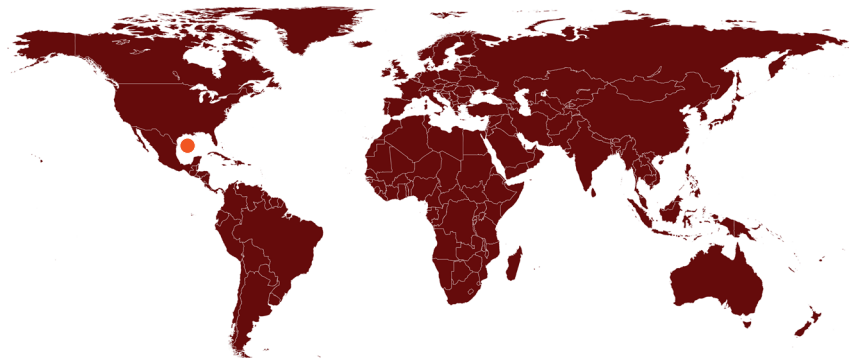


# CASE HISTORY

## Drilling Operations: Deepwater



## Open Hole Packer for Kick-Off Cement Plug During a Deepwater Sidetrack

TAM Abandonment Plug

Location: Deepwater Gulf of Mexico

**CHALLENGE:** An operator in the Gulf of Mexico was experiencing heavy losses while drilling. Two unsuccessful attempts were made to balance a cement plug, cure losses and serve as a kick-off plug. The operator requested an open hole packer that could be run through the 10.625-in. ID of the casing and set in a ~15-in. open hole ID.

**SOLUTION:** A 4.25-in. TAM Abandonment Plug (TAP) with a 7.88-in. SE3 open hole inflation element was mobilized and deployed downhole.

**RESULTS AND BENEFIT:** Despite constant fluid loss, the TAP was successfully set and was able to provide a solid base for cement. Drilling operations were able to get back on critical path for this Deepwater injector well.



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