

Demulsifier and Defoaming Spend Reduced by 45%

Area

Hearts Hill Field

Formation

Bakken, Waseca and Sparky

Form of Lift

Progressing Cavity Pump

PureChem Products

DM-326 and AF-901

Challenge

A producer in west central Saskatchewan requested a review to optimize their current chemical oil treating program. Their demulsifier and defoaming costs were becoming a concern.

Solution

PureChem Services conducted bottle testing and recommended plant testing of DM-326 and AF-901 to replace incumbent products. The products were started at the same treatment rate used with the incumbent products with a target of keeping the BS&W rate at .1%. Over the course of the test period, the treatment rate was gradually reduced to reflect a 20% reduction over the original treat rate. The BS&W rate remained at .1%, surpassing the new standard of clean oil at a trucked in terminals being .3% BS&W.

Benefit

During the plant testing, PureChem Services also worked to reduce defoamer treating rates by 60%. The new treatment plan has been running for over 100 days without any issues.

These treating efficiencies have resulted in a 45% reduction in chemical spend without having any negative impact on the vessels or injection systems.