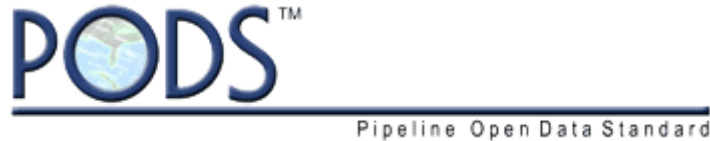


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PODS Newsletter Changes

The PODS Association is dedicated to taking necessary steps to avoid the ever increasing problems with spam.

In order to better meet the needs of our members and the industry, the PODS Association is adopting a new format for the newsletter. Next week, you will

Welcome New Members

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Sponsors for the PODS User Group Meeting

Thank you to everyone who sponsored the PODS User Group Meeting. In random order, the sponsors were:

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You may subscribe to the newsletter at any time by visiting the PODS website. Thank you for your participation with this effort and with the association.

PODS 4.0.2 Release

PODS 4.0.2 has been released. It has been approved by the Technical Committee, the Board of Directors, and the association members. If you would like to receive a copy of release, please contact [the PODS Association](#).

Upcoming Events

January - March 2008: PODS Board of Director elections

February 2008: Petroleum User Conference, Houston

Changes in the PODS Association

The Board of Directors welcomes Scott Blumenstock, Sunoco Logistics, to the Board. Mark Goodman, ONEOK, is now the Secretary.

Sarah Johnson, Sunoco Logistics, has resigned her position on the PODS Board of Directors. She has been on the Board for two years and secretary for the past year. Changes in her job duties have made the resignation necessary. Sarah recommended that the Board appoint Scott Blumenstock, also with Sunoco Logistics, to replace her. He has already helped the Board with several tasks.

Sarah, we thank you for your help on the Board. We will miss your enthusiasm.

PODS User Group Meeting

Thank you to everyone who attended the PODS User Group Meeting. More than 125 people registered for the meeting. This is a 167% increase in attendance from last year.

Highlights included two presentations from the US DOT PHMSA, user presentations, and an Introduction to PODS Seminar.

If you have suggestions on how to improve the meeting or would like to be involved next year, please contact the PODS Association. We look forward to your help.

The presentations from the meeting are available for download at the PODS website. Please follow the [Download](#) link on the main menu.

PODS Oracle Spatial Working Group

The PODS Oracle Spatial Working Group has developed a preliminary working model for an Oracle Spatial implementation. The model is built on sample data which approximates real data. The group will continue to test the model and then deliver it to the Technical Committee for review and comment.

PODS Working Groups

The PODS Association has several different working groups. Some of the working groups are chartered working groups that have been approved by the Technical Committee and Board of Directors. Other working groups have submitted their charters for approval. These working groups include:

- One Call Damage Prevention Working Group (chartered and approved)
- New Construction and Survey Data Exchange Working Group (waiting approval of charter)

During the PODS User Group Meeting open discussion session, several potential working groups were suggested. If you are interested in helping with any of the following topics, please contact the [PODS Association](#):

- Russian Regulatory Compliance
- US Regulatory Compliance
- Data Model Domain Code Working Group
- Wiki-PODS
- Documentation Working Group

In order to develop these groups, we need a volunteer for chairperson, a group of interested members, and a charter to submit to the Technical Committee and Board of Directors.

Please contact the PODS Association if you would like more information on any of the above groups or if you would like to participate.

Technical Committee Tip

This query returns the begin series_id and station and the end_series_id and station for

Scott, welcome to the Board and thank you for your help.

Mark, you make a great secretary. Thank you for volunteering.

Quick Links

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each line. You could also use this for a route instead of a line.

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SELECT TOP 100 PERCENT
T1.LINE_ID AS LINE_ID,
T1.BEGIN_MEASURE,
T2.END_MEASURE,
S1.SERIES_ID AS BEGIN_SERIES_ID,
S2.SERIES_ID AS END_SERIES_ID,
S1.STATION_BEGIN AS STATION_BEGIN,
S2.STATION_END AS STATION_END
FROM SERIES S1 , SERIES S2,
--First find the minimum station on the line (T1).
(
  SELECT
  LINE_ID,
  MIN(SERIES) AS BEGIN_SERIES,
  MIN(STATION) AS BEGIN_STATION,
  MIN(MEASURE) AS BEGIN_MEASURE
  FROM STATION_POINT
  WHERE CURRENT_INDICATOR_LF = 'Y'
  AND SERIES IN (SELECT SERIES FROM SERIES WHERE
  CURRENT_INDICATOR_LF = 'Y')
  GROUP BY LINE_ID
) AS T1,
--Next find the maximum station on the line (T2).
(
  SELECT
  LINE_ID,
  MAX(SERIES) AS END_SERIES,
  MAX(STATION) AS END_STATION,
  MAX(MEASURE) AS END_MEASURE
  FROM STATION_POINT(nolock)
  WHERE CURRENT_INDICATOR_LF = 'Y'
  AND SERIES IN (SELECT SERIES FROM SERIES WHERE
  CURRENT_INDICATOR_LF = 'Y')
  GROUP BY LINE_ID
) AS T2,
LINE AS LN
--Join the minimums and maximums together and return the result set.
WHERE T1.LINE_ID = T2.LINE_ID
AND S1.CURRENT_INDICATOR_LF = 'Y'
AND S2.CURRENT_INDICATOR_LF = 'Y'
AND T1.BEGIN_SERIES = S1.SERIES
AND T2.END_SERIES = S2.SERIES
AND T1.LINE_ID = S1.LINE_ID
AND T2.LINE_ID = S2.LINE_ID
AND T1.LINE_ID = LN.LINE_ID
ORDER BY T1.LINE_ID

```

You can find this and other tips on the PODS website under [Resources](#).

The Funnies

You Need to Study More Geography If You Think...

- Andes is an after dinner mint
- The Balkans are an alien people on Star Trek

You can find more funnies at [About.com:Geography](#).

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