



THE ONSITE SOLUTION FOR EFFICIENTLY ASSESSING OR RE-USING STOCK

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- DATA-BASED INSPECTION ELIMINATES HUMAN ERROR
- ONSITE INSPECTION AVOIDS PIPE TRANSPORTATION
- DECREASES COST & LEAD TIME





### TECHNOLOGY USED

**IN-PIPE ROVER:** A PORTABLE LOGGING DEVICE USING EITHER ULTRASOUND (UT) OR EDDY CURRENT TESTING (ET) TECHNOLOGY

Pipes degrade over time due to causes including corrosion, pitting, crack, casing wear and wireline cut. This deterioration eventually results in assets being written off and needing to be disposed of. The main options for degraded pipes are reducing them to scrap, which can be expensive, or re-use, which requires them to be cut and thread by the licensee and then logged if the body condition is questionable.

# **SOLUTIONS**

Vallourec's Stock Assess is a field-based service for assessing and repurposing inactive and workover casing, tubing, riser and line pipe.

Leveraging the In-Pipe Rover, a portable inspection device, the service provides full real-time defect and wall thickness maps to evaluate pipe condition. The inspection is carried out directly at the operator's yard site.

- Equipped with Ultrasound (UT) and Eddy Current Testing (ET) technologies, the In-Pipe Rover can be run on the rig deck or in the yard.
- Supports all tubular stocks from any manufacturer using Vallourec's NDT systems.
- Operators ensure **pipe integrity** before use or disposal, reducing costs, lead time, and carbon footprint by eliminating the need to transport pipes for inspection.





#### **ENSURING INTEGRITY OF 7-YEAR STOCK**

An IOC operating in Brazil needed ~30-40 joints 14" casing at the bottom of the string inside a salt dome. The section had a higher collapse risk than the rest, but there wasn't enough time to order new thicker 14" pipes.

Thanks to a visual inspection and an In-Pipe Rover with Ultrasound, the operator was able to check the 14" stock in its yard, which had been unused for 7 years. Of the 50 pipes inspected, 36 were accepted with full-length WT > 90% nominal. As a result, the operator was able to categorize pipes according to WT and ensure well integrity in the salt dome.



#### DELIVERABLES

With Vallourec's Stock Assess service, the pipe owner receives:



A full inspection report providing full details of pipe condition.



A tally list with per slice or per pipe details, including min/max/average wall thickness and eccentricity, inside diameter and out-of-roundness, outside diameter, displacement/ bore volumes and an evaluation based on preagreed tolerances.



A digital data set compatible with current softwares.

CREATE **NEW VALUE THROUGH RE-USE** 

#### YOUR PARTNER, SETTING THE PACE FOR INNOVATION AND PERFORMANCE EVOLUTION



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