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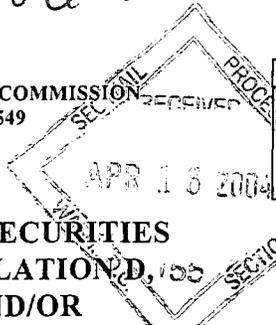
UNITED STATES
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Washington, D.C. 20549

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FORM D

NOTICE OF SALE OF SECURITIES
PURSUANT TO REGULATION D,
SECTION 4(6), AND/OR
UNIFORM LIMITED OFFERING EXEMPTION



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Name of Offering (check if this is an amendment and name has changed, and indicate change.)
Vista Drilling Program 2004-1 Limited Partnership

Filing Under (Check box(es) that apply): Rule 504 Rule 505 Rule 506 Section 4(6) ULOE
Type of Filing: New Filing Amendment

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A. BASIC IDENTIFICATION DATA

1. Enter the information requested about the issuer

Name of Issuer (check if this is an amendment and name has changed, and indicate change.)
Vista Drilling Program 2004-1 Limited Partnership

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FINANCIAL

Address of Executive Offices (Number and Street, City, State, Zip Code) Telephone Number (Including Area Code)
61 McMurray Road, Suite 300, Pittsburgh, PA 15241 412-833-8884

Address of Principal Business Operations (if different from Executive Offices) (Number and Street, City, State, Zip Code) Telephone Number (Including Area Code)

Brief Description of Business

drilling, producing and marketing natural gas wells

Type of Business Organization

corporation limited partnership, already formed other (please specify):
 business trust limited partnership, to be formed

Actual or Estimated Date of Incorporation or Organization: Month Year Actual Estimated
04 04

Jurisdiction of Incorporation or Organization: (Enter two-letter U.S. Postal Service abbreviation for State:
CN for Canada; FN for other foreign jurisdiction) PA

GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS

Federal:

Who Must File: All issuers making an offering of securities in reliance on an exemption under Regulation D or Section 4(6), 17 CFR 230.501 et seq. or 15 U.S.C. 77d(6).

When To File: A notice must be filed no later than 15 days after the first sale of securities in the offering. A notice is deemed filed with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) on the earlier of the date it is received by the SEC at the address given below or, if received at that address after the date on which it is due, on the date it was mailed by United States registered or certified mail to that address.

Where To File: U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission, 450 Fifth Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20549.

Copies Required: Five (5) copies of this notice must be filed with the SEC, one of which must be manually signed. Any copies not manually signed must be photocopies of the manually signed copy or bear typed or printed signatures.

Information Required: A new filing must contain all information requested. Amendments need only report the name of the issuer and offering, any changes thereto, the information requested in Part C, and any material changes from the information previously supplied in Parts A and B. Part E and the Appendix need not be filed with the SEC.

Filing Fee: There is no federal filing fee.

State:

This notice shall be used to indicate reliance on the Uniform Limited Offering Exemption (ULOE) for sales of securities in those states that have adopted ULOE and that have adopted this form. Issuers relying on ULOE must file a separate notice with the Securities Administrator in each state where sales are to be, or have been made. If a state requires the payment of a fee as a precondition to the claim for the exemption, a fee in the proper amount shall accompany this form. This notice shall be filed in the appropriate states in accordance with state law. The Appendix to the notice constitutes a part of this notice and must be completed.

ATTENTION

Failure to file notice in the appropriate states will not result in a loss of the federal exemption. Conversely, failure to file the appropriate federal notice will not result in a loss of an available state exemption unless such exemption is predicated on the filing of a federal notice.

A. BASIC IDENTIFICATION DATA

2. Enter the information requested for the following:

- Each promoter of the issuer, if the issuer has been organized within the past five years;
- Each beneficial owner having the power to vote or dispose, or direct the vote or disposition of, 10% or more of a class of equity securities of the issuer.
- Each executive officer and director of corporate issuers and of corporate general and managing partners of partnership issuers; and
- Each general and managing partner of partnership issuers.

Check Box(es) that Apply: Promoter Beneficial Owner Executive Officer Director General and/or Managing Partner

Full Name (Last name first, if individual)
Nicklas, Clark R.

Business or Residence Address (Number and Street, City, State, Zip Code)
245 Trotwood Drive, Pittsburgh, PA 15241

Check Box(es) that Apply: Promoter Beneficial Owner Executive Officer Director General and/or Managing Partner

Full Name (Last name first, if individual)
Nicklas, Sandra L.

Business or Residence Address (Number and Street, City, State, Zip Code)
245 Trotwood Drive, Pittsburgh, PA 15241

Check Box(es) that Apply: Promoter Beneficial Owner Executive Officer Director General and/or Managing Partner

Full Name (Last name first, if individual)
Vista Resources, Inc.

Business or Residence Address (Number and Street, City, State, Zip Code)
61 McMurray Road, Suite 300, Pittsburgh, PA 15241

Check Box(es) that Apply: Promoter Beneficial Owner Executive Officer Director General and/or Managing Partner

Full Name (Last name first, if individual)

Business or Residence Address (Number and Street, City, State, Zip Code)

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Full Name (Last name first, if individual)

Business or Residence Address (Number and Street, City, State, Zip Code)

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B. INFORMATION ABOUT OFFERING

1. Has the issuer sold, or does the issuer intend to sell, to non-accredited investors in this offering? Yes No
 Answer also in Appendix, Column 2, if filing under ULOE.
2. What is the minimum investment that will be accepted from any individual? \$ 50,000
3. Does the offering permit joint ownership of a single unit? Yes No
4. Enter the information requested for each person who has been or will be paid or given, directly or indirectly, any commission or similar remuneration for solicitation of purchasers in connection with sales of securities in the offering. If a person to be listed is an associated person or agent of a broker or dealer registered with the SEC and/or with a state or states, list the name of the broker or dealer. If more than five (5) persons to be listed are associated persons of such a broker or dealer, you may set forth the information for that broker or dealer only.

Full Name (Last name first, if individual)
 Beaconsfield Financial Services, Inc. (see Attachment B-4(1))

Business or Residence Address (Number and Street, City, State, Zip Code)
 101 West Mall Plaza, Suite 204, Carnegie, PA 15106

Name of Associated Broker or Dealer

States in Which Person Listed Has Solicited or Intends to Solicit Purchasers
 (Check "All States" or check individual States) All States

AL	AK	AZ	AR	CA	CO	CT	DE	DC	FL	GA	HI	ID
IL	IN	IA	KS	KY	LA	ME	MD	MA	MI	MN	MS	MO
MT	NE	NV	NH	NJ	NM	NY	NC	ND	OH	OK	OR	PA
RI	SC	SD	TN	TX	UT	VT	VA	WA	WV	WI	WY	PR

Full Name (Last name first, if individual)
 Marathon Financial Group, Inc. (see Attachment B-4(2))

Business or Residence Address (Number and Street, City, State, Zip Code)
 150 South Wacker Drive, Suite 3010, Chicago, IL 60606

Name of Associated Broker or Dealer

States in Which Person Listed Has Solicited or Intends to Solicit Purchasers
 (Check "All States" or check individual States) All States

AL	AK	AZ	AR	CA	CO	CT	DE	DC	FL	GA	HI	ID
IL	IN	IA	KS	KY	LA	ME	MD	MA	MI	MN	MS	MO
MT	NE	NV	NH	NJ	NM	NY	NC	ND	OH	OK	OR	PA
RI	SC	SD	TN	TX	UT	VT	VA	WA	WV	WI	WY	PR

Full Name (Last name first, if individual)

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IL	IN	IA	KS	KY	LA	ME	MD	MA	MI	MN	MS	MO
MT	NE	NV	NH	NJ	NM	NY	NC	ND	OH	OK	OR	PA
RI	SC	SD	TN	TX	UT	VT	VA	WA	WV	WI	WY	PR

(Use blank sheet, or copy and use additional copies of this sheet, as necessary.)

C. OFFERING PRICE, NUMBER OF INVESTORS, EXPENSES AND USE OF PROCEEDS

1. Enter the aggregate offering price of securities included in this offering and the total amount already sold. Enter "0" if the answer is "none" or "zero." If the transaction is an exchange offering, check this box and indicate in the columns below the amounts of the securities offered for exchange and already exchanged.

Type of Security	Aggregate Offering Price	Amount Already Sold
Debt	\$ 0	\$ _____
Equity	\$ 0	\$ _____
	<input type="checkbox"/> Common <input type="checkbox"/> Preferred	
Convertible Securities (including warrants)	\$ 0	\$ _____
Partnership Interests	\$ 500,000 to	\$ _____
Other (Specify _____)	\$ 10,000,000	\$ _____
Total	\$ 500,000 to	\$ _____
	10,000,000	

Answer also in Appendix, Column 3, if filing under ULOE.

2. Enter the number of accredited and non-accredited investors who have purchased securities in this offering and the aggregate dollar amounts of their purchases. For offerings under Rule 504, indicate the number of persons who have purchased securities and the aggregate dollar amount of their purchases on the total lines. Enter "0" if answer is "none" or "zero."

	Number Investors	Aggregate Dollar Amount of Purchases
Accredited Investors (see Attachment C-2)	1	\$ 100,000
Non-accredited Investors	0	\$ 0
Total (for filings under Rule 504 only)		\$ _____

Answer also in Appendix, Column 4, if filing under ULOE.

3. If this filing is for an offering under Rule 504 or 505, enter the information requested for all securities sold by the issuer, to date, in offerings of the types indicated, in the twelve (12) months prior to the first sale of securities in this offering. Classify securities by type listed in Part C — Question 1.

Type of Offering	Type of Security	Dollar Amount Sold
Rule 505	N/A	\$ 0
Regulation A	N/A	\$ 0
Rule 504	N/A	\$ 0
Total	N/A	\$ 0

4 a. Furnish a statement of all expenses in connection with the issuance and distribution of the securities in this offering. Exclude amounts relating solely to organization expenses of the insurer. The information may be given as subject to future contingencies. If the amount of an expenditure is not known, furnish an estimate and check the box to the left of the estimate.

xxxxxx Placement Fees	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> \$ 100,000
Printing and Engraving Costs	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> \$ 10,000
Legal Fees	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> \$ 20,000
Accounting Fees	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> \$ 0
Engineering Fees	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> \$ 0
Sales Commissions (specify finders' fees separately)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> \$ 0
Other Expenses (identify) <u>Blue Sky Fees</u>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> \$ 3,500
Total	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> \$ 133,500

C. OFFERING PRICE, NUMBER OF INVESTORS, EXPENSES AND USE OF PROCEEDS

b. Enter the difference between the aggregate offering price given in response to Part C — Question 1 and total expenses furnished in response to Part C — Question 4.a. This difference is the “adjusted gross proceeds to the issuer.”

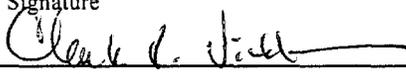
\$ 9,866,500

5. Indicate below the amount of the adjusted gross proceed to the issuer used or proposed to be used for each of the purposes shown. If the amount for any purpose is not known, furnish an estimate and check the box to the left of the estimate. The total of the payments listed must equal the adjusted gross proceeds to the issuer set forth in response to Part C — Question 4.b above.

	Payments to Officers, Directors, & Affiliates	Payments to Others
Interest and fees Management Fee	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> \$ 20,000	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> \$ 0
Purchase of real estate	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> \$ 0	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> \$ 0
Purchase, rental or leasing and installation of machinery and equipment	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> \$ 0	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> \$ 0
Construction or leasing of plant buildings and facilities	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> \$ 0	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> \$ 0
Acquisition of other businesses (including the value of securities involved in this offering that may be used in exchange for the assets or securities of another issuer pursuant to a merger)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> \$ 0	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> \$ 0
Repayment of indebtedness	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> \$ 0	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> \$ 0
Working capital..... <u>Drilling and Completion Costs</u>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> \$ 0	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> \$ 9,830,000
Other (specify): <u>Organizational Costs</u>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> \$ 0	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> \$ 16,500
.....	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> \$ _____	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> \$ _____
Column Totals	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> \$ 20,000	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> \$ 9,846,500
Total Payments Listed (column totals added)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> \$ 9,866,500	

D. FEDERAL SIGNATURE

The issuer has duly caused this notice to be signed by the undersigned duly authorized person. If this notice is filed under Rule 505, the following signature constitutes an undertaking by the issuer to furnish to the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission, upon written request of its staff, the information furnished by the issuer to any non-accredited investor pursuant to paragraph (b)(2) of Rule 502.

Issuer (Print or Type) <u>Vista Drilling Program 2004-1 Limited Partnership</u>	Signature 	Date <u>04/15/04</u>
Name of Signer (Print or Type) <u>Clark R. Nicklas</u>	Title of Signer (Print or Type) <u>President of Vista Resources, Inc., Managing General Partner</u>	

ATTENTION

Intentional misstatements or omissions of fact constitute federal criminal violations. (See 18 U.S.C. 1001.)

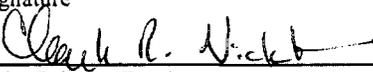
E. STATE SIGNATURE

1. Is any party described in 17 CFR 230.262 presently subject to any of the disqualification provisions of such rule? Yes No

See Appendix, Column 5, for state response.

2. The undersigned issuer hereby undertakes to furnish to any state administrator of any state in which this notice is filed a notice on Form D (17 CFR 239.500) at such times as required by state law.
3. The undersigned issuer hereby undertakes to furnish to the state administrators, upon written request, information furnished by the issuer to offerees.
4. The undersigned issuer represents that the issuer is familiar with the conditions that must be satisfied to be entitled to the Uniform limited Offering Exemption (ULOE) of the state in which this notice is filed and understands that the issuer claiming the availability of this exemption has the burden of establishing that these conditions have been satisfied.

The issuer has read this notification and knows the contents to be true and has duly caused this notice to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned duly authorized person.

Issuer (Print or Type) Vista Drilling Program 2004-1 Limited Partnership	Signature 	Date 04/15/04
Name (Print or Type) Clark R. Nicklas	Title (Print or Type) President of Vista Resources, Inc., Managing General Partner	

Instruction:

Print the name and title of the signing representative under his signature for the state portion of this form. One copy of every notice on Form D must be manually signed. Any copies not manually signed must be photocopies of the manually signed copy or bear typed or printed signatures.

APPENDIX

1 State	2 Intend to sell to non-accredited investors in State (Part B-Item 1)		3 Type of security and aggregate offering price offered in state (Part C-Item 1)	4 Type of investor and amount purchased in State (Part C-Item 2)				5 Disqualification under State ULOE (if yes, attach explanation of waiver granted) (Part E-Item 1)	
	Yes	No		Number of Accredited Investors	Amount	Number of Non-Accredited Investors	Amount	Yes	No
AL									✓
AK			Partnership interests of up to \$5,000,000 in all states where offering is made unless otherwise limited by applicable law.						✓
AZ									✓
AR									✓
CA									✓
CO									✓
CT									✓
DE									✓
DC									✓
FL									✓
GA	✓								✓
HI									✓
ID									✓
IL	✓								✓
IN									✓
IA									✓
KS									✓
KY									✓
LA									✓
ME									✓
MD									✓
MA									✓
MI									✓
MN									✓
MS									✓

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State	Yes	No		Number of Accredited Investors	Amount	Number of Non-Accredited Investors	Amount	Yes	No
MO									✓
MT			Partnership interests of up to \$5,000,000 in all states where offering is made unless otherwise limited by applicable law.						✓
NE									✓
NV									✓
NH									✓
NJ									✓
NM									✓
NY									✓
NC									✓
ND									✓
OH									✓
OK									✓
OR									✓
PA	✓								✓
RI									✓
SC									✓
SD									✓
TN									✓
TX									✓
UT									✓
VT									✓
VA									✓
WA									✓
WV									✓
WI									✓

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State	Yes	No		Number of Accredited Investors	Amount	Number of Non-Accredited Investors	Amount	Yes	No	
WY			Partnership interests	of up to					✓	
PR			\$5,000,000 in all states where offering is made unless otherwise limited by applicable law.							✓

Attachment B-4(1)

Beaconsfield Financial Services, Inc. ("BFS") was retained by the Issuer because of the "multiple syndication" rule adopted by the Pennsylvania Securities Commission. In consideration of BFS acting as the "placement agent" of the Issuer, BFS will be paid a placement fee equal to 1% of the gross subscription proceeds received by the Issuer. BFS has no contractual obligation to solicit prospective investors on behalf of the Issuer; however, BFS may be paid a brokerage fee or commission if it successfully solicits acceptable subscribers, in the same manner and on the same terms as any other registered broker-dealer.

Attachment B-4(2)

Marathon Financial Group, Inc. has been retained by the Issuer to assist the Partnership in the sale of Units in all states other than Pennsylvania. Marathon Financial Group, Inc. will be paid a placement fee by the Partnership equal to 1% of all subscriptions received by the Partnership from the sale of Units to subscribers residing in all states (other than Pennsylvania) where Marathon Financial Group, Inc. is registered as a broker-dealer. Marathon Financial Group, Inc. will not be paid a placement fee on the sale of any Units (i) to a resident of Pennsylvania; (ii) to a resident of a state where it is not registered as a broker-dealer under the applicable securities laws; or (iii) where such payment would jeopardize an exemption from registration upon which the Partnership is relying. Except as described above, Marathon Financial Group, Inc. will not be paid any other brokerage or sales commission from the sale of Units unless it is directly responsible for effectuating the sale of Units.

Attachment C-2

The Managing General Partner of the Issuer has agreed to own not less than 15% of the total number of Units (securities) issued by the Issuer. The exact amount of this obligation cannot be quantified until the offering closes and the Issuer has indicated that one prior sale has occurred in the amount of \$50,000, which is the minimum subscription amount from the Managing General Partner under the terms of the Private Placement Memorandum.