SUMMARY

In one aspect of the present disclosure, there is provided a method of establishing fluid communication between first and second wellbores, the method comprising:

forming a flow path from the first wellbore to the second wellbore, wherein a flow area of the flow path increases in a direction from the first wellbore toward the second wellbore.

In another aspect of the present disclosure, there is provided an explosive assembly for use in a subterranean well, the explosive assembly comprising:

an explosive device including multiple explosive charges, wherein the explosive charges produce longitudinal shock waves that collide with each other and result in a laterally directed shock wave; and

a shield that focuses the laterally directed shock wave into a predetermined angular range of less than 360 degrees about the explosive device.

In a further aspect of the present disclosure, there is provided a method of establishing fluid communication between first and second wellbores, the method comprising:

forming a flow path from the first wellbore to the second wellbore, wherein the flow path intersects an uncased portion of the second wellbore.

BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWINGS

FIG. 1 is a representative partially cross-sectional view of an example of a well system and associated method which can embody principles of this disclosure, the system

and method being depicted after an explosive assembly has been positioned in a wellbore drilled proximate another wellbore.

FIG. 2 is a representative partially cross-sectional view of the system and method, after the explosive assembly has been detonated, thereby forming a flow path between the wellbores.

FIG. 3 is a representative cross-sectional view of the system and method, taken along line 3-3 of FIG. 2.

FIG. 4 is a representative cross-sectional view of the system and method, depicting an open hole example.

FIG. 5 is a representative partially cross-sectional view of an example of an explosive device of the explosive assembly.

FIGS. 6-8 are representative partially cross-sectional views of additional examples of the system and method, in which an orienting device is used to rotationally orient the explosive assembly.

DETAILED DESCRIPTION

Representatively illustrated in FIG. 1 is an example of a system 10 for use with a subterranean well, and an associated method, which system and method can embody principles of this disclosure. However, it should be clearly understood that the system 10 and method are merely one example of an application of the principles of this