

# Multiple Zone Stimulation of EGS Wells Ì Key to Reservoir Optimization

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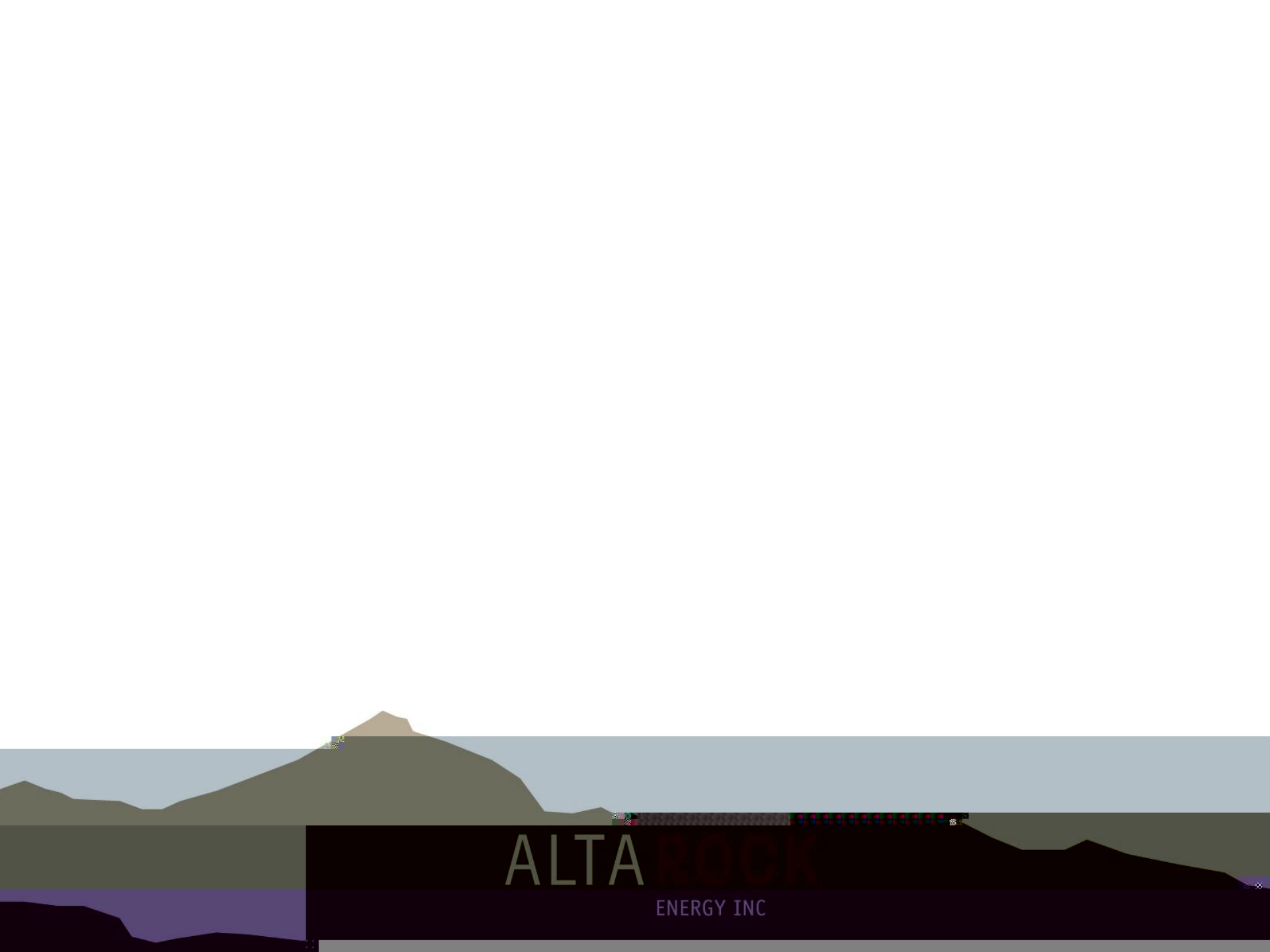
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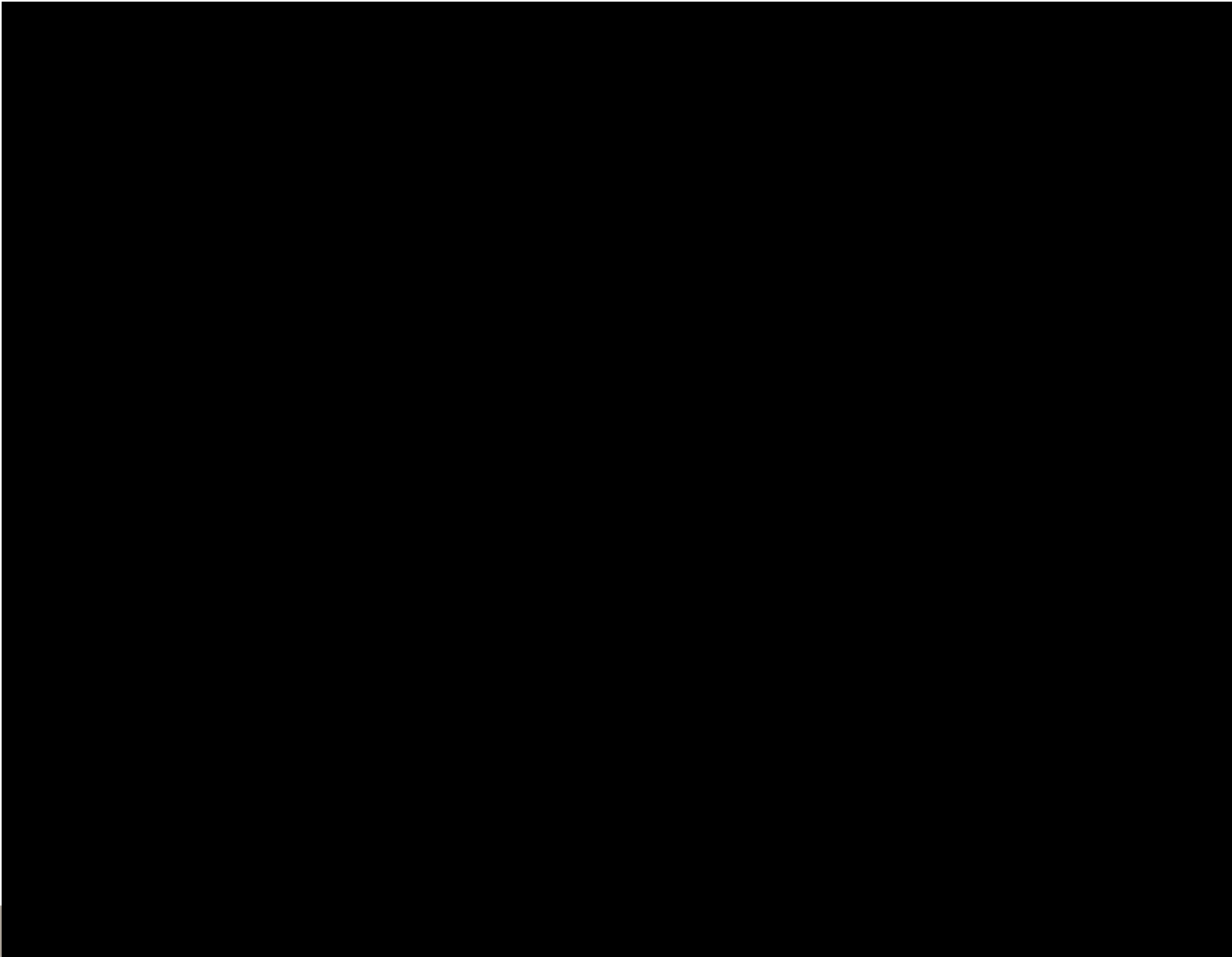
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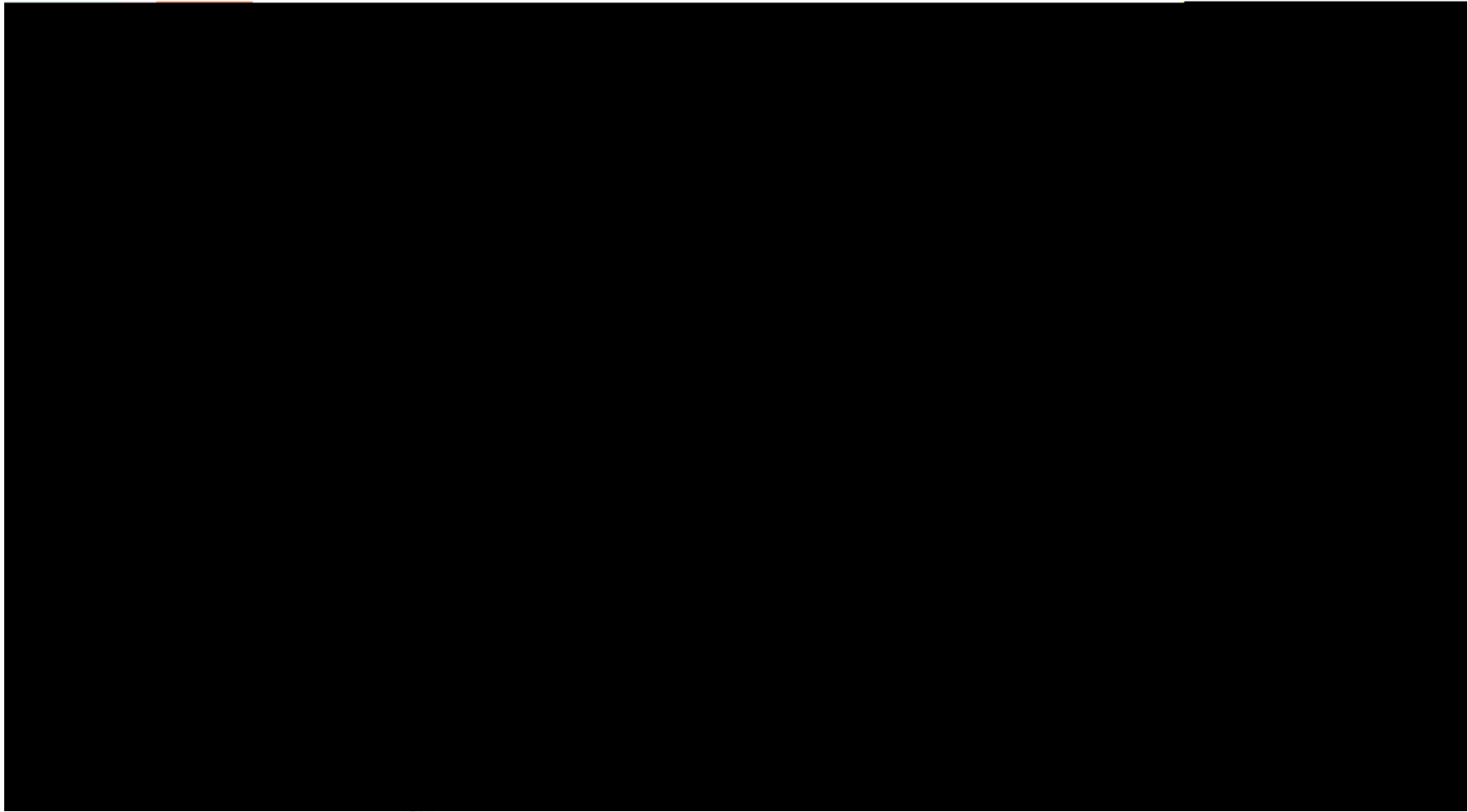
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# Worldwide EGS Lessons Learned

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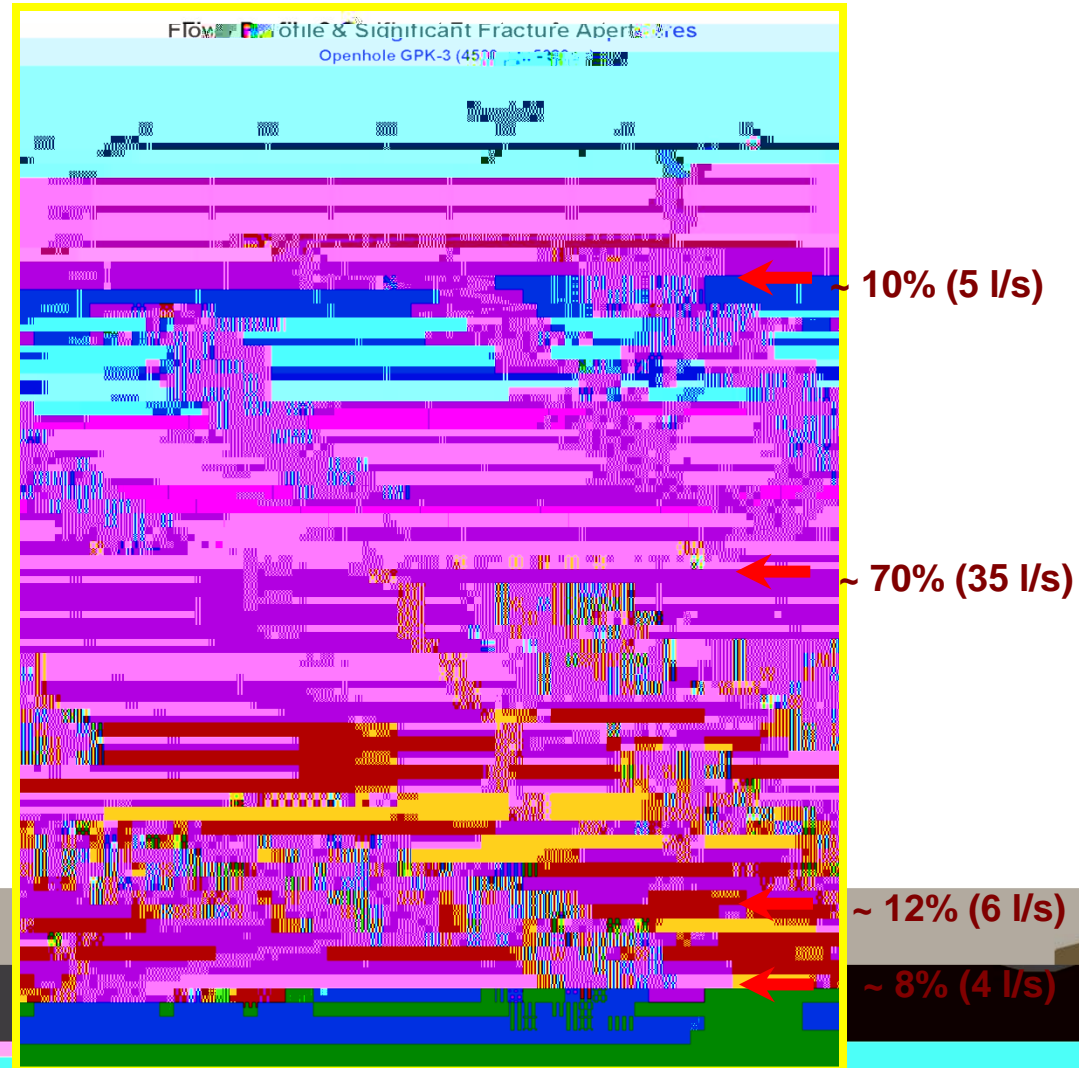
# Worldwide EGS Lessons Learned

- i First well needs to be drilled and stimulated in order to design the entire system
- i Stimulation is through shearing of pre-existing fractures instead of creating new tensile fractures
- i High flow rates with long path length are needed
- i Need technology for multiple zone stimulation
  - We currently do not have reliable open-hole packer for zonal isolation**



# Current Stimulation Technology

- i Inject fluid from the surface
- i Most permeable zone in well takes fluid and is stimulated
- i Remaining zones only take limited amounts of fluid.
- i Increasing flow by increasing injection pressure risks induced seismicity



# Reservoir Optimization

## Single Fracture Network

## Limitations of Single Fracture

- i Flow through a single stimulated fracture network provides minimal heat exchange area
- i Flow rates are then limited by the maximum injection pressure which will extend fractures

**Increase the rate of cooling at the production well**

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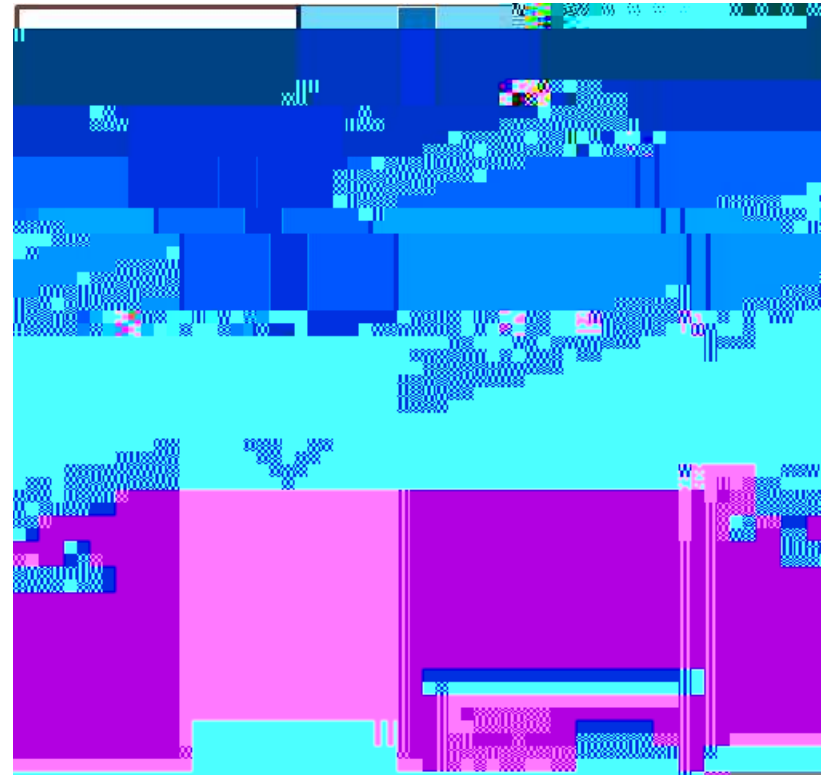


# Reservoir Optimization

## Benefits of Multiple Fractures

- i Multiple fractures allow for flow through two or more fracture networks
- i More rock heat exchange area is contacted
- i Pressure drop through system is reduced allowing higher flow rates
- i Additional flow will allow for greater production on a per well basis

## Multiple Fracture Network



# GETEM Modeling Results

## i Inputs

30 kg/sec base flow

4 km depth well

## i Results

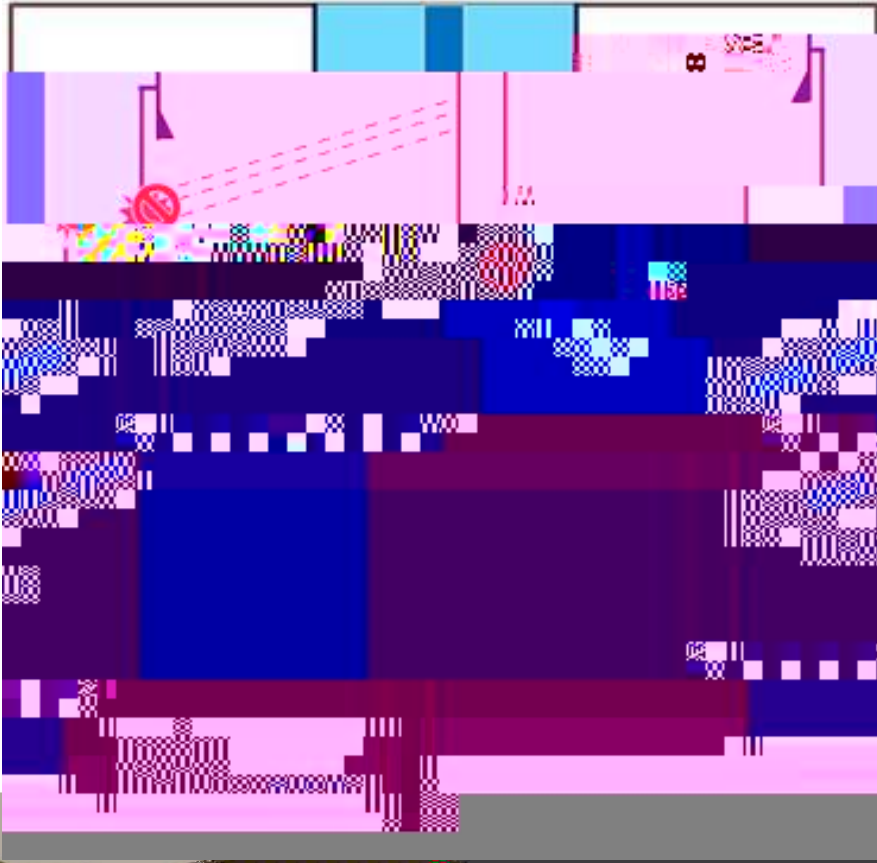
Flash system had 40% reduction in power cost

Binary system had 50% reduction in power cost

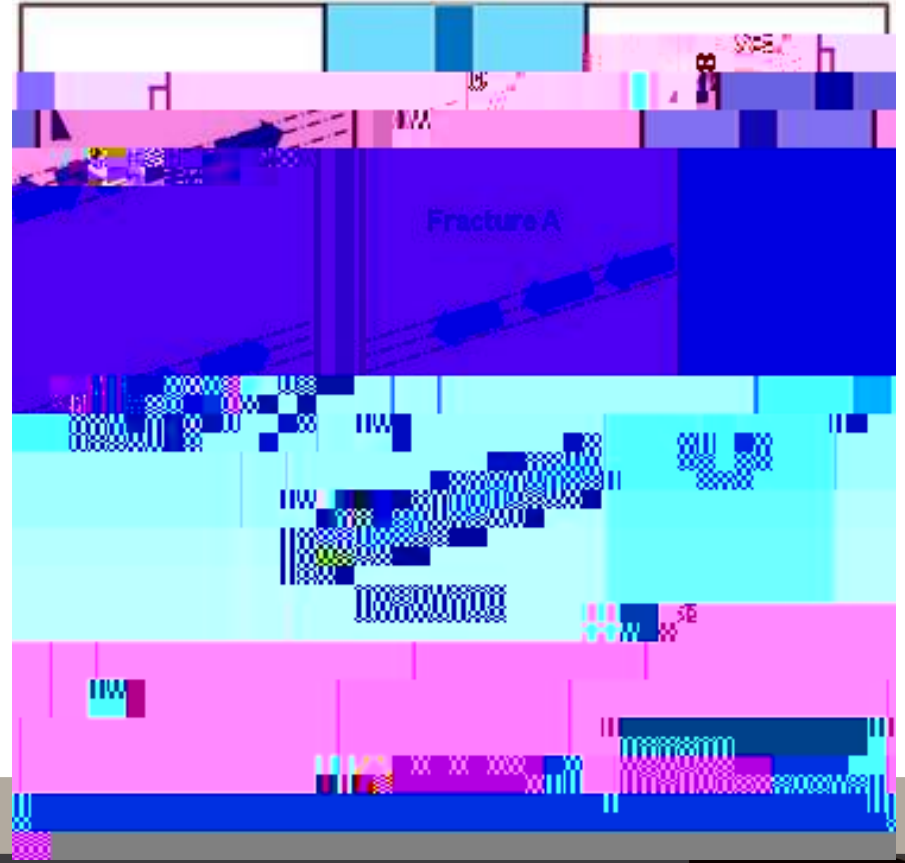
Flash/Binary	Temperature (° C)	Improvement	Cost of Power 2010 (cent/kw)

# Temporary Diverters

Diverter Sealing Zone



Degraded Diverter



# AltaRock Proprietary Temporary Diverters

## Design

- i Particle size distribution of material that will allow for packing and sealing of fracture
- i Remain in place and withstand differential pressure during 2<sup>nd</sup> stimulation
- i Degrade to non-damaging products after stimulation as well heats back up
- i Require instruments in hole during treatment to monitor and verify that diversion has occurred

## Benefits

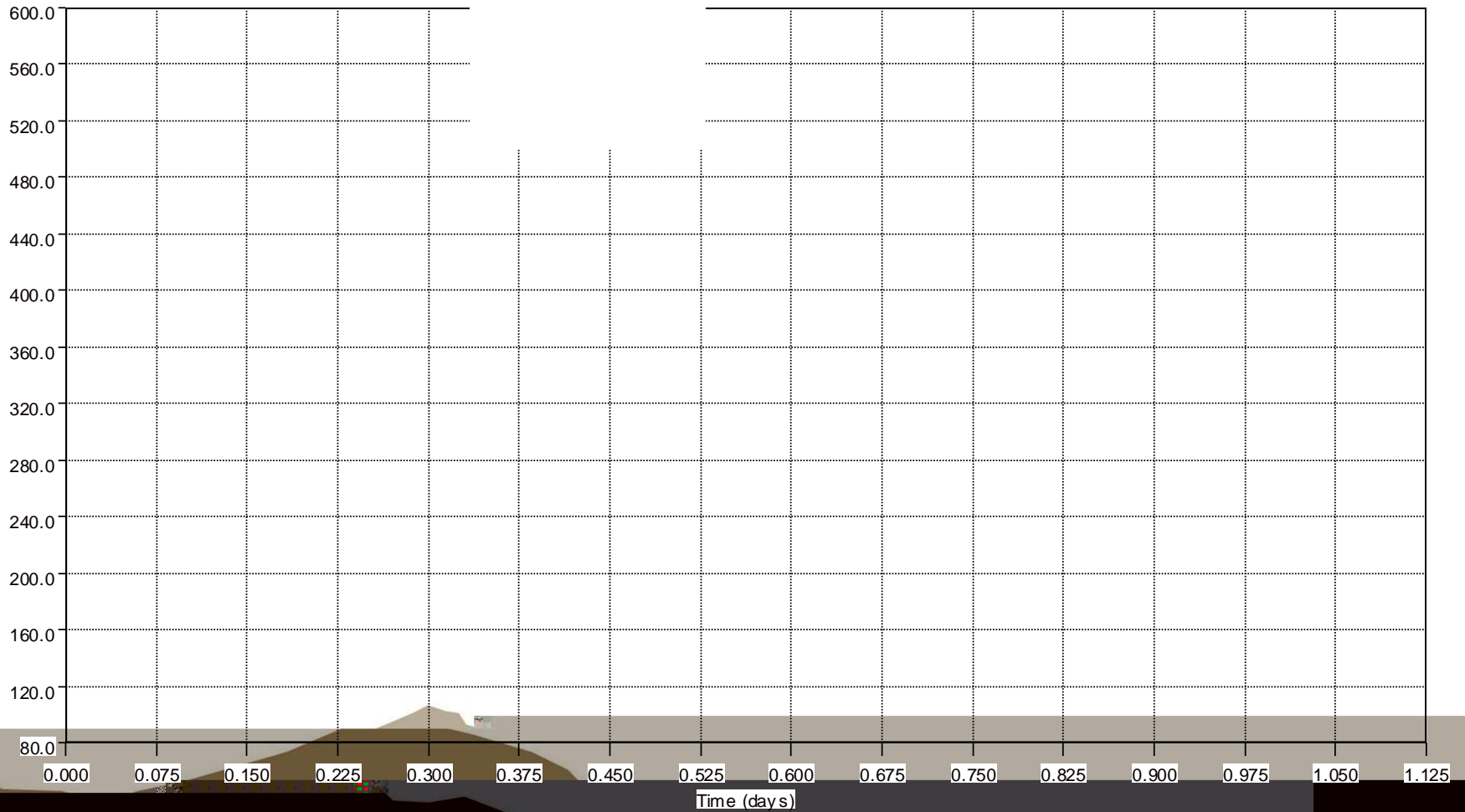
- i Increased production reduces cost of power production
- i No Rig required during treatment
  - Major cost Savings**
  - Reduce Operational risk**
  - Create fractures in succession without moving packer and waiting on rig**
- i Can be used even when slotted liner is in place
  - Cannot use mechanical isolation like packers in well with slotted liner**



# Temperature Modeling

## *Thermal Cooling from Injection $\dot{V}$ 10 bpm*

Temperatures vs. Time - Injection - Annulus







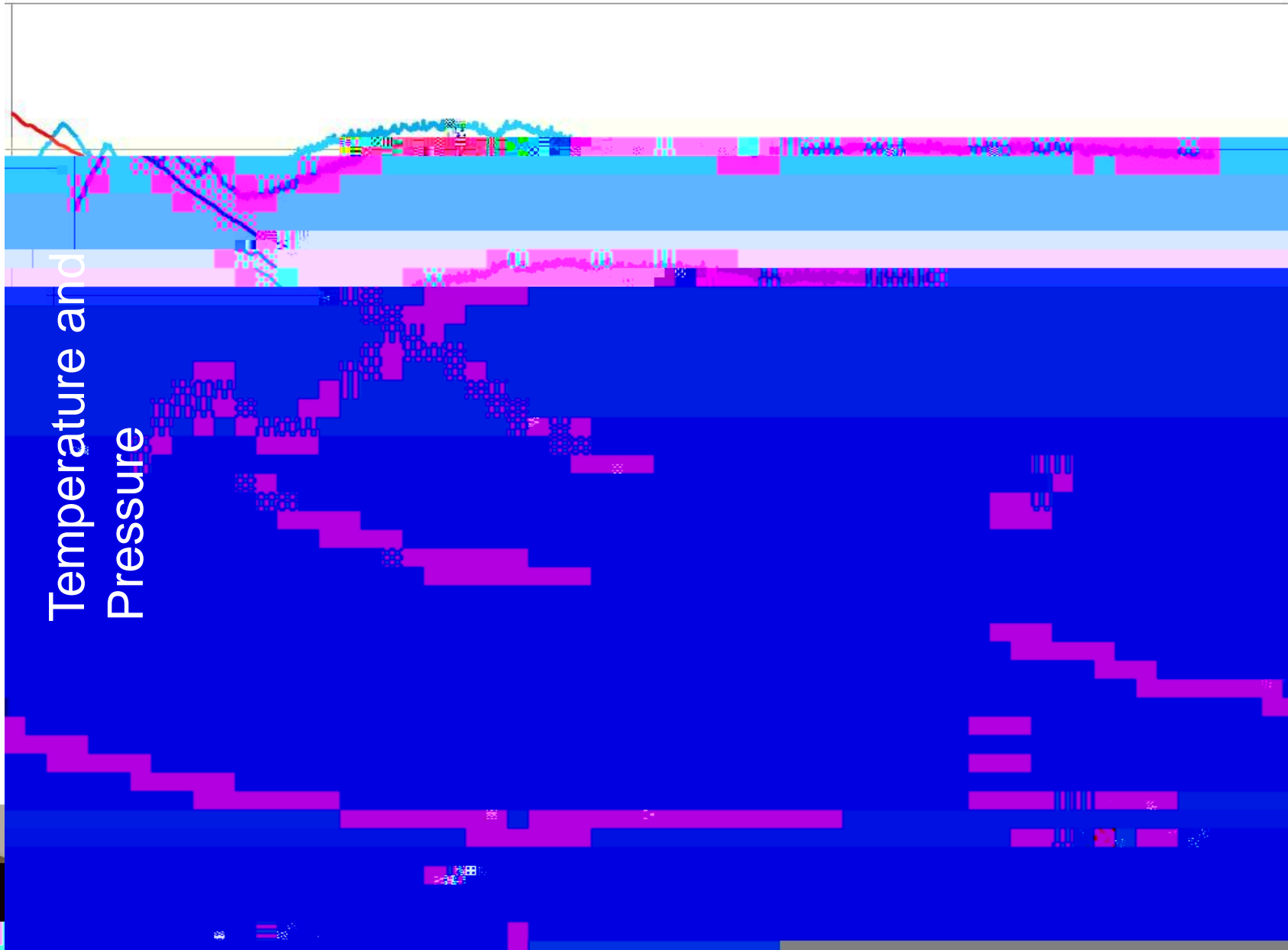
# Diverter Test No. 1

- i Injected water into well prior to the diverter test
- i Multiple rates of 150, 300, and 500 gpm
- i Measured temperature at bottom of hole

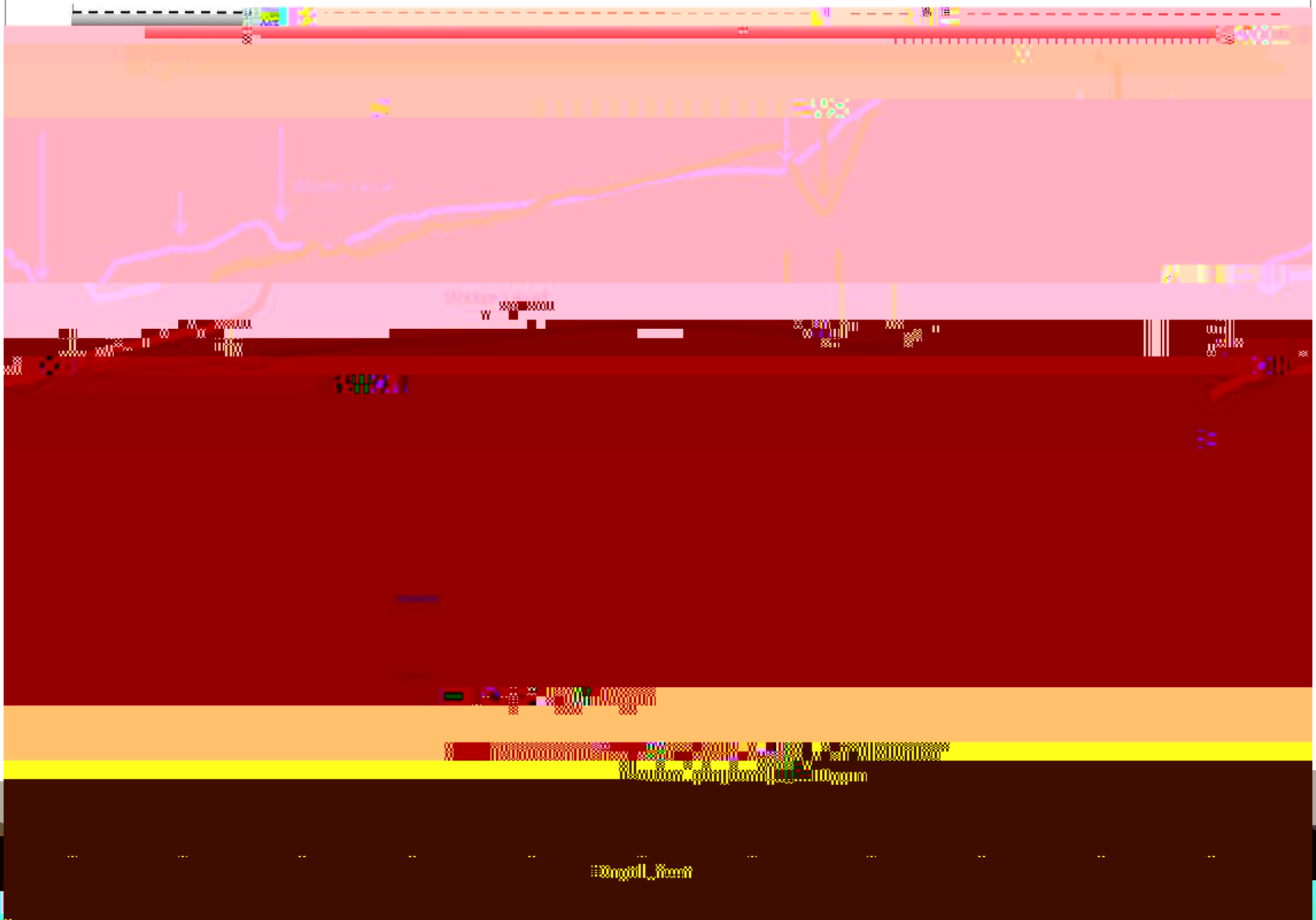




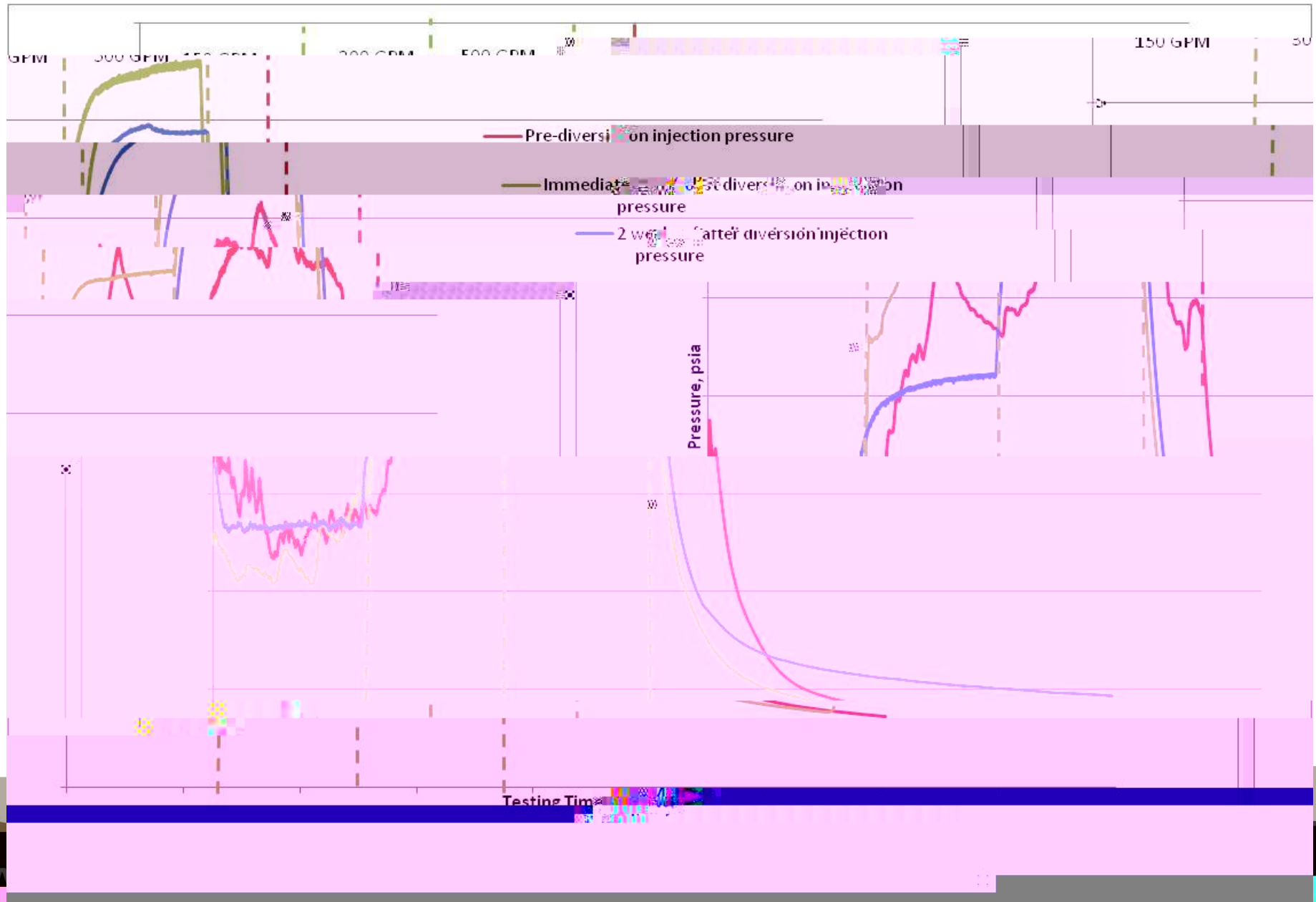
# Diverter Test No.1 T & P vs. Time Monitormtted@500



# Diverter Test Temperature vs. Depth Monitoring



# Injection Pressure Comparison



# Outcomes & Conclusions Ì Test No. 1

- ì The first field trial of AltaRock Proprietary Diverter successful
- ì Highly permeable fractures temporarily sealed
- ì The presence of a slotted liner k ith Ì slots did not pose a problem
- ì Injection profile in well could be modified temporarily
- ì Fluid could be pushed deeper into the wellbore
- ì Finally, transmissivity calculations (kh) before and after the test imply full degradation of the diverter material Ì value held steady at 55,000 md-ft.

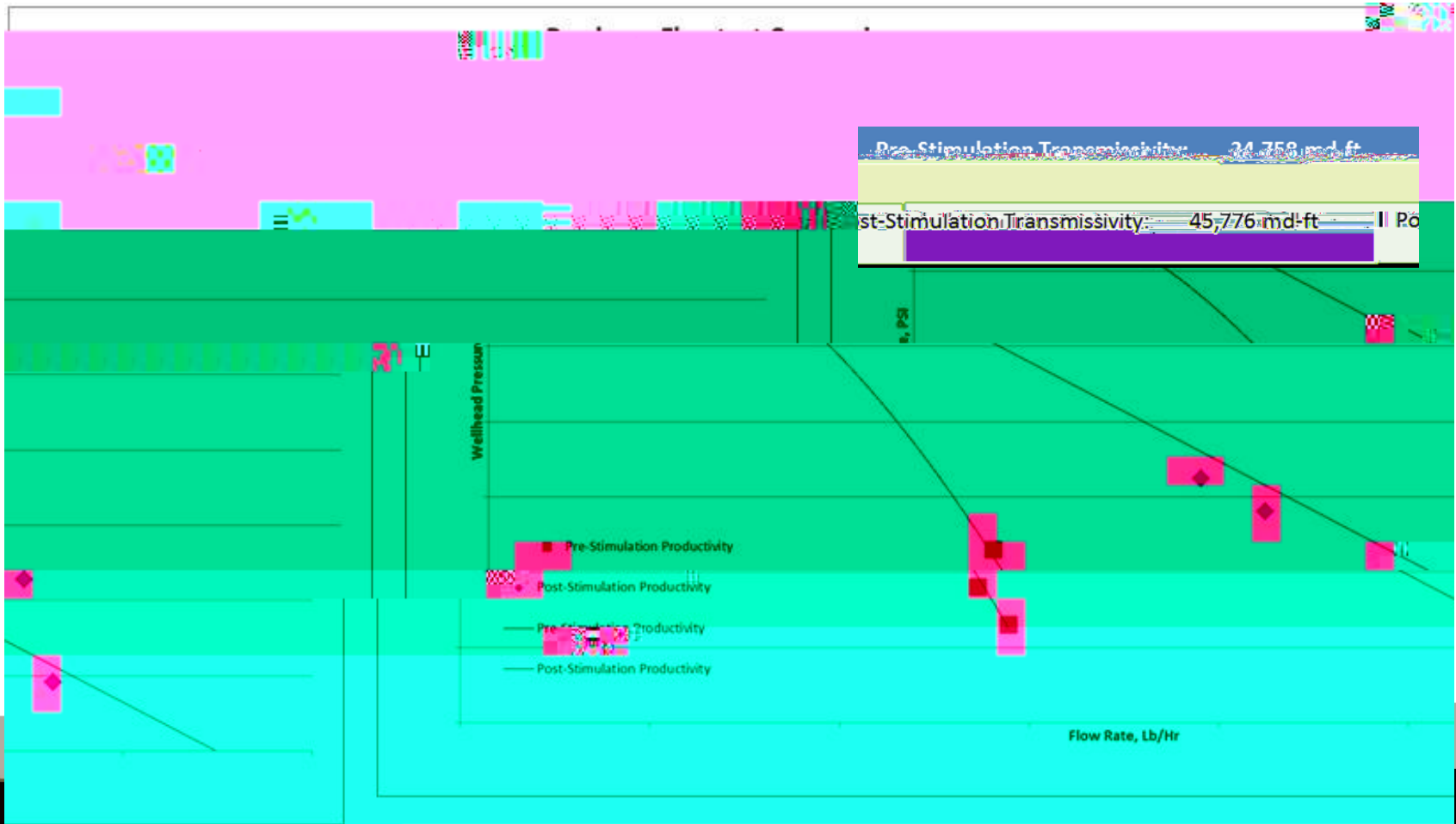


# Tracer Test Results - Test No.2

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# Flow Test Results - Test No.2







# Outcomes & Conclusions | Test No.2

- | Successful diversion and stimulation (tracer tests)
- | Improved long term production
- | Improved permeability due to stimulation (Transmissivity)
- | Enhanced production from deeper interval



# Conclusions

- i AltaRock Proprietary Chemical Diverters have potential to greatly reduce the cost of EGS power and to enhance production of hydrothermal production wells

  - Increase power production on a per well basis**

  - GETEM modeling indicates up to 50% or more reduction in power costs**

- i Field tests provide support of concept of using chemical diverters to temporarily divert flow in actual wells

  - Even with slotted liners already in place**

# Questions?