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Sounding Better!

Letter from the General Manager

By Harold Orlinsky

The other day I bought some Hostess Twinkies. I didn't need them, but on an impulse I put a box in my cart. It could have been that they were on sale, or maybe I did it to see the reaction from the family if I served them for dessert. We all know they are not good for you. Any food that lasts for 20 years without spoiling can't be healthy. But I recall enjoying them as a kid, packing them on a trip to the beach. It was the perfect food; they never needed to be put in the cooler, as they would be fine during the hot summer day. Besides eating hot Twinkies, the beach was the place to hang out and relax, as school was out and no work was to be done until September.

While folks were relaxing at the beach this month, HYPACK was humming along doing what we do best; adding new features to the programs, traveling the world to make Sounding Better, and (gasp, do I say), beginning the preparations for the HYPACK® 2019 training event.

In this month's newsletter, you will read about the updates in the service pack. This release, now posted on our web site, has some new features added to the programs and some annoying bugs that managed to get into the earlier release fixed. With many of the programs linking similar code files in the background, it was easier to post a complete package update than to a download with the dozen or so programs needed for this update.

IMPORTANT: As always, check the expiration date on your HYPACK® license. The mid-year install (v 8.1.0) and June Supplemental files will not run with a license that expired before July 2, 2018.

This *Sounding Better!* issue has an article on multi-frequency processing. Mike did a great job on updates to MBMAX64 for handling the different frequency data. If you ever wondered whether the bottom penetration differed between high and low frequencies, here's the answer. You'll see it in the profile view.

This issue also has two articles on updates to targeting features—one by Daniel on side scan targets and one by Joseph with an update in the MAGNETOMETER EDITOR. These were requests from users to make targeting a bit simpler to use. Another two articles are on TIN MODEL, with a few "how to do" features.

Summertime is also the halfway point from when we last did our HYPACK training seminar to when the next one will be held. In 2019, we are going for our 26th annual training event. Brittany has an article on the training event with all the details.

These, plus a dozen more articles, will keep you busy reading while relaxing at the beach.

Enjoy your summer.

-Harold