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A Monthly Newsletter About: The Goings-on at the Alaska GMC

productive capacity

The crew here at the GMC continues to make more room inside the main warehouse by detailing and reboxing the massive USGS (Henry Bender) collection. GMC staff has also completed moving and indexing all of the oil and gas material that was stored on the second floor of the “Green Building.” The 600+ boxes/buckets of wet cuttings were moved to the basement of the main warehouse to eliminate the possibility of water damage from an aging roof and poor internal plumbing. The GMC’s database manager continues to direct efforts to restructure, simplify, and oversee the quality control of the facility’s digital inventory archive.

unitization

GMC staff would like to thank John Larson (MMS) for his repeated visits and for taking the time to document and perform a detailed inventory of a previously undocumented MMS palynology, kerogen, and foram slide collection. We at the GMC appreciate John’s work and look forward to integrating the new information into our database.

The GMC has also been contacted by Dick Emanuel of the Imaginarium Discovery Center at Anchorage Museum regarding new science exhibits that will open in the expanded Anchorage Museum in 2010. The Curator is happy to announce plans to provide the IDC with a unique, slabbed rock-core on long-term loan.

probable reserves

The GMC interns worked hard to move the oil and gas material out of the “Green Building” and have provided updated documentation for 600+ boxes/buckets of wet cuttings. The three UAA students have also been assisting contract curator Don Hartman with detailing and reboxing a large portion of the USGS collection.



Boxes of cuttings from the Henry Bender Collection.

development well

The GMC is planning to provide users with an online, geospatial representation of its inventory and work toward providing the public with online search tools to query the material archive from the basin/region scale down to the box level. Stay tuned for future developments.



AOGCC Materials Received

No material was received from the AOGCC during the month of October.



Processed Oil & Gas Well Materials

- ✓ HUSKY OIL NPR OPERATIONS INC *Ikpikuk #1* petrographic thin sections (6) from core (7135.8'–7142.5')
- ✓ HUSKY OIL NPR OPERATIONS INC *Drew Pt #1* petrographic thin sections (2) from core (5904'–5917')
- ✓ HUSKY OIL NPR OPERATIONS INC *Inigok #1* petrographic thin sections (9) from core (2661'–8849')



Shipments Received

Sample plugs (5 boxes) from DGGs surface samples (2008 North Slope Foothills, Sagavanirktok STATEMAP project).



Data Reports

No data reports were generated during the month of October.



Donations

AURORA GAS LLC *Endeavour #1* unwashed cuttings (8 boxes, Set A, 2280'–9225'). Thank you to Bruce Webb for contributing to the GMC's inventory.



Visits

There have been **40 visits** to the GMC *since 30 Sept 2009*, including representation from:

- ✓ Aeon Biostratigraphic Services (Anchorage)
- ✓ CanRig
- ✓ IRF Group, Inc. (Anchorage)
- ✓ Polar Consult
- ✓ State of Alaska, Dept. Natural Resources
- ✓ U.S. Minerals Management Service (MMS, Anchorage)
- ✓ and the general public

