

Biography Tom Howard

Thomas “Tom” Howard is Manager of PayZone Inc.’s Borehole Image Log Analysis group, and is a co-owner of PayZone Inc. Located in Bakersfield, California, PayZone Inc. is an oil & gas consulting firm offering integrated petrophysical, geological and engineering services world-wide, with emphasis on reservoir characterization.

Tom has an extensive background in: well-site operations, geology, working with whole cores, wire-line well logging as QA/QC observer and as a still recovering engineer, and well log analysis, all honed from a number of years spent in the waste isolation, environmental, and water well industries, before venturing into the oil and gas industry as a wireline engineer with NUMAR in the late 1990’s. He has worked with a number and variety of Borehole Image and Dipmeter logs from: California, Mid-Continent, Gulf of Mexico, and more than a few international locations.

Prior to joining PayZone in 2009, Tom worked as a Senior Geoscientist at Baker Atlas and as a Senior Image Log Analyst at Halliburton. He has published, presented and/or teaches on a variety of well logging and log analysis topics, including the use of Borehole Image and Dipmeter logs. Tom is a co-recipient of the H. Victor Church Memorial award, with Dalton Lockman and Paul Elliott from the PS/AAPG in 2008. He has a Bachelor of Arts degree in Earth Sciences from the University of California at Berkeley.

Tom is a member of SPWLA, AAPG, and SEG. He served as President of the San Joaquin Well Logging Society (the Bakersfield California chapter of the SPWLA), and is still very *proud* of the efforts of the chapter membership as the host chapter to the 2015 SPWLA Annual Symposium held in Long Beach, CA. When he has time that is free of the demands of his profession, Tom surfs on the California coast and at exotic venues around the world.

