



**Sèvres, France – April 26, 2006 - Oil Information Technology Journal Editor Neil McNaughton recognized at Petroleum Network Education Conferences (PNEC) 2006 Conference, Houston.**

The monthly newsletter Oil Information Technology Journal and its website, [www.OilIT.com](http://www.OilIT.com), were recognized at the 10<sup>th</sup> Petroleum Network Education Conferences (PNEC) International Conference on Petroleum Data Integration, eCommerce, and Data Management held in Houston, TX last week. Oil IT Journal editor, Neil McNaughton, received the award for his unbiased coverage of petroleum data management. Conference organizer Philip C. Crouse said, “*Neil has been the best in reporting on developments and trends in the oil data-management patch, and is unparalleled as a writer.*” The Press Award citation reads, “*Simply the best writer in the global petroleum data, information and knowledge management business. Oil IT Journal is the best source of international data management information in the marketplace.*”

Neil McNaughton added, “*It is very gratifying to receive this award from what has become the premier conference in the field of oil and gas data and information management. Oil IT Journal published its 100<sup>th</sup> issue last year and, like the PNEC Data Integration conference, is celebrating its tenth anniversary in 2006.*”

**About Oil IT Journal**

Oil IT Journal’s coverage spans upstream geology and geophysics through drilling, production and distribution to plant data management, finance and e-business. Oil IT Journal has a track record of providing clear and impartial analysis of the technical and commercial issues important to oil and gas CIOs, decision makers and end users. In 2005, an independent survey (1) carried out by Spur Digital for the Petrotechnical Open Software Corporation (POSC), found that [www.OilIT.com](http://www.OilIT.com) was ‘*the most popular news site for IT professionals in the energy industry.*’ The [www.OilIT.com](http://www.OilIT.com) website currently receives around 1,300 individual visits per day. Oil IT Journal is published by The Data Room, located in Sèvres, France.

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