

# PARAGON ANGOLA MONTHLY NEWSLETTER



Kizomba B FPSO



The Team

## WELCOME TO PARAGON ANGOLA

### INTRODUCTION

Welcome to the first issue of the Paragon Angola Monthly Newsletter.

In 2008 Paragon Angola has undergone significant growth and the team now consists of 32 personnel working from the office on the Ilha de Luanda. Growth is set to continue through 2009 offering excellent opportunities for both Angolan Nationals and expatriate personnel.

Subsequent newsletters will provide details of ongoing projects, recruitment and contributions from Angolan Nationals and expatriate employees.

### KIZOMBA SATELLITES PROJECT

Work on the Kizomba Satellites Project is ongoing in Angola with significant contributions from Piping, Structural, Process, Electrical and Instrument disciplines.



Paragon Angola personnel conducting site surveys on Kizomba FPSO

Use of PDMS global has allowed the team in Angola to access the Kizomba PDMS models and designs are being implemented in "real time" with the main project office in Houston, Texas.

Site Surveys have been conducted by most disciplines with national and expatriate staff from Paragon Angola being joined by

personnel from AMEC Paragon and subcontractors.



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### PARAGON ANGOLA TO MEET LOCAL CONTENT TARGET

On 19th October 2008 AMEC Paragon reported that Paragon Angola had contributed 24.9% of the manhours to Kizomba Satellites Project FEED. Paragon Angola will therefore

meet the target set earlier this year of completing 25% of the FEED scope in Angola.

### TEAM BUILDING

On Wednesday 15th October Paragon Angola held their first team building event in Luanda. This event consisted of a number of presentations by both

national and expatriate staff concentrating specifically on safety issues in addition to updates on the Kizomba Satellites Project provided by Kirk Barwick, Project Director. Following the presentations the team were entertained to dinner at the Miami Beach restaurant opposite the office.

**TRAINING AND DEVELOPMENT**

Daily training courses for engineering and designer trainees are ongoing. The training, focusing on all aspects of engineering and design practice, is conducted for two hours each day and supplement on-the-job training provided by expatriate staff.



*Training focuses on all aspects of engineering and design practices*

Paragon Angola trainees will visit a local fabrication yard next month to view fabrication work for the Kizomba Gas Gathering Project in progress.



*An earlier Ponticelli visit with Paragon Angola,*

Quarterly PDRs have been completed by trainees for the third quarter of this year and objectives set through to the end of 2008 when annual PDRs will be conducted.

**INFRASTRUCTURE**

The 2008 Paragon Angola General Assembly was successfully held at the offices of AMEC Paragon in Houston, Texas on Wednesday 24th September attended by both Mr Pedro Godinho, President of Prodoil and Terrance Ivers, President of AMEC Paragon. As an outcome approval has been given by the Board of Directors to proceed with significant investment in the

Paragon Angola office. The existing computer server is to be upgraded to provide improvement in operation and reliability. In addition an additional twelve engineering and PDMS workstations have been procured to support recruitment in 2009. Prodoil have committed to

provide additional office space to allow growth of the Paragon Angola operation during 2009. Discussions are ongoing to provide enhanced security access systems within the Paragon Angola offices to meet with our client's specific requirements.

**COMMUNITY**

Paragon Angola are in discussion with the Universidade Agostinho Neto in Luanda and the University of Houston in order to facilitate collaboration between these learning institutions.

Paragon Angola will sponsor a representative from the University of Houston to visit Angola for meetings with the Universidade Agostinho Neto in November.

donation of redundant beds from one of the staff houses to the Padre Oracio Orphanage and discussions are ongoing regarding future charitable contributions within the community in Luanda.



*Staff delivering beds to the Padre Oracio Orphanage in Luanda*

Paragon Angola have made a

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