

Pipeline Open Data Standard

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PODS™ is the pipeline industry database standard. The PODS Association Board of Directors is composed of pipeline industry leaders who volunteer their time to direct the activities and priorities of the Association. The PODS data model is developed by the Technical Committee which is also composed of industry leaders who volunteer their time.

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Welcome New Members

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PODS Board – 2007

Annual Board of Directors elections have been completed. Thank you to everyone who was nominated and to those companies who voted. The Board of Directors are:

- **Michael King, BP (President)**
- **JW Lucas, Enterprise (Vice President)**
- **Ron Brush, New Century Software (Treasurer)**
- **Sarah Johnson, Sunoco Logistics (Secretary)**
- **Mark Goodman, ONEOK**
- **Terrie Spicer, Kinder Morgan**
- **Scott Moravec, Eagle Information Mapping**
- **Scott Hills, Chevron**
- **Ken Greer, CenterPoint Energy**
- **Dan Colby, Sentinel USA**
- **Keith Leewis, P-PIC**

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Call for Papers & Sponsors: PODS User Group Meeting

The Third Annual PODS User Group Meeting will be held September 27, 2007, immediately following GITA's GIS for Oil & Gas Conference. Please note that GITA has changed the date and location of the event. PODS will also host our second annual PODS Social on Wednesday evening, September 26, 2007.

The PODS User Group Meeting is open to both members and non-members. We welcome your participation in the PODS User Group Meeting.

Call for Papers:

Abstracts are due by noon (CST), June 11, 2007. Complete instructions for submitting a presentation can be found on the PODS User Group Meeting Call for Papers website. Abstract submittal is now open to any member with a non-commercial presentation.

Call for Sponsors:

Thank you for considering sponsoring our User Group Meeting. The purpose of this meeting is to focus on the business needs of oil and gas pipeline operators relating particularly to the PODS data model and industry standards. Sponsorships are available from \$5,000 to \$500, plus miscellaneous sponsorships. More information

about sponsorship can be found on the PODS User Group Meeting Sponsorship website.

More Information:

Please contact [Sheila Wilson](#) by email or phone (918-246-9343) for more information about submitting an abstract and/or sponsorships.

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PODS 4.0.1 Release

PODS 4.0.1 has been released to members for comment. The release was sent to the primary contact within your company. If the primary contact in your company has changed, please contact the [PODS Association](#).

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Technical Committee Opening

The PODS Technical Committee has an open seat available. If you are interested in volunteering on the Technical Committee, please send your qualifications to the [PODS Association](#).

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Tell Us More About YOU!

Are you a member of the PODS Association? We need your information! Many people call the PODS Association requesting information about service providers and vendors. Because we are vendor neutral, we refer inquiries to our member webpage. If you will send us information about your company, including services you provide, we will post the information on the PODS website. The sooner you send it – the faster we'll post it! Please keep your descriptions brief.

We will also post information for pipeline operators, government agencies, and associations.

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One Call Working Group (in development)

Members of the PODS Association are starting a One Call Working Group. The objective of the working group is to address and identify the One Call/Damage Prevention data requirements that are relevant to the overall PODS working data model. If you are interested, please contact [Sheila Wilson](#) at PODS.

We have gathered many names are continuing to build this working group. Thank you to everyone participating.

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ECDA Working Group: External Corrosion Direct Assessment

The final draft of the NACE/PODS ECDA Interchange standard has been submitted to [NACE](#) for review and ballot. The joint committee is currently addressing the comments from the balloting. Because NACE provides an ANSI Standard, the process takes time but approval is expected.

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Russian Regulatory Working Group

The Russian Regulatory Working Group is continuing to look for volunteers to help set the standard. A significant amount of work has been completed by several Russian service providers and pipeline operators. The next step is to bring the information together for submittal to the Technical Committee. If you are interested in participating, please contact [Шейла Вилсон](#) in English for more information. Thank you to everyone who has already contacted the PODS Association.

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Working Groups

If you are interested in joining any of the following working groups, please contact [Sheila Wilson](#).

- One Call
- New Construction Data Exchange Standards
- Domain Ranges
- US DOT PHMSA

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PODS Website

What's new on the PODS website? We now have a [press room](#). If you have a PODS-related press release that you would like added to the press room, please send it to the PODS Association for consideration.

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Technical Committee Tip

How do I find orphaned records in the EVENT_RANGE table for the whole database?

```
DECLARE @FID AS VARCHAR(16)
DECLARE @SQL AS VARCHAR(800)
DECLARE @FT AS VARCHAR(80)
DECLARE @ROWS AS INTEGER
DECLARE @LPCNT AS INTEGER
CREATE TABLE #TMPORPHAN
(
  FEATURE_ID VARCHAR(16),
  FEATURE_TABLE_NAME VARCHAR(80)
)
SET @LPCNT = 1
DECLARE FC CURSOR STATIC FOR
SELECT FEATURE_ID, TABLE_NAME FROM
FEATURE_TABLE
OPEN FC
```

```
SET @ROWS = @@CURSOR_ROWS
WHILE @LPCNT <= @ROWS
BEGIN
    FETCH NEXT FROM FC INTO @FID, @FT
    SET @SQL = 'INSERT INTO #TMPORPHAN
SELECT FEATURE_ID, EVENT_ID FROM EVENT_RANGE
WHERE FEATURE_ID = ' + CHAR(39) + @FID +
CHAR(39) + ' AND EVENT_ID NOT IN
(SELECT EVENT_ID FROM ' + @FT + ' )'
    EXEC(@SQL)
    SET @LPCNT = @LPCNT + 1
END
SELECT * FROM #TMPORPHAN
DROP TABLE #TMPORPHAN
CLOSE FC
DEALLOCATE FC
```

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The Funnies

Steven Wright:
I have an existential map. It has "You are here" written all over it.

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PODS Association Activity Calendar

4/15/2007	PODS 4.0.1 Release to Board for comments
	Patches: Field heading names
5/1/2007	PODS 5.0 Release Date To Be Announced
	The PODS Spatial Committee is diligently working with several partners on joint efforts to spatialize our data model on a variety of platforms. By the end of the April, we hope to finalize the scope of the proposed changes, and estimate the time it will take to implement these recommendations, resulting in a release date of PODS 5.0 which will incorporate the results of this significant collaboration.
5/1/2007	Domain Values
	Suggested Domain Values for select features. The Domain Values are being evaluated by the Technical Committee and will be released for comment.
6/11/2007	Abstracts Due: Call for Papers - PODS User Group Meeting (September 27, 2007)
	The PODS Association is accepting abstracts through noon CST today for the 3rd Annual PODS User Group Meeting, September 27, 2007, following the GIS for Oil & Gas Conference.
6/18/2007	2007 ESRI User Conference
	The PODS association's Executive Director is hosting a one hour PODS user reception at the 2007 ESRI User Conference. The reception is open to non-members and members. Selected members of the Technical Committee, and the Board of Directors will also be in attendance. Details to come soon.
7/9/2007	Abstract Acceptance Notification: Call for Papers - PODS User Group Meeting (September 27, 2007)
	Notification will be sent to accepted speakers
7/16/2007	Abstract Declined Notification: Call for Papers - PODS User Group Meeting (September 27, 2007)
	Notification will be sent to declined speakers
8/6/2007	Presentation Slides Due: Call for Papers - PODS User Group Meeting (September 27, 2007)
	Slides are due for all presentations for the 3rd Annual PODS User Group Meeting
9/24/2007	2007 GIS for Oil & Gas Conference
	GITA's annual GIS for Oil & Gas Conference begins today and will continue through September 19. PODS will have a booth at the show with a user group meeting afterwards. Please note the time and date change.
9/26/2007	Second Annual PODS Social
	Please join us for the 2nd Annual PODS Social at 6pm, Wednesday, after the GITA Conference ends.
9/27/2007	Third Annual PODS User Group Meeting
	The 3rd Annual PODS User Group Meeting begins today. You can find details on the PODS website (www.pods.org).

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Sheila Wilson

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PODS Technical Committee:

Co-Chairmen:

Gary Hoover, *Enterprise*
Costas Kotzabassis, *BITS*

Committee Members:

Bryan Ferguson, *BP*
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PODS Committees & Working Groups:

Spatial Implementation Committee
Inline Inspection Integrity Data Interchange
ECDA Integrity Data Interchange
PODS Fine Grain Security
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