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Company	Australian Stock Exchange Limited	Date	21 April 2005
From	Bill Hundy	Pages	3
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.

Halladale-1 DW-2

Well type:	Exploration
Location:	Victorian off-shore exploration permit, VIC/P37(v) Otway Basin, approximately 24 km west of the coastal township of Port Campbell and 4 km from shore. Final co-ordinates for the Halladale-1 top-hole location are: Latitude: 38° 34' 45.54" S Longitude: 142° 43' 50.95" E Water Depth: 44.8 mLAT
Interests:	Origin Energy Resources Limited (Operator) 37.5% Woodside Energy Ltd 62.5%
Progress and Status:	Halladale-1 DW-2 reached a total depth of 1941mMRDT on 18 April 2005 after intersecting a gross 21 metre gas bearing interval in interbedded sands and shales of the Warre Formation. Wireline logging and sampling operations in Halladale-1 DW-2 were completed in 20 April 2005. At 0600 hours (AEST) 21 April 2005 the well was in the process of being plugged and abandoned as planned. Following this, operations will commence for the drilling of Halladale-1 DW-3. This well will be a sidetrack off the Halladale-1 DW-2 well bore and is designed to target the Warre Formation further down-flank on the Halladale Prospect in order to delineate the down-dip limit of the Warre gas accumulation established at Halladale.

Namarah 7

Well type:	Appraisal
Location:	Surat Basin, Queensland (PL71) Approximately 140 kilometres south east of the township of ROMA and 500 metres south of the Namarah 1 well. Latitude: 27° 22' 55.90" S Longitude: 149° 19' 10.95" E

Interests: Origin Energy CSG Limited* / Angari (Operator) 90%
SANTOS Exploration Pty Ltd 10%

AusAm Resources Limited is funding the well as part of a farmin agreement.

*a wholly own subsidiary of Origin Energy Limited

Objective: Primary Target: Showgrounds Sst
Basal Rewan Sst
Secondary Target: upper to lower Rewan Sst
Proposed total depth: 2222.8 metres

Progress and Status: The well spudded on 8 April 2005. 244mm surface casing was set at 243.2 metres. The intermediate total depth reached was 2111 metres with the 178mm intermediate casing set at 2110 metres. The rig was released at 02:00 hours, 19 April 2005. Progress for the week was 452 metres.

At 06:00 hours EST today the rig was moving to the next well Parknook 7.

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