

ELECTRICAL SUBMERSIBLE PUMPS (ESP) DESIGN OF WELLS (FD32) (FB18) NC-174, ALFEEL FIELD IN MORZUQ BASINE

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Abstract

The main objective of this study is to identify and select an electric submersible pump to produce high flow rates of oil. The electric submersible pump was chosen because it provides good flow rates in a given range. This electric submersible pump was used to raise production rates.

The study was conducted on two wells from Mellitah Oil Company in El Feel field and the results were as follows. Well (FD32) results were the required rate of 3283STB/d can be obtained using only 166 stages, while Well (FB18) results were 6180STB/d and 204 stages, and this required 2300V.

Keywords: Electrical Submersible Pump (ESP); Pump; Well head; Alfeel Field; Morzuq Basine.

Introduction

Electrical Submersible Pump (ESP) System Previous Studies

An Electrical Submersible Pump is usually composed of a motor, a seal (protector), a gas separator, a multistage centrifugal pump, an electric cable, a switchboard and a transformer Figure (1), shows a typical complete system of ESP. (Beggs, H.D., OGCI Publications, 1991).

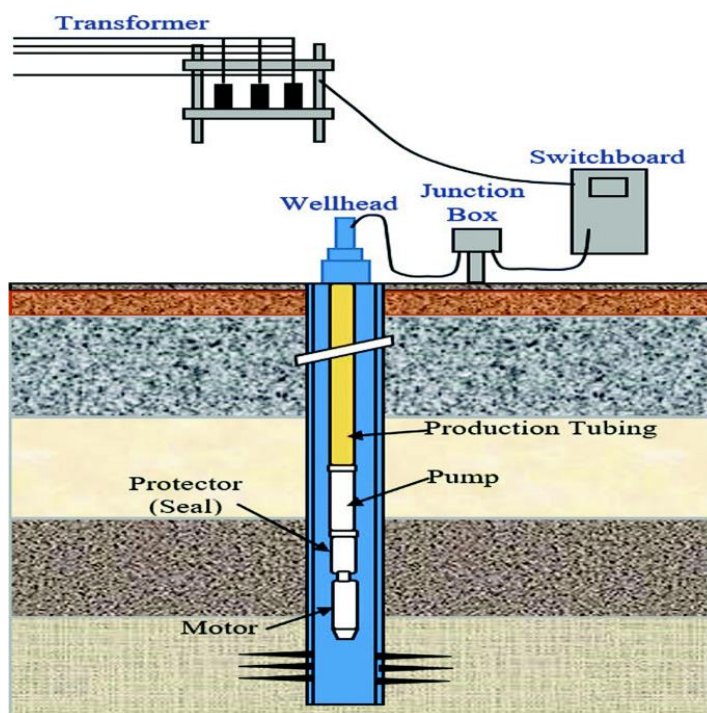


Figure (1): Standard ESP Complete Setup (John Bearden, August 2007).

Submersible Pump

Pumps used in ESPs are usually multi staged and centrifugal ones. Every stage includes an impeller and a stationary diffuser. The type of the stage determines the produced fluid, while the number of stages define the generated total head and the required horse power. Pumps are manufactured with different capacities and types to accommodate different well conditions.

The change in the pressure energy is obtained by the pumped liquid as it surrounds the impellers. The pumped fluid is affected by two factors: tangential and radial forces. As the impeller rotates, it imposes a rotating motion to the pumped liquid. It also imposes a motion that is tangential to the impeller's outer diameter.

The result of this motion is a centrifugal force that forces the liquid to flow in a radial direction. The second part of the pump stage is the diffuser. The purpose of the diffuser is to reduce high velocity energy to low velocity. Also, it helps in directing the pumped fluid into the next impeller (Brown, K.E., 1980).

When designing for an ESP installation, choosing the right submersible pump is critical since each pump has its own limitations and works for certain applications. Usually, the normal length of a single pump is about 20 – 25 ft., which is to accommodate handling and assembling pumps. Depending on the required head to

produce the fluid, pumps can be joined together to create the required head (John Bearden, August 2007).

Location of Study Area

It is located in the Murzuq basin in south-western Libya in the western part of concession NC174 and has been discovered in October 1997.

The case study is on wells (FD32) & (FB18) Figure (2). (<http://www.Mellitah Oil & Gas Company>).

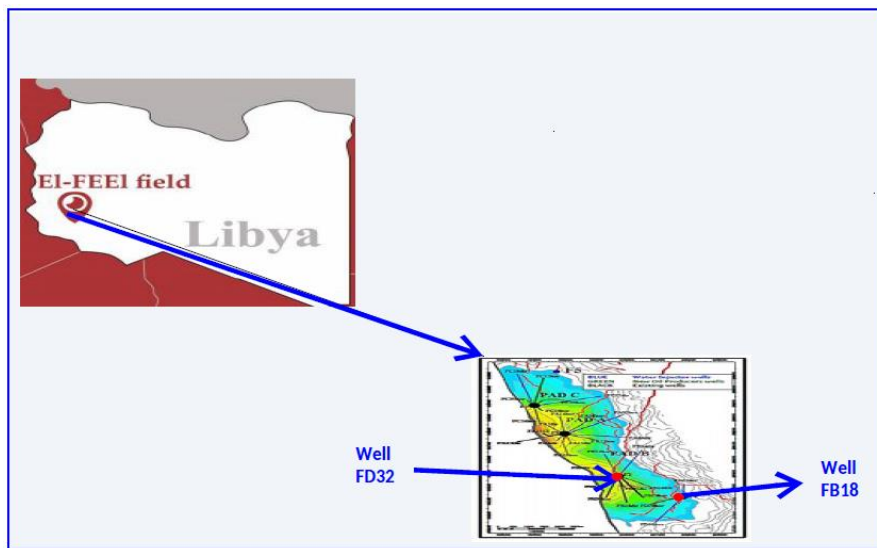


Figure (2): Location of Study Area ([Http://Www.Mellitah Oil & Gas Company](http://www.Mellitah Oil & Gas Company)).

Methodology

The study followed the following procedure.

1- data collection

2- Calculating oil specific gravities (γ_o) oil Sp.gr = $\frac{1415}{131.5 + API}$

3- Average Sp.Gr (γ_{ave}) = $(\gamma_o * O_c) + (\gamma_w * W_c)$

4- average liquid gradient $L.G = \gamma_{ave} * 0.433$

5- Calculate Flowing bottom hole pressure (P_{wf}) = $P_{ws} - (Q/PI)$

6- Total Dynamic Head calculation $TDH = H_d + P_d + F_t$

7- Dynamic fluid level (H_d)= Datum – (P_{wf} / ALG)

8- Well head (P_d) = (P_{wh} / ALG)

9-10- Calculating voltage drop $VD = \frac{\text{total-depth*correction factor*voltage dropper.1000 ft}}{1000}$

11- Calculating the required surface voltage (V_s) = Voltage Drop + Motor Voltage

12- Calculating the size of transformer $KVA = \frac{1.732 * V_s * Amp}{1000}$

13- Calculating the fluid velocity beside the motor $V_f = 1.19 \times 10^{-2} \frac{Q}{ID_c^2 - 0D_m^2}$

14- End design

Data Collection of Well (FD32 - NC174).

Table (1): Reservoir Parameters (Http://Www.Mellitah Oil & Gas Company).

Reservoir Parameters / Production Data	
Tubing size	3 ½"
Casing size	7
PI	8.5
Reservoir Pressure psia (Static BHP)	950
Temperature at reservoir F	175
Stock tank oil gravity, API	38.5
Bubble point pressure Pb, psia	130
Well head pressure, psi	150
Desired Production Rate, bbl/day	3283
Water specific gravity	1.04
Wc	61
GOR	18

Data Collection of Well (FB18 -NC174)**Table (2): Reservoir Parameters. (<http://www.Mellitah Oil & Gas Company>).**

Reservoir Parameters / Production data	
Tubing size	4 ½"
Casing size	8 ½"
PI	8.5
Reservoir Pressure psia (Static BHP)	950
Temperature at reservoir F	180
Stock tank oil gravity, API	38
Bubble point pressure Pb, psia	142
Well head pressure, psi	115
Desired Production Rate, bbl/day	6180
Water specific gravity	1.04
W _c	35
GOR	17

Results and Discussion**1. Calculations of Well (FD32)**

Calculating the oil specific gravities, average liquid gradient, and average fluid specific gravities

$$(\gamma_o) \text{ oil Sp.gr} = \frac{1415}{131.5 + API}$$

$$(\gamma_o) \text{ oil Sp.gr} = \frac{1415}{131.5 + 38.5} = 0.730$$

$$\text{Average Sp.Gr}(\gamma_{ave}) = (\gamma_o * O_c) + (\gamma_w * W_c)$$

$$\text{Average Sp.Gr}(\gamma_{ave}) = (0.730 * 0.39) + (1.04 * 0.61) = 0.919$$

$$L.G = \gamma_{ave} * 0.433$$

$$L.G = 0.919 * 0.433 = 0.397 \text{ psi / ft}$$

2. Calculating Flowing Bottom Hole Pressure (Pwf).

$$\begin{aligned} P_{wf} &= P_{ws} - (Q/PI) \\ &= 950 - (3283/8.5) = 563.7 \text{ Psi} \end{aligned}$$

3. Total Dynamic Head Calculation

$$TDH = H_d + P_d + F_t$$

3.1 Dynamic Fluid Level (Hd)

$$\begin{aligned} H_d &= \text{Datum} - (P_{wf} / ALG) \\ &= 6980 - (563.7 / 0.397) = 5560 \text{ ft} \end{aligned}$$

3.2 Well Head (Pd)

$$\begin{aligned} P_d &= (P_{wh} / ALG) \\ &= 150 / 0.397 = 377 \text{ ft} \end{aligned}$$

3.3 Frictional Head Loss In 4.5” Tubing @ 3283 B/D

By using frictional head chart

$$\text{Friction loss (ft)} = (30/1000 \text{ ft}) * \text{Pump set depth}$$

$$= 0.030 * 6150 = 184 \text{ ft}$$

$$TDH = 5560 + 377 + 184 = 6121 \text{ ft}$$

4. Pump Selection

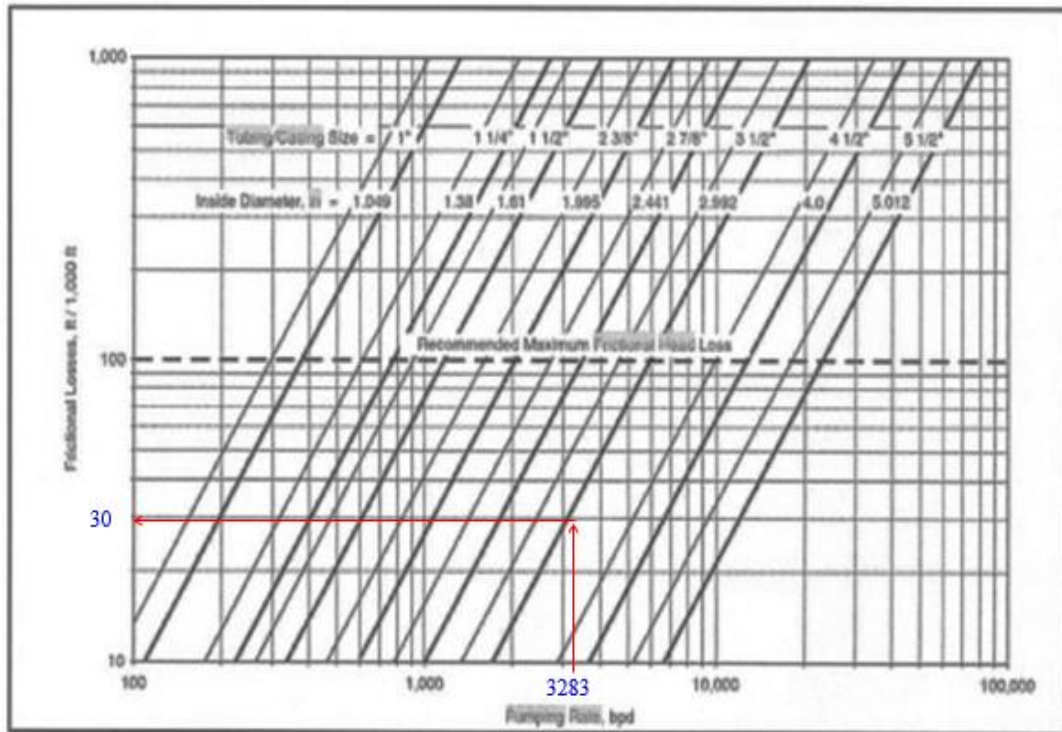


Figure (4): Friction Loss (Ft) of FD32. (Sevin, B., November 12 – 14, 1991).

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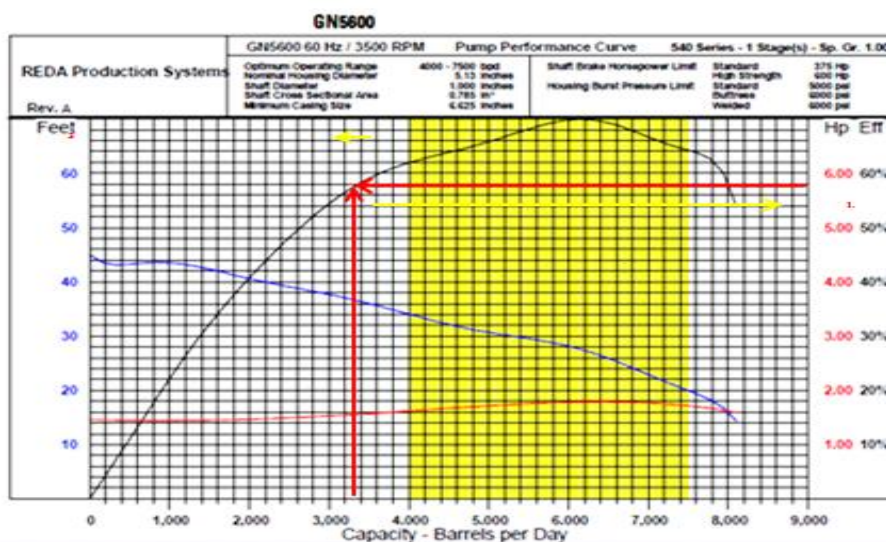


Figure (5): Flow Efficiency of FD32 (Gabor Takacs, May 2009).

Table (3): Pump Selection.

EFFICIENCY (%)	HEAD (ft /stage)	HP per stage (ft/stage)	NO. SERIES	TYPE
58	37	1.6	540	SN-3600 60 HZ

5 Calculating the Required Number of Stage

NO. Of stages required = TDH / Head per stage.

$$\text{NO. Of stages required} = \frac{6121}{37} = 165 \text{ Stages}$$

Motor Selection

HP required = HP per stage × NO. Of stages × S.G + 5

$$= 1.6 * 165 * 0.919 + 5 = 247 \text{ HP}$$

6. Determining the motor voltage and motor amperes

Table (4): Determine the Motor Voltage and Motor Amperes. (Sevin, B., November 12 – 14, 1991).

Well Completions & Productivity Artificial Lift						Schlumberger	
540 Series Motors - SK Type							
60	50	HZ. RATINGS					
HP		Volts	Amps	Type	L. Wt (Lbs)	SK Carbon Steel Part Number	SK Inconel Part Number
125	104	1315	1006	60 S	15.7	1049246	1049409
		2425	2021	32 S	15.8	1049311	1049535
				U/T	15.8	1049238	1049451
				CT	15.8	1049303	1049527
150	125	1170	975	78 S	19.4	1059954	1060318
				U/T	18.5	1060011	1060466
		2380	1983	38 S	19.4	1060570	1060646
				U/T	18.5	1059955	1060409
				CT	18.5	1060102	1060557
175	146	1070	892	99.5 S	22.2	1060629	1060908
				U/T	21.2	1060430	1060992
				CT	21.5	1060588	1060653
		1350	1125	78.5 S	22.2	1060836	1060976
				U/T	21.2	1060448	1060708
				CT	21.5	1060596	1060661
		2200	1833	48 S	22.2	1059972	1060326
				U/T	21.2	1060029	1060474
200	167	1220	1017	99 S	24.1	1059980	1060234
				U/T	24.0	1060037	1060482
				CT	24.3	1060604	1060679
		2175	1813	56 S	24.1	1059998	1060342
				U/T	24.0	1060045	1060490
		4140	3460	29 S	24.1	1108796	TBA
225	188	1000	833	133 S	27.6	1059906	1060259
				U/T	26.7	1060052	1060608
				CT	27.0	1060612	1060687
		1365	1138	100 S	27.6	1060844	1060984
				U/T	26.7	1060495	1060716
				CT	27.0	1060620	1060695
		2075	1729	64 S	27.6	1059914	1060287
				U/T	26.7	1060060	1060516
		2425	2021	56 S	27.6	1059922	1060275
				U/T	26.7	1060078	1060524
250	209	1170	833	135.5 S	30.4	1059930	1060283
				U/T	29.5	1060086	1060532
				CT	29.7	1060638	1060703
		1375	1146	110 U/T	29.5	1105873	TBA
				CT	29.7	1105881	TBA
		2300	1917	65 S	29.4	1059948	1060291
				U/T	29.5	1060094	1060540

7. Determining Voltage Drop in the Cable & Correction Factor

Voltage drop in the cable = 23

Correction factor = 1.21

Table (5): Motor Selection.

Motor Amperes	Motor Voltage	Motor Hp	Motor Series
65	2300	249	540, 60 HZ

8. Calculate Voltage Drop (VD)

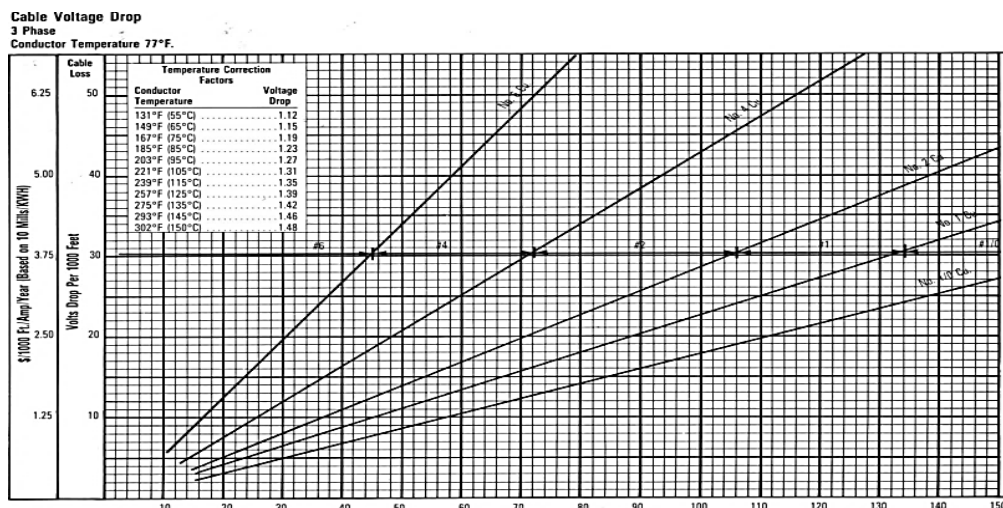


Figure (6): Voltage Drop (VD) Well of FD32 (Gilbert, W.E., 126 – 57, 1954).

$$VD = \frac{\text{total} - \text{depth} * \text{correction factor} * \text{voltage drop per 1000 ft}}{1000}$$

$$VD = \frac{6980 * 1.21 * 25}{1000} = 211.14 \text{ Volt}$$

9. Calculating the Required Surface Voltage (Vs)

Vs = Voltage Drop + Motor Voltage

$$= 211.14 + 2300 = 2511.14$$

10. Calculating the Size of Transformer (KVA)

$$KVA = \frac{1.732 * V_s * Amp}{1000}$$

$$KVA = \frac{1.732 * 2511.14 * 65}{1000} = 282.7$$

11. Calculating the Fluid Velocity Beside the Motor (Vf)

$$V_f = 1.19 \times 10^{-2} \frac{Q}{ID_C^2 - OD_m^2}$$

$$V_f = 1.19 \times 10^{-2} \frac{3283}{6.23 - 5.4}$$

Table (6): Select of Motor.

Cooling efficiency	VF	KVA	VS	VD	HP	TYPE
GOOD	19Ft/sec	282.7	2511.14volt	211.14 volt	249 hp	540,60 HZ

Weight (Ibm)	Length(ft)	Actual No. Of Stages	Series	Pump Type
1978	30	166	540	SN-3600,60Hz

Calculations of Well (FB18)

1. Calculating the Oil Specific Gravities, Average Liquid Gradient, and Average Fluid Specific Gravities

$$(\gamma_o) \text{ oil Sp.gr} = \frac{1415}{131.5 + API}$$

$$(\gamma_o) \text{ oil Sp.gr} = \frac{1415}{131.5 + 38} = 0.732$$

$$\text{Average Sp.Gr}(\gamma_{ave}) = (\gamma_o * O_c) + (\gamma_w * W_c)$$

$$\text{Average Sp.Gr}(\gamma_{ave}) = (0.732 * 0.65) + (1.04 * 0.35) = 0.839$$

$$L.G = \gamma_{ave} * 0.433$$

$$L.G = 0.839 * 0.433 = 0.363 \text{ psi / ft}$$

2. Calculating Flowing Bottom Hole Pressure (Pwf).

$$\begin{aligned} P_{wf} &= P_{ws} - (Q/PI) \\ &= 950 - (6180/23) = 681 \text{ Psi} \end{aligned}$$

3. Total Dynamic Head Calculation

$$TDH = H_d + P_d + F_t$$

3.1 Dynamic Fluid Level (Hd)

$$\begin{aligned} H_d &= \text{Datum} - (P_{wf} / ALG) \\ &= 8588 - (681 / 0.363) = 5200 \text{ ft} \end{aligned}$$

3.2 Well Head (Pd)

$$\begin{aligned} P_d &= (P_{wh} / ALG) \\ &= 115 / 0.363 = 316.8 \text{ ft} \end{aligned}$$

3.3 Frictional Head Loss in 3.5" Tubing @ 6180 B/D

By using frictional head chart

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Friction loss (ft)} &= (28/1000 \text{ ft}) * \text{Pump set depth} \\ &= 0.030 * 6200 = 186 \text{ ft} \\ TDH &= 5200 + 316.8 + 186 = 5700 \text{ ft} \end{aligned}$$

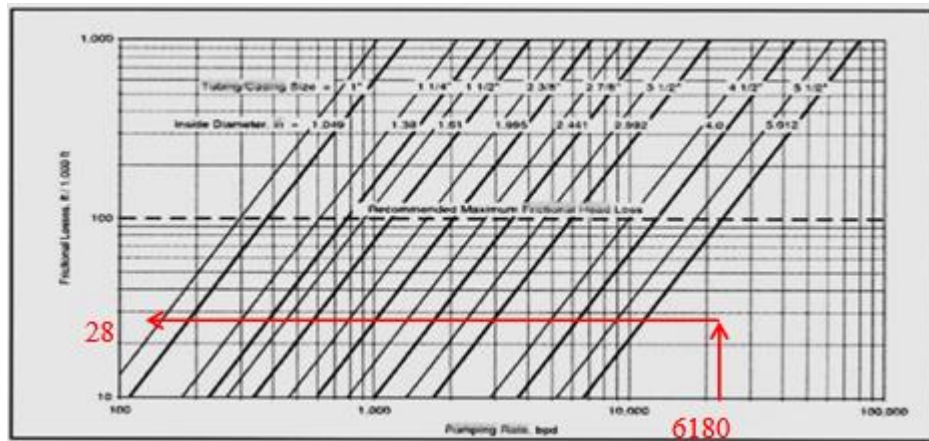


Figure (7): Friction Loss (Ft) of FB18 (Sevin, B., November 12 – 14, 1991).

4. Pump Selection

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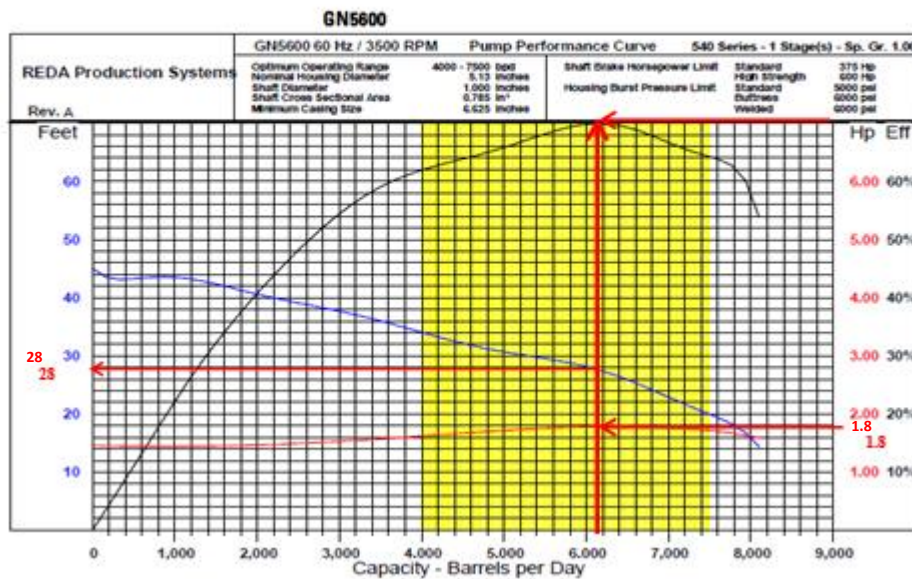


Figure (8): Flow Efficiency of FB18 (Gabor Takacs, May 2009).

Table (7): Pump Selection.

EFFICIENCY (%)	HEAD (ft /stage)	HP per stage(ft/stage)	NO. SERIES	TYPE
58	28	1.8	540	HN-3600,60 HZ

5. Calculating the Required Number of Stage

NO. Of stages required = TDH / Head per stage.

$$\text{NO. Of stages required} = \frac{5700}{28} = 204 \text{ Stages}$$

6. Motor Selection

HP required = HP per stage $\times$ NO. Of stages $\times$ S.G + 5

$$= 1.8 \times 204 \times 0.839 + 5 = 313 \text{ HP}$$

7. Determining the Motor Voltage and Motor Amperes

Table (8): Determine the Motor Voltage and Motor Amperes. (Sevin, B., November 12 – 14, 1991).

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540 Series Motors - SK Type

60	50	HZ RATINGS								SK Carbon Steel		SK Red Alloy	
HP		Volts	Amps	Type	L (Ft)	Wt (Lbs)	Part Number		Part Number		Part Number		
125	104	1315	1066	60	S	15.7	1007	1049246		1049409			
				UT		15.8		1049311		1049535			
		2425	2021	32	S	15.7	1007	1049238		1049451			
				UT		15.8		1049303		1049527			
150	125	1170	975	78	S	19.4	1194	1059864		1060318			
				UT		18.5		1060011		1060466			
				CT		18.8		1060570		1060646			
		2380	1983	38	S	19.4	1194	1059955		1060409			
				UT		18.5		1060102		1060557			
175	146	1070	892	99.5	S	22.2	1380	1060228		1060968			
				UT		21.2		1060430		1060992			
				CT		21.5		1060588		1060653			
		1350	1125	78.5	S	22.2	1380	1060836		1060976			
				UT		21.2		1060448		1067008			
				CT		21.5		1060596		1060661			
		2200	1833	48	S	22.2	1380	1059872		1060326			
				UT		21.2		1060029		1060474			
200	167	1220	1017	99	S	24.1	1580	1059880		1060334			
				UT		24.0		1060037		1060482			
				CT		24.3		1060604		1060679			
		2175	1813	56	S	24.1	1580	1059898		1060342			
				UT		24.0		1060045		1060490			
		4140	3460	29	S	24.1	1580	1108788		TBA			
225	188	1000	803	133	S	27.6	1793	1059906		1060359			
				UT		26.7		1060052		1060508			
				CT		27.0		1060612		1060687			
		1365	1138	100	S	27.6	1793	1060844		1060984			
				UT		26.7		1060455		1067016			
				CT		27.0		1060620		1060695			
		2075	1729	64	S	27.6	1793	1059914		1060367			
				UT		26.7		1060060		1060516			
		2425	2021	56	S	27.6	1793	1059922		1060375			
				UT		26.7		1060078		1060524			
250	206	1120	803	135.5	S	30.4	1978	1059930		1060383			
				UT		29.5		1060086		1060532			
				CT		29.7		1060638		1060703			
		1375	1146	110	UT	29.5	1978	1105873		TBA			
				CT		29.7		1105881		TBA			
2500	1917	60		S	30.4	1978	1059948		1060391				
				UT		29.5		1060094		1060540			

8. Determining Voltage Drop in Cable & Correction Factor

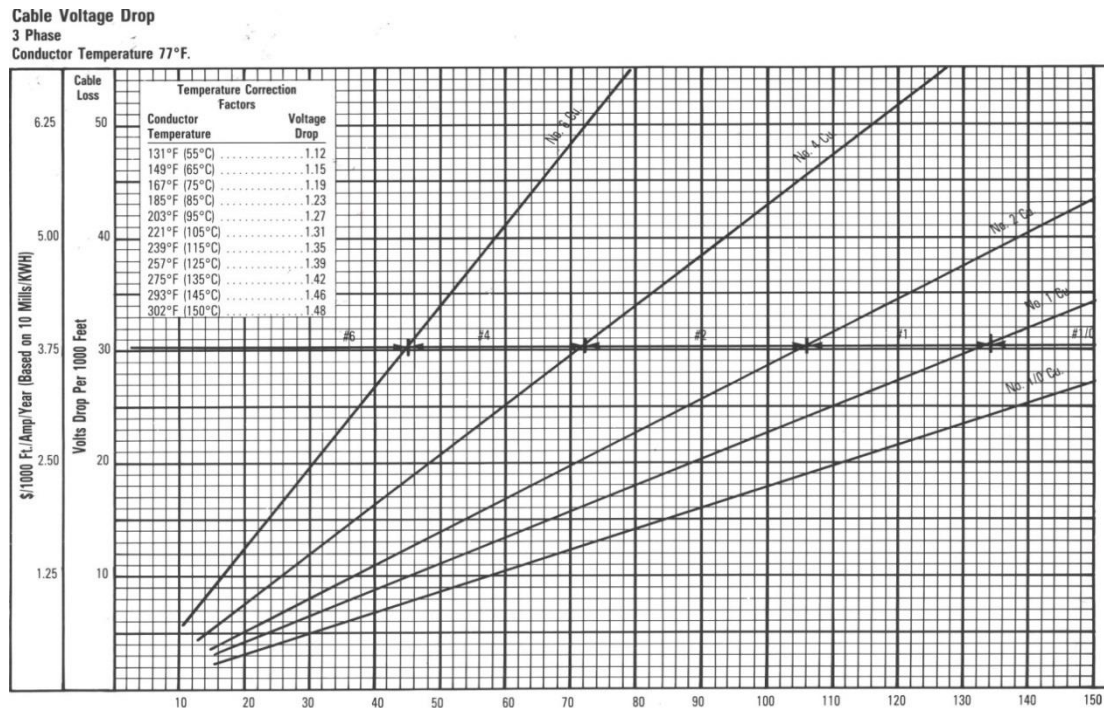


Figure (9): Voltage Drop (VD) Well of FB18. (Gilbert, W.E., 126 – 57, 1954).

Voltage drop in the cable = 25

Correction factor = 1.23

9. Calculate Voltage Drop (VD)

Table (9): Determine the Motor Voltage and Motor Amperes.

Motor Amperes	Motor Voltage	Motor Hp	Motor Series
65	2300	249	540,60 HZ

10. Calculating Voltage Drop

$$VD = \frac{\text{total} - \text{depth} * \text{correction factor} * \text{voltage dropper} . 1000 \text{ ft}}{1000}$$

$$VD = \frac{8588 * 1.23 * 25}{1000} = 264 \text{ Volt}$$

11. Calculating the Required Surface Voltage (Vs)

$$V_s = \text{Voltage Drop} + \text{Motor Voltage}$$

$$= 264 + 2300 = 2564$$

12. Calculating the Size of Transformer (Kva)

$$KVA = \frac{1.732 * V_s * Amp}{1000}$$

$$KVA = \frac{1.732 * 2564 * 65}{1000} = 288$$

13. Calculating the Fluid Velocity Beside the Motor (Vf)

$$V_f = 1.19 \times 10^{-2} \frac{Q}{ID_c^2 - OD_m^2}$$

$$V_f = 1.19 \times 10^{-2} \frac{6180}{6.23^2 - 5.4^2}$$

Table (10): Select Motor.

Cooling efficiency	VF	KVA	VS	VD	HP	TYPE
GOOD	19.2Ft/sec	288	2564 volt	264 volt	249 hp	540,60 HZ

Table (11): Calculations of Well (FB-18).

EFFICIENCY (%)	HEAD (ft /stage)	HP per stage (ft/stage)	NO. SERIES	TYPE
70	28	1.8	540	HN-3600,60 HZ

Weight (Ibm)	Length (ft)	Actual No. of Stages	Series	Pump Type
1978	30	204	540	HN-3600,60Hz

Results of ESP Design

Through the calculations for the design of the electric submersible pump for the two wells, the following information must be taken into account:

Table (12): Results of ESP Design.

Motor data						Pump selection				Well Number
hp	volts	Amp	Vf (Ft/sec)	KVA	Motor type	TDH (Ft)	Pump type	Stages	Pump Depth (Ft)	
247	2300	65	19Ft/sec	282.7	562	6107	SN-3600	166	5665	FD32
313	2300	65	9.2Ft/sec	288	562	6646	HN-3600 540	204	5653	FB18

Conclusion

Through the calculations for the design of the electric submersible pump for the two wells, the following points must be taken into account:

- 1- For FD32 well, to produce the required rate of 283STB/d, SN-3600 must be used and this requires 166 phases, 2300 volts, 65 amps, and 282.7 KVA.
- 2- For FB18 well, to produce the required rate of 6180STB/d, HN-3600 pump must be used, and this requires 204 phases, 2300 volts, 65 amps, and 288 KVA.

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