

**EXPLOR DATA LTD.**  
(Formerly BFR Consultants Ltd.)

**SUMMER 1999 FORT LIARD PROGRAM**  
**FINAL PLAN REPORT**

**on the**

**NON-PROPRIETARY HELI-PORTABLE SEISMIC PROGRAM**

**in**

**FORT LIARD PROSPECT**  
**N.W.T**

**PROGRAM #9229-E34-1P**  
**LUP N98B861**

**FTL-29**

**NOT RECORDED: FTL-5, 13X, 6X, 11X, KOT-10,  
SWM-1, JF-1, BVR-1, BVR-2**

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Duration: August - December 1999  
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## INTRODUCTION

Explor Data Ltd. specializes in speculative seismic programs in foothills and frontier areas of Canada.

Using a combination of existing data, access, wells and geology, we proposed a program of non exclusive seismic data that we felt would provide a grid that would help establish a new geological framework for the area.

## STATISTICAL SUMMARY

### Significant Dates:

**Commencement: August 14, 1999**

**Start Production: November 22, 1999**

**Termination: December 6, 1999**

**Number of Technical Personnel: 32**

**Number of Non-Technical Personnel: 8**

### **Type and Number of Equipment Used:**

- 1 Advance Party Manager Unit
- 1 Drill Push Unit
- 1 Cat Push Unit1
- 1 QHSE advisor Unit
- 2 RC Party Manager Units
- 1 Personnel Carrier
- 1 Observer Support Unit
- 1 Recorder and Generator
- 2 1 ton Line Units
- 1 5 ton Equipment Carrier
- 2 Line/Crew support units
- 1 Mechanic Unit
- 1 1 ton Fuel Unit
- 1 Supply Unit

**Production Data:**

**Total Distance Surveyed: 13.50 km**

**Time Lost:** 1 day recording

**Daily Production:**

- November 29 -.5 km
- November 30- 3.3 km
- December 1- 3.5 km
- December 2- 3.9 km
- December 3 weather day
- December 4 2.3
- December 5 pick up
- December 6 pick up

**Summary of Conditions Pertaining to Weather and Terrain:**

Very steep, rugged (elevations range from 800 feet to 3500 feet)

**Summary of Factors Which Caused Down Time:**

Recording crew unable to work December 3, 1999 due to heavy snowfall.

# **DATA ACQUISITION EQUIPMENT and FIELD PROCEDURES**

## **Line Cutting, Positioning & Survey**

### **Line Cutting Procedures**

All the new cut lines are kept to a minimum and average 1.5 m wide. Source Point Locations need to be large enough to accommodate positioning the drill units with a long line helicopter. Heli-pads are required every 1 to 2 km to accommodate helicopter landing during program operations. New heli-pads require a 35 m diameter area. Natural clearings were used whenever possible.

### **Survey Procedures**

Once the line has been produced the chaining area will establish the location at all receiver and source points. The survey crew then follows establishing known points using GPS. From these known or fixed locations the remainder of the flags placed by the chaining crew are surveyed in using conventional methods.

## **Positioning & Survey Systems Equipment**

The survey equipment includes Wild T1, T16, or DI-4L theodolites or Topcon GTS-3B Total Stations with integral infra-red distomats (electronic distance measurers) and electronic data recorders.

The data recorder automatically records distance measurements and angular observations from the Total Stations. Station numbers and comments are entered through the alpha-numeric keypad by the surveyor. This data can be transferred from the data recorder to a microcomputer through a normal RS232 connection or to our survey processing department via modem. No manual input is required, but is available should the need arise.

The crews are supported with Proseis positioning software. This package handles all data reduction and outputs industry standard exchange formats (i.e., SEG P-1, UKOOA-84). The system also supports the generation of high quality postplots via a Houston Instruments DMP-50.

## Positioning & Survey Systems Equipment Continued

### GPS Method

A combination of conventional land survey methods and Real Time GPS methods for the layout and survey of source and receiver points were used. The GOS system was operated in either a Real Time Differential mode or a Real Time Kinematic mode for line survey. The equipment comprised of Trimble 4000SE/SSE receivers or an equivalent with antennae, radio/modems and software. The software enables upload and download of preplot and recorded data, as well as datum transformation from WGS-8 to a chosen local datum (NAD27) and map projection (UTM).

The system configuration features a reference receiver located at a known point that broadcasts, via the radio/modem, the code and carrier phase data in a compressed format to rover receivers. The rover receivers receive the broadcast data to enable computation of a refined position. This can be in the decimeter range for Real Time Kinematic solution, and typically sub 1-3 meters for the Real Time Differential solution.

The Real Time GPS survey crew consisted of 1 master (or reference) GPS unit and 3 rover GPS units complete with modem and radio link. This required an experienced GPS technician and 3 roving operators to operate the system and process the survey data.

### **Recording:**

### **Shooting and Recording Procedures**

The recording unit for this operation is positioned along the seismic lines at suitable locations to allow connection of seismic line data cables. The program was recorded with helicopter assist. 6 Geophones were laid down every 15 m.

### **Recording System**

### **Input/Output System Two**

The I/O SYSTEM TWO is an advanced delta sigma technology telemetry data acquisition system offering numerous advanced recording and signal processing features determined to be found on *no other recording system*. Amongst those features are the following:

- Full 24-bit analog to digital recording
- Spectral Shaping Filter (SSF)
- Enhanced Hi-Line Pickup Eliminator (HPE) – step resolution of 0.01 Hz over frequency band of DC to 420 Hz
- Total Self Calibration/Testing
- Increased Spatial Sampling

## Recording System Continued

The I/O SYSTEM TWO offers maximum flexibility during field deployment, thereby resulting in increased production. The benefits of digital transmission and the systems inherent protection against Hi-line induced interference make it an ideal choice for this environment.

- Reduced field battery power requirements (45% of System One) solar batteries
- Automatic detection of pilot overscaling for vibroseis
- Low cut filter of 32 frequencies of 3-90 Hz @ 12 dB/octave slope
- Alias filters of 100 Hz @ 4ms, 200 Hz @ 2ms, 400 Hz @ 1ms, 750 Hz @ 0.5ms

SSF for 3 start and 3 end frequencies for each of 3 gains, which may allow instrument suppression of the noise trains.

### Recording Equipment:

#### INPUT/OUTPUT SYSTEM TWO

##### 1 INPUT/OUTPUT SYSTEM TWO digital telemetry system, comprising:

- 110 MRX's with solar batteries
- 165 Spare battery modules
- 2 Battery Charging Systems
- 3 ALX's (Advance Line Taps)
- 1 LIM's (Line Input Module)
- 1 SCM (System Control Module)
- 1 CSM (Correlator/Stacker Module)
- 1 SIM (System Interface Module)
- 2 SCSI (3480 Cartridge Drives)
- 1 OCM (Operator Control Module)
- 2 HHT's (Hand Held Terminal)
- 1 Printer
- 1 TOR GEoscience SRM-48P Digital Field Monitor w/VibraSig monitoring
- 700 Strings of 10 Hz geophones (9 phones/string)
- 115 Tescorp RSC interconnect cables (6 takeouts @ 42m or 84m)
- 1 Pelton Advance II ESG

## Parameters

<b>Parameters of Energy Source:</b>	Heli-portable/Dynamite
<b>Source Array:</b>	Single Hole
<b>Detector Equipment:</b>	6 Geophones per Group 3 Geophone Spacing Type 30 Hz
<b>Detector Array:</b>	6 Geophones over 15 m
<b>Recording System:</b>	I/O System II
<b>Recording Parameters:</b>	
<b>Shot Interval:</b>	90 m
<b>Station Interval:</b>	15 m
<b>Channels:</b>	600
<b>Far Offsets:</b>	4500 m
<b>Near Offsets:</b>	15 m

# GEOPHYSICAL DATA PROCESSING

## FOR SEISMIC REFLECTION DATA:

**Gain Recovery:** **Exponential Gain Curve**  
**K [T] PWR [N] [EXP [AT]] K=1, =0, N=2**

**Bandpass Filter:** **8/12-70/80 HZ**

**Mute Pattern:** **Distance: 464 479 4500 ms Time:-500 200 2100**  
**ms**

**Type of Deconvolution:** **Surface Consistent Spiking**  
**Operator Length: 80 ms Prewhitenning: 1 %**  
**1000-3000 ms at 15m offset**  
**1500-3000 ms at 4500 m offset**

<b>Distance</b>	<b>Design Gate</b>	<b>APPL. Gate</b>
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**Type of Velocity Analysis:** **Constant Percentage Moveout**

**Distance Between Analysis:** **every kilometer**

**Picking Method:** **Constant Percentage Moveout**

## STATIC CORRECTION METHOD PARAMETERS:

<b>Statics</b>	<b>Generalized Linear Inversion</b>
	<b>Automatic Surface Consistent 1st pass</b>
	<b>Automatic Surface Consistent 2nd pass</b>
<b>Iterations</b>	<b>4</b>

## MIGRATION METHOD PARAMETERS:

**Spike Supression**

## TIME AMPLITUDE DISPLAY METHOD:

**500 ms AGC**

## DISPLAY PARAMETERS:

**Horizontal Scale: 34 TPI**  
**Vertical Scale: 5 IPS**

## **SUMMER 1998 PROGRAM**

### **LIST OF LINES AND KILOMETERS SHOT PER LINE**

**FTL-29**

**13.50 km**

**TOTAL**

**13.50 km**

## ENCLOSURES

### LINE FTL-29

#### MYLARS

- 1 Shot Point Map
- 1 Structure Stack Migration Section
- 1 Pre-Stack Time Migration Section

#### PAPER

- 2 Shot Point Maps
- 2 Structure Stack Migration Section
- 2 Pre-Stack Time Migration Sections

#### DISK

- 1 Survey Floppy

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