



VALLOUREC & MANNESMANN TUBES

7 5/8" 29.7# VM50 VAM® EWT running for CHEVRON

A string of VAM® EWT, the Expandable connection from Vallourec & Mannesman Tubes, threaded on the V & M proprietary grade VM50 ET was recently installed in an Off-shore well operated by Chevron located in the UK sector of the North Sea.

This expandable liner was run and expanded by Weatherford in the Captain C-15 well.

The 7 5/8" 29.7# VM50 EWT string was run under supervision of VAM® Field Service International.

86 joints were successfully run down hole inside a damaged 9 5/8" 40# casing already in place and then expanded at 15 % by Weatherford using their Metalskin Cased Hole Liner system.

After the 7 hours expansion process, the 2.900 feet long string was successfully tested under internal pressure (2.200 psi during 15 min) and successfully drifted at 7.75" as per requirements.

The choice for an Expandable solution allowed CHEVRON to regain a full well integrity and saved them a potential re-drilled well.