

Application of the Multiphase Blow Down Unit (BDU) to open liquid logged gas wells

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A fracking facility and drill site near Fort Lupton, Colorado.

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naring in North Dakota

Sustainability advocacy group Ceres claims state's efforts to curb the practice have not gone far enough

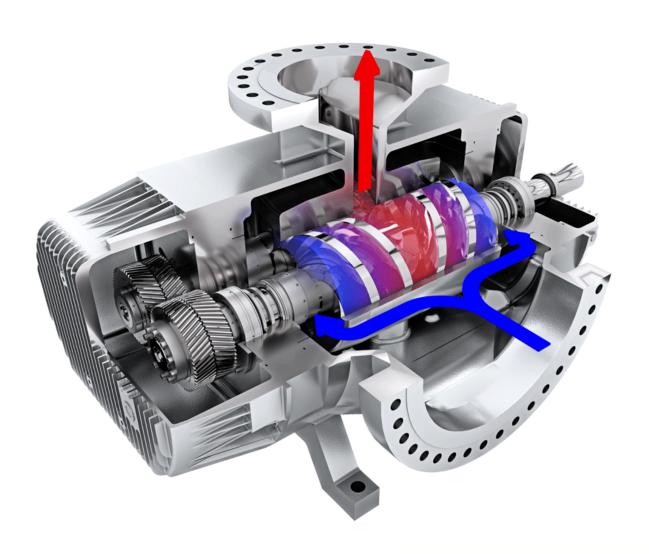
The Obama administration proposed the first federal rules to cut methane emissions from oil and gas production, the second major climate initiative by President Barack Obama this month.

Conventional de-liquefaction Requires venting or flaring Multiphase pumps offer an alternative

HOW IT WORKS

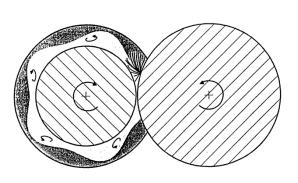
Low tubing velocity is a problem in tight gas formations and in aging wells. At a certain point it will not reach the critical velocity needed to lift the liquids up the production tubing. The liquids clog the well bore, the pressure drops and cannot overcome the flow line backpressure and the well shuts in. The BDU will flow the gas and liquids coming off the well head by drawing down the well head pressure. The tubing velocity increases and the liquids will move up the tubing with the increasing gas flow. The BDU boosts the multiphase flow from well head to export line pressure. When the gas is flowing the BDU can shut down and restarted and the cycle can be repeated.



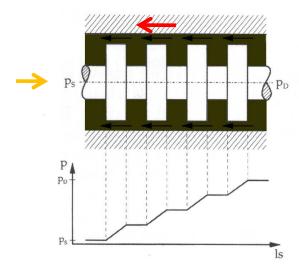


Multiphase pump

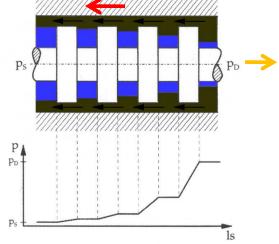




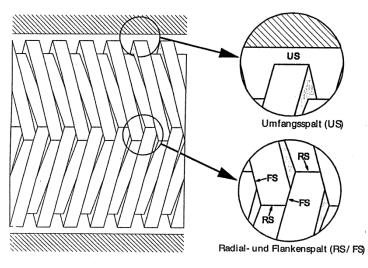
Liquids and Gas Phase split



Pumping liquids

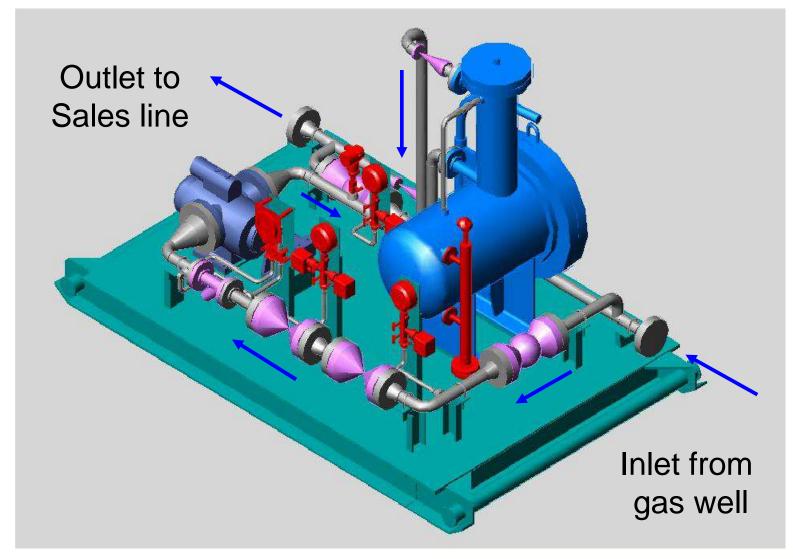


Compressing gas



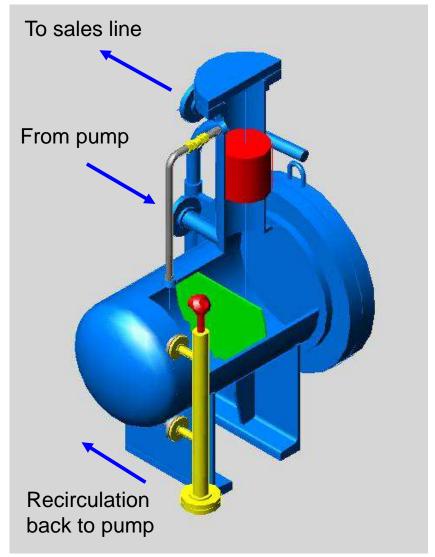
Pump principle





Skid mounted BDU Principle Flow Path







Liquid Knock-Out Boot

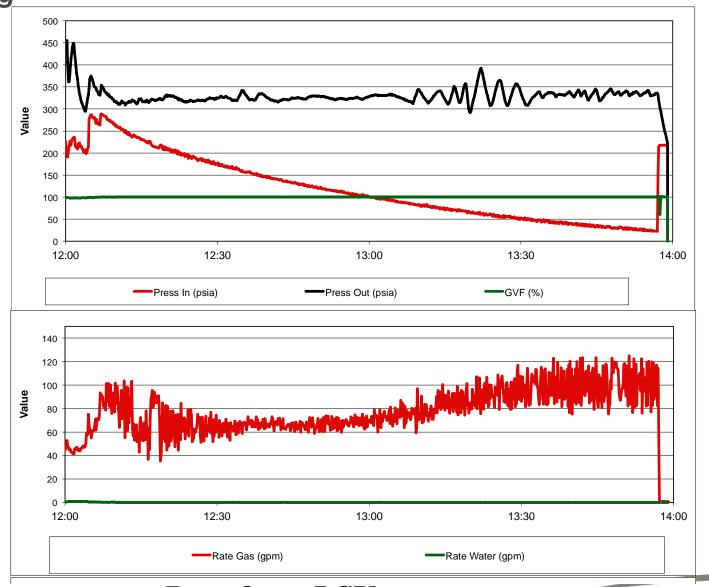






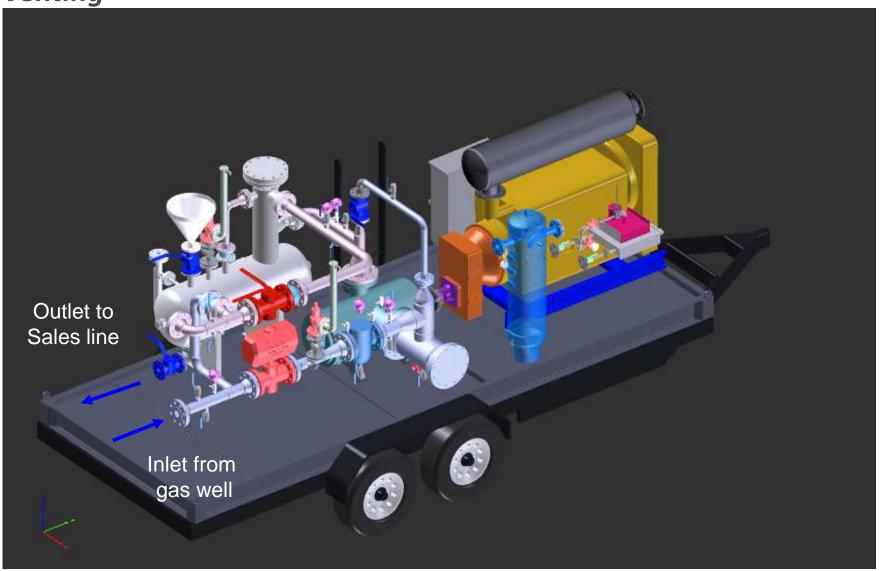
Testing at LSU





Data from LSU test





Portable BDU Principle Flow Path





Rear View Portable BDU

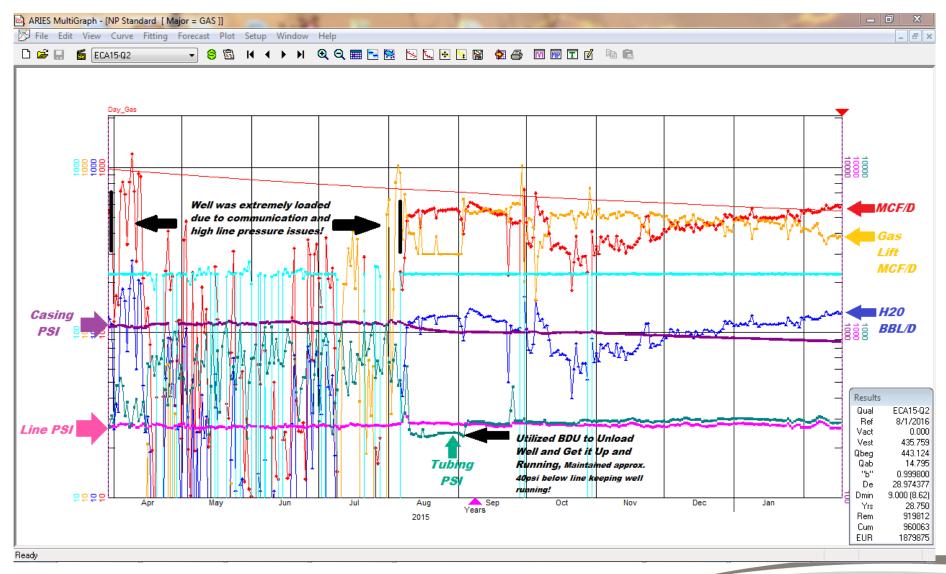












Example of Unloading Cycle





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