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Manager Petroleum Operations, Safety and Environment Department of Primary Industries GPO Box 4440 Melbourne Victoria 3001

Attention: Mr Horacio Haag

VIC/RL3 - Data Management Plan

Please find attached the following Data Management Plan for Retention Lease No. VIC/RL3 for approval by the Designated Authority:

 Technical and commercial evaluation of the Sole gas discovery for the remainder of the lease term to 13 April 2005.

A new Data Management Plan will be required following renewal of Retention Lease No. VIC/RL3.

The interest holders in Retention Lease No. VIC/RL3 are as follows:

Lease	Operator	Joint Venture Parties
		Santos Limited
VIC/RL3	Basin Oil Pty Ltd	Santos Offshore Pty Ltd
		Trinity Gas Resources Pty Ltd

The operator of VIC/RL3 acknowledges that the Data Management Plan was required to be lodged by 1 December 2004 and apologises for the delay in submission.

Yours faithfully

Jane Secker

Project Manager Sole

For and on behalf of Basin Oil Pty Ltd

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Title:	Retention Lease VIC/RL3
Holders:	Basin Oil Pty Ltd *
	Santos Limited
	Trinity Gas Resources Pty Ltd
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1 General Information (Regulation 12)

The following information is applicable to the activity:

a (i)	Location of the activity	State: Victoria Basin: Gippsland Basin Permit: VIC/RL3 refer to map Enclosure 1
a (ii)	Period of the activity	From: 1 July 2004 to 13 April 2005
b	Persons undertaking activity	Basin Oil Pty Ltd
d	Progress reports	Reporting requirements
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3 Part 1: Specific Requirements for DMP as per Schedule 1

101	Description of a. each activity to which DMP relates b. each location where activity will be carried out	Undertake studies aimed at better understanding the major areas of project development uncertainty, targeting technical, market and infrastructure developments that have the potential to improve the commercial viability of the project. Pursue commercial negotiations with the parties of related potential developments in the vicinity of the Sole Gas Field.
102	Description of reports and information that will be made and kept	Table A lists the information that will be made during the remaining tenure of this lease. Annual Reports (compliant with Schedule 1, 205) will be produced. Submission of written reports as requested in the lease conditions.
103	Explanation of a. data to be given to DA without request by DA b. information to be kept	 a. Data being submitted – see Table A. b. Data not being submitted – any internal studies carried out during the remaining term of the lease.
104	Description of media and formats for information, cores, cuttings or samples held	The information and reports will be submitted in the format and on the media outlined in Table A.
105	Explanation of how media and formats in 104 a. are appropriate for type and volume of data collected b. comply with DA requirements c. comply with good industry practice	Data medias and formats described in Table A complies with the Guidelines for data submission required under Victoria and Commonwealth Petroleum legislation (March 2004).
106	Undertake to allow access to data that is publicly available and explain how access will be allowed	Basin Oil Pty Ltd acknowledges that, upon notification by the DA, it will allow reasonable access to any publicly available information or samples under its control.
107	Describe arrangements that ensure information is preserved according to good archive practice	Report files and maps are backed-up according to the OMV standard schedule.
108	Issue a statement that reports and information will be given according to a. the timetable outlined in Part 2 of the schedule or b. a timetable proposed in the DMP	Table A lists the timing of submission of reports that will be made during the period of the DMP.
109	Summary of a. data management performance objectives against which performance will be measured and	Data and reports will be submitted on time. Archival conditions will meet the Australian archival recommendations.

b. measurement criteria that define the objectives	Environment conditions will be monitored to ensure that the archival recommendations are met.
Explain how the measurement criteria will confirm that the performance objectives have been met	Reports submitted according to the Regulations.
Summary of arrangements for; a. secure storage of documents and records at a nominated address b. maintenance of documents and records in a way that makes retrieval of documents etc practicable.	Information and reports will be stored at the nominated address in a secure data storage room prior to being submitted to the Designated Authority as per timetable above. The storage of data will meet the good digital archival principles as set out in the "Guidelines for reporting and submission of petroleum data" and recommended by the Australian Archives. Documents and records onsite are only accessible to personnel with security key access to the floors.
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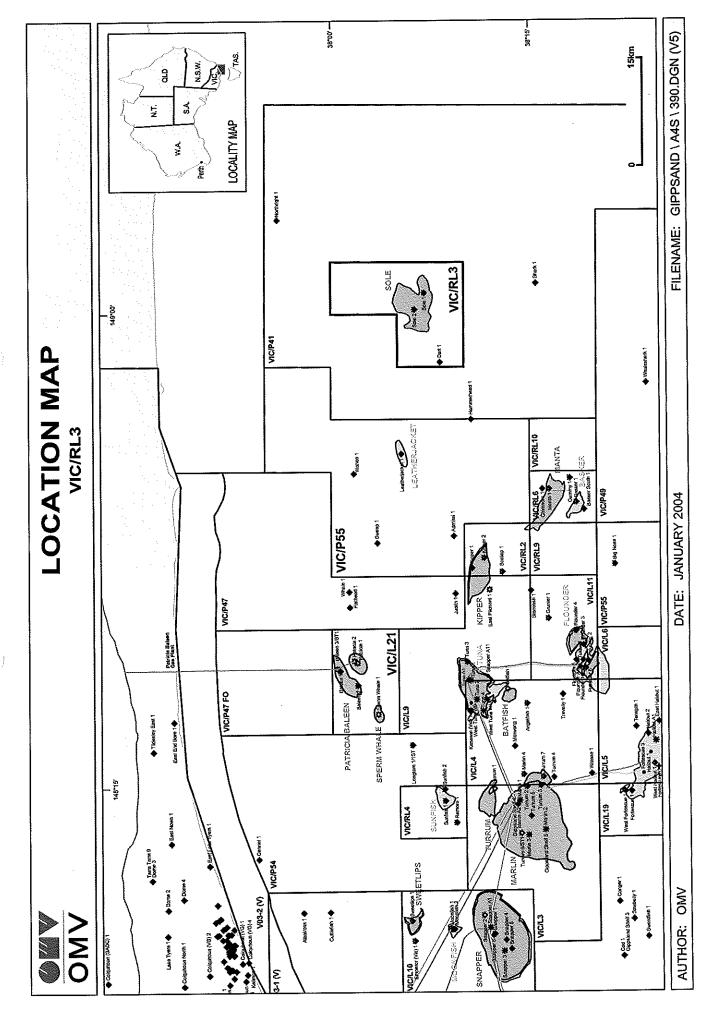
4.1 Annual Report - (Regulation 205)

2 copies of the report will be submitted to the DA at the end of Year 5, describing progress of commercial evaluation of the Sole Gas Field.

a	Description of exploration carried out
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c	List of reports that have been submitted during the year
d	Outline of planned operations for the next year
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5 Enclosures

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An appraisal well shall be drilled on the Sole structure within 24 months of completion of the formal review. (Sole-2 was drilled in June to July 2002)

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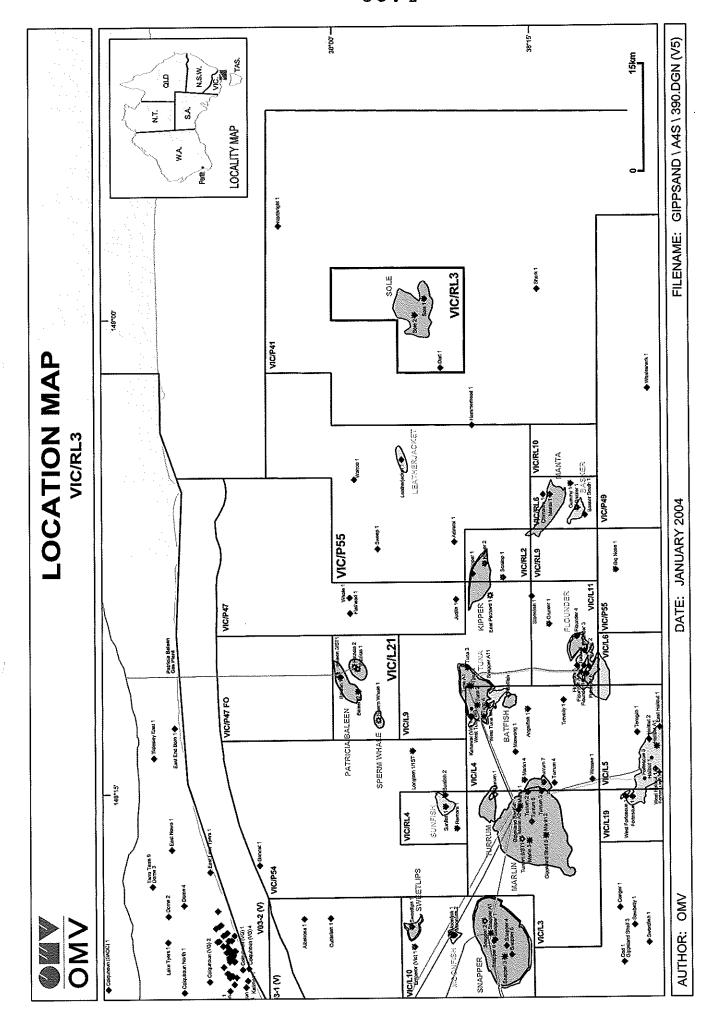
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