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# SUMMARY

This report presents estimates of British Columbia's oil, natural gas and associated by-product reserves as of December 31, 2008. The estimates have been prepared by the Oil and Gas Commission utilizing the most currently available geologic and reservoir interpretations. The reserve estimates represent established reserves and are based on accepted geological and engineering practices.

British Columbia's Remaining Established Reserves as of December 31, 2008, together with a comparison of the December 31, 2007 reserves, are summarized below.

# **Remaining Established Reserves**

|             |                   | 2007                                      | 2008   |
|-------------|-------------------|---|--|
| OIL         |                   | 19.7 10 <sup>6</sup> m³<br>(123.9 MMSTB)  | 18.5 10 <sup>6</sup> m³<br>(116.3 MMSTB)           |
| GAS         | Total, raw        | 482.9 10ºm³                               | 605.3 10⁰m³  |
|             |                   | (17.1 TCF)                                | (21.5 TCF)   |
|             | Total, marketable | 394.2 10 <sup>9</sup> m³<br>(14.0 TCF)    | 496.6 10 <sup>9</sup> m <sup>3</sup><br>(17.6 TCF) |
|             | Unconnected Gas   |   |  |
|             | Raw               | 26.9 10 <sup>9</sup> m³<br>(0.953 TCF)    | 19.2 10 <sup>9</sup> m <sup>3</sup><br>(0.680 TCF) |
|             | Marketable        | 21.4 10 <sup>9</sup> m³<br>(0.758 TCF)    | 14.8 10 <sup>9</sup> m³<br>(0525 TCF)              |
| BY-PRODUCTS |                   |   |  |
|             | LPG               | 18.7 10 <sup>6</sup> m³<br>(117.8 MMSTB)  | 25.2 10 <sup>°</sup> m³<br>(158.7MMSTB)            |
|             | Pentanes+         | 7.4 10 <sup>6</sup> m³<br>(46.7 MMSTB)    | 9.8 10 <sup>6</sup> m³<br>(61.7 MMSTB)             |
|             | Sulphur           | 15.0 10 <sup>6</sup> tonnes<br>(14.8MMLT) | 14.1 10 <sup>6</sup> tonnes<br>(13.9MMLT)          |



#### A. Oil Reserves

The Province's oil production for the 2008 calendar year was 1 341 10<sup>3</sup>m<sup>3</sup>, 11.8% less than the production volume for the previous year marking the eighth year in a row of flat or decreasing annual production. Thirteen oil wells (Fig. 3) were drilled during 2008, a 69% decrease from the forty one wells drilled last year. This low number was the major cause for the remaining oil reserves at December 31, 2008 to decrease to 18.5 10<sup>6</sup>m<sup>3</sup> from 19.7 10<sup>6</sup>m<sup>3</sup> in 2007.

A decrease in oil production saw the remaining reserves to production ratio (R/P ratio), increase slightly from 12.9 years in 2007 to 13.8 years in 2008 (Figures 1 and 2).

The net reserve changes to oil due to revisions was so slight as to not cause a great change in the overall remaining oil reserves. The largest positive revision of 257 10<sup>3</sup>m<sup>3</sup> resulted from a performance review of the Halfway oil pool in Peejay West that had a reserves to production ratio of less than one.

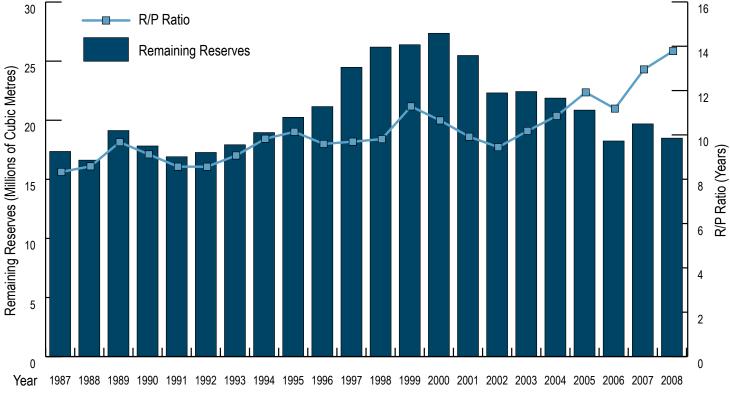
Figure 1: Historical Remaining Oil Reserves Versus R/P Ratio

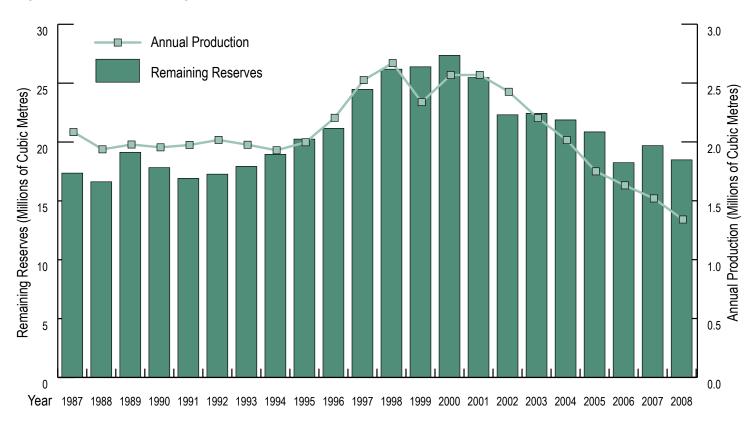
Drilling activity aimed at the discovery of new oil pools, added minimal reserves (IR =  $162.0 \ 10^3 \text{m}^3$ ) down from the previous year's bookings of 266.0 10<sup>3</sup>m<sup>3</sup>. Drilling activity resulted in only 4 new pools being discovered, all of which were single well pools with small in place oil. The focus of drilling remained on Triassic sediments in the Fort St John area.

2008's decrease in oil drilling dropped the reserves added per well drilled value to 14.0 10<sup>3</sup>m<sup>3</sup> (Figure 3). The major change to the 2008 oil reserves took place with the reduction in the recovery factor from 20% down to 7.5% within the Elm Gething A pool.

British Columbia's oil fields continue to be dominated by secondary recovery schemes. Waterflood pools account for approximately 49 percent of remaining oil reserves (Table VII) with Hay River and Boundary Lake being the dominant contributors.

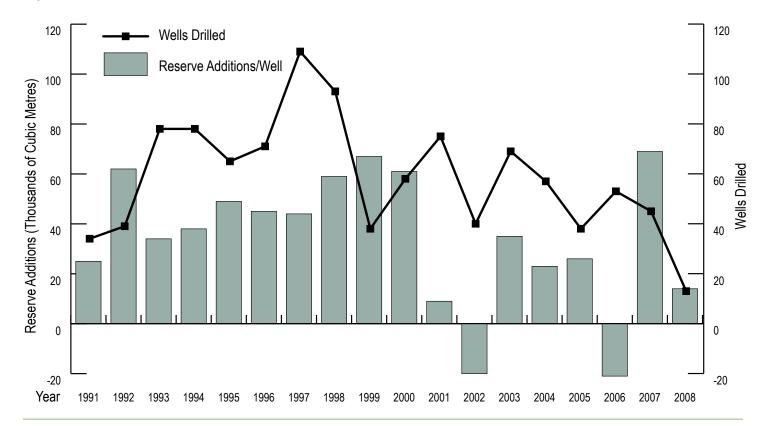
Gas injection is currently occurring in three pools (Table VIII) and contributes about one percent to the provincial remaining reserves.





#### Figure 2: Historical Remaining Oil Reserves Versus Annual Production

Figure 3: Oil Reserves - Reserve Additions Per Well Drilled



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#### **B. Gas Reserves**

The Province's established remaining reserves of raw natural gas were  $605.3 \ 10^9 \text{m}^3$  as at December 31, 2008. For the eighth year in a row these figures represent the highest level of established gas reserves in the province's history. The 2008 year-end raw gas reserves represent a 25% increase over the 2007 year-end reserves.

Raw natural gas production for the year, as reported in this publication, was 30.3 10<sup>6</sup>m<sup>3</sup>, a slight increase over the preceding year's published production. The raw gas production for the year 2008 as reported by the Mineral, Oil and Gas Revenue Branch of the Ministry of Finance was 33.5 10<sup>6</sup>m<sup>3</sup>, representing a slight increase over last year's reported production. The discrepancy in reported raw gas production between agencies is due to the fact that the Commission only reports raw natural gas production for wells associated with gas pools that have been assigned established reserves. Due to industry application activity during 2007 and 2008 the provincial natural gas production and reserves are understated by approximately 9%.

The industry's exploration and development activities in British Columbia added 156.7 10<sup>6</sup>m<sup>3</sup> of raw gas reserves. The slight production increase along with a significant increase in reserves resulted in an appreciable change in the reserves to production (R/P) ratio, increasing from 16.4 in 2007 to 20.0 in 2008 (Fig.5, 6). The Montney tight gas play is regarded as one of the most prospective unconventional gas plays in Canada/North America. In the past, the thick, regionally gas charged Montney formation was overlooked due to its low permeability. Technology improvements such as long reach horizontal wells and multistage horizontal "mega-frac" stimulations have begun to unlock the immense resource potential.

The regional Heritage – Montney A gas pool includes both the Upper and Lower Montney intervals and covers a large area. Geological mapping of the pool resulted in the amalgamation of Montney wells from the Swan Lake, Dawson Creek, Sunrise, Sundown, Sunset Prairie, Parkland and Groundbirch fields. The boundary of the pool is under revision as more and more wells drilled to the north and west are assigned to the Montney A pool.

Eighty five percent (85%) of remaining raw gas reserve additions were due to exploration and development activity in the regional Heritage – Montney A gas pool. The original gas in place for the Heritage – Montney A pool was calculated volumetrically incorporating an uncertainty factor for undeveloped lands surrounding this area. This review added 132.9 10<sup>6</sup>m<sup>3</sup> raw gas reserves to our provincial total.

The Horn River Basin is another emerging unconventional gas play which gained momentum in 2008. Comparisons to the successful Barnett shales in Fort Worth, Texas and a shift in industry towards unconventional gas plays sparked record land sales in BC. Numerous experimental schemes have been granted by the Commission to evaluate the shale gas potential of the Muskwa and Horn River Formation shales (Otter Park, and Evie).

The 2008 drilling of new wells added a total of 6.8 10<sup>6</sup>m<sup>3</sup> of initial reserves to the overall provincial total. This total includes reserves from wells that were rig released prior to 2008.

Continued extensional drilling to the south of the Gunnell Creek Jean Marie trend resulted in the addition of 4.1 10<sup>6</sup>m<sup>3</sup> of initial recoverable reserves. This was partially due to the amalgamation of Sahtaneh's Jean Marie A, B, and C pools into the larger Gunnell Creek Jean Marie A pool. Although the number of horizontal wells drilled in the Greater Sierra Jean Marie trend was lower in 2008 than in previous years, the Commission predicts a return to historical activity levels in the area as commodity prices strengthen.

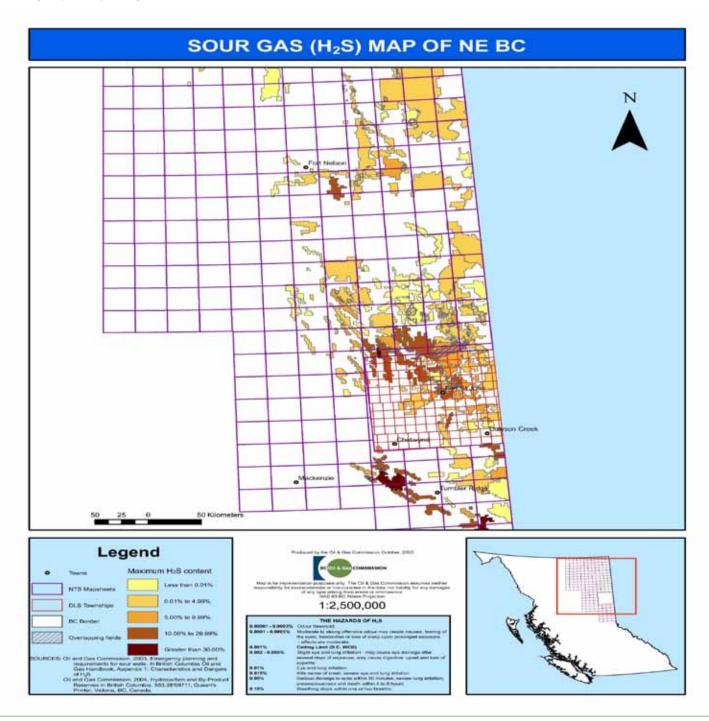
The Maxhamish Lake Chinkeh A gas cap revision added 6.9 10<sup>6</sup>m<sup>3</sup> of initial recoverable reserves.

Recoverable reserve additions per new well increased to  $345.0 \ 10^6 m^3$  from  $85.0 \ 10^6 m^3$  in 2007. Figure 7 provides a historical perspective on the reserves findings.

# **C. By-Products**

Established remaining reserves of liquefied petroleum gases (LPG) increased for the third year to 25.2 10<sup>6</sup>m<sup>3</sup>, as compared to 18.7 10<sup>6</sup>m<sup>3</sup> at year-end 2007. Established remaining reserves of pentanes plus (C5+) increased to 9.8 10<sup>6</sup>m<sup>3</sup> from 7.4 10<sup>6</sup>m<sup>3</sup>. Established remaining reserves of sulphur decreased slightly to 14.1 10<sup>6</sup>t from 15.0 10<sup>6</sup>t in 2007. Figure 4 shows the distribution of sour gas (H2S %) throughout Northest British Columbia.

For gas pools on production, the by-products reserves are estimated on the basis of the yield from raw gas reserves achieved at the plant to which the gas is delivered. For pools yet to be connected to a plant, the yields are estimated based on gas composition and capacity of the plant to which the pool is expected to be connected.



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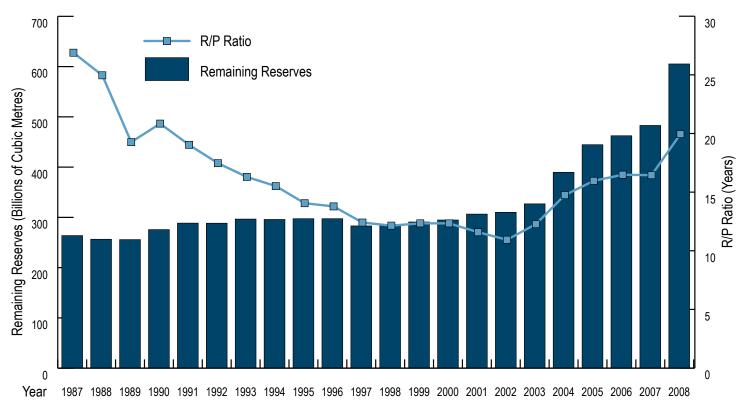
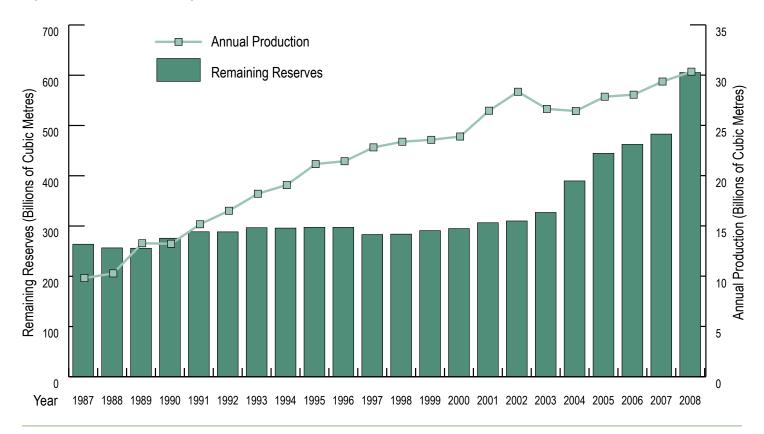


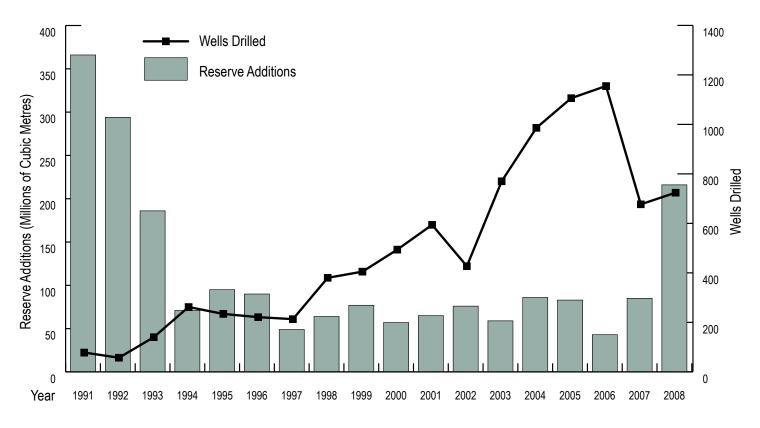
Figure 6: Historical Remaining Gas Reserves Versus Annual Production



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# C. Detailed Reserve and Pool Parameter Listing

Included in this Report are detailed reserve and pool parameter listings which may be summarized as follows:

- Appendix A: Oil Reserves and Basic Data
- Appendix B: Gas Reserves and Basic Data
- Appendix C: Raw Gas Analyses
- Appendix D: Remaining Hydrocarbon By-Products

The Hydrocarbon and By-Product Reserves in British Columbia statistical information will continue to be offered to industry through the Internet at http://www.ogc.gov.bc.ca/resourceconservationapp.asp. For details on content, contact Glynis Farr, Resource Conservation Section, Oil and Gas Commission at (250) 419-4427 or email Glynis.Farr@gov.bc.ca.

# **D. Additional Information**

A companion report to this publication would be the *British Columbia Oil & Gas Exploration Activity Report 2007-2008* compiled by the Oil and Gas Division, Resource Development and Geoscience Branch of the Ministry of Energy Mines and Petroleum Resources. For details please contact Chris Adams at (250) 953-3763 or email Christopher.Adams@gov.bc.ca.

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December 31, 2008 (SI Units) Table I

|   | <b>Oil</b> <sup>1</sup><br>(10 <sup>3</sup> m <sup>3</sup> ) | <b>Raw Gas</b> <sup>1</sup><br>(10 <sup>6</sup> m <sup>3</sup> ) | Marketable Gas <sup>2</sup><br>(10 <sup>6</sup> m <sup>3</sup> ) |
|---|--|--|--|
|   |  |  |  |
| Initial Reserves, Current Estimate        | 129,117  | 1,328,729  | 1,071,000  |
| Drilling 2008                             | +162   | +6,559   |  |
| Revisions 2008                            | +25  | +150,167   |  |
| Production 2008                           | -1,341   | -30,346  |  |
| Cumulative Production Dec. 31, 2008       | -110,632   | -722,769   | -573,296   |
| Remaining Reserves Estimate Dec. 31, 2008 | 18,485   | 605,280  | 496,622  |

<sup>1</sup> Crude Oil and Raw Gas figures are taken from current and previous Hydrocarbon Reserves Reports. Any discrepancies in balancing are attributed to system rounding and production history reconciliation.

<sup>2</sup> Marketable Gas figures are estimates of gas available to the transmission line after removal of acid gases and a percentage of liquid hydrocarbons. *NOTE:* Gas volumes measured at 101.325 kPa and 15°C.

Actual plant and refinery recoveries of propane, butanes, pentanes+, and sulphur for 2008 were 484 10<sup>3</sup>m<sup>3</sup>, 321 10<sup>3</sup>m<sup>3</sup>, 406 10<sup>3</sup>m<sup>3</sup>, and 752 10<sup>3</sup>t, respectively.

# December 31, 2008 (Imperial Units) Table II

|   | Oil <sup>1</sup> | Raw Gas <sup>1</sup> | Marketable Gas <sup>2</sup> |
|---|------------------|----------------------|-----------------------------|
|   | (MSTB)           | (BCF)                | (BCF)                       |
|   |                  |                      |                             |
| Initial Reserves, Current Estimate        | 812,520          | 47,162               | 38,014                      |
| Drilling 2008                             | +1,019           | +233                 |                             |
| Revisions 2008                            | +157             | +5,530               |                             |
| Production 2008                           | -8,439           | -1,077               |                             |
| Cumulative Production Dec. 31, 2008       | -696,196         | -25,654              | -20,348                     |
| Remaining Reserves Estimate Dec. 31, 2008 | 116,324          | 21,484               | 17,627                      |

<sup>1</sup> Crude Oil and Raw Gas figures are taken from current and previous Hydrocarbon Reserves Reports. Any discrepancies in balancing are attributed to system rounding and production history reconciliation.

<sup>2</sup> Marketable Gas figures are estimates of gas available to the transmission line after removal of acid gases and a percentage of liquid hydrocarbons. Oil figures are in units of thousands of stock tank barrels (MSTB) and gas figures are in billions of cubic feet (BCF).

Marketable Gas figures will no longer be recorded for changes taking place during the year due to the numerous shrinkage factors involved.

NOTE: Gas volumes measured at 14.65 psi and 60°F.

Actual plant and refinery recoveries of propane, butanes, pentanes+, and sulphur for 2008 were 2018 MSTB, 2018 MSTB, 2557 MSTB, and 741 MLT, respectively.

# **1. OIL RESERVES**

# Historical Record of Established Reserves<sup>1</sup> (10<sup>3</sup>m<sup>3</sup>) Table III

| Year | Initial Reserve<br>Current Estimate | Yearly<br>Drilling | Yearly<br>Revisions | Yearly<br>Other | Production<br>in Year | Cumulative<br>Production<br>at Year-End | Remaining<br>Reserves<br>at Year-End |
|------|-------------------------------------|--------------------|---------------------|-----------------|-----------------------|---|--------------------------------------|
| 1977 | 72,841                              | 4,159              | (84)                |                 | 2,201                 | 46,318                                  | 26,523                               |
| 1978 | 77,826                              | 2,650              | 2,376               |                 | 2,004                 | 48,280                                  | 29,546                               |
| 1979 | 78,882                              | 427                | 629                 |                 | 2,140                 | 50,397                                  | 28,485                               |
| 1980 | 80,043                              | 234                | 927                 |                 | 2,002                 | 52,399                                  | 27,644                               |
| 1981 | 79,968                              | 143                | (218)               |                 | 2,060                 | 54,459                                  | 25,509                               |
| 1982 | 80,760                              | 126                | 666                 |                 | 2,095                 | 56,554                                  | 24,206                               |
| 1983 | 82,149                              | 661                | 727                 |                 | 2,079                 | 58,634                                  | 23,515                               |
| 1984 | 79,551                              | 781                | (3,378)             |                 | 2,113                 | 60,747                                  | 18,805                               |
| 1985 | 82,887                              | 1,767              | 1,569               |                 | 1,944                 | 62,691                                  | 20,196                               |
| 1986 | 83,501                              | 456                | 144                 |                 | 2,010                 | 64,701                                  | 18,786                               |
| 1987 | 84,201                              | 631                | 68                  |                 | 2,084                 | 66,793                                  | 17,361                               |
| 1988 | 85,839                              | 1,238              | (50)                |                 | 1,937                 | 68,759                                  | 16,623                               |
| 1989 | 89,899                              | 2306               | 2,402               |                 | 1,978                 | 70,737                                  | 19,129                               |
| 1990 | 90,650                              | 569                | 181                 |                 | 1,954                 | 72,714                                  | 17,823                               |
| 1991 | 91,606                              | 233                | 630                 |                 | 1,974                 | 74,689                                  | 16,911                               |
| 1992 | 94,030                              | 823                | 1,596               |                 | 2,017                 | 76,750                                  | 17,273                               |
| 1993 | 96,663                              | 803                | 1,830               |                 | 1,976                 | 78,726                                  | 17,925                               |
| 1994 | 99,619                              | 1,477              | 1,482               |                 | 1,929                 | 80,664                                  | 18,956                               |
| 1995 | 102,823                             | 2,887              | 290                 |                 | 1,997                 | 82,658                                  | 20,167                               |
| 1996 | 106,009                             | 1,306              | 1,878               |                 | 2,205                 | 84,856                                  | 21,153                               |
| 1997 | 110,765                             | 3,199              | 1,561               |                 | 2,525                 | 87,401                                  | 23,364                               |
| 1998 | 116,294                             | 815                | 4,717               |                 | 2,670                 | 90,105                                  | 26,189                               |
| 1999 | 118,840                             | 345                | 2,201               |                 | 2,338                 | 92,453                                  | 26,388                               |
| 2000 | 122,363                             | 504                | 3,018               |                 | 2,568                 | 95,031                                  | 27,357                               |
| 2001 | 123,048                             | 106                | 582                 |                 | 2,569                 | 97,591                                  | 25,478                               |
| 2002 | 122,245                             | 427                | (1233)              |                 | 2,426                 | 99,977                                  | 22,313                               |
| 2003 | 124,660                             | 424                | 1,990               |                 | 2,203                 | 102,234                                 | 22,426                               |
| 2004 | 125,953                             | 154                | 947                 | 188             | 2,015                 | 104,104                                 | 21,873                               |
| 2005 | 126,941                             | 247                | 636                 | 110             | 1,750                 | 106,086                                 | 20,857                               |
| 2006 | 125,845                             | 222                | (1322)              |                 | 1631                  | 107,603                                 | 18,244                               |
| 2007 | 128,971                             | 266                | 2859                |                 | 1,520                 | 109,283                                 | 19,692                               |
| 2008 | 129,117                             | 162                | 25                  |                 | 1,341                 | 110,632                                 | 18,485                               |

<sup>1</sup> These values are taken from previously published ministry reserve estimates. This compilation is provided for historical value and to aid in statistical analysis only. Values shown for any given year may not balance due to changes in production and estimates over time.

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# Historical Record of Established Reserves<sup>1</sup> (10<sup>6</sup>m<sup>3</sup>) Table III

| Year | Initial Reserve<br>Current Estimate | Yearly<br>Drilling | Yearly<br>Revisions | Yearly<br>Other | Production<br>in Year | Cumulative<br>Production<br>at Year-End | Remaining<br>Reserves<br>at Year-End |
|------|-------------------------------------|--------------------|---------------------|-----------------|-----------------------|---|--------------------------------------|
| 1977 | 376,960                             | 18,119             | (14,107)            |                 | 11,039                | 143,958                                 | 233,002                              |
| 1978 | 399,535                             | 21,190             | 1,386               |                 | 9,943                 | 153,900                                 | 245,635                              |
| 1979 | 424,805                             | 26,142             | (872)               |                 | 11,394                | 165,294                                 | 259,511                              |
| 1980 | 462,596                             | 28,909             | 8,882               |                 | 8,968                 | 174,262                                 | 288,334                              |
| 1981 | 478,689                             | 13,842             | 2,251               |                 | 8,293                 | 182,555                                 | 296,134                              |
| 1982 | 488,316                             | 7,765              | 1,862               |                 | 7,995                 | 190,550                                 | 297,766                              |
| 1983 | 490,733                             | 2,550              | (133)               |                 | 7,845                 | 198,395                                 | 292,338                              |
| 1984 | 496,703                             | 1,798              | 4,172               |                 | 8,264                 | 206,659                                 | 290,044                              |
| 1985 | 505,233                             | 2,707              | 5,823               |                 | 8,799                 | 215,458                                 | 289,775                              |
| 1986 | 501,468                             | 4,822              | (8,463)             |                 | 8,506                 | 223,964                                 | 277,628                              |
| 1987 | 497,466                             | 1,986              | (5,940)             |                 | 9,810                 | 233,794                                 | 263,777                              |
| 1988 | 500,738                             | 6,083              | (1,661)             |                 | 10,275                | 244,249                                 | 256,483                              |
| 1989 | 513,662                             | 12,193             | (2)                 |                 | 13,276                | 257,862                                 | 255,782                              |
| 1990 | 547,058                             | 27,683             | 5,888               |                 | 13,226                | 271,344                                 | 275,685                              |
| 1991 | 574,575                             | 24,708             | 3,812               |                 | 15,162                | 285,965                                 | 288,582                              |
| 1992 | 591,356                             | 6,377              | 10,404              |                 | 16,510                | 302,916                                 | 288,408                              |
| 1993 | 617,379                             | 22,901             | 3,122               |                 | 18,202                | 321,090                                 | 296,246                              |
| 1994 | 635,774                             | 22,004             | (3301)              |                 | 19,069                | 339,861                                 | 295,885                              |
| 1995 | 657,931                             | 21,065             | 1,051               |                 | 21,157                | 361,106                                 | 296,825                              |
| 1996 | 677,769                             | 16,083             | 3,852               |                 | 21,435                | 382,332                                 | 295,437                              |
| 1997 | 688,202                             | 12,835             | (2,394)             |                 | 22,811                | 405,157                                 | 283,045                              |
| 1998 | 712,677                             | 9,957              | 14,502              |                 | 23,375                | 428,822                                 | 283,855                              |
| 1999 | 743,816                             | 13,279             | 17,824              |                 | 23,566                | 453,000                                 | 290,816                              |
| 2000 | 772,221                             | 13,832             | 14,571              |                 | 23,894                | 477,381                                 | 294,800                              |
| 2001 | 811,146                             | 7,199              | 31,690              |                 | 26,463                | 504,620                                 | 306,526                              |
| 2002 | 843,612                             | 19,004             | 13,462              |                 | 28,348                | 533,548                                 | 310,064                              |
| 2003 | 889,488                             | 19,317             | 26,282              |                 | 26,639                | 562,560                                 | 326,928                              |
| 2004 | 973,771                             | 6,412              | 65,149              | 12,897          | 26,430                | 584,033                                 | 389,738                              |
| 2005 | 1,065,288                           | 8,974              | 63,268              | 19,104          | 27,854                | 620,696                                 | 444,592                              |
| 2006 | 1,114,562                           | 15,356             | 33,912              |                 | 28,056                | 652,137                                 | 462,425                              |
| 2007 | 1,172,136                           | 21,468             | 36,109              |                 | 29,362                | 689,209                                 | 482,927                              |
| 2008 | 1,328,729                           | 6,559              | 150,167             |                 | 30,346                | 722,769                                 | 605,280                              |

<sup>1</sup> These values are taken from previously published ministry reserve estimates. This compilation is provided for historical value and to aid in statistical analysis only. Values shown for any given year may not balance due to changes in production and estimates over time.



# 3. MARKETABLE GAS RESERVES

# Historical Record of Established Reserves<sup>1</sup> (10<sup>6</sup>m<sup>3</sup>) Table III

| Year | Initial Reserve<br>Current Estimate | Cumulative<br>Production<br>at Year-End | Remaining<br>Reserves<br>at Year-End |
|------|-------------------------------------|---|--------------------------------------|
| 1977 | 325,942                             | 126,656                                 | 199,286                              |
| 1978 | 326,322                             | 126,149                                 | 200,173                              |
| 1979 | 349,043                             | 136,528                                 | 212,515                              |
| 1980 | 378,729                             | 143,863                                 | 234,866                              |
| 1981 | 391,505                             | 150,612                                 | 240,893                              |
| 1982 | 399,838                             | 157,139                                 | 242,699                              |
| 1983 | 402,045                             | 163,423                                 | 238,622                              |
| 1984 | 406,812                             | 170,079                                 | 236,773                              |
| 1985 | 414,129                             | 177,165                                 | 236,964                              |
| 1986 | 411,126                             | 184,145                                 | 227,029                              |
| 1987 | 408,537                             | 192,159                                 | 216,401                              |
| 1988 | 411,481                             | 201,035                                 | 210,831                              |
| 1989 | 421,889                             | 211,796                                 | 210,082                              |
| 1990 | 454,839                             | 224,417                                 | 230,398                              |
| 1991 | 476,812                             | 236,652                                 | 240,140                              |
| 1992 | 490,101                             | 250,924                                 | 239,175                              |
| 1993 | 510,709                             | 266,140                                 | 244,545                              |
| 1994 | 527,008                             | 282,709                                 | 244,283                              |
| 1995 | 543,839                             | 298,685                                 | 244,997                              |
| 1996 | 557,864                             | 315,057                                 | 242,807                              |
| 1997 | 559,021                             | 328,485                                 | 228,746                              |
| 1998 | 573,848                             | 344,764                                 | 229,084                              |
| 1999 | 604,784                             | 368,110                                 | 236,674                              |
| 2000 | 626,935                             | 386,689                                 | 240,210                              |
| 2001 | 663,119                             | 410,970                                 | 252,149                              |
| 2002 | 690,225                             | 435,363                                 | 254,889                              |
| 2003 | 711,309                             | 451,416                                 | 259,860                              |
| 2004 | 784,063                             | 466,698                                 | 317,365                              |
| 2005 | 854,873                             | 492,072                                 | 362,801                              |
| 2006 | 899,215                             | 519,139                                 | 380,076                              |
| 2007 | 940,128                             | 545,900                                 | 394,228                              |
| 2008 | 1,071,000                           | 573,296                                 | 496,622                              |

<sup>1</sup> These values are taken from previously published ministry reserve estimates. This compilation is provided for historical value and to aid in statistical analysis only. Values shown for any given year may not balance due to changes in production and estimates over time.

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# Established Oil Reserve Changes (10<sup>3</sup>m<sup>3</sup>) **Table IV**

| Field         | Field Pool         |        | Reason for Change  |
|---------------|--------------------|--------|--------------------|
| REVISION 2008 |                    |        |                    |
| Peejay West   | Halfway A          | + 257  | Performance review |
| Boundary Lake | Halfway_           | + 151  | Performance review |
| Elm           | Gething B          | - 616  | Performance review |
|               | Others             | - 233  |                    |
|               | SUBTOTAL REVISIONS | + 25   |                    |
| DRILLING 2008 |                    |        |                    |
| Woodbrush     | Halfway E          | + 92   | New drilling       |
| Osprey        | Gething C          | + 50   | New drilling       |
|               | *Others            | + 20   |                    |
|               | SUBTOTAL DRILLING  | + 162  |                    |
| TOTAL         |                    | + 3125 |                    |

\*Others - includes all additional changes both positive and negative



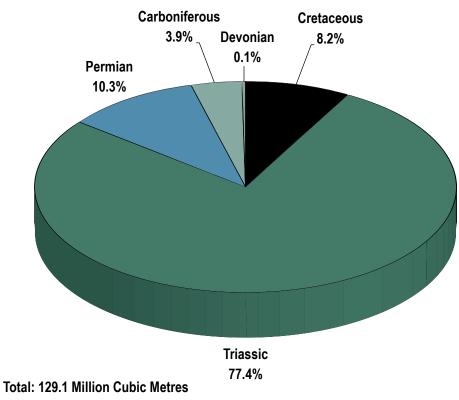
# Established Raw Gas Reserve Changes (10<sup>6</sup>m<sup>3</sup>) Table V

| Field             | Pool                   | Amount of I.R. Change<br>(10 <sup>6</sup> m³) | Reason for Change  |
|-------------------|------------------------|---|--------------------|
| REVISION 2008     |                        |   |                    |
| Regional Heritage | Montney A              | + 142,209                                     | Mapping Revised    |
| Beg               | Halfway A              | + 7,840                                       | Mapping Revised    |
| Maxhamish Lake    | Chinkeh A              | + 6,910                                       | Mapping Revised    |
| Gunnell Creek     | Jean Marie A           | + 4,121                                       | Mapping Revised    |
| Brazion           | Belcourt-Taylor Flat B | + 3,591                                       | Mapping Revised    |
| Sierra            | Jean Marie A           | + 2,790                                       | Negative Reserves  |
| Elleh             | Jean Marie B           | - 1,374                                       | Performance Review |
| Red Creek North   | Halfway A              | - 370   | Performance Review |
| Ladyfern          | Slave Point C          | - 274   | Performance Review |
|                   | *Others                | - 15,276                                      |                    |
|                   | SUBTOTAL REVISIONS     | + 150,167                                     |                    |
| DRILLING 2008     |                        |   |                    |
| Septimus          | Montney A              | + 1,598                                       | New drilling       |
| Caribou           | Halfway A              | + 745   | New drilling       |
| Julienne Creek    | Gething B              | + 445   | New drilling       |
|                   | *Others                | + 3,771                                       |                    |
|                   | **SUBTOTAL DRILLING    | + 6,559                                       |                    |
| TOTAL             |                        | + 156,726                                     |                    |

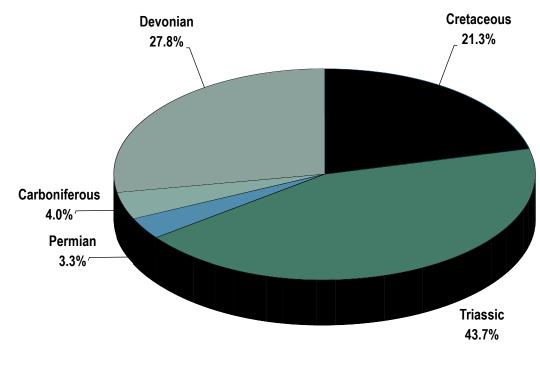
\*Others - includes all additional changes both positive and negative

# FIGURE 8 RESERVES BY GEOLOGICAL PERIOD

# **Initial Oil Reserves**



# **Initial Raw Gas Reserves**





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# Initial Recoverable Oil Reserves by Geological Period (10<sup>6</sup>m<sup>3</sup>) Table VI(a)

| CRETACEOUS      |        |  |  |  |  |
|-----------------|--------|--|--|--|--|
| Doe Creek       | 0.009  |  |  |  |  |
| Bluesky         | 7.590  |  |  |  |  |
| Bluesky/Gething | 0.004  |  |  |  |  |
| Gething         | 2.163  |  |  |  |  |
| Cadomin         | 0.015  |  |  |  |  |
| Dunlevy         | 0.715  |  |  |  |  |
| Lower Dunlevy   | 0.047  |  |  |  |  |
| SUBTOTAL        | 10.542 |  |  |  |  |

| TRIASS                     | SIC    |
|----------------------------|--------|
| Nordegg Baldonnel          | 0.019  |
| Baldonnel                  | 1.488  |
| Charlie Lake               | 0.016  |
| Siphon                     | 0.414  |
| Cecil                      | 6.306  |
| Flatrock                   | 0.027  |
| Boundary Lake              | 37.517 |
| Coplin                     | 0.282  |
| Septimus                   | 0.001  |
| Mica                       | 0.339  |
| Blueberry                  | 0.009  |
| Inga                       | 7.023  |
| North Pine                 | 1.656  |
| Bear Flat                  | 0.340  |
| Wilder                     | 0.003  |
| Pingel                     | 0.012  |
| "A" Marker/Base of Lime    | 0.075  |
| Artex                      | 2.324  |
| Halfway                    | 35.186 |
| Lower Halfway              | 4.510  |
| Doig                       | 2.285  |
| Lower Charlie Lake/Montney | 0.071  |
| Montney                    | 0.084  |
| SUBTOTAL                   | 99.986 |

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Initial Recoverable Oil Reserves by Geological Period (10<sup>6</sup>m<sup>3</sup>) Table VI(a)

|                             | PERMIAN         |
|-----------------------------|-----------------|
| Belloy<br>Belloy-Kiskatinaw | 10.373<br>2.941 |
| SUBTOTAL                    | 13.314          |

| CARBONIFEROUS   |  |  |
|---|--|--|
| Taylor Flat<br>Kiskatinaw<br>Debolt<br>Shunda<br>Pekisko<br>Banff | 0.038<br>0.022<br>4.039<br>0.056<br>0.888<br>0.052 |  |
| SUBTOTAL  | 5.095  |  |

| DEVONIAN         |         |
|------------------|---------|
| Jean Marie 0.161 |         |
| SUBTOTAL         | 0.161   |
| TOTAL            | 129.098 |

\*Totals may not match Table III due to rounding



| CRETACEOUS             |         |  |  |
|------------------------|---------|--|--|
| Quaternary             | 0.015   |  |  |
| Cardium Sand           | 0.037   |  |  |
| Doe Creek              | 0.487   |  |  |
| Dunvegan               | 0.199   |  |  |
| Paddy                  | 4.600   |  |  |
| Cadotte                | 15.226  |  |  |
| Peace River            | 1.646   |  |  |
| Spirit River           | 0.028   |  |  |
| Notikewin              | 25.593  |  |  |
| Falher                 | 0.359   |  |  |
| Falher A               | 5.505   |  |  |
| Falher B               | 3.776   |  |  |
| Falher C               | 3.790   |  |  |
| Falher D               | 0.695   |  |  |
| Falher G               | 0.056   |  |  |
| Bluesky                | 37.578  |  |  |
| Basal Bluesky          | 1.416   |  |  |
| Bluesky Gething        | 12.626  |  |  |
| Bluesky - Gething - De |         |  |  |
| Detrital               | 0.092   |  |  |
| Gething                | 25.069  |  |  |
| Lower Gething          | 0.319   |  |  |
| Basal Gething          | 0.236   |  |  |
| Gething Baldonnel      | 0.356   |  |  |
| Cadomin                | 56.504  |  |  |
| Chinkeh                | 6.910   |  |  |
| Nikanassin             | 19.692  |  |  |
| Dunlevy                | 58.165  |  |  |
| Lower Dunlevy          | 0.145   |  |  |
| Nordegg                | 0.116   |  |  |
| SUBTOTAL               | 282.720 |  |  |



| TRIASSIC                     |         |  |  |
|------------------------------|---------|--|--|
| Nordegg/Baldonnel            | 1.899   |  |  |
| Pardonet                     | 0.496   |  |  |
| Pardonet/Baldonnel           | 61.402  |  |  |
| Baldonnel                    | 90.649  |  |  |
| Baldonnel/Upper Charlie Lake | 58.419  |  |  |
| Charlie Lake                 | 3.127   |  |  |
| Siphon                       | 1.116   |  |  |
| Cecil                        | 3.327   |  |  |
| Nancy                        | 0.116   |  |  |
| First Green Marker           | 0.017   |  |  |
| Second Brown Marker          | 0.027   |  |  |
| Boundary Lake                | 5.640   |  |  |
| Basal Boundary               | 0.073   |  |  |
| Yellow Marker                | 0.036   |  |  |
| Coplin                       | 2.938   |  |  |
| Kobes                        | 0.160   |  |  |
| Blueberry                    | 0.202   |  |  |
| Inga                         | 5.462   |  |  |
| North Pine                   | 4.533   |  |  |
| Bear Flat                    | 0.782   |  |  |
| Pingel                       | 0.097   |  |  |
| Tea Creek Member             | 0.065   |  |  |
| Trutch Creek                 | 0.072   |  |  |
| Limestone A Bed              | 0.052   |  |  |
| "A" Marker/Base of Lime      | 1.638   |  |  |
| Lower Charlie Lake Sands     | 0.178   |  |  |
| Artex                        | 2.314   |  |  |
| Artex Halfway                | 0.913   |  |  |
| Upper Halfway                | 0.489   |  |  |
| Halfway                      | 129.052 |  |  |
| Lower Halfway                | 4.758   |  |  |
| Doig                         | 19.366  |  |  |
| Doig Phosphate Beds          | 0.010   |  |  |
| Bluesky/Gething/Montney      | 31.305  |  |  |
| Lower Charlie Lake/Montney   | 3.335   |  |  |
| Montney                      | 146.013 |  |  |
| SUBTOTAL                     | 580.077 |  |  |



| PERMIAN  |   |  |
|--|---|--|
| Belloy<br>Fantasque<br>Lower Belloy<br>Belcourt<br>Belcourt-Taylor Flat<br>Belloy/Kiskatinaw | 32.652<br>0.111<br>0.680<br>0.390<br>9.019<br>0.949 |  |
| SUBTOTAL   | 43.799  |  |

| CARBONIFEROUS |                  |        |  |
|---------------|------------------|--------|--|
|               | Taylor Flat      | 5.971  |  |
|               | Mississippian    | 0.043  |  |
|               | Mattson          | 2.478  |  |
|               | Kiskatinaw       | 2.384  |  |
|               | Lower Kiskatinaw | 1.355  |  |
|               | Basal Kiskatinaw | 3.653  |  |
|               | Golata           | 0.199  |  |
|               | Upper Debolt     | 0.241  |  |
|               | Debolt           | 34.662 |  |
|               | Lower Debolt     | 0.143  |  |
|               | Elkton           | 0.435  |  |
|               | Shunda           | 0.918  |  |
|               | Pekisko          | 0.037  |  |
|               | Banff            | 0.391  |  |
|               | SUBTOTAL         | 52.910 |  |



| DEVONIAN                      |          |  |
|-------------------------------|----------|--|
| Kotcho                        | 0.279    |  |
| Wabamun                       | 8.355    |  |
| Kakisa                        | 1.184    |  |
| Jean Marie                    | 98.330   |  |
| Horn River                    | 0.247    |  |
| Muskwa-Otter Park-Slave Point | 0.010    |  |
| Middle Devonian               | 0.061    |  |
| Slave Point                   | 122.066  |  |
| Sulphur Point                 | 2.222    |  |
| Nahanni                       | 5.484    |  |
| Nahanni-Headless              | 0.125    |  |
| Pine Point                    | 130.772  |  |
| SUBTOTAL                      | 369.136  |  |
| TOTAL                         | 1328.642 |  |

\*Totals may not match Table III due to rounding

# **OIL POOLS UNDER WATERFLOOD**

# Oil Pools Under Waterflood (10<sup>3</sup>m<sup>3</sup>) Table VII

| Field                    | Pool                          | Initial Reserves<br>(10³m³) | Remaining Reserves<br>(10 <sup>3</sup> m <sup>3</sup> ) |
|--------------------------|-------------------------------|-----------------------------|---|
| Beatton River            |                               | 1 600                       | 13  |
| Beatton River            | Halfway A                     | 1,629<br>470                | 54  |
| Beatton River West       | Halfway G                     | 943                         | 54<br>17  |
|                          | Bluesky A (Unit 1)            | 943<br>91                   | 6   |
| Beavertail<br>Beavertail | Halfway B                     | 157                         | 4   |
|                          | Halfway H                     |                             |   |
| Boundary Lake            | Boundary A                    | 36,316                      | 1,736   |
| Bubbles North            | Coplin A                      | 58                          | 25  |
| Buick Creek West         | Dunlevy N                     | 14                          | 9   |
| Crush                    | Halfway A + B                 | 566                         | 13  |
| Currant                  | Halfway D (Unit 1)            | 24                          | 16  |
| Desan                    | Pekisko                       | 784                         | 254   |
| Eagle                    | Belloy-Kiskatinaw             | 2,772                       | 394   |
| Eagle West               | Belloy A (Unit 1)             | 6,569                       | 430   |
| Elm                      | Gething B                     | 169                         | 47  |
| Hay River                | Bluesky                       | 6,207                       | 3,281   |
| Inga                     | Inga A (Unit 1, 2, 4, 5)      | 6,953                       | 231   |
| Lapp                     | Halfway C                     | 457                         | 45  |
| Lapp                     | Halfway D                     | 166                         | 37  |
| Milligan Creek           | Halfway A (Unit 1, 2)         | 7,419                       | 55  |
| Muskrat                  | Boundary Lake A               | 401                         | 155   |
| Muskrat                  | Lower Halfway A               | 116                         | 13  |
| Oak                      | Cecil B                       | 127                         | 37  |
| Oak                      | Cecil C                       | 363                         | 106   |
| Oak                      | Cecil E                       | 587                         | 10  |
| Oak                      | Cecil I                       | 225                         | 20  |
| Owl                      | Cecil A                       | 353                         | 52  |
| Peejay                   | Halfway (Unit 1, 2, 3 + CNRL) | 10,579                      | 193   |
| Peejay West              | Halfway A                     | 525                         | 136   |
| Red Creek                | Doig C                        | 218                         | 76  |
| Rigel                    | Cecil B                       | 576                         | 32  |
| Rigel                    | Cecil G                       | 426                         | 34  |
| Rigel                    | Cecil H                       | 910                         | 75  |
| Rigel                    | Cecil I                       | 740                         | 45  |
| Rigel                    | Halfway C (Archean + Unit 1)  | 515                         | 29  |

# Oil Pools Under Waterflood (10<sup>3</sup>m<sup>3</sup>) Table VII

| Field                   | Pool                | Initial Reserves<br>(10³m³) | Remaining Reserves<br>(10 <sup>3</sup> m <sup>3</sup> ) |
|-------------------------|---------------------|-----------------------------|---|
| Diad                    | 11-16-0-0-7         | 04                          |   |
| Rigel                   | Halfway Z           | 21                          | 14  |
| Squirrel                | North Pine C        | 487                         | 80  |
| Stoddart West           | Bear Flat D         | 155                         | 9   |
| Stoddart West (partial) | Belloy C (Anderson) | 1,446                       | 151   |
| Stoddart West           | North Pine D        | 38                          | 18  |
| Sunset Prairie          | Cecil A             | 353                         | 26  |
| Sunset Prairie          | Cecil C             | 147                         | 36  |
| Sunset Prairie          | Cecil D             | 152                         | 51  |
| Two Rivers              | Siphon A            | 215                         | 52  |
| Weasel                  | Halfway (Unit 1, 2) | 3,439                       | 165   |
| Wildmint                | Halfway A (Unit 1)  | 1,554                       | 20  |
| TOTAL                   |                     | 96,951                      | 8,302   |
| % OF TOTAL BRITISH      | COLUMBIA RESERVES   | 75                          | 45  |

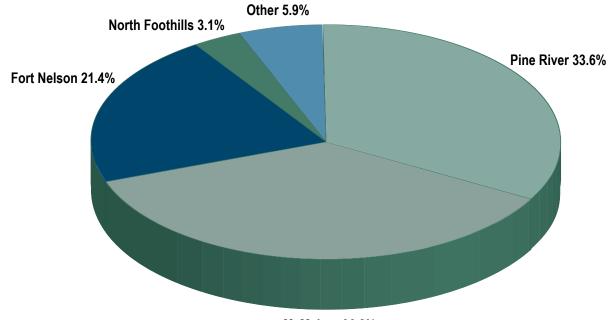
# Oil Pools Under Gas Injection (10<sup>3</sup>m<sup>3</sup>) Table VIII

| Field   | Pool  | Initial Reserves<br>(10³m³) | Remaining Reserves<br>(10³m³) |
|---|---|-----------------------------|-------------------------------|
| Bulrush<br>Cecil Lake<br>Stoddart West (partial) <sup>1</sup> | Halfway A<br>Cecil D<br>Belloy C (Phillips) | 369<br>308<br>425           | 67<br>12<br>57                |
| TOTAL   |   | 1102                        | 136                           |
| % OF TOTAL BRITISH  | COLUMBIA RESERVES                           | 0.9                         | 0.7                           |

<sup>1</sup>This pool has implemented one gas-injection scheme (Phillips Project) in addition to the waterflood scheme (Anderson Project).

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# Figure 9: Unconnected Gas Reserves by Plant Area Remaining Reserves (Raw)



McMahon 36.2%

# Unconnected Gas Reserves by Plant Area (10<sup>9</sup>m<sup>3</sup>) Table IX

| Plant Name                               | Initial Remaining Raw<br>Gas (10 <sup>9</sup> m <sup>3</sup> ) |
|--|--|
| <sup>1</sup> Pine River (c-85-D/93-P-12) | 6.4  |
| McMahon (5-31-82-17)                     | 6.9  |
| Fort Nelson (b-84-G/94-J-10)             | 4.1  |
| <sup>2</sup> North Foothills             | 0.6  |
| Other                                    | 1.2  |
| TOTAL                                    | 19.2   |

\* Totals may not add up due to rounding

- <sup>1</sup> Includes BRC Elmworth (4-8-70-11-W6) and Burlington Noel (b-59-D/093-P-8).
- <sup>2</sup> Includes WGSI Buckinghorse (a-81-H/094-G-6), Anadarko Cypress
- (b-99-C/094-B-16) and WEI Sikanni (b-41-I/094-G-3).

Total: 19.2 Billion Cubic Metres

# **PROJECT/UNIT CROSS-REFERENCE LISTING**

# Table X

| Project Type | Description                          |
|--------------|--------------------------------------|
| CONC         | Concurrent Production                |
| EOR          | Enhanced Oil Recovery                |
| GEPG         | Good Engineering Practice - Gas      |
| GEPO         | Good Engineering Practice - Oil      |
| PMGI         | Pressure Maintenance - Gas Injection |
| PMWF         | Pressure Maintenance - Water Flood   |
| UNIT         | Unitization                          |

For a complete project/unit cross-reference listing visit http://www.ogc.gov.bc.ca/documents/annualreports/project\_listing.pdf

#### **Definitions: SI Units**

British Columbia's reserves of oil, natural gas liquids and sulphur are presented in the International System of Units (SI). The provincial totals and a few other major totals are shown in both SI units and the Imperial equivalents in the various tables. Conversion factors used in calculating the Imperial equivalents are listed below:

| 1 cubic metre of gas (101.325 kilopascals and 15° Celsius)                   | = | 35.493 73 cubic feet of gas<br>(14.65 psia and 60° Fahrenheit)   |
|--|---|--|
| 1 cubic metre of ethane<br>(equilibrium pressure and 15° Celsius)            | = | 6.330 0 Canadian barrels of ethane<br>(equilibrium pressure and 60° Fahrenheit)                            |
| 1 cubic metre of propane<br>(equilibrium pressure and 15° Celsius)           | = | 6.300 0 Canadian barrels of propane<br>(equilibrium pressure and 60° Fahrenheit)                           |
| 1 cubic metre of butanes (equilibrium pressure and 15° Celsius)              | = | 6.296 8 Canadian barrels of butanes (equilibrium pressure and 60° Fahrenheit)                              |
| 1 cubic metre of oil or pentanes plus (equilibrium pressure and 15° Celsius) | = | 6.292 9 Canadian barrels of oil or pentanes plus (equilibrium pressure and 60° Fahrenheit)                 |
| 1 cubic metre of water<br>(equilibrium pressure and 15° Celsius)             | = | 6.290 1 Canadian barrels of water (equilibrium pressure and 60° Fahrenheit)                                |
| 1 tonne  | = | 0.984 206 4 (U.K.) long tons (2240 pounds)   |
| 1 tonne  | = | 1.102 311 short tons (2000 pounds)   |
| 1 kilojoule  | = | 0.948 213 3 British thermal units (Btu as defined in the federal Gas Inspection Act [60°- 61° Fahrenheit]) |

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# DEFINITIONS

# **Reserves Terminology**

#### **Original Gas and Original Oil in Place**

The volume of oil, or raw natural gas calculated or interpreted to exist in a reservoir before any volume has been produced,

#### **Established Reserves**

Those reserves recoverable under current technology and present and anticipated economic conditions, specifically proved by drilling, testing, or production; plus that judgement portion of contiguous recoverable reserves that are interpreted from geological, geophysical, or similar information, with reasonable certainty to exist.

#### **Initial Reserves**

Established reserves prior to the deduction of any production.

#### **Remaining Reserves**

Initial established reserves less cumulative production.

#### **Definitions of Other Terms**

#### Area

The area used to determine the adjusted bulk rock volume of the oil, or gas-bearing reservoir, usually the area of the zero isopach or the assigned area of a pool or deposit.

#### **Butane**

In addition to its normal scientific meaning, a mixture mainly of butanes which ordinarily may contain some propane or pentanes plus.

#### **Compressibility Factor**

A correction factor for non-ideal gas determined for gas from a pool at its initial reservoir pressure and temperature and, where necessary, including factors to correct for acid gases.

#### Condensate

A mixture mainly of pentanes and heavier hydrocarbons that may be contaminated with sulphur compounds, that is recovered or is recoverable at a well from an underground reservoir and that may be gaseous in its virgin reservoir state but is liquid at the conditions under which its volume is measured or estimated.

#### Density

The mass or amount of matter per unit volume.

#### **Density, Relative (Raw Gas)**

The density, relative to air, of raw gas upon discovery, determined by an analysis of a gas sample representative of a pool under atmospheric conditions.



# **Definitions of Other Terms**

#### **Discovery Year**

The year in which the well that discovered the oil or gas pool finished drilling.

#### **Formation Volume Factor**

The volume occupied by one cubic metre of oil and dissolved gas at reservoir pressure and temperature, divided by the volume occupied by the oil measured at standard conditions.

#### Gas (Non-associated)

Gas that is not in communication in a reservoir with an accumulation of liquid hydrocarbons at initial reservoir conditions.

#### Gas Cap (Associated)

Gas in a free state in communication in a reservoir with crude oil, under initial reservoir conditions.

#### Gas (Solution)

Gas that is dissolved in oil under reservoir conditions and evolves as a result of pressure and temperature changes.

#### Gas (Raw)

A mixture containing methane, other paraffinic hydrocarbons, nitrogen, carbon dioxide, hydrogen sulphide, helium, and minor impurities, or some of them, which is recovered or is recoverable at a well from an underground reservoir and which is gaseous at the conditions under which its volume is measured or estimated.

#### Gas (Marketable)

A mixture mainly of methane originating from raw gas, if necessary, through the processing of the raw gas for the removal or partial removal of some constituents, and which meets specifications for use as a domestic, commercial, or industrial fuel or as an industrial raw material.

#### **Gas-Oil Ratio (Initial Solution)**

The volume of gas (in thousand cubic metres, measured under standard conditions) contained in one stock-tank cubic metre of oil under initial reservoir conditions.

#### Gross Heating Value (of dry gas)

The heat liberated by burning moisture-free gas at standard conditions and condensing the water vapour to a liquid state.

#### Liquid Petroleum Gases (LPG)

A hydrocarbon mixture comprised primarily of propane and butanes. Some ethanes may be present.

#### Mean Formation Depth

The approximate average depth below kelly bushing of the mid-point of an oil or gas productive zone for the wells in a pool.



# **Definitions of Other Terms**

#### Methane

In addition to its normal scientific meaning, a mixture mainly of methane which ordinarily may contain some ethane, nitrogen, helium or carbon dioxide.

#### **Natural Gas Liquids**

Propane, butanes, or pentanes plus, or a combination of them, obtained from the processing of raw gas or condensate.

#### Oil

A mixture mainly of pentanes and heavier hydrocarbons that may be contaminated with sulphur compounds, that is recovered or is recoverable at a well from an underground reservoir, and that is liquid at the conditions under which its volume is measured or estimated, and includes all other hydrocarbon mixtures so recovered or recoverable except raw gas or condensate.

#### Pay Thickness (Average)

The bulk rock volume of a reservoir of oil or gas, divided by its area.

#### **Pentanes Plus**

A mixture mainly of pentanes and heavier hydrocarbons which ordinarily may contain some butanes and which is obtained from the processing of raw gas, condensate, or oil.

#### Pool

A natural underground reservoir containing or appearing to contain an accumulation of liquid hydrocarbons or gas or both separated or appearing to be separated from any other such accumulation.

#### Porosity

The effective pore space of the rock volume determined from core analysis and well log data, measured as a fraction of rock volume.

#### **Pressure (Initial)**

The reservoir pressure at the reference elevation of a pool upon discovery.

#### **Project/Units**

A scheme by which a pool or part of a pool is produced by a method approved by the Oil and Gas Commission.

#### Propane

In addition to its normal scientific meaning, a mixture mainly of propane, which ordinarily may contain some ethane or butanes.

#### Recovery

Recovery of oil, gas or natural gas liquids by natural depletion processes or by the implementation of an artificially improved depletion process over a part or the whole of a pool, measured as a volume or a fraction of the in-place hydrocarbons so recovered.

#### **Saturation (Water)**

The fraction of pore space in the reservoir rock occupied by water upon discovery.



# DEFINITIONS

# **Definitions of Other Terms**

#### Surface Loss

A summation of the fractions of recoverable gas that are removed as acid gas and liquid hydrocarbons, used as lease or plant fuel, or flared.

#### Temperature

The initial reservoir temperature upon discovery at the reference elevation of a pool.

#### **Unconnected Reserves**

Gas reserves which have not been tied-in to gathering facilities and therefore do not contribute to the provincial supply without further investment.

#### **Underbalanced Drilling**

A technique in which the hydrostatic pressure in the circulating downhole fluid system is maintained at some pressure less than the pressure of the target formation.

#### Zone

Any stratum or any sequence of strata that is designated by the Oil and Gas Commission as a zone.



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