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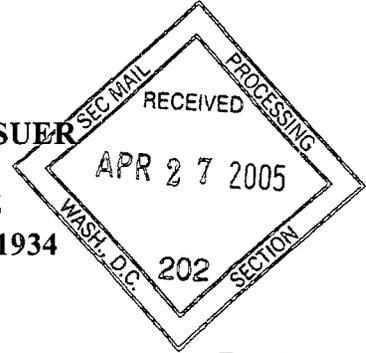
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UNITED STATES  
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
Washington, D.C. 20549

**FORM 6-K**

**REPORT OF FOREIGN PRIVATE ISSUER**

**Pursuant to Rule 13a-16 or 15d-16  
Under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934**



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For the month of April 2005

Commission File Number: 0-50832

**Vermilion Energy Trust**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

**2800, 400 – 4th Avenue S.W., Calgary, Alberta, Canada T2P 0J4**

(Address of principal executive offices)

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Form 20-F

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Yes

No

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On April 4, 2005, Vermilion Energy Trust filed the Annual report. The filing is attached hereto as Exhibit A.

## SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized.

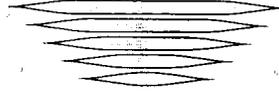
VERMILION ENERGY TRUST

By:   
Curtis W. Hicks  
Executive Vice President  
and Chief Financial Officer

Date: April 25, 2005

Exhibit A

VERMILION  
ENERGY TRUST



# A WORLD OF OPPORTUNITY

Annual Update  
**2004**

AS THE ONLY CANADIAN  
OIL AND GAS TRUST  
WITH ASSETS OUTSIDE  
NORTH AMERICA,

VERMILION  
ENERGY TRUST



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HAS A DISTINCT  
**ADVANTAGE** AND A WORLD OF  
**ATTRACTIVE OPPORTUNITIES.**



Lorenzo Donadeo

# PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Dear Unitholders,

As the only Canadian-based energy trust with assets outside North America, Vermilion is truly unique.

While high commodity prices have benefited the oil and gas sector, they have made it far more difficult and expensive to find attractive acquisitions in North America. Strategically, Vermilion began adding value-based international production and reserves more than eight years ago—giving us the distinct advantage of having assets, knowledge and experience about international operations. While one of our goals was to maintain a balance between international and Canadian assets, given the current market conditions for acquisitions in Canada, we believe there's better value internationally. Accordingly, we will use our competitive advantage to capture opportunities that offer significant value and attractive growth in 2005.

In fact, we've already begun. Early in 2005, we added a third core region by acquiring the oil production offshore Western Australia. In 2004, we acquired properties in the Netherlands, further strengthening our presence in Western Europe. Vermilion is now well positioned to expand our operations in three core regions: Canada, Western Europe and Australia. These areas should enable us to grow using modest development capital and accretive acquisition programs. Each area has stable political and economic climates, well-established oil and gas markets and growth opportunities ideally suited to sustain the trust model.

Economically attractive acquisitions aren't the only way Vermilion is creating value. We are optimizing the value of our existing assets through traditional and unconventional means. During 2004, we participated in creating two new equity partnerships to

fully exploit the value of selected assets. Verenex Energy Inc. (Verenex) was launched to capitalize on higher-risk properties previously held within the Trust and to enable Vermilion to participate in an exciting international junior exploration and production company. Verenex has also taken great early strides beyond France—the company was one of 12 (and the only Canadian firm) to be awarded an exploration license in Libya's recent bid round. Verenex is rapidly gaining recognition as a respected participant in the world of high-stakes exploration. Vermilion owns 53.7% of Verenex, which trades on the TSX Venture Exchange under the symbol VNX.

Vermilion entered a joint-venture partnership with Glacier Energy Limited (Glacier) in June 2004, contributing one-half of our interest in 40,000 net acres of land in Central Alberta in return for a 38% equity position in Glacier. We're delighted to be working with one of Canada's foremost specialists in developing shallow gas and coalbed methane gas. The Trust will benefit in two ways: through the joint-venture growth opportunities from these previously under-exploited properties, and from our equity exposure in Glacier. We are very pleased with the results of this joint venture partnership to date and are excited about the future potential drilling.

We divested our interest in Aventura Energy Inc. in May 2004, generating net proceeds of \$165 million to Vermilion. The goal of our equity ventures is to accelerate value creation from the Trust's assets and improve sustainability of the trust model by reducing the amount of 'issued equity' capital required to replace production and reserves over the long term.

In 2004, we spent most of our development capital in Canada and France, allocating only a modest amount to the Netherlands. Our capital program is aimed at mitigating the natural declines from

our reservoirs, but is generally insufficient to replace all of our production. Last year we focused our efforts on low-cost workovers and recompletions. In France, Vermilion completed the La Torche 2 well in the Paris Basin, yielding good oil production and expanding our drilling prospects in the area.

In 2005, we are increasing our capital program budget to \$68 million, approximately \$17 million higher than last year. We are encouraged by our exploitation opportunities, including the potential to improve our waterflood performance at Utikuma, our largest Canadian oil-producing property, and the possibility of significantly enhancing recovery on our largest reservoir in France, at Parentis. In Canada, our drilling plans include expanding the coalbed methane program with Glacier. We will also target infill-drilling prospects on our lands identified either by successful recompletions or historical success, predominantly in the Drayton Valley region. In France, we are planning to drill three to four wells in the Champotran/La Torche area and will continue a steady program of workovers and recompletions in the Parentis Basin.

In the third quarter of 2005, Verenex and Vermilion plan to run 3-D seismic on the Aquitaine Maritime prospect in the Bay of Biscay offshore southwest France to further delineate several attractive world-class structures, and we anticipate drilling one or two wells in the region in 2006. In the Netherlands, the average size of our acquired drilling prospects is approximately 45 bcf per well, significantly larger than most gas exploration plays in Western Canada. We will be working closely with our partners and regulatory authorities to initiate a drilling program, aspiring to drill our first well in late 2005. We are reviewing our capital program for Australia; however, we anticipate fairly modest expenditures in 2005. As you can see, we really have a world of opportunities to sustain the Trust.

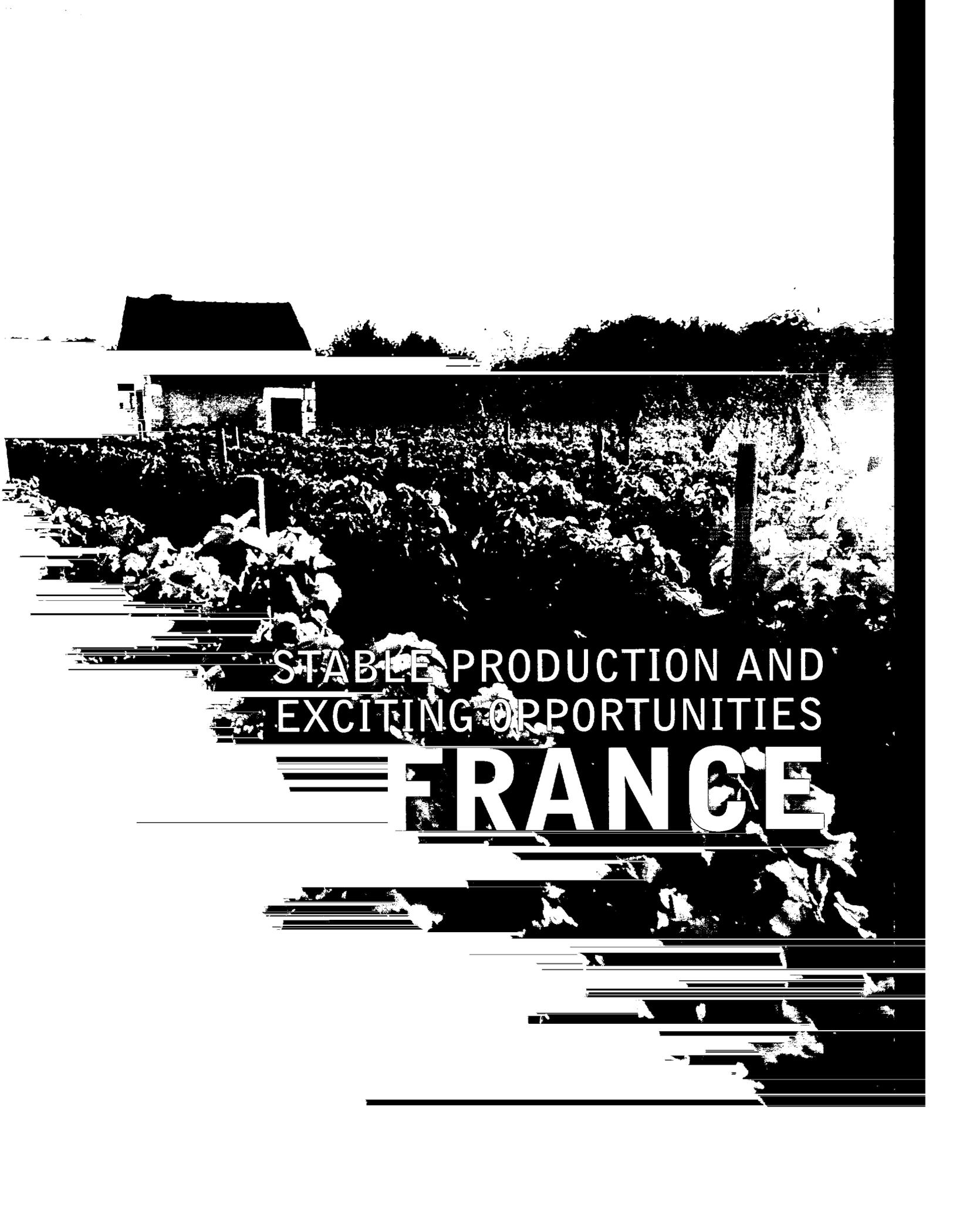
A strong team of experienced and dedicated people enhances Vermilion's progress. In 2004, we were very pleased to welcome Bob Mac Dougall as our new Chief Operating Officer. Bob has more than 19 years of experience in production and drilling operations and was previously General Manager of Production and Operations for ChevronTexaco's Western Canadian producing properties. We also welcomed Greg Hay as the General Manager of our Netherlands operations. Greg has almost 30 years of industry experience including a posting as the Managing Director of Wintershall AG's operations in the Netherlands with its 40,000 boe/d of net production.

Vermilion is pleased to introduce William F. Madison as the newest member of our Board. Now a consultant residing in Houston, Texas, Bill spent 35 years with Marathon Oil Company before he retired as the Senior Vice President, Worldwide Production. Vermilion is privileged to benefit from Bill's international experience and strategic perspective.

Vermilion's excellent progress is reflected in our value—our share price has doubled since converting to a trust two years ago. I thank all of our staff for their ongoing contributions to this outstanding effort. I'm looking forward to another exciting and rewarding year as we continue using our international advantage to deliver strong, sustainable returns to our investors and superior rewards for all of our stakeholders.



Lorenzo Donadeo,  
President & Chief Executive Officer  
March 26, 2005



STABLE PRODUCTION AND  
EXCITING OPPORTUNITIES

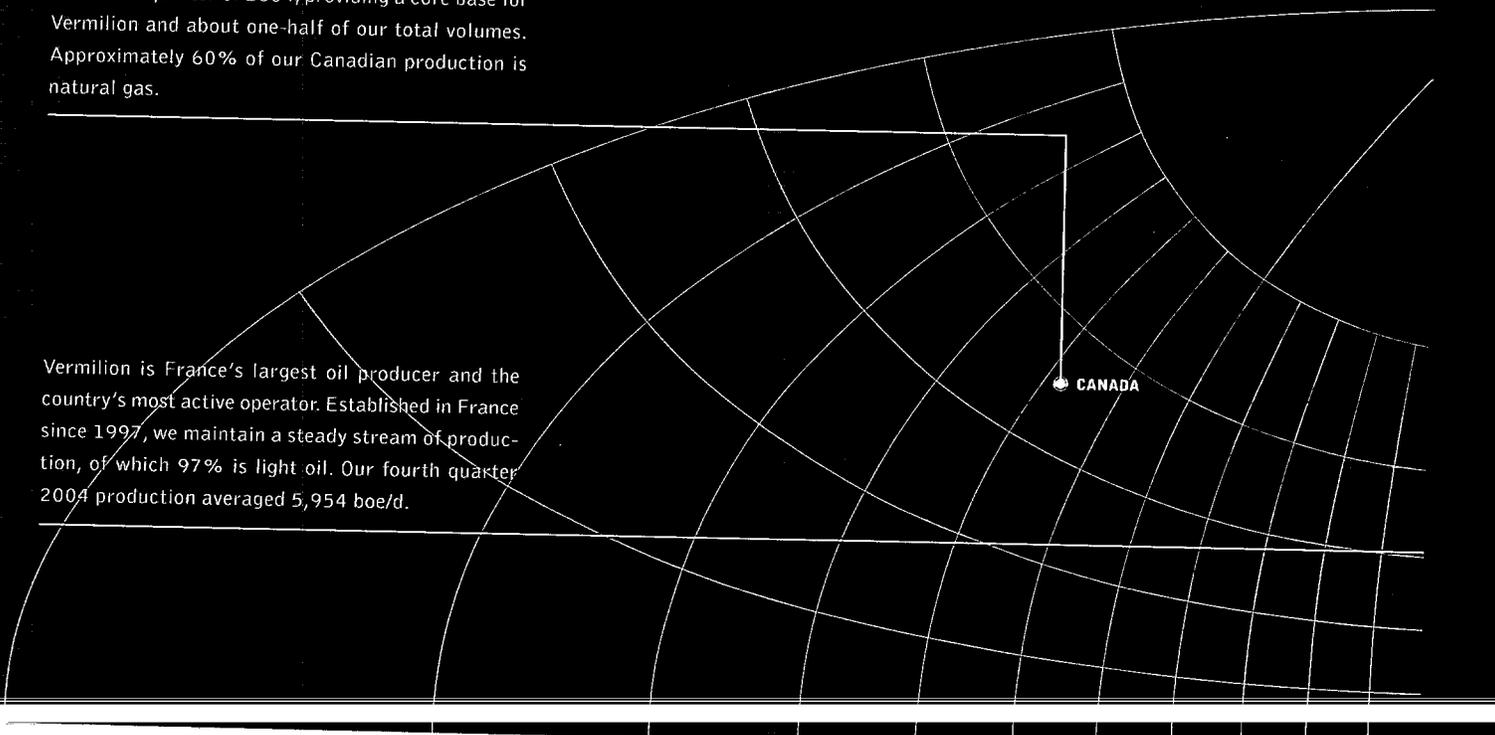
**FRANCE**



CORE ASSETS AND  
NEW VENTURES  
**CANADA**

Our Canadian production averaged 12,398 boe/d in the fourth quarter of 2004, providing a core base for Vermilion and about one-half of our total volumes. Approximately 60% of our Canadian production is natural gas.

Vermilion is France's largest oil producer and the country's most active operator. Established in France since 1997, we maintain a steady stream of production, of which 97% is light oil. Our fourth quarter 2004 production averaged 5,954 boe/d.



CANADA

**WHAT CAN YOU EXPECT  
IN THE FUTURE  
FROM THESE ASSETS?**

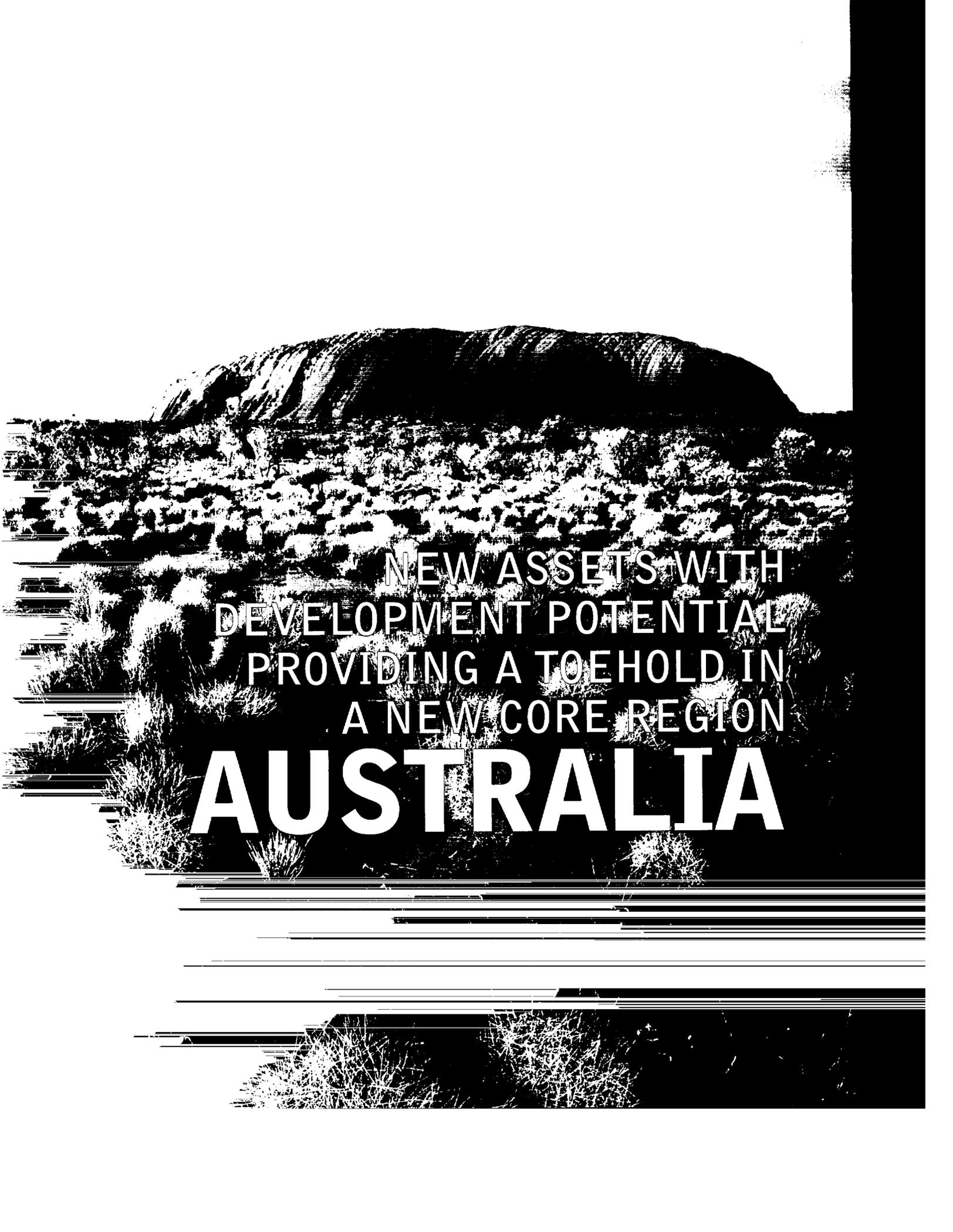
Acquired in 2004 from Netherlands production is 100% natural gas. Venation is the country's second largest offshore producer and operates processing facilities with throughput capacity exceeding 250 mmcf/d. Our fourth quarter 2004 production was 5,593 boe/d.

Vermilion's latest acquisition establishes a third core region for the trust. Building on our offshore experience in France and the Netherlands, the Wandoo field is expected to average 4,400 b/d net of oil in 2005 and will add to our production beginning in March.

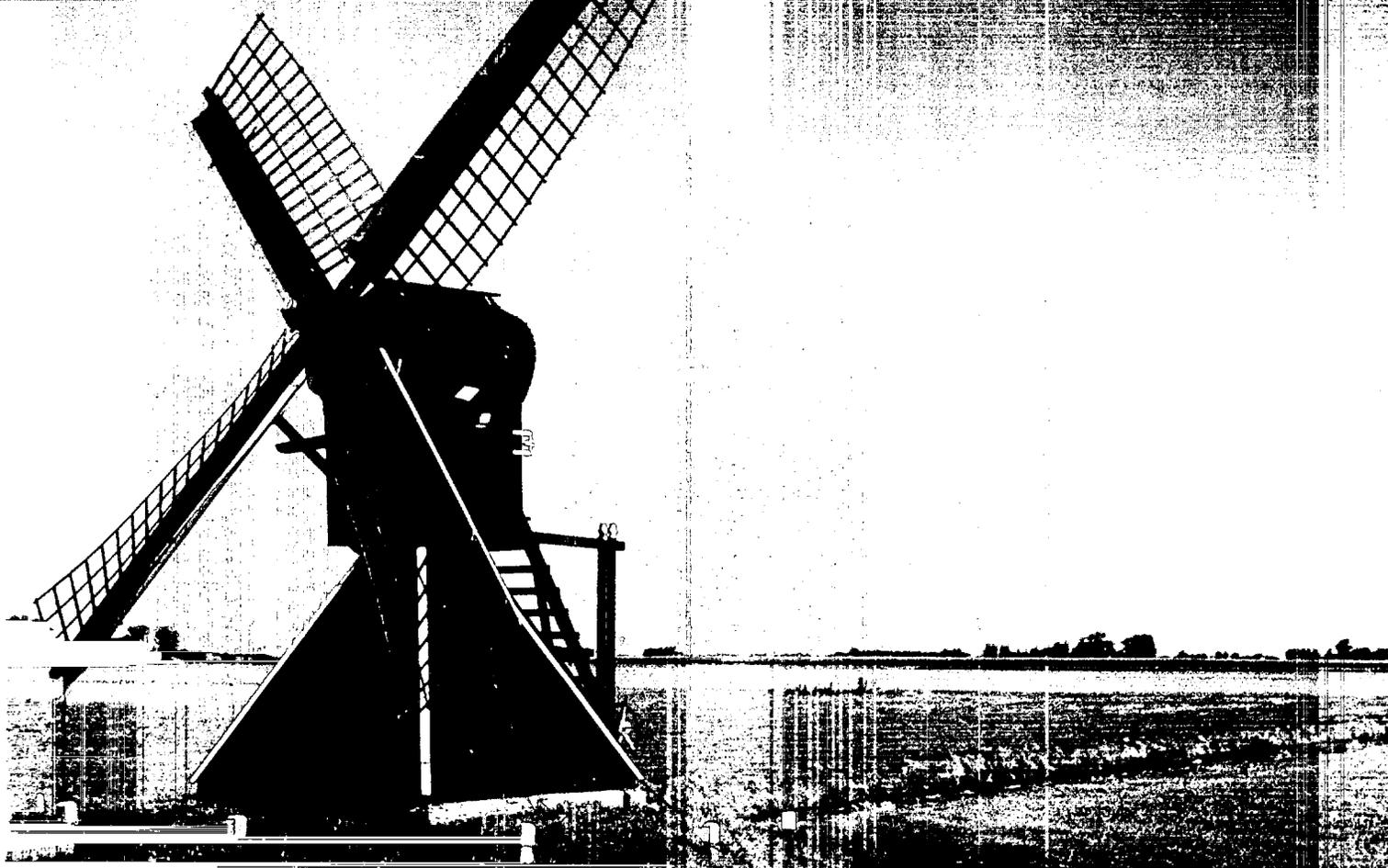
NETHERLANDS  
FRANCE

AUSTRALIA

SUSTAINABILITY OF DISTRIBUTIONS,  
GROWTH FROM 3 CORE REGIONS  
AND THE POTENTIAL FOR  
EQUITY APPRECIATION.



NEW ASSETS WITH  
DEVELOPMENT POTENTIAL  
PROVIDING A TOEHOLD IN  
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**AUSTRALIA**



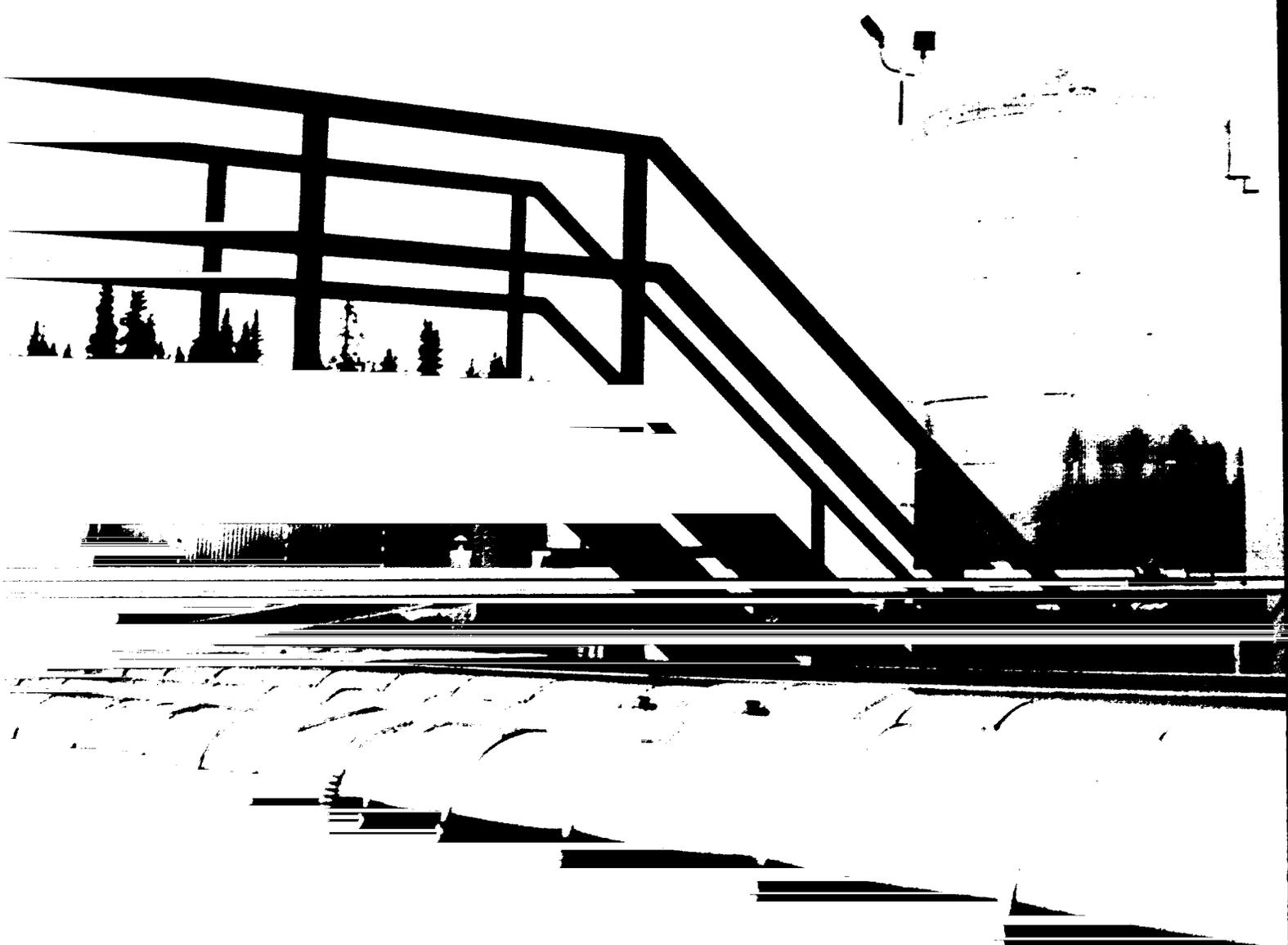
OPTIMIZATION AND  
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DEVELOPMENT OPPORTUNITIES  
**NETHERLANDS**

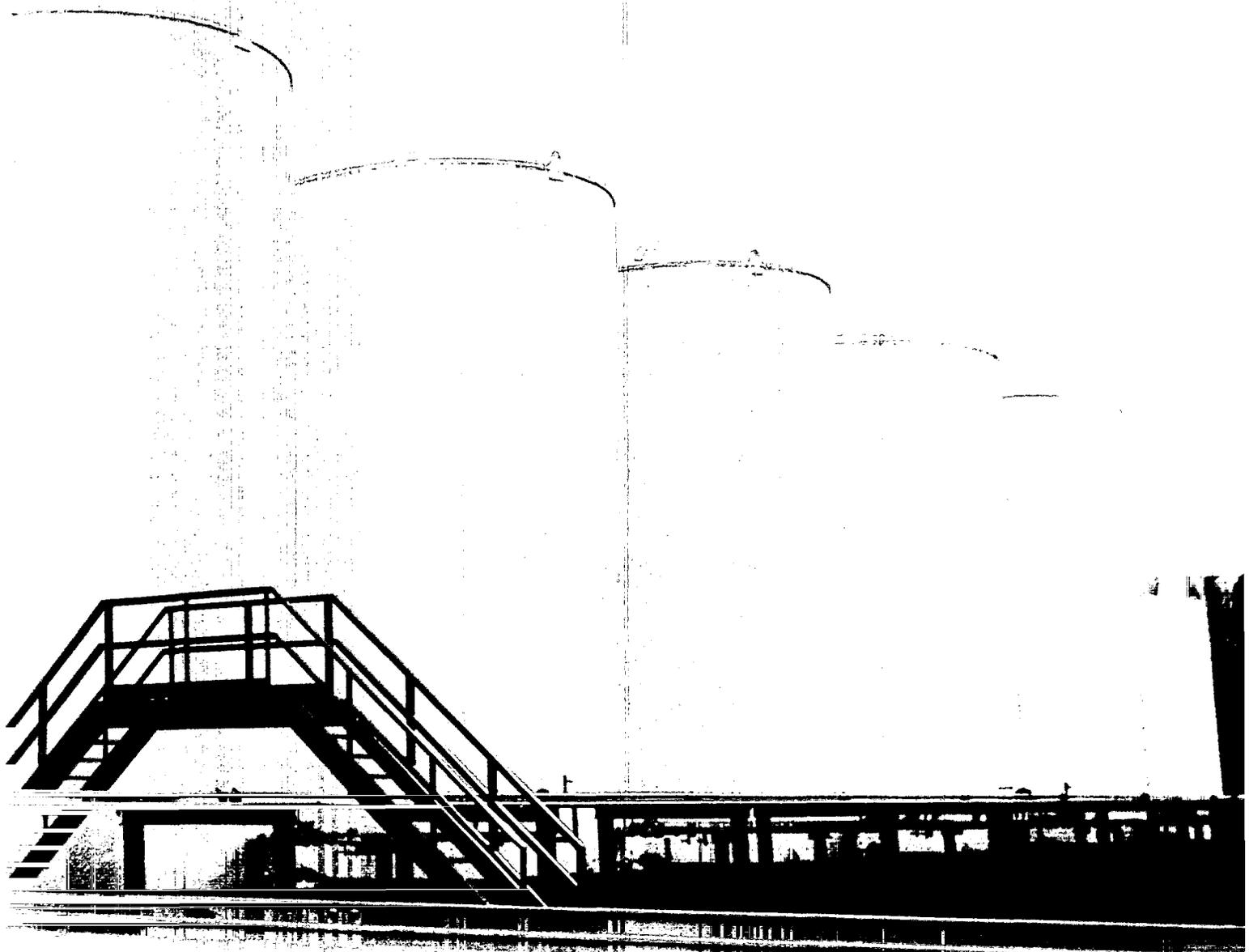
HOW DO VERMILION  
UNITHOLDERS  
BENEFIT FROM THESE  
OPPORTUNITIES?



A TOTAL RETURN OF 44.5% IN 2004—  
 31.2% FROM CAPITAL APPRECIATION  
 AND 13.3% FROM DISTRIBUTIONS—  
 AND GREATER THAN 100% SINCE  
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 BEGAN TRADING ON THE TSX.

# CANADA



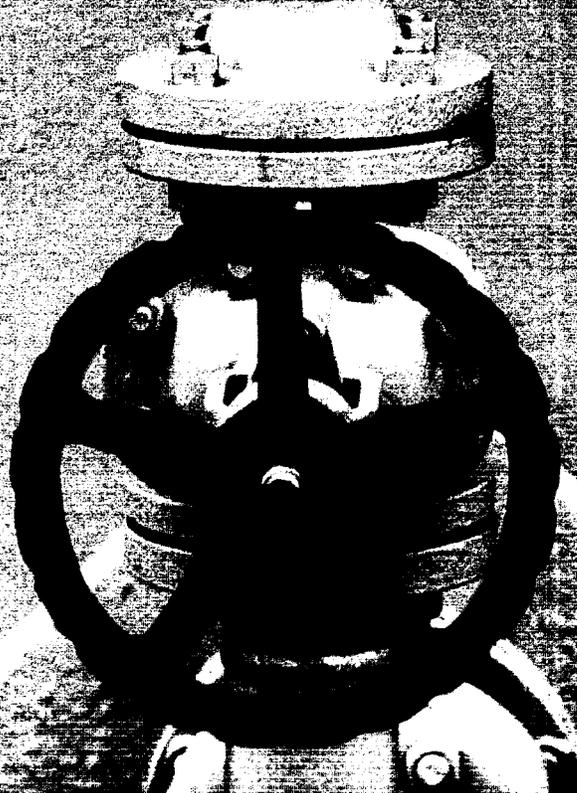


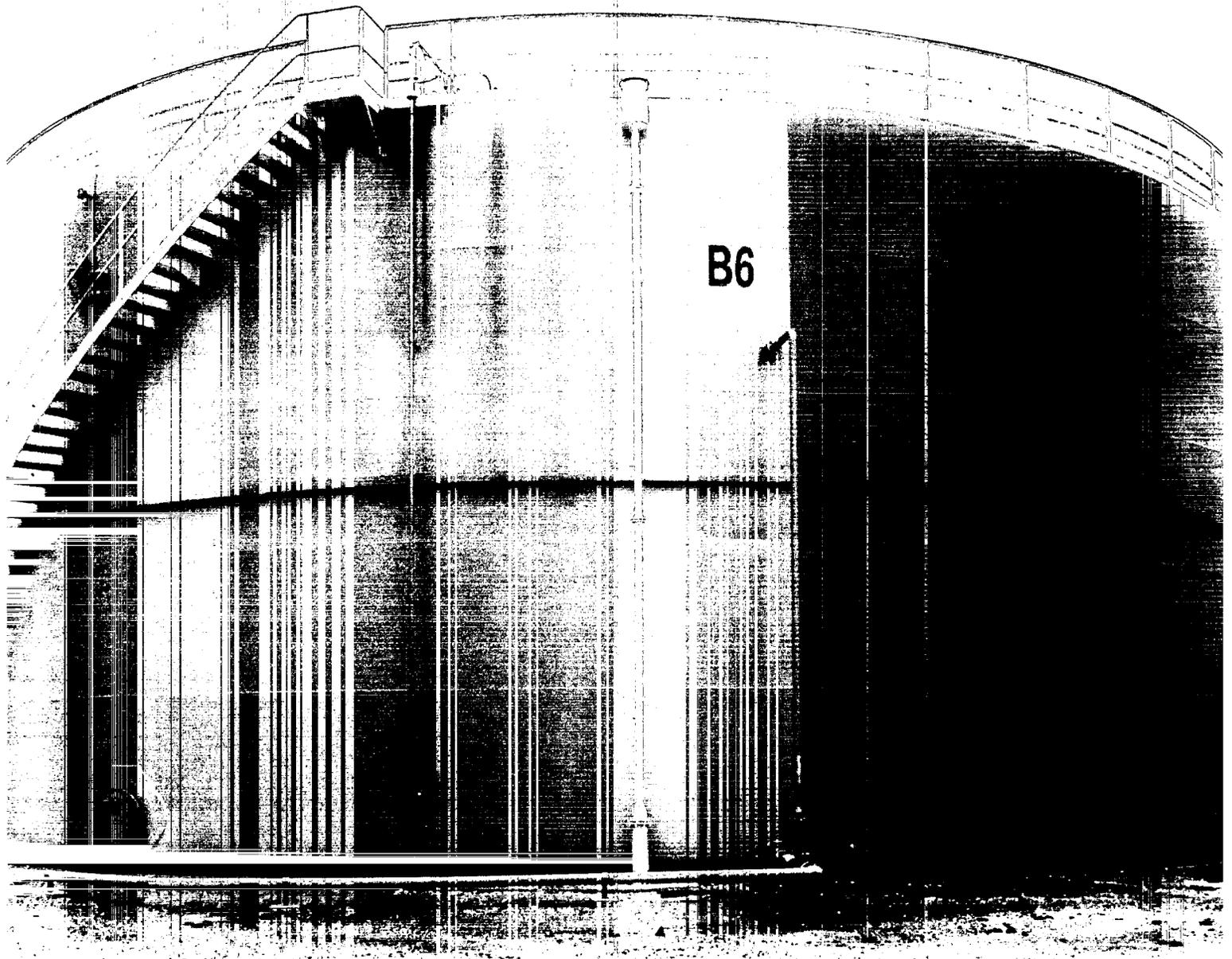
Vermilion focuses on four core areas—Slave Lake, Drayton Valley, Athabasca and Central Alberta—with our main producing properties at Drayton Valley, where we control approximately 120,000 net undeveloped acres. We are targeting and producing hydrocarbons from reservoirs from the Devonian, Jurassic and Cretaceous ages, giving us the potential to encounter more than one producing zone per well. On some of our Rock Creek/Ellerslie (Jurassic/Cretaceous) production, we are evaluating downspacing to

two wells per section instead of one to improve reserve recoveries. Our largest oil-producing property is Utikuma at Slave Lake, originally acquired in late 1998. We have recovered approximately 40% of the original 200 mmbbls of oil-in-place at Utikuma and are evaluating the potential to extend recovery from this reservoir. In 2005, we will continue to focus on low-risk workovers and recompletions, as well as a modest drilling program.

# FRANCE

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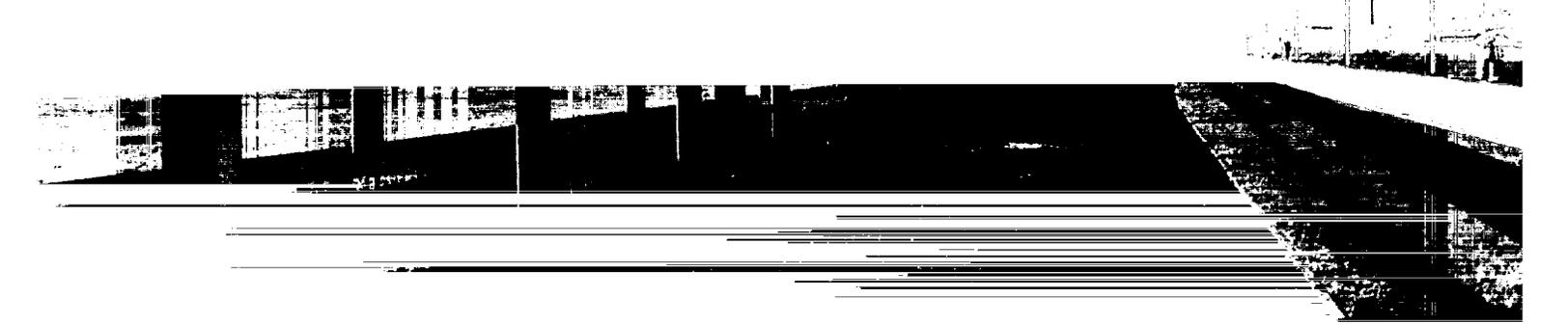
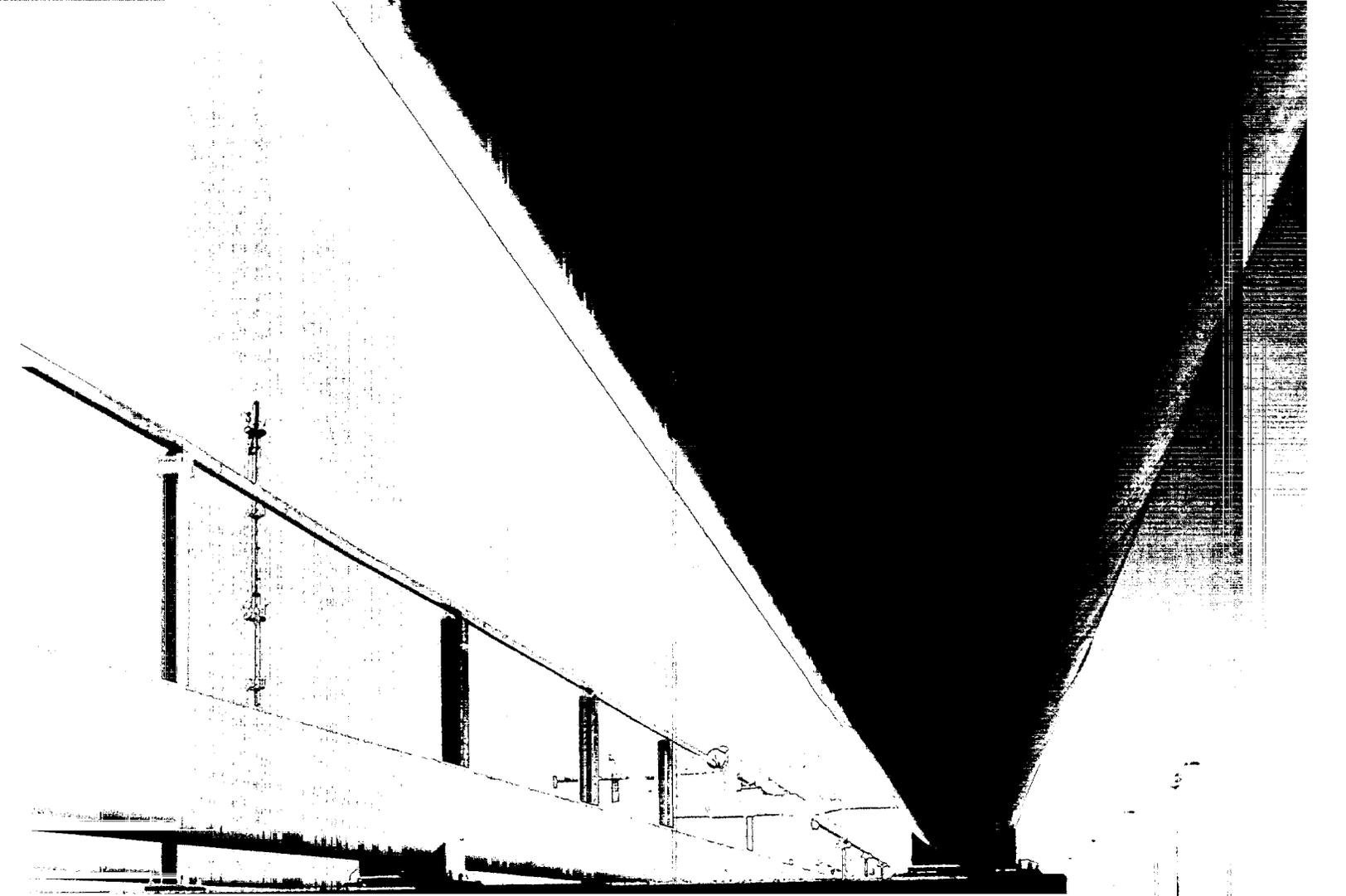


Investors seldom envision France as a producer of oil and gas, yet this is the source of some of Vermilion's most high-quality and stable production. Development drilling in the Paris Basin and production maintenance in the Aquitaine Basin south of Bordeaux provide us with low-decline oil production. We are applying our experience in Canada to the same geological-aged formations in France. Our reservoir targets in the Paris Basin are predominantly Jurassic carbonates, and at Parentis in the Aquitaine Basin are

Cretaceous carbonates and sandstones. A world-class field, Parentis originally held more than 850 million barrels of oil, and with only 219 million produced, we believe there is plenty of upside potential and continue to evaluate methods to increase recoveries. We also hold a 50% interest in the Aquitaine Maritime exploration concession in the Bay of Biscay offshore southwestern France, where we plan to run a 3-D seismic program this year.

# NETHERLANDS





The Netherlands is the world's sixth-largest producer of natural gas, and Vermilion looks forward to expanding our share of production in this country. Our initial acquisition, in May 2004, provided Vermilion with producing properties with attractive optimization and development opportunities.

The drilling prospects we acquired, which we hope to test with our first well late in 2005, offer targets of approximately 40-50 bcf per well, significantly larger than most gas exploration plays in Canada. We also gained control of facilities capable of processing more than 250 million cubic

feet of natural gas per day, which enables us to control our costs and may potentially add to our revenue stream. Our operations include net production of more than 30 million cubic feet per day of natural gas from approximately 50 wells in Cretaceous carbonate and sandstone reservoirs at depths ranging from 1,000 to 2,200 metres. Vermilion also operates the Zuidwal production platform in the shallow waters of the Waddenzee about 15 kilometres from shore. We manage our operations in the Netherlands through a fully staffed office in Harlingen.

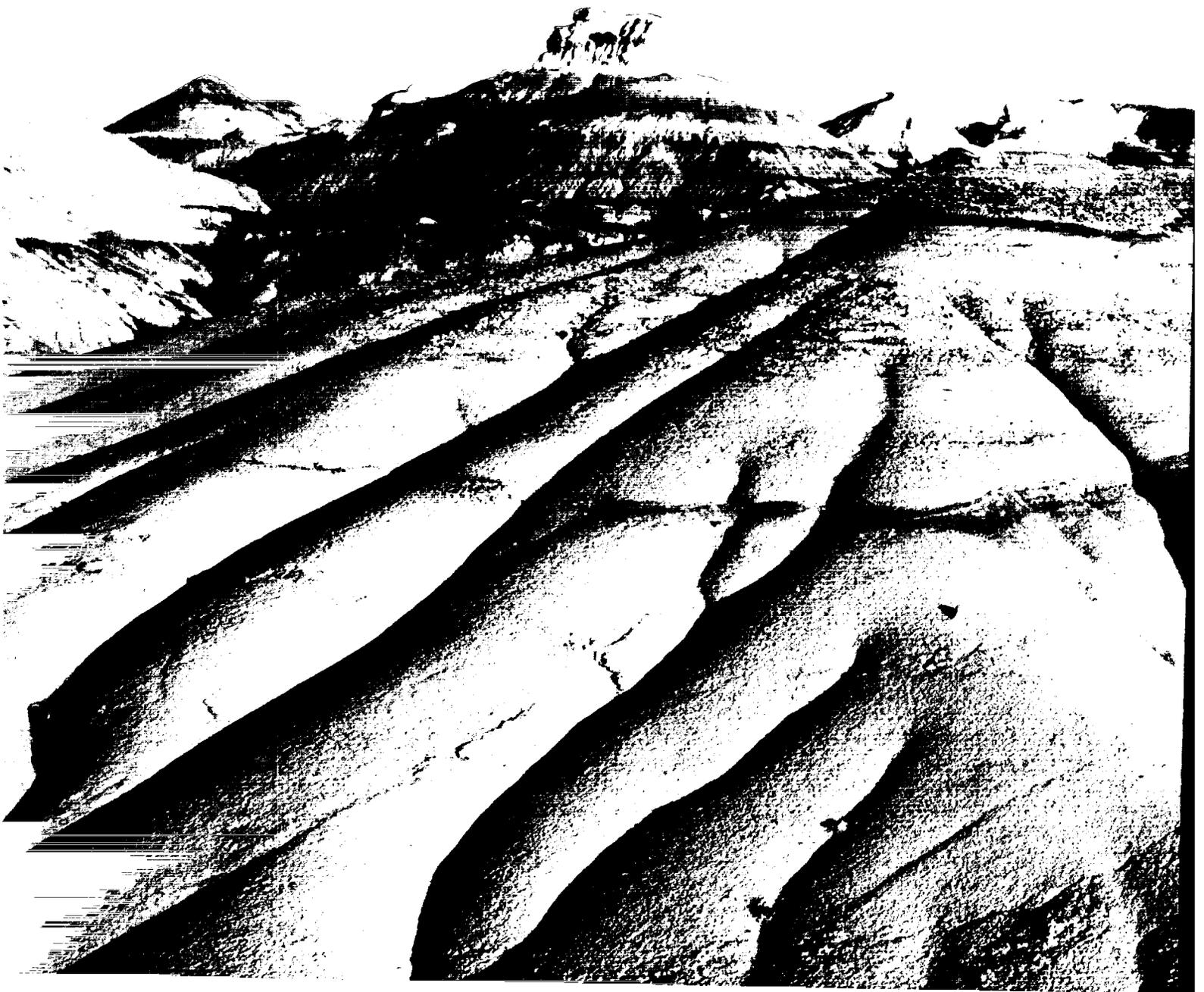
# AUSTRALIA



The newest addition to Vermilion's portfolio is the offshore Wandoo oil field on the North West Shelf of Western Australia, which we acquired in the first quarter of 2005. Discovered in 1991, the Wandoo field produces naphthenic sweet oil from a Cretaceous sandstone reservoir with original oil-in-place of approximately 1.60 billion barrels. Approximately 38% of the original oil-in-place has been recovered to date, and there is potential to increase ultimate oil recoveries. Current net production of 4,800

barrels per day is produced via a concrete gravity-based Wandoo B platform and the unmanned Wandoo A-monopod platform. The Wandoo B platform has the capability to process more than 120,000 barrels of fluid per day and has storage capacity of 400,000 barrels of oil. Vermilion will focus immediate efforts on cost reductions, facilities debottlenecking and workover opportunities. We will also be evaluating development drilling prospects and the potential for satellite acquisitions.

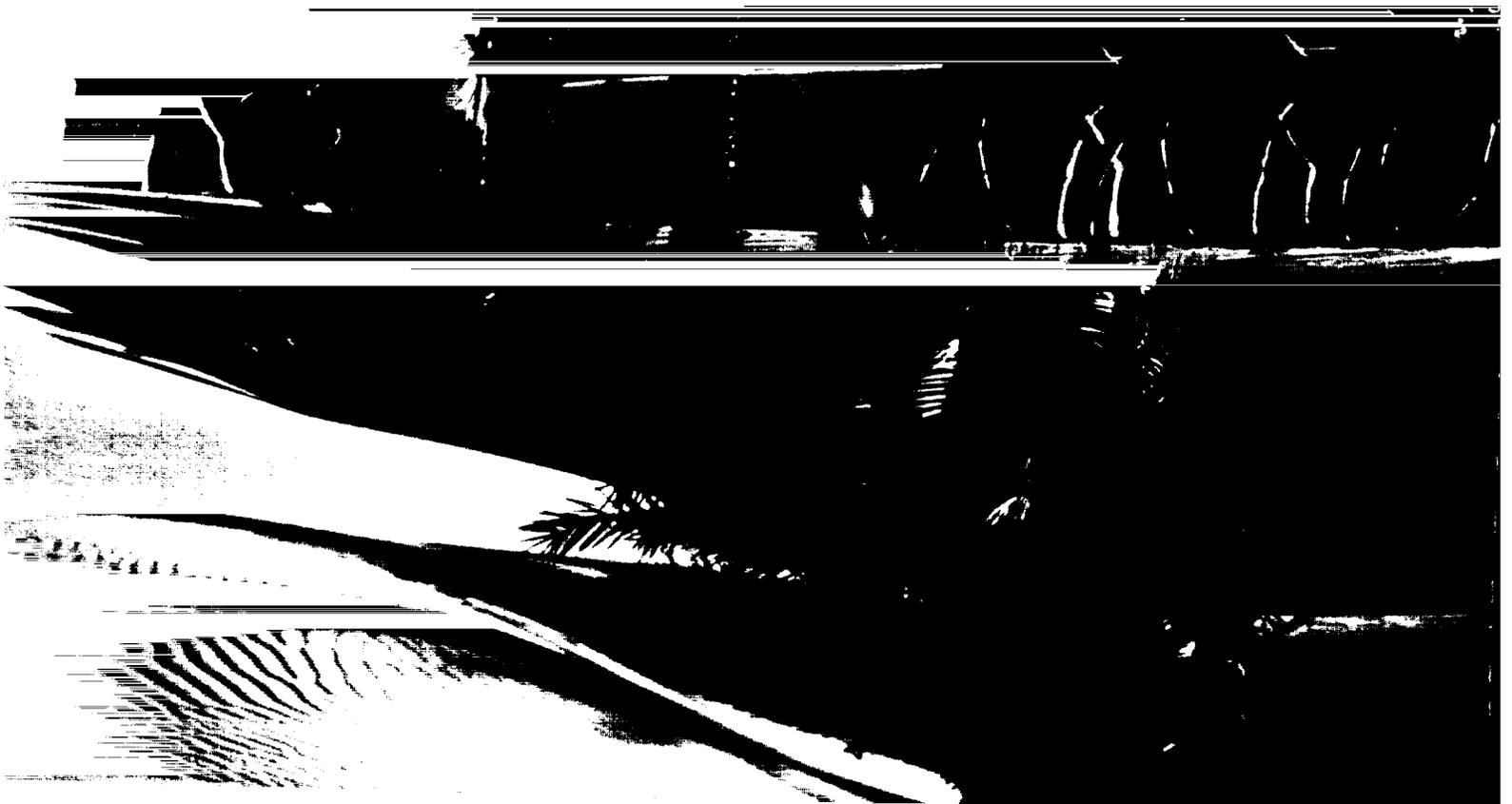
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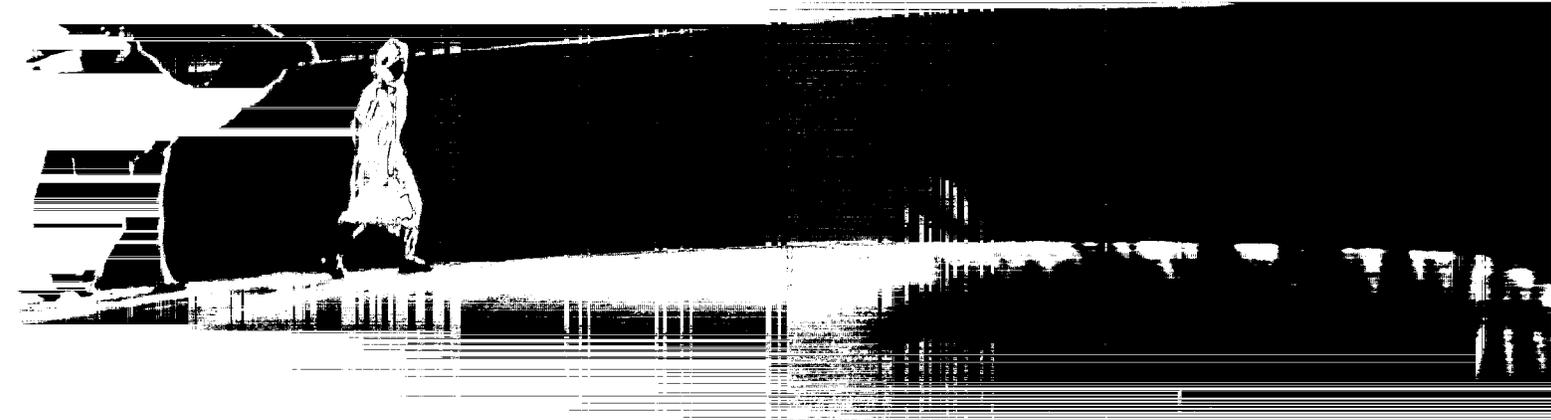
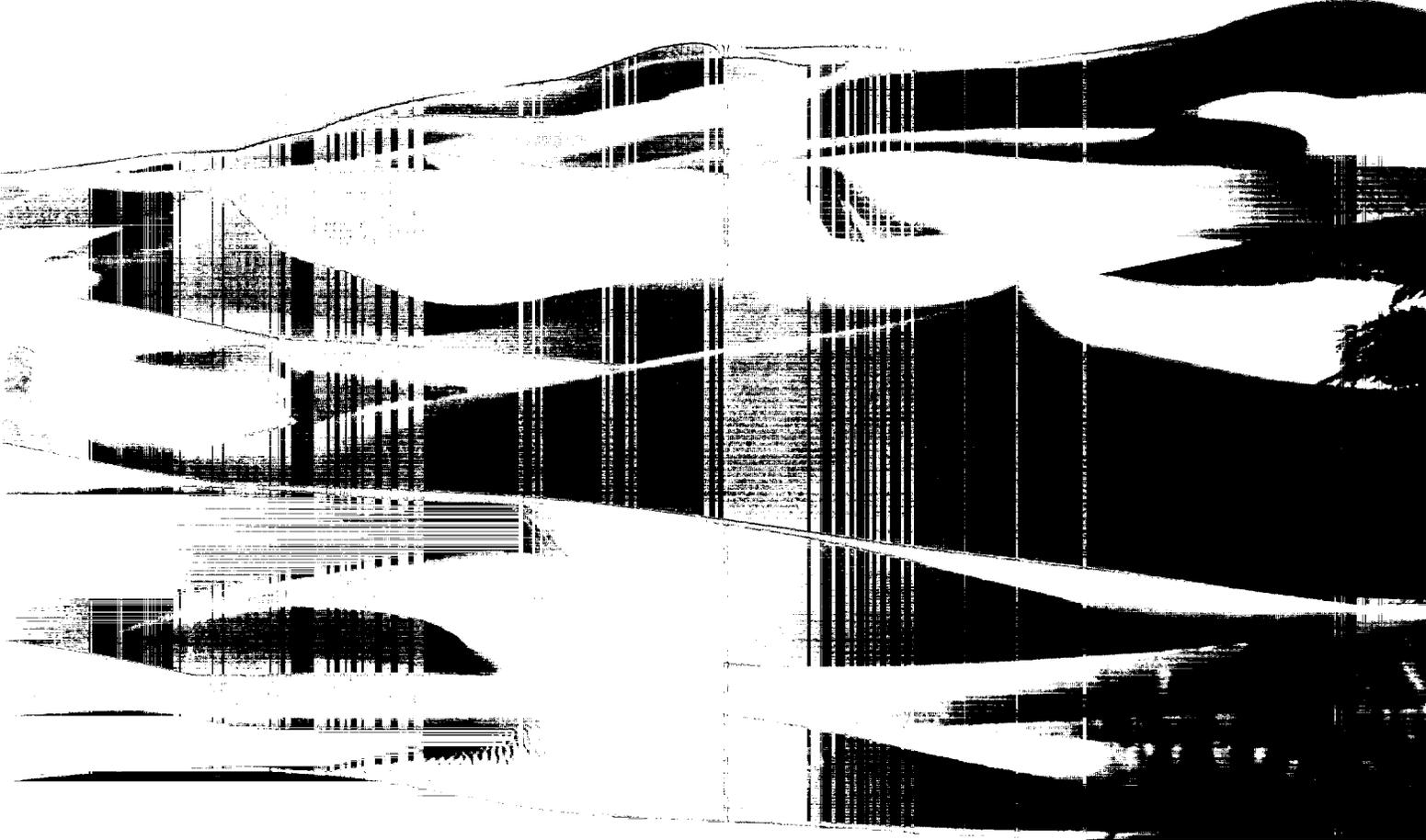


# METHANE

Alberta is rich in coal, much of which is suited for extracting natural gas. The area of greatest commercial activity to date has been the shallow Horseshoe Canyon coal seams in central Alberta. These coals are typically found at depths of approximately 300 metres and usually contain 10 to 20 metres of thin coal seams within a 70- to 120-metre bed. Vermilion holds a substantial land position and a well-developed natural gas infrastructure in the heart of recent activity in this area and has a joint venture with Glacier Energy Limited, a privately owned company that is a specialist in this field. Glacier launched its shallow drilling program in the last half of 2004 and has successfully drilled more than 35 new wells. In 2005 and beyond, Glacier will continue to expand its drilling program, in which we participate directly as a 50% partner.

# VERENEX





Verenex Energy Inc. was launched in June 2004 as a pure-play international exploration and production company. Vermilion contributed prospective exploration lands in France, a gross working royalty in Canada and \$5 million in cash in return for a 33.7% equity stake in the new venture. Verenex assembled an exceptional management team and Board of Directors and hit the ground running. The Company was one of only 12, and the only Canadian firm, to be awarded a significant exploration and production sharing agreement

in Libya during a recent bid round in which 63 companies participated. The 6,182 square kilometre block is in the Ghadamas Basin, a prolific producing region that extends into Tunisia and Algeria. Verenex will focus on accelerating exploration in France, including the Aquitaine Maritime offshore prospect, and on its new license in Libya. Vermilion unitholders will benefit from Verenex's success through the Trust's equity position in Verenex.

**BOB MAC DOUGAL, P.ENG.**

Bob has more than 19 years of industry and management experience in Canada and the United States in both onshore and offshore drilling and completions engineering and operations.

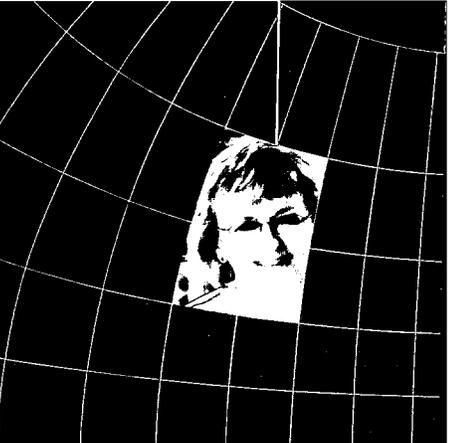
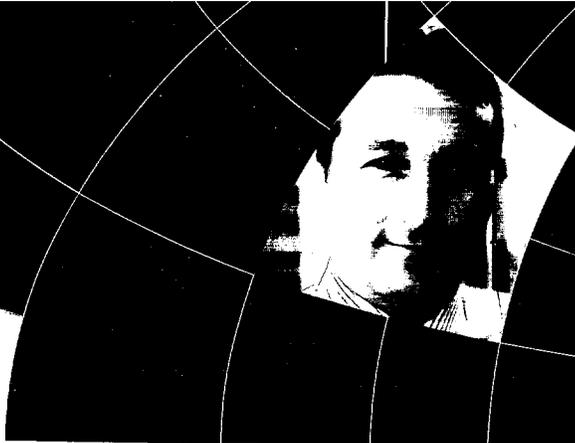
**LORENZO DONADEO, P.ENG.**

President & CEO  
Lorenzo, a co-founder of Vermilion Resources, has more than 24 years of heavy industry management and operating experience.

**CHERYL KINZIE**

Director, Human Resources

Cheryl has 19 years of human resources experience in the oil and gas industry and manages all aspects of Vermilion's programs in this area.



**DOUG REYNOLDS, P.ENG.**

President, Land and New Ventures  
Doug's broad experience spans all areas of land management in Canada, the U.S., and internationally over the last 24 years.



**DANIEL GOULET, P.ENG.**

Directeur Général,  
Vermilion REP SAS

Daniel has 17 years of experience in management and operations in Canada, Siberia and, for the last 10 years, in France with Vermilion.



**LEADING THE ADVANCEMENT OF THESE OPPORTUNITIES IS A TEAM WITH A WORLD OF EXPERIENCE AND A WIDE DEPTH OF EXPERTISE IN OIL AND GAS OPERATIONS.**

**RON WILLIAMS, C.A.**

Director, Finance

Ron has 13 years of domestic and international oil and gas industry experience primarily in the areas of audit, finance and taxation.

**PAUL BEIQUE**

Director, Investor Relations

Well versed in the energy industry and capital markets, Paul has an MBA, 15 years of experience as a respected sell-side investment analyst and 5 years as a production engineer.

**CURTIS HICKS, C.A.**

Exec. VP & CFO

Curtis has more than 22 years of industry experience, primarily in the financial area of oil and gas operations, as well as property and corporate acquisitions.

**KEITH HARTMAN, P.ENG.**

Director, Exploitation

Keith has worked in Canada and internationally in operations, production optimization, exploitation, facilities operation and project management over the last 16 years.

**CLAUDIO GHERSINICH, P.ENG.**

Exec. VP Business Development

A co-founder of Vermilion Resources, Claudio has more than 25 years of management experience in identifying, acquiring and developing undervalued oil and gas properties.

**GREG HAY, P.ENG.**

Managing Director,  
Vermilion Oil & Gas Netherlands B.V.

Greg has 25 years of experience in energy management and petroleum engineering in Canada, Libya and the Netherlands.

**RAJ PATEL, P.ENG.**

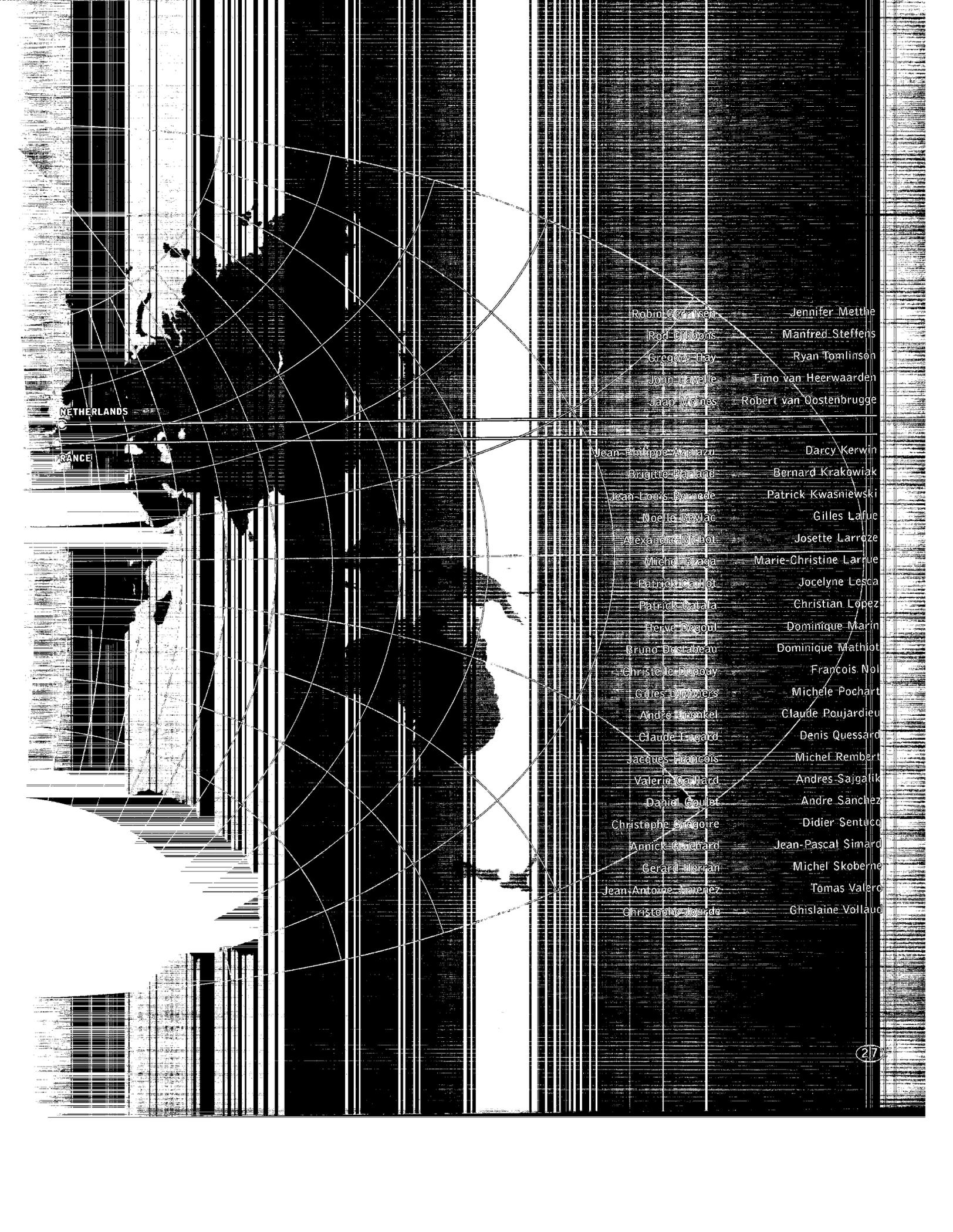
VP Marketing

For more than 25 years, Raj has successfully marketed oil and gas domestically and internationally while managing commodity price risks.

Scott Anderson	Scott Ferguson	Wendy Matchett
Elizabeth Anderson	Fay Fraser	Mary Meenagh
Rob Arcuri	Claudio Gherasimich	Connie Mireau
David Armer	Eric Gladue	Rob Morrison
John Badger	Marlene Gouldie	Kyle Murphy
Michael Baranec	Shawn Gower	Laurie Nashchuk
Andrea Bartolotti	Trish Hall	Carrie Nearing
Paul Beloue	Brian Halldorson	Carolyn Nicholls
David Bilinski	Dean Hanson	David Olliphant
Lawrence Bissonette	Keith Hartman	Raj Patel
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John Deane	Monty MacEwen	Blaine Wilson
John Demadec	Clarence Malheur	Delila Wolkowski
John Dunsmore	Terry Manum	Gail Zirk
John Duran	Brian Markowski	

CANADA

**VERMILION'S TALENTED AND DEDICATED EMPLOYEES IN CANADA, FRANCE AND THE NETHERLANDS — AND SOON IN AUSTRALIA — ENHANCE THE TRUST'S PROGRESS.**



NETHERLANDS

FRANCE

Robin Gerritsen

Jennifer Metthe

Rod Gibbons

Manfred Steffens

Gregory Hay

Ryan Tomlinson

Joan Lavelle

Timo van Heerwaarden

Jaap Meines

Robert van Oostenbrugge

Jean-Philippe Azpiazu

Darcy Kerwin

Brigitte Ballard

Bernard Krakowiak

Jean-Louis Bernade

Patrick Kwasniewski

Noelle Boylac

Gilles Lafue

Alexandra Bichot

Josette Larroze

Michel Braga

Marie-Christine Larue

Patrick Carlot

Jocelyne Lesca

Patrick Catala

Christian Lopez

Herve Degout

Dominique Marin

Bruno Destaneau

Dominique Mathiot

Christelle Dupouy

Francois Nol

Gilles Duymers

Michele Pochart

Andre Dronkel

Claude Poujardieu

Claude Engard

Denis Quessard

Jacques Francois

Michel Rembert

Valerie Gaillard

Andres Sajgalik

Daniel Goulet

Andre Sanchez

Christophe Grigore

Didier Sentucco

Annick Guichard

Jean-Pascal Simard

Gerard Merhan

Michel Skoberne

Jean-Antoine Jimenez

Tomas Valero

Christophe Jourde

Ghislaine Vollaud

# TRUST PERFORMANCE SNAPSHOTS

This year we are releasing our first Annual Update Report. As most of our unitholders have indicated their preference not to receive our full annual report, complete with the Audited Financial Statements, Management's Discussion and Analysis and Notes to the Financial Statements, the following pages provide a summary of information that we believe unitholders will find concise, practical and user-friendly. The complete audited financial statements are available under our corporate filings at [www.sedar.com](http://www.sedar.com). The full reserve information is available in our Annual Information Form filing, also on [sedar](http://sedar). Alternatively, if you are interested in receiving hard copies of these documents, please contact our investor relations department. Our Annual Update Report will be prepared and distributed annually to all of our unitholders as a supplement to legal filing requirements. Please keep this in mind when you respond to the request for annual report documents on the proxy statement. If this Annual Update is sufficient for your needs, then no request for additional materials is necessary. We will be glad to provide the full set of documents to unitholders who request them.

## SUMMARY OF CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS <sup>1,2</sup>

(Thousands of Canadian dollars, except unit and per unit amounts)

CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS SUMMARY	2004	2003
<b>CURRENT ASSETS</b>	<b>\$ 128,633</b>	Restated \$ 96,483
Deferred charges for derivative instruments	4,718	-
Long-term investment	5,398	-
Reclamation fund	17,016	1,678
Capital assets related to discontinued operations	-	85,597
Capital assets	688,837	596,831
	<b>\$ 844,602</b>	<b>\$ 780,589</b>
<b>CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>	<b>\$ 141,633</b>	<b>\$ 94,917</b>
Long-term debt	75,014	135,558
Asset retirement obligation	51,688	15,570
Future income taxes related to discontinued operations	-	6,919
Future income taxes	145,680	151,198
Non-controlling interest	16,257	-
Non-controlling interest – exchangeable shares	23,069	15,129
<b>UNITHOLDERS' EQUITY</b>	<b>391,261</b>	<b>361,298</b>
	<b>\$ 844,602</b>	<b>\$ 780,589</b>

1 This is a non GAAP presentation of the financial statements. For a copy of our fully audited financial statements, please refer to our public filings on [www.sedar.com](http://www.sedar.com) or contact our investor relations department.

### VERMILION AT A GLANCE

- ~~The premier Canadian-based international energy trust~~
- ~~the only Canadian-based energy trust with producing properties outside North America, with operations in France, the Netherlands and Australia~~
- ~~enhanced production estimated at 55% oil and NGL's and 45% natural gas in 2005~~
- ~~Operates more than 80% of our production~~
- ~~Estimated reserve life index of 10.3 years as at January 1, 2005, including our newly-acquired Australian assets~~
- ~~Employ approximately 225 employees and contractors worldwide (150 at our head office and Canadian fields and 95 internationally)~~
- ~~Listed on the Toronto Stock Exchange under the symbol VET.UN and also trades over-the-counter in the U.S. under the symbol VETMF~~
- ~~Units outstanding: 66,628,642 basic, 71,372,742 fully diluted, including exchangeables~~
- ~~Market capitalization of approximately C\$1.5 billion at February 14, 2005~~
- ~~Management & Directors own approximately 10% of the units outstanding~~
- ~~Current distribution rate of C\$0.17 per month per unit~~

<b>CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF EARNINGS SUMMARY</b> <sup>1,2</sup>	<b>2004</b>	<b>2003</b>
		Restated
<b>REVENUE</b>		
Petroleum and natural gas revenue	\$ 354,525	\$ 314,146
Royalties	63,555	74,719
	<b>290,970</b>	<b>239,427</b>
<b>EXPENSES</b>		
Production	55,917	51,161
Transportation	9,865	10,370
Accretion	2,261	1,134
Unit compensation	26,766	8,303
Loss on derivative instruments	38,597	-
Interest on long-term debt	3,086	9,348
General and administrative	13,410	10,368
Reorganization costs	-	25,628
Foreign exchange (gain) loss	(1,285)	2,998
Depletion and depreciation	95,279	91,947
	<b>243,896</b>	<b>211,257</b>
<b>EARNINGS BEFORE INCOME TAXES, OTHER ITEMS AND DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS</b>	<b>\$ 47,074</b>	<b>\$ 28,170</b>
<b>INCOME TAXES (RECOVERY)</b>		
Future	(21,033)	(23,832)
Current	16,583	4,205
Capital	525	761
	<b>(3,925)</b>	<b>(18,866)</b>
Other items	3,585	4,335
<b>NET EARNINGS FROM CONTINUING OPERATIONS</b>	<b>\$ 47,414</b>	<b>\$ 42,701</b>
Per trust unit, basic	<b>\$ 0.79</b>	<b>\$ 0.80</b>

<b>CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS SUMMARY</b> <sup>1,2</sup>	<b>2004</b>	<b>2003</b>
		Restated
<b>OPERATING</b>		
Cash and cash equivalents provided by (used in):		
Funds from operations	\$ 170,179	\$ 144,761
Other	21,198	11,134
	<b>191,377</b>	<b>155,895</b>
<b>INVESTING</b>		
Proceeds on sale of Aventura	164,585	-
Drilling and development	(67,259)	(66,919)
Acquisition of petroleum and natural gas property	(72,985)	-
Other	(52,407)	(4,351)
	<b>(28,066)</b>	<b>(71,270)</b>
<b>FINANCING</b>		
Decrease in long-term debt	(60,544)	(57,467)
Issue of common shares for cash, net of issue costs	8,836	81,953
Cash distributions	(122,366)	(88,864)
Other	30,972	5,652
	<b>(143,102)</b>	<b>(58,726)</b>
Foreign exchange gain (loss)	502	(4,103)
<b>NET CHANGE IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS</b>	<b>\$ 20,711</b>	<b>\$ 21,796</b>
Weighted average trust units outstanding, basic, including exchangeables	<b>66,087,146</b>	<b>58,600,290</b>
Cash flow from operations related to the Trust	<b>\$ 169,847</b>	<b>\$ 144,761</b>
Cash flow per trust unit, including exchangeables	<b>\$ 2.57</b>	<b>\$ 2.47</b>

1 This is a non GAAP presentation of the financial statements. For a copy of our fully audited financial statements, please refer to our public filings on [www.sedar.com](http://www.sedar.com) or contact our investor relations department.

2 Includes Consolidated Results of Verenex Energy Inc.

## SUMMARY OF OPERATIONAL INFORMATION

TRUST PRODUCTION SUMMARY	Twelve months ended December 31, 2004			YTD 2003
	Oil & NGLs (b/d)	Gas (mmcf/d)	Total (6:1) (boe/d)	Total (boe/d)
CANADA	5,723	46.4	13,453	16,671
FRANCE	5,763	1.5	6,018	6,271
NETHERLANDS	13	21.0	3,519	-
Total Trust	11,499	68.9	22,990	22,942

OPERATING NETBACK SUMMARY	Twelve months ended December 31, 2004				YTD 2003
	Oil & NGLs (\$/bbl)	Gas (\$/mcf)	Total (6:1) (\$/boe)	Total (\$/boe)	
<b>CANADA</b>					
Price	\$ 48.58	\$ 7.07	\$ 45.04	\$ 40.53	
Realized hedging loss	(7.01)	(0.04)	(3.11)	(2.01)	
Royalties (net)	(9.70)	(1.90)	(10.68)	(10.59)	
Transportation	(0.06)	(0.17)	(0.61)	(0.60)	
Lifting costs	(7.34)	(0.91)	(6.27)	(5.82)	
Operating netback	\$ 24.47	\$ 4.05	\$ 24.37	\$ 21.51	
<b>FRANCE</b>					
Price	\$ 45.96	\$ 5.16	\$ 45.32	\$ 38.20	
Realized hedging loss	(7.63)	-	(7.31)	(3.37)	
Royalties (net)	(5.11)	(0.32)	(4.98)	(4.49)	
Transportation	(3.25)	-	(3.11)	(2.92)	
Lifting costs	(7.23)	(2.42)	(7.54)	(6.88)	
Operating netback	\$ 22.74	\$ 2.42	\$ 22.38	\$ 20.54	
<b>NETHERLANDS</b>					
Price	\$ 50.05	\$ 5.44	\$ 32.71	\$ -	
Realized hedging loss	-	-	-	-	
Royalties (net)	-	-	-	-	
Transportation	-	-	-	-	
Lifting costs	-	(1.10)	(6.55)	-	
Operating netback	\$ 50.05	\$ 4.34	\$ 26.16	\$ -	
<b>TOTAL TRUST</b>					
Price	\$ 47.27	\$ 6.53	\$ 43.23	\$ 39.90	
Realized hedging loss	(7.31)	(0.03)	(3.73)	(2.38)	
Royalties (net)	(7.39)	(1.29)	(7.55)	(8.92)	
Transportation	(1.66)	(0.11)	(1.17)	(1.24)	
Lifting costs	(7.28)	(1.00)	(6.65)	(6.11)	
Operating netback	\$ 23.63	\$ 4.10	\$ 24.13	\$ 21.25	

## RESERVES SUMMARY AS AT JANUARY 1, 2005

## Oil Equivalent

Net Present Value<sup>1,2</sup>

	Light & Medium Oil (mmbbls)	NGLs (mmbbls)	Natural Gas (bcf)	6:1 (mmboe)	at 8% (\$m)	at 12% (\$m)
<b>CANADA</b>						
Proved	10.12	3.52	92.5	29.05		
Proved plus probable	13.27	5.25	141.1	42.03	\$ 518,196	\$ 442,777
<b>FRANCE</b>						
Proved	25.08	-	2.3	25.46		
Proved plus probable	35.19	-	3.2	35.73	\$ 335,314	\$ 274,212
<b>NETHERLANDS</b>						
Proved	-	0.11	74.8	12.57		
Proved plus probable	-	0.14	90.7	15.26	\$ 181,502	\$ 164,597
<b>CONSOLIDATED</b>						
Proved	35.20	3.64	169.5	67.09		
Proved plus probable	48.50	5.38	235.0	93.01	\$ 1,035,012	\$ 881,586

1 Calculated on a pre-tax basis.

2 The net present value of the reserves (cumulative cash flow) is based on Gilbert Laustsen Jung's forecasted price and cost scenarios, is presented for comparative purposes only and is not necessarily representative of fair market value. Numbers may not total because of rounding.

RESERVES RECONCILIATION SUMMARY  
AS AT JANUARY 1, 2005

Oil Equivalent (mmboe) Gas at 6:1	Proved Producing	P90 Total Proved	P50 Proved Plus Probable	VET Units <sup>1</sup> Outstanding (mm)	P50 Reserves per Unit	Change in Reserves per Unit
OPENING BALANCE	51.95	62.56	84.58	64.694	1.307	
Drilling additions	0.44	1.53	3.05			
Acquisition	14.02	14.05	16.74			
Disposition	-	(0.76)	(1.81)			
Technical revisions	1.47	(1.87)	(1.15)			
Production	(8.41)	(8.41)	(8.41)			
CLOSING BALANCE	59.47	67.09	93.01	66.629	1.396	+ 6.8%

1 Includes exchangeables.

Numbers may not total because of rounding.

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### FORWARD-LOOKING INFORMATION

This report contains forward-looking financial and operational information including earnings, cash flow, production and capital expenditure projections. These projections are based on the Trust's expectations and are subject to a number of risks and uncertainties that could materially affect the results. These risks include, but are not limited to, future commodity prices, exchange rates, interest rates, geological risk, reserves risk, political risk, product demand and transportation restrictions.

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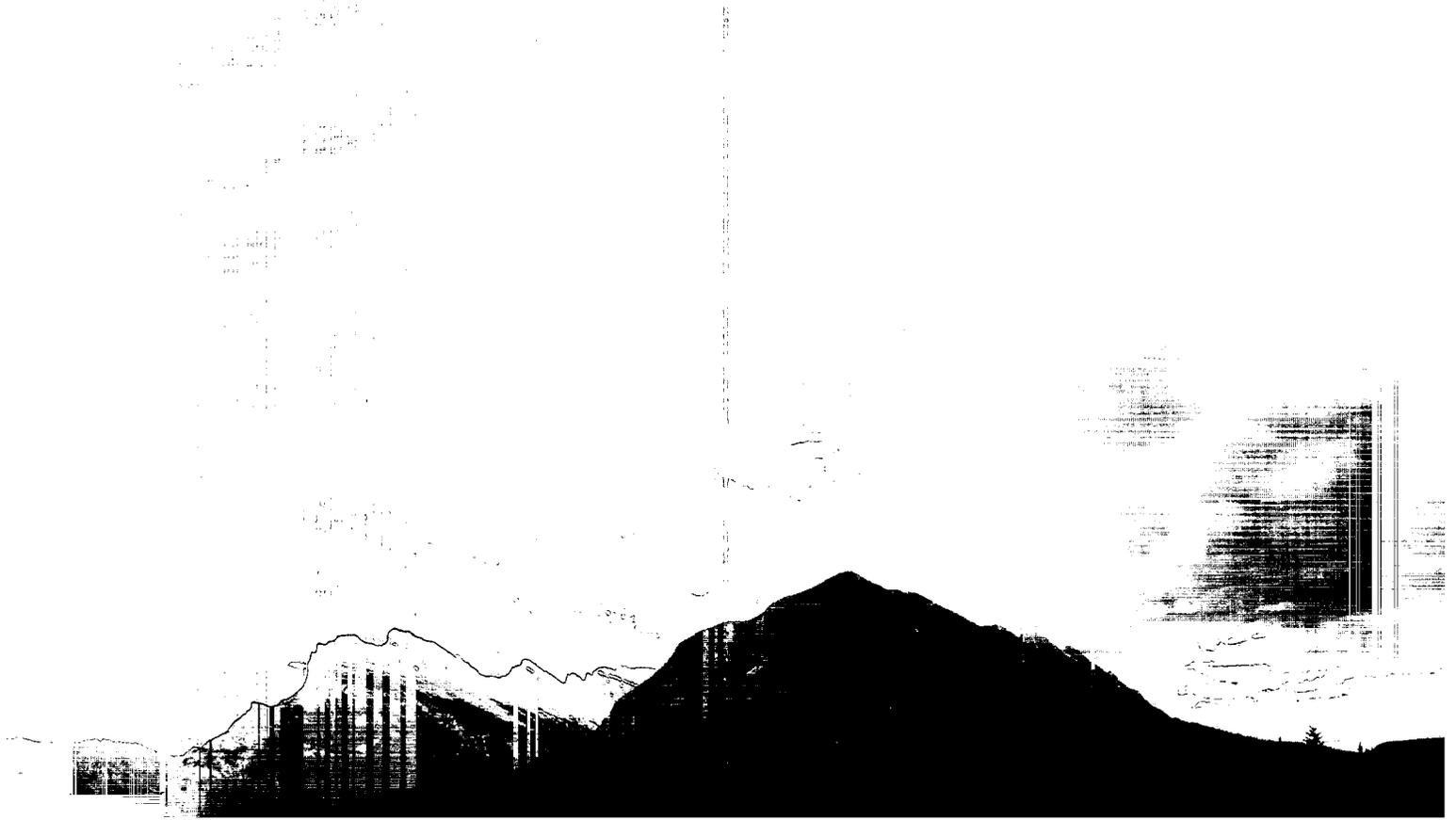
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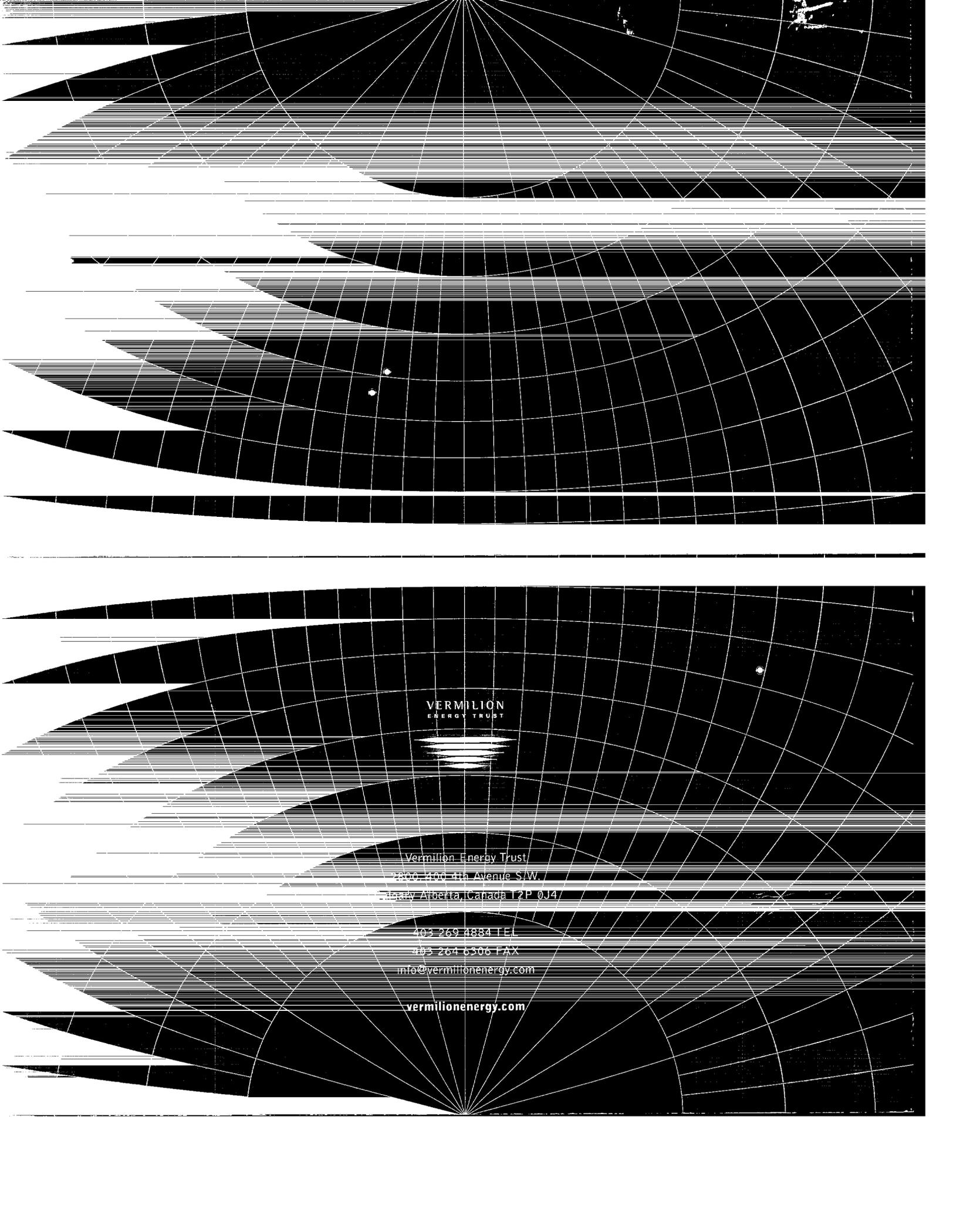
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