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From	Bill Hundy	Pages	2
Subject	WEEKLY DRILLING REPORT		

Please find attached the Weekly Drilling Report which provides an update on conventional exploration, appraisal and development wells operated by Origin Energy and its subsidiaries.

Regards

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Bill Hundy", with a stylized flourish at the end.

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Origin Energy Weekly Drilling Report

Origin Energy provides the following update on conventional exploration, appraisal and development wells operated by the company and its subsidiaries.

Jingemia 4

Well type:	Oil Development/Appraisal	
Location:	Perth Basin, Western Australia (EP 413) Approximately 24km south of the township of Dongara and 325 metres east north east of the Jingemia oil production facility. Latitude: 29° 20' 14.91" S Longitude: 114° 59' 36.47" E	
Interests:	Origin Energy Developments Pty Limited* (Operator)	49.189%
	Hardman Oil and Gas Pty Ltd**	22.376%
	ARC Energy Limited**	15.495%
	Voyager (PB) Limited**	6.270%
	Victoria Petroleum Offshore Pty Ltd	5.000%
	Norwest Energy NL	1.278%
	Roc Oil (WA) Pty Limited	0.250%
	John Kevin Geary	0.142%

*a wholly owned subsidiary of Origin Energy Limited

** ARC, Hardman and Voyager have entered into a number of Agreements that will ultimately result in ARC and Voyager's participating interest being 33.141% and 11.0% respectively.

Objective:	Primary target: Dongara Sandstone Proposed total depth: 2,505 metres
Progress and Status:	The well spudded on 23 April 2004. 244 mm surface casing was set at 501 metres. The well reached a total depth of 2,522 metres on 9 May 2004. 178 mm production casing was set and cemented at 2,520 metres. A temporary completion string was set and the rig was released on 15 May 2003 to ARC Energy. Progress for the week was nil metres.

It is intended to perforate Jingemia 4 and flow to clean up in late May. The well will then remain shut-in pending connection to the Jingemia Production Facility. This is expected to occur by 1 July 2004.

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