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City, State and Zip Code

PART II -- RULES 12b-25(b) AND (c)

If the subject report could not be filed without unreasonable effort or expense and the registrant seeks relief pursuant to Rule 12b-25(b), the following should be completed. (Check box if appropriate)

- (a) The reason described in reasonable detail in Part III of this form could not be eliminated without unreasonable effort or expense
- /X/ (b) The subject annual report, semi-annual report, transition report on Form 10-K, Form 20-F, Form 11-K, Form N-SAR or Form N-CSR, or portion thereof, will be filed on or before the fifteenth calendar day following the prescribed due date; or the subject quarterly report or transition report on Form 10-Q, or portion thereof, will be filed on or before the fifth calendar day following the prescribed due date; and
- (c) The accountant's statement or other exhibit required by Rule 12b-25(c) has been attached if applicable.

PART III -- NARRATIVE

State below in reasonable detail why Forms 10-K, 20-F, 11-K, 10-Q, N-SAR, N-CSR, or the transition report or portion thereof, could not be filed within the prescribed time period.

On March 10, 2004, we announced that we would likely restate our historical financial statements and that, as a result, we would delay the release of our 2003 earnings announcement and the filing of our 2003 Form 10-K. The potential restatement relates to a downward revision of our estimated natural gas and oil reserves. For more information regarding the revision to our reserve estimates, see our Form 8-Ks dated February 17, 2004 and March 10, 2004. Because of the additional time required to determine whether a restatement is appropriate, and if so, the timing and magnitude of the restatement, we could not file our 2003 Form 10-K on or before March 15, 2004, without unreasonable effort or expense.

(Attach extra Sheets if Needed)

PART IV -- OTHER INFORMATION

(1) Name and telephone number of person to contact in regard to this notification

| | | |
|-----------------|-------------|--------------------|
| D. Dwight Scott | (713) | 420-3040 |
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| (Name) | (Area Code) | (Telephone Number) |

(2) Have all other periodic reports required under Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or Section 30 of the Investment Company Act of 1940 during the preceding 12 months or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to file such report(s) been filed? If answer is no, identify report(s). Yes /X/ No / /

(3) Is it anticipated that any significant change in results of operations from the corresponding period for the last fiscal year will be reflected by the

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5. **Electronic Filers:** This form shall not be used by electronic filers unable to timely file a report solely due to electronic difficulties. Filers unable to submit reports within the time period prescribed due to difficulties in electronic filing should comply with either Rule 201 or Rule 202 of Regulation S-T (Section 232.201 or Section 232.202 of this chapter) or apply for an adjustment in filing date pursuant to Rule 13(b) of Regulation S-T (Section 232.13(b) of this chapter).