- SIL stack and control systems are undergoing systems integration test
- Remaining outfitting and commissioning work includes deck skidding systems, dive systems and mezzanine decks/tankage
- Vessel safety case has been accepted by UK Health & Safety

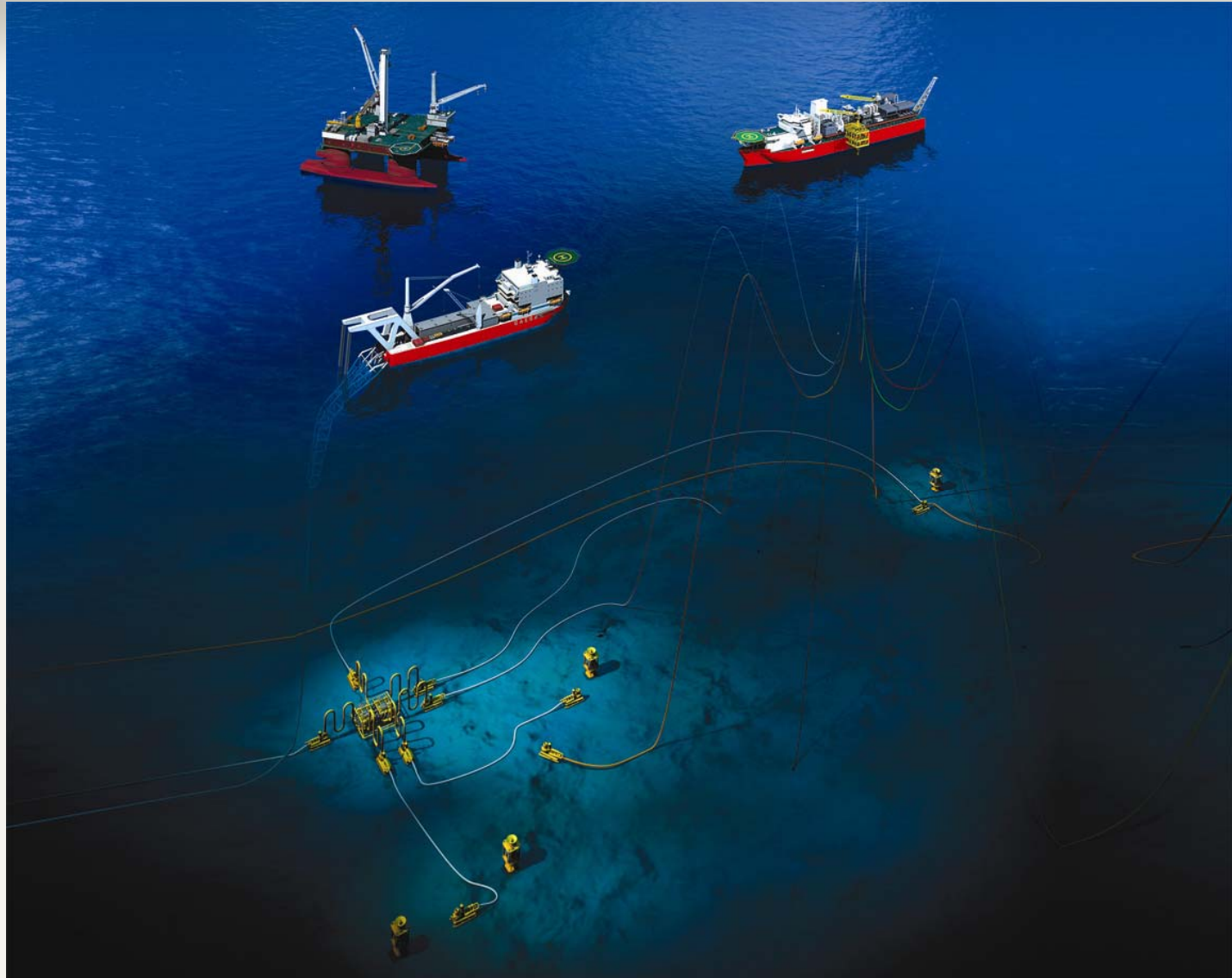
Helix Producer I

- Vessel en route to Gulf of Mexico for topside production equipment installation

Caesar

- Conversion in progress in COSCO shipyard
- Transits to Gulf of Mexico following conversion and sea trials scheduled for fourth quarter 2009





Phoenix field development

Financial Highlights

	Quarter Ended		
	March 31		Dec 31
	2009	2008	2008
Revenue (millions) (A)	\$ 160	\$ 171	\$ 46
Gross Profit (Loss) - Operating	76	80	(45)
Oil & Gas Impairments	-	(17)	(193)
Exploration Expense	-	(2)	(27)
Total	\$ 76	\$ 61	\$ (265)
Gain on Oil & Gas Derivative Contracts	\$ 75	\$ -	\$ 19

Production (Bcfe):

Shelf (B)	9.2	13.4	5.8
Deepwater	2.7	2.2	0.6
Total	<u>11.9</u>	<u>15.6</u>	<u>6.4</u>

Average Commodity Prices (C):

Oil / Bbl	\$ 57.82	\$ 87.32	\$ 49.08
Gas / Mcf	\$ 5.35	\$ 8.95	\$ 6.32

(A) Reflects reversal of \$73.5 million previously disputed accrued royalties.

(B) Includes UK production of 0.1 Bcfe in Q1 2009 and 0.2 Bcfe in Q1 2008.

(C) Including hedge impact.

Operating Costs (\$ in millions, except per Mcfe data)

	Quarter Ended					
	<u>March 31</u>			<u>December 31</u>		
	<u>2009</u>		<u>2008</u>		<u>2008</u>	
	<u>Total</u>	<u>per Mcfe</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>per Mcfe</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>per Mcfe</u>
DD&A (A)	\$ 48	\$ 4.04	\$ 57	\$ 3.66	\$ 49	\$ 7.63
Operating and Other:						
Operating Expenses (B)	\$ 19	1.56	\$ 22	1.43	\$ 14	2.11
Workover (C)	10	0.87	3	0.18	17	2.63
Transportation	1	0.10	1	0.06	1	0.10
Repairs & Maintenance	3	0.23	5	0.31	4	0.67
Other	1	0.12	3	0.17	1	0.07
Total Operating & Other	\$ 34	2.88	\$ 34	2.15	\$ 37	5.58
Total	\$ 82	\$ 6.92	\$ 91	\$ 5.81	\$ 86	\$ 13.21

(A) Includes accretion expense. Fourth quarter 2008 DD&A rate negatively impacted by two near end of life producing fields with high depletion rates.

(B) Excludes exploration expenses of \$0.5, \$1.9 and \$27.0 million, and abandonment of \$0.7, \$0.7 and \$6.0 million for the quarters ended March 31, 2009, March 31, 2008 and December 31, 2008, respectively.

(C) Includes hurricane related repairs of \$12.7, \$0.2 and \$20.2 million, net of insurance recoveries of \$3.1, \$0 and \$4.3 million, for the quarters ended March 31, 2009, March 31, 2008 and December 31, 2008, respectively.

Summary of Apr 2009-Dec 2010 Hedging Positions

<u>Oil (Bbls)</u>	<u>Forward Sales</u>	<u>Collars</u>	<u>Swaps</u>	<u>Total Volume Hedged</u>	<u>Forward Pricing</u>	<u>Swap Pricing</u>	<u>Average Collar Price</u>	
							<u>Floor</u>	<u>Ceiling</u>
2009	1,350,000	197,000	-	1,547,000	\$ 71.79	\$ -	\$ 75.00	\$ 89.55
<u>Natural Gas (mcf)</u>								
2009	12,126,000	8,525,000	-	20,651,000	\$ 8.23	\$ -	\$ 7.00	\$ 7.90
2010	-	-	10,950,000	10,950,000	\$ -	\$ 5.80	\$ -	\$ -
<u>Totals (mcf)</u>								
2009	20,226,000	9,707,000	-	29,933,000				
2010	-	-	10,950,000	10,950,000				
Grand Totals	20,226,000	9,707,000	10,950,000	37,822,000				

Non GAAP Reconciliations



Caesar undergoing conversion in China

Non GAAP Reconciliations

Adjusted EBITDAX (\$ in millions)

	Quarter Ended		
	March 31		December 31
	<u>2009</u>	<u>2008</u>	<u>2008</u>
Net income applicable to common shareholders	\$ 53	\$ 73	\$ (861)
Cal Dive gains	-	-	-
Non-cash impairments	-	17	908
Preferred stock dividends	54	1	1
Income tax provision (benefit)	65	43	(67)
Net interest expense and other	21	25	32
Depreciation and amortization	74	78	79
Exploration expense	-	2	27
Adjusted EBITDAX	<u>\$ 267</u>	<u>\$ 239</u>	<u>\$ 118</u>

We calculate adjusted EBITDAX as earnings before net interest expense, taxes, depreciation and amortization, and exploration expense. Further, we reduce adjusted EBITDAX for the minority interest in Cal Dive that we do not own. These non-GAAP measures are useful to investors and other internal and external users of our financial statements in evaluating our operating performance because they are widely used by investors in our industry to measure a company's operating performance without regard to items which can vary substantially from company to company and help investors meaningfully compare our results from period to period. Adjusted EBITDAX should not be considered in isolation or as a substitute for, but instead is supplemental to, income from operations, net income or other income data prepared in accordance with GAAP. Non-GAAP financial measures should be viewed in addition to, and not as an alternative to our reported results prepared in accordance with GAAP. Users of this financial information should consider the types of events and transactions which are excluded.

Non GAAP Reconciliations

Revenue and Gross Profit As Reported (\$ in millions)

	Quarter Ended		
	<u>March 31</u>		<u>December 31</u>
	<u>2009</u>	<u>2008</u>	<u>2008</u>
<u>Revenues</u>			
Contracting Services	\$ 231	\$ 175	\$ 293
Shelf Contracting	207	145	262
Intercompany elim. - Contracting Services	(24)	(42)	(46)
Intercompany elim. - Shelf Contracting	(3)	(6)	(21)
	<u>411</u>	<u>272</u>	<u>488</u>
Revenue as Reported	<u>\$ 411</u>	<u>\$ 272</u>	<u>\$ 488</u>
<u>Gross Profit</u>			
Contracting Services	\$ 46	\$ 37	\$ 45
Shelf Contracting	39	25	89
Intercompany elim. - Contracting Services	-	(3)	(3)
Intercompany elim. - Shelf Contracting	-	(1)	(1)
	<u>85</u>	<u>58</u>	<u>130</u>
Gross Profit as Reported	<u>\$ 85</u>	<u>\$ 58</u>	<u>\$ 130</u>
Gross Profit Margin	21%	21%	27%

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