

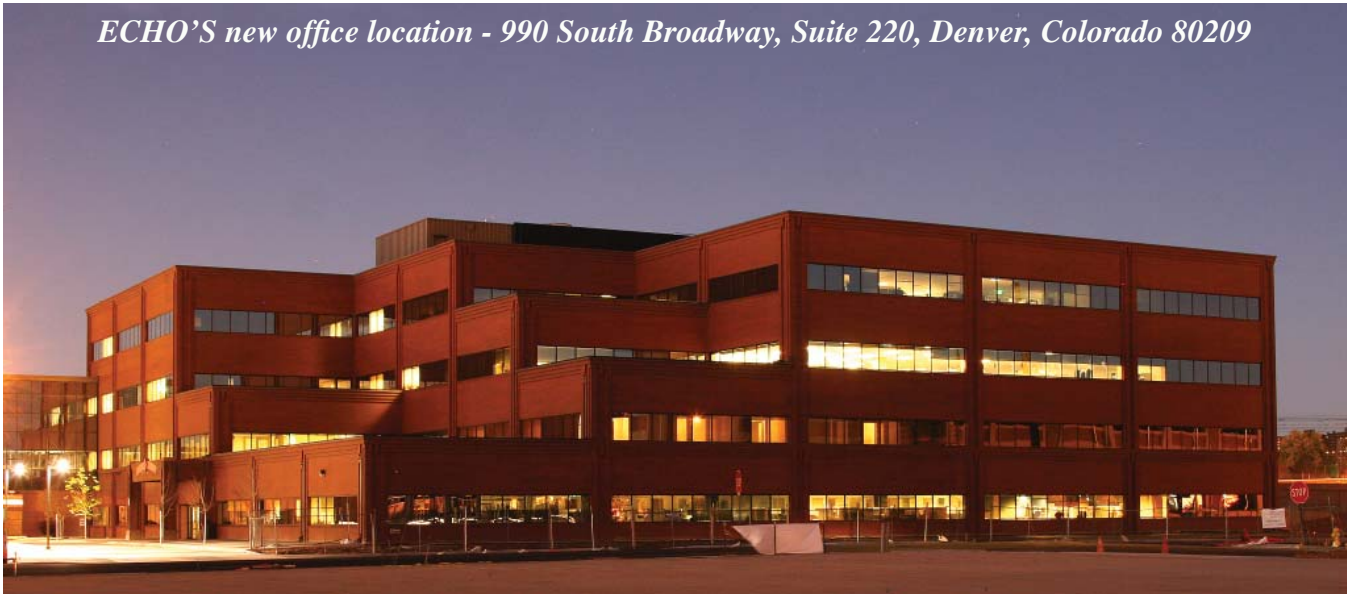
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A New Year, A New Office

ECHO'S new office location - 990 South Broadway, Suite 220, Denver, Colorado 80209



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A New Year and a New Office! ECHO Geophysical Corporation will be moving offices in December. ECHO will be moving out of downtown Denver, to a more centralized location. The new ECHO office headquarters will be located just off of I-25 and Broadway in Denver, Colorado. The ECHO Denver office will be in the freshly renovated Broadway Station, previously known as the Gates Rubber building. From this

centralized location there is easy access to downtown, the Denver Tech Center, and southwest metro Denver.

The former Gates Rubber Factory site has been converted from an eye-sore to eye candy. For more than 85 years the Gates Rubber Factory produced belts, hoses and tires for the automotive industry. Employing 6,000 workers, the company was established in 1911 and was the sixth largest rubber company in the nation. In the 1980s the Gates Corp. began downsizing as it moved operations overseas, and the company

ultimately closed its Denver location permanently in 1995.

On December 8th, 2008 ECHO will proudly call Broadway Station its new home!

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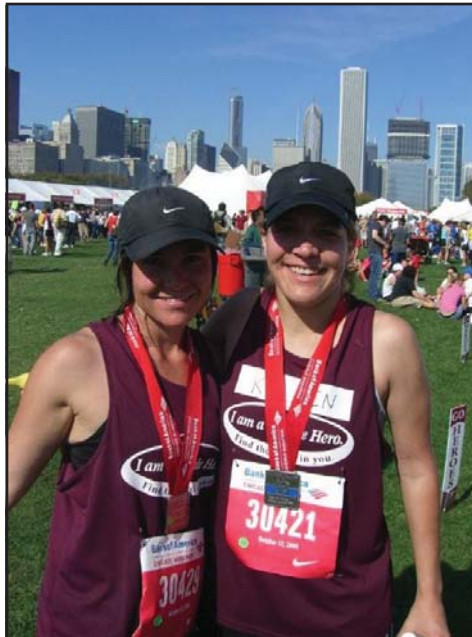
A Closer Look at ECHO: Kirsten Nielsen

By Steve Gardiner
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Having grown up in Denver, Kirsten Nielsen was looking for a change when she enrolled in the University of Arizona at Tucson. She stayed long enough to earn her B.S. in Business Administration with an emphasis in marketing before she “got tired of hot weather” and returned to Colorado.

Back in the Rocky Mountains, Kirsten pursues her love of skiing in places like Vail and Breckenridge and enjoys spending time with her friends and family members. She also adheres to a rigorous running schedule and has competed in four half-marathons in the last couple of years. Most recently, Kirsten completed a full marathon with her ECHO Geophysical colleague Jessica Morse. The two ran the Chicago Marathon on October 12th, 2008 as a charity effort to support St. Jude’s Children’s Cancer Hospital in Memphis.

“The thrill of a setting a difficult goal and achieving it was a great feeling. I am so thankful to my family, friends, colleagues and clients who contributed money to St. Jude Children’s Hospital on my behalf. Their contributions were part of over \$240,000 raised by St. Jude Heroes at this year’s Chicago Marathon.” Continuing to set goals, Kirsten plans to participate in the Vineman Half Ironman Triathlon (1.2 mile swim, 56 mile bike ride and 13 mile run) next summer.



Jessica Morse (Left) and Kirsten Nielsen (Right) at the Chicago Marathon in October 2008

Jessica Morse, Vice President of Business Development and Marketing for ECHO, is pleased to have Nielsen working by her side. “In the short time Kirsten has been on staff at ECHO, she has already proven to be an asset. She exudes devotion, determination and dependability, all qualities I believe to be imperative to our sales team as well as our company. I look forward to having her on staff and to her continued success here at ECHO.”

Nielsen is working in ECHO’s data pool division, focusing on both data contributions and sales. “I really like the oil and gas industry,” she said. “I especially like the scientific part of working with seismic data and oil exploration. I get to talk with a lot of geophysicists, and I learn a lot from them. It is an

exciting time in the oil and gas industry. Drilling for oil is playing a huge part in politics right now.”

“It’s nice having Kirsten in the office with us,” said Janet McGuire, Vice President of Operations. “She brings high energy to the workplace and is an enthusiastic contributor to the marketing team. Kirsten has an admirable ability to adapt to new environments, and her willingness to ‘go with the flow’ of a small service company certainly aids in her success at ECHO.”

In addition to running marathons, Nielsen likes to travel. She has visited Italy and, while partaking in fantastic cuisine, enjoyed viewing the Colosseum, the leaning tower of Pisa, the Trevi fountain, the Vatican and the canals of Venice. She also appreciated visiting Germany and learning more about her ancestry. She hopes to continue her travels and someday visit Africa and Australia.

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Behind the Scenes with Echo-Denver Seismic Analysts

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You may know some of ECHO's high-profile employees, but ECHO is packed with talent, and we want to introduce you to three of the terrific processing geophysicists based in ECHO's Denver office: Kris Brault, Amy Stackhouse and Bob Vite.

Heading up the team is Kris Brault, who has been in the industry for 28 years. He spent time with Western Geophysical, DPC, HGS, EDI and Lauren prior to his tenure at ECHO. Kris brings the kind of deeply rooted processing experience that few can offer in this day and age. With thousands of miles and square miles of processing work under his belt, he has significant experience in all major onshore U.S. basins, but he considers deciphering the stratigraphically and/or structurally complex areas of the Rockies to be his forte. All processing projects present challenges, and Kris enjoys exercising the independent judgment required to identify and solve each problem.

When asked what he has gleaned from the clients he has worked with over the years, Kris said he has learned that "Processing seismic data is not a pure science. Art plays a portion as well." According to ECHO President John Jancik, "Kris Brault has been an incredible addition to our staff. While there are many



Amy Stackhouse, Bob Vite, and Kris Brault

experienced Senior Geophysical Analysts in this industry, Kris has shown he is one of the elite. His diverse and lengthy experience added with his enthusiasm to solve any problem he faces in the world of seismic processing makes him a very special talent in this industry." We think Kris's experience and integrity make him a fine instrument to assist explorationists with seismic in any part of the world.

Another significant contributor to the group is Amy Stackhouse. We consider Amy a homegrown success, as she learned the ropes of data processing at ECHO, beginning her processing career in 2002 after working for an environmental lab and a geotechnical engineering company.

John Jancik adds that "Amy is a perfect complement to the team of Kris and Bob. She philosophically processes similarly to them and brings vast experience in the front-end processing work. Her educational background, an Earth Science degree from the University of California-Santa Cruz, also prepared her in many ways for the complete understanding of how seismic is really an interrelated geophysical and geological 'picture'." Amy spent her first few years at ECHO learning geometry definition/verification procedures and refraction statics methodology and made great strides in understanding difficult facets of front-end processing work by determining

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appropriate sequences for dealing with phase matching and survey merging procedures. Moving into a comprehensive processing role, Amy was trained by Bill Wepfer, Ph.D. and credits him in large part for the knowledge base she has accumulated. She appreciates the variety of challenges presented in seismic data processing, as they keep the job interesting. Amy provides clients with a fresh processing perspective as well as an eagerness to meet their quality and turn-around goals. As a large number of competent processing geophysicists in the oil and gas exploration industry will consider retirement in the near future, Amy is one of the few up-and-coming analysts with long-term career promise.

ECHO is very pleased that Bob Vite decided to return to seismic processing. After a brief hiatus, Bob returned to ECHO in 2004 (previously having worked at ECHO from 1997-2001 and for Western Geophysical from 1993-1997) continuing years of experience working through difficult front-end problems for data in all parts of the world. ECHO President John Jancik says, "Bob's worldwide experience in dealing with the geometry and refraction statics issues often presented with complex 3-D and 2-D data has established an incredible base of knowledge for his growth in processing. In addition, I have gotten positive, direct feedback

from clients around the U.S. regarding Bob's quick turnaround times and high quality work."

"Seismic is fascinating, and there are so many different levels of understanding that can be achieved. It forces you to be a problem solver as inevitably there will be problems that you will have to figure out."

-Bob Vite.

Bob has developed into a real star in recent years, with an admirable attitude and contagious enthusiasm for his job.

Bob says, "I'm very thankful to work in an industry that I really enjoy; when I go to work I am excited to get started just about every day. Seismic is fascinating, and there are so many different levels of understanding that can be achieved. It forces you to be a problem solver, as inevitably there will be problems that you will have to figure out. I think that this challenge is one of the reasons I enjoy it so much." Bob appreciates the team environment at ECHO where "there are always others to help" with a problem. Hoping to emulate the career of ECHO Senior Geophysicist Rick Steineck, Bob relishes the

insight client interaction provides him. He enjoys working with clients and provides knowledgeable and enthusiastic service on all his projects. We expect Bob to have a long processing career, again being one of the few to fit in the seismic processing niche as the bulk of scientists look to retirement.

All three of these processing geophysicists are strong individual analysts, but put together as a team, they are a powerful force. Kris Brault's extensive knowledge combined with the impressive front-end experience, fresh perspectives and enthusiasm of Bob Vite and Amy Stackhouse create a formidable team that can gracefully handle any time processing challenge. ECHO's processing lineup has grown very strong, and the players are ready to tackle your processing challenges. Feel free to contact any of ECHO's processors directly with questions you have regarding past or future projects. These analysts may be reached through e-mail at the following email addresses:

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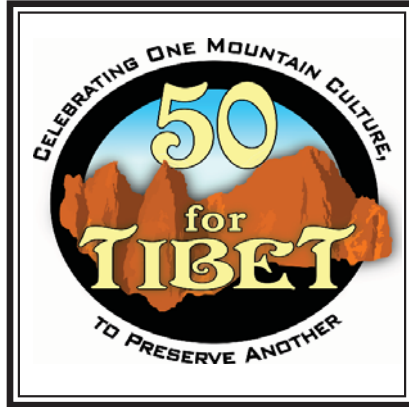
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The World and ECHO in Support of Tibet

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International support for Tibet has been expanding for years, particularly since 1990, when the first Tibet Support Group Meeting was held with delegates from 25 countries. The United States has begun to take a larger role in support of Tibet, as evidenced by the 2008 decision by Congress to award the Congressional Gold Medal to the Dalai Lama. This ceremony was attended by six ECHO staff members under the rotunda of the U.S. Capitol.



The U.S. is not alone in its support, as people around the world, including substantial members of Chinese people, contribute meaningful support to

Tibet's cause. All these supporters are united by a common belief that every human being has a right to freedom, justice and human dignity. Joining in this support, the 50-For-Tibet team sponsored by ECHO Geophysical has completed 47 of the 50 state highpoints it initially set out to conquer in 2006 to raise money for the Rowell Fund for Tibet. The team members have seen some amazing sights while on their journey to help support Tibetan culture. Photos from some of the climbs are included on Page 6.

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50 For Tibet Photos



Sunrise from Guadalupe Peak, Texas State Highpoint



Ascent of Mount Whitney, California State Highpoint



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