The talk will start with a brief overview of the principles of aggregation. The Good is all about how Probabilistic reserves can be aggregated in compliance with SEC and PRMS guidance to significantly increase your Proved reserves. SPEE’s ROTR aggregation guidance tells us to separate our 1P, 2P and 3P estimates without aggregation across these estimates. Why is this the recommended practice? The Bad is when we aggregate across the 1P, 2P and 3P categories based on limited data sets. This has the potential to significantly overbook our contingent resources. The presentation will conclude with a case study where 24 horizontal wells were used to determine the program’s expectation of the following year’s 10 well program. We will demonstrate how aggregation curves should be used to better understand the uncertainty in our data sets based on limited data. As Engineers we focus on the arithmetic mean of limited data sets, often to our peril – The ugly.

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