



PTTEP Australasia TIMOR SEA OPERATIONS

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PTTEP Australasia reports the *West Atlas* rig and Montara well head platform are on fire.

All personnel on the *West Triton* and on nearby work vessels are reported to be safe. Non essential personnel are being evacuated from the *West Triton*.

At 0930 (CST) today the leaking well in the Montara field in the Timor Sea was intercepted.

Operations commenced to complete the 'well kill' by pumping heavy mud into the leaking well from the *West Triton*.

While operations were continuing, a fire broke out on the H1 well.

No further information is available at this stage. More updates will be issued as more details become available.

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