



*Announcing the A.A.O.D.C.*  
**STANDARD DRILLING CONTRACT**

*for Contractors and Companies*

*An Important Milestone . . .*

APPROVAL of a Standard Drilling Contract by the Board of Directors of American Association of Oilwell Drilling Contractors, in San Antonio April 8, marks an important milestone for the Association and the Drilling Industry. Serious effort toward this goal in recent years has finally reached the point of presenting an actual contract form to be available to the industry generally.

Need of a standard-type contract has been felt for many years. In view of so many considerations connected with the drilling of a well, on the part of both operator and contractor, the progress now attained is indeed a tribute to the numerous companies and individuals within the Petroleum Industry who have cooperated and contributed toward the formation of this standardized contract.

It is recognized that revisions will be in order from time to time, but the Association Directors have agreed the contract, as now presented, comes as nearly as possible to protecting all parties concerned. It is hoped its adoption for use by any one desiring it will be greatly appreciated.

Much credit is due the committees of A.A.O.D.C. concerned with this project. The outstanding work of these committees made possible the culmination of the contract.

On behalf of the American Association of Oilwell Drilling Contractors, it is a real pleasure to present this standard drilling contract to the Drilling Industry.

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