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June 17, 2004

Securities and Exchange Commission  
450 Fifth Street, N.W.  
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Attn: Perry Hindin  
Jennifer Zatkowski

Re: Gulfport Energy Corporation  
Registration Statement on Form SB-2, filed on May 12, 2004  
File No. 333-115396

Ladies and Gentlemen:

On behalf of Gulfport Energy Corporation, a Delaware corporation (the "Company"), we enclose for filing under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "Securities Act"), and the applicable rules and regulations under the Securities Act, Amendment No. 1 to the Registration Statement on Form SB-2, File No. 333-115396, filed on May 12, 2004 (the "Registration Statement").

The Registration Statement has been amended to reflect responses to the comments received from the Securities and Exchange Commission Staff (the "Staff") set forth in the Staff's comment letter, dated June 8, 2004 (the "Comment Letter"), relating to the Company's Registration Statement. For your convenience, each response is preceded by the Staff's comment to which the response relates.

General Comment

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1. Comment: Where comments on one document or section also relate to disclosure in another document or section, please make parallel changes to all affected disclosure. This will eliminate the need for us to repeat similar comments.

Response: The Company notes the Staff's comment and has made changes throughout the Registration Statement where appropriate to address each of the Staff's comments.

Forepart of Registration Statement and Outside Front Cover Page of Prospectus

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2. Comment: Revise the outside front cover page of the prospectus to include the subscription rights.

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Response: In accordance with the Staff's comment, the Company has revised the outside front cover page of the prospectus to include the subscription rights.

Summary of the Rights Offering, page 1  
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3. Comment: Revise your summary of the rights offering to better explain the interaction between the basic subscription privilege, the over-subscription privilege and the "back-stop" For example, after reading the summary of the over-subscription privilege, it is not clear to a reader how the "back-stop" would ever be triggered. Provide a summary of the circumstances in which CD Holding would have the opportunity to purchase all of your shares of common stock that are not purchased by other stockholders in the rights offering. Please call Perry Hindin if you have any questions regarding this comment.

Response: In accordance with the Staff's comment, the Company has revised the disclosure under "Prospectus Summary-Summary of Rights Offering-Basic Subscription Privilege," "Prospectus Summary-Summary of Rights Offering-Over-Subscription Privilege," and "Prospectus Summary-Summary of Rights Offering-Back-Stop."

4. Comment: In your summary of the "Back-Stop" on page 1, include a discussion of the commitment fee that CD Holding will be receiving in exchange for providing such services.

Response: In accordance with the Staff's comment, the Company has revised the disclosure under "Prospectus Summary-Summary of Rights Offering-Back-Stop" to include a discussion of the commitment fee that CD Holding will be receiving in exchange for its agreement to back-stop the rights offering.

5. Comment: On a supplemental basis, provide us with a sense of what the record date will be and how long the rights offering will remain open.

Response: The Company intends to establish a record date for the rights offering that is on or before the launch date of the rights offering and an expiration date that is about 20 to 30 days after the launch date of the rights offering.

6. Comment: In your summary of "Amendment and Termination" on page 3, please clarify the circumstances in which you would redistribute an amended prospectus to holders of record of subscription rights and transferees of such rights. Also, please note that if you amend or extend the expiration date of the rights offering, we consider this to be a different offering and you must file a post-effective amendment and distribute an amended prospectus. In the alternative, if you state in the prospectus the period of time to which you may extend the expiration date and you do not extend

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the offering beyond that date, then you may file a 424(c) prospectus supplement to reflect any extension.

Response: In accordance with the Staff's comment, the Company has revised the disclosure under "Prospectus Summary-Summary of Rights Offering-Amendment and Termination" to clarify that in the event of a material change in the terms, conditions or plan of distribution of the

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rights offering, the Company would redistribute an amended prospectus to stockholders of record of the Company's common stock.

Use of Proceeds, page 11  
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7. Comment: Provide all the detailed disclosure Item 504 of Regulation S-K requires, including Instructions 1 and 2. Indicate the amount of net proceeds to be used for each purpose and the priority of each purpose.

Response: The Company has made revisions to the "Use of Proceeds" section to address all of the detailed disclosure required by Item 504 of Regulation S-B.

The Rights Offering, page 14  
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Pro Rata Allocation, page 15  
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8. Comment: You indicate that if there is a pro rata allocation of a greater number of shares than a holder subscribed for under such holder's over-subscription privilege, then you would allocate to such holder only the number of shares for which the holder subscribed, with the balance of such shares to be distributed among the other holders who exercised their over-subscription privilege. In the last sentence of this paragraph, you indicate that you will allocate such shares among all other holders exercising their over-subscription privileges. Clarify the basis of such allocation, e.g., in proportion to the number of additional shares subscribed for by these remaining holders, or on a basis similar to your definition of "Pro Rata," i.e., in proportion to the number of shares of common stock that the other holders purchased by exercising their basic subscription privileges.

Response: The Company has made revisions to the last sentence of the disclosure under "The Rights Offering-Subscription Privileges-Pro Rata Allocation" to address this comment.

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If you have any questions with respect to the foregoing, please call the undersigned at (214) 969-2848.

Sincerely,

/S/ ALEX FRUTOS  
Alex Frutos

Enclosures

cc: Lisa Holbrook  
Vice President, General Counsel  
and Secretary

As Filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on June 17, 2004

Registration No. 333-115396

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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
Washington, D.C. 20549

AMENDMENT NO. 1 TO  
FORM SB-2

REGISTRATION STATEMENT UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT OF 1933

Gulfport Energy Corporation  
(Name of small business issuer in its charter)

Delaware (State or jurisdiction of incorporation or organization)	1311 (Primary Standard Industrial Classification Code Number)	73-1521290 (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)
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14313 North May Avenue, Suite 100  
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma 73134  
(405) 848-8807  
(Address and telephone number of principal executive offices  
and principal place of business)

Mike Liddell  
Chairman of the Board, Chief Executive Officer and President  
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With a copy to:  
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Dallas, Texas 75201  
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Approximate date of proposed sale to the public: As soon as practicable after the effective date of this registration statement.

If any of the securities being registered on this Form are to be offered on a delayed or continuous basis under Rule 415 under the Securities Act of 1933, check the following box.

If this Form is filed to register additional securities for an offering under Rule 462(b) under the Securities Act, check the following box and list the Securities Act registration statement number of the earlier effective registration statement for the same offering.

If this Form is a post-effective amendment filed under Rule 462(c) under the Securities Act, check the following box and list the Securities Act registration statement number of the earlier effective registration statement for the same offering.

If this Form is a post-effective amendment filed under Rule 462(d) under the Securities Act, check the following box and list the Securities Act registration statement number of the earlier effective registration statement for the same offering.

If delivery of the prospectus is expected to be made under Rule 434, check the following box.

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The registrant hereby amends this registration statement on such date or dates as may be necessary to delay its effective date until the registrant shall file a further amendment which specifically states that this registration statement shall thereafter become effective in accordance with Section 8(a) of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or until the registration statement shall become effective on such date as the Securities and Exchange Commission, acting under said Section 8(a), may determine.

Subject to Completion, dated June 17, 2004

Prospectus

Gulfport Energy Corporation  
10,000,000 Shares of Common Stock  
Common Stock Subscription Rights

We are distributing at no charge to the holders of our common stock transferable subscription rights to purchase up to an aggregate of 10,000,000 shares of our common stock, par value \$0.01 per share, at a cash subscription price of \$\_\_\_ per share. This rights offering is being made to help fund a portion of our capital expenditure requirements and for general corporate purposes.

The total purchase price of shares offered in this rights offering will be approximately \_\_\_\_\_. You will not be entitled to receive any subscription rights unless you are a stockholder of record as of the close of business on

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\_\_\_\_\_, 2004.

The subscription rights will expire if they are not exercised by 5:00 p.m., Dallas time, on \_\_\_\_\_, 2004, the expected expiration date of this rights offering. We, in our sole discretion, may extend the period for exercising the subscription rights. Subscription rights that are not exercised by the expiration date of this rights offering will expire and will have no value. Once a holder has exercised any subscription rights, such exercise may not be revoked. You should carefully consider whether or not to exercise or sell your subscription rights before the expiration date.

There is no minimum number of shares of our common stock that must be subscribed for in this rights offering for it to be completed. Subscription payments will not be placed in an escrow account. Once a holder has paid the subscription price, we will not refund any portion of such subscription price.

Shares of our common stock are quoted on the NASD OTC Bulletin Board under the symbol "GPOR.OB." The closing bid price of our common stock on June 1, 2004 was \$2.50 per share.

	Per Share	Aggregate
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Subscription Price	\$	\$
Estimated Expenses	\$	\$
Net Proceeds to us	\$	\$

An investment in our common stock involves risks. You should consider carefully the risk factors beginning on page 5 in this prospectus before exercising or selling your subscription rights.

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Neither the Securities and Exchange Commission nor any state securities commission has approved or disapproved of these securities or determined if this prospectus is truthful or complete. Any representation to the contrary is a criminal offense. The securities are not being offered in any jurisdiction where the offer is not permitted.

The date of this prospectus is \_\_\_\_\_, 2004

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You should rely only on the information contained in this prospectus. We have not authorized anyone to provide you with information that is different from that contained in this prospectus. This prospectus is not an offer to sell or a solicitation of an offer to buy shares in any jurisdiction where this offer or any sale of shares would be unlawful. The information in this prospectus is complete and accurate only as of the date on the front cover regardless of the time of delivery of this prospectus or of any sale of shares.

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### PROSPECTUS SUMMARY

The following summary highlights selected information from this prospectus and may not contain all of the information that is important to you. This prospectus includes specific terms of this rights offering, as well as information regarding our business. We encourage you to read this prospectus in its entirety. You should pay special attention to the "Risk Factors" section of this prospectus. All references to "we," "our," "ours," and "us," or "Gulfport" in this prospectus are to Gulfport Energy Corporation and its subsidiaries, unless otherwise indicated.

#### Our Company

Gulfport is an independent oil and gas exploration and production company with properties located along the Louisiana Gulf Coast. Our operations are concentrated in two fields: West Cote Blanche Bay and the Hackberry Fields. We seek to achieve reserve growth and increase our cash flow by undertaking multiple drilling programs each year. In addition, we intend to shoot 3-D seismic at our East Hackberry Field to allow us to undertake drilling at that field. As of January 1, 2004, we had 22 MMBOE of proved reserves with a present value of estimated future net revenues, discounted at 10%, of approximately \$210,000,000 and associated standardized measure of discounted future net cash flows of approximately \$194,000,000. We were organized in July 1997 and merged with WRT Energy Corporation, a Texas corporation, referred to as Old WRT, on

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July 11, 1997 upon the consummation of Old WRT's bankruptcy reorganization.

Our principal executive offices are located at 14313 North May Avenue, Suite 100 Oklahoma City, Oklahoma 73134, and our telephone number is (405) 848-8807.

### Summary of the Rights Offering

Rights	We will distribute to each stockholder of record of our common stock, as of the close of business on _____, 2004, at no charge, one transferable subscription right for each 1.0146 shares of common stock owned, for a total of approximately 10,000,000 subscription rights.
Basic Subscription Privilege	Each right will enable its holder to purchase one share of our common stock at a subscription price of \$_____. You are not required to exercise all of your subscription rights unless you wish to purchase shares under your over-subscription privilege.
Over-Subscription Privilege	Each holder of common stock who elects to exercise its basic subscription privilege in full may also subscribe for additional shares at the same subscription price per share, to the extent that other stockholders do not exercise their subscription rights in full. If an insufficient number of shares is available to fully satisfy the over-subscription privilege requests, the available shares will be sold pro rata among subscription rights holders who exercised their over-subscription privilege based on the number of shares each subscription rights holder subscribed for under the basic subscription privilege. Any excess subscription payments will be returned, without interest or deduction, promptly after the expiration of this rights offering.
Conditions to the Rights Offering	This rights offering is subject to the conditions described under "The Rights Offering-Conditions to this Rights Offering."
Back-Stop	CD Holding, L.L.C., one of our principal stockholders, has agreed, subject to certain

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conditions, to back-stop this rights offering by purchasing all of the shares of our common stock offered in this rights offering that are not otherwise subscribed for by the other holders of subscription rights. CD Holding's obligations under the back-stop agreement are triggered if and to the extent that all 10,000,000 shares of common stock offered in this rights offering are not



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subscribed for. For example, if none of our stockholders exercise their basic subscription privilege, CD Holding would acquire all 10,000,000 shares of common stock offered in this rights offering. If all rights are exercised under the basic subscription privilege, CD Holding will not purchase any shares in the offering except the shares that CD Holding will purchase pursuant to its exercise of its basic subscription privilege as one of our stockholders. In return for its agreement to back-stop this rights offering, CD Holding will be entitled to receive a commitment fee equal to 2% of the gross proceeds of this rights offering, which CD Holding, at its option, may apply to the subscription price payable upon its exercise of the rights issued to it in this rights offering.

Subscription Price \$\_\_\_ per share. For more information as to how the subscription price was determined, see "The Rights Offering-Reasons for the Rights Offering and Determination of Subscription Price."

Rights Offering Record Date \_\_\_\_\_, 2004.

Expiration Date The subscription rights will expire, if not exercised, at 5:00 p.m., Dallas time, on \_\_\_\_\_, 2004, unless we decide to extend this rights offering until some later time. Since CD Holding has agreed to back-stop this rights offering, we do not anticipate the need to extend the exercise period.

No Revocation Once a holder of rights has exercised subscription rights, such exercise may not be revoked.

Transferability of Rights The subscription rights will be evidenced by transferable subscription rights certificates. The subscription rights are transferable until the close of business on the last trading day preceding the expiration date. However, we can give no assurance that a market for the subscription rights will develop or, if a market does develop, how long it will continue. See "The Rights Offering-Method of Transferring and Selling Subscription Rights."

Procedure For Exercising Rights You may exercise your subscription rights by properly completing and signing your subscription rights certificate. You must deliver your subscription rights certificate with full payment of the subscription price to the subscription agent on or prior to the expiration date of this rights offering. If you use the mail, we recommend that you use insured, registered mail, return receipt requested. If you cannot deliver your

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subscription rights certificate to the subscription agent on time, you may follow the guaranteed delivery procedures described under "The Rights Offering-Guaranteed Delivery Procedures." Once you have exercised your basic subscription privilege or your over-subscription privilege, you may not revoke your exercise. Subscription rights not exercised prior to the expiration of this rights offering will have no value.

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### How Rights Holders Can Exercise Subscription Rights Through Others

If you hold shares of our common stock as of the rights offering record date through a broker, custodian bank or other nominee, we will ask your broker, custodian bank or other nominee to notify you of this rights offering. If you wish to sell or exercise your subscription rights, you will need to have your broker, custodian bank or other nominee act for you. To indicate your decision, you should complete and return to your broker, custodian bank or other nominee the form entitled "Beneficial Owner Election Form." You should receive this form from your broker, custodian bank or other nominee with the other subscription rights offering materials. You should contact your broker, custodian bank or other nominee if you do not receive this form, but you believe you are entitled to participate in this rights offering.

### Certain United States Federal Income Tax Consequences

For United States federal income tax purposes, the receipt of subscription rights in this rights offering and the exercise of the subscription rights should not be a taxable event. You should, however, consult your own financial and tax advisor.

### Issuance of Our Common Stock

We will issue certificates representing shares of our common stock purchased in this rights offering as soon as practicable after the expiration of this rights offering.

### No Recommendation To Rights Holders

We are not making any recommendations as to whether or not you should subscribe for shares of our common stock. You should decide whether to subscribe for such shares based upon your own assessment of your best interests and after considering all of the information in this prospectus, including the "Risk Factors" section of this prospectus. You should not view the agreement of CD Holding to back-stop this rights offering as a recommendation or other indication that the

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exercise or sale of your subscription rights is in your best interests.

OTC Bulletin Board Symbol  
For Our Common Stock

"GPOR.OB"

Market For Our Common Stock

On April 13, 2004, the last trading day prior to the decision of our board of directors to commence this rights offering, the closing bid price of our common stock on the OTC Bulletin Board, was \$3.10 per share. On June 1, 2004, the closing price of our common stock on the OTC Bulletin Board was \$2.50 per share.

Use of Proceeds

Our total gross proceeds from this rights offering will be approximately \$\_\_\_\_\_. The net cash proceeds from this rights offering are estimated to be approximately \$\_\_\_\_\_ minus the amount of any outstanding borrowings under our \$3.0 million revolving credit facility with CD Holding that CD Holding elects to apply to the subscription price for rights that it exercises in this rights offering. The net proceeds will be used primarily to fund a portion of our currently proposed seismic and drilling programs. To the extent that CD Holding pays cash upon the exercise of its rights rather than reduces the outstanding obligations under its credit facility, we also intend to use a portion of the net proceeds to repay any remaining balance under that credit

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facility which we entered into on April 30, 2004.

Subscription Agent

The subscription agent is UMB Bank, N.A.

The address for delivery to the subscription agent are as follows:

UMB Bank, N.A.  
Corp Trust Department  
2401 Grand Blvd.  
Kansas City, MO 64108

You may call the subscription agent at (816) 860-3020.

Your delivery to an address other than the address set forth above will not constitute valid delivery.

Amendment and Termination

Our board of directors may, in its sole discretion, amend the terms and conditions of this rights offering or terminate the rights offering and revoke the rights at any time prior to the expiration date. In the event

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of a material change in the terms, conditions or plan of distribution of this rights offering, we will redistribute an amended prospectus to stockholders of record of our common stock. Since CD Holding has agreed to back-stop this rights offering, we do not anticipate the need to extend the exercise period.

### Dilution

To the extent a stockholder does not exercise its rights in full, such stockholder's voting power and percentage equity interest in us, including its percentage interest in any future earnings, would suffer substantial dilution.

### Common Stock Outstanding

10,146,566 shares issued and outstanding as of June 1, 2004.

### Common Stock Outstanding after the Rights Offering

20,146,566 shares issued and outstanding (assuming all rights are exercised and based upon actual shares issued and outstanding as of June 1, 2004).

For additional information concerning the subscription rights and our common stock, see "The Rights Offering" below.

### Risk Factors

You should carefully consider the information under "Risk Factors" and all other information in this prospectus before deciding to exercise or sell your subscription rights.

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### RISK FACTORS

The value of your investment will be subject to the significant risks inherent in our business. You should carefully consider the risks and uncertainties described below and other information included in this prospectus before exercising your rights and purchasing our common stock. If any of the events described below occur, our business and financial results could be adversely affected in a material way. This could cause the trading price of our common stock to decline, perhaps significantly, and you therefore may lose all or part of your investment.

#### Risks Related to Our Business and Industry

Our method of accounting for investments in oil and gas properties may result in impairment of asset value.

We use the full cost method of accounting for our investment in oil and gas properties. Under the full cost method of accounting, all costs of acquisition, exploration and development of oil and gas reserves are capitalized into a "full cost pool" as incurred, and properties in the pool are depleted and charged to operations using the units-of-production method based on the ratio of current production to total proved oil and gas reserves. To the extent that such capitalized costs, net of depletion and amortization, exceed the present value of estimated future net revenues, discounted at 10%, from proved oil and gas reserves, after income tax effects, such excess costs are charged to operations.

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Once incurred, a write down of oil and gas properties is not reversible at a later date, even if oil or gas prices increase.

The volatility of oil and gas prices due to factors beyond our control greatly affects our profitability.

Our revenues, operating results, profitability, future rate of growth and the carrying value of our oil and gas properties depend primarily upon the prevailing prices for oil and gas. Historically, oil and natural gas prices have been volatile and are subject to fluctuations in response to changes in supply and demand, market uncertainty and a variety of additional factors that are beyond our control. The NYMEX spot prices for crude oil and natural gas at the close of business on December 31, 2001 were \$19.84 per Bbl and \$2.57 per Mmbtu and at December 31, 2003 were \$32.52 per Bbl and \$6.19 per Mmbtu. The NYMEX spot prices for crude oil and natural gas at the close of business on April 15, 2004 were \$37.55 per Bbl and \$5.74 per Mmbtu. Any substantial decline in the price of oil and gas will likely have a material adverse effect on our operations, financial condition and level of expenditures for the development of its oil and gas reserves, and may result in additional writedowns of the Company's investments due to ceiling test limitations. The marketability of the Company's production depends in part upon the availability, proximity and capacity of gathering systems, pipelines and processing facilities. Federal and state regulation of oil and gas production and transportation, general economic conditions, tax and energy policies, changes in supply and changes in demand all could adversely affect the Company's ability to produce and market its oil and gas. If market factors were to change dramatically, the financial impact on the Company could be substantial. The availability of markets and the volatility of product prices are beyond the control of the Company and thus represent a significant risk.

Historically, the markets for oil and gas have been volatile and they are likely to continue to be volatile. Wide fluctuations in oil and gas prices may result from relatively minor changes in the supply of and demand for oil and natural gas, market uncertainty and other factors that are beyond our control, including:

- worldwide and domestic supplies of oil and gas;
  - weather conditions;
  - the level of consumer demand;
  - the price and availability of alternative fuels;
  - risks associated with owning and operating drilling rigs;
  - the availability of pipeline capacity;
  - the price and level of foreign imports;
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- domestic and foreign governmental regulations and taxes;
  - the ability of the members of the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries to agree to and maintain oil price and production controls;
  - political instability or armed conflict in oil-producing regions; and
  - the overall economic environment.

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These factors and the volatility of the energy markets make it extremely difficult to predict future oil and gas price movements with any certainty. Declines in oil and gas prices would not only reduce revenue, but could reduce the amount of oil and gas that we can produce economically and, as a result, could have a material adverse effect on our financial condition, results of operations and reserves.

In accordance with customary industry practice, we rely on independent third party service providers to provide most of the services necessary to drill new wells, including drilling rigs and related equipment and services, horizontal drilling equipment and services, trucking services, tubulars, fracing and completion services and production equipment. The industry has experienced significant price increases for these services during the last year and this trend is expected to continue into the future. These cost increases could in the future significantly increase the Company's development costs and decrease the return possible from drilling and development activities, and possibly render the development of certain proved undeveloped reserves uneconomical.

Our success depends on acquiring or funding additional reserves.

Our future success depends upon our ability to find, develop or acquire additional oil and gas reserves that are economically recoverable. The proved reserves of the Company will generally decline as reserves are depleted, except to the extent that the Company conducts successful exploration or development activities or acquires properties containing proved reserves, or both. To increase reserves and production, the Company must commence exploratory drilling, undertake other replacement activities or utilize third parties to accomplish these activities. There can be no assurance, however, that the Company will have sufficient resources to undertake these actions, that the Company's exploratory projects or other replacement activities will result in significant additional reserves or that the Company will have success drilling productive wells at low finding and development costs. Furthermore, although the Company's revenues may increase if prevailing oil and gas prices increase significantly, the Company's finding costs for additional reserves could also increase.

Estimates of oil and gas reserves are uncertain and may vary substantially from actual production.

There are numerous uncertainties inherent in estimating quantities of proved reserves and in projecting future rates of production and timing of expenditures, including many factors beyond our control. The reserve information set forth in this prospectus represents only estimates based on reports prepared by Netherland, Sewell & Associates, Inc., as of January 1, 2004. Petroleum engineering is not an exact science. Information relating to the Company's proved oil and gas reserves is based upon engineering estimates. Estimates of economically recoverable oil and gas reserves and of future net cash flows necessarily depend upon a number of variable factors and assumptions, such as historical production from the area compared with production from other producing areas, the assumed effects of regulations by governmental agencies and assumptions concerning future oil and gas prices, future operating costs, severance and excise taxes, capital expenditures and workover and remedial costs, all of which may in fact vary considerably from actual results. For these reasons, estimates of the economically recoverable quantities of oil and gas attributable to any particular group of properties, classifications of such reserves based on risk of recovery and estimates of the future net cash flows expected therefrom prepared by different engineers or by the same engineers at different times may vary substantially. Actual production, revenues and expenditures with respect to the Company's reserves will likely vary from estimates, and such variances may be material.

Operating hazards and uninsured risks may result in substantial losses.

The Company's operations are subject to all of the hazards and operating risks inherent in drilling for and production of oil and gas, including the risk of fire, explosions, blow-outs, pipe failure, abnormally pressured formations and environmental hazards such as oil spills, gas leaks, ruptures or discharges of toxic gases. The occurrence of any of these events could result in substantial losses to the Company due to injury or loss of life, severe damage to or destruction of property, natural resources and equipment, pollution or other environmental damage, clean-up responsibilities, regulatory investigation and penalties and suspension of operations. In accordance with customary industry practice, the Company maintains insurance against some, but not all, of these risks. There can be no assurance that any insurance will be adequate to cover any losses or liabilities. The Company cannot predict the continued availability of insurance, or its availability at premium levels that justify its purchase. In addition, the Company may be liable for environmental damage caused by previous owners of properties purchased by the Company, which liabilities would not be covered by insurance.

Our operations are subject to various governmental regulations which require compliance that can be burdensome and expensive.

The Company's oil and gas operations are subject to various federal, state and local governmental regulations which may be changed from time to time in response to economic and political conditions. Matters subject to regulation include discharge permits for drilling operations, drilling bonds, reports concerning operations, the spacing of wells, unitization and pooling of properties and taxation. From time to time, regulatory agencies have imposed price controls and limitations on production by restricting the rate of flow of oil and gas wells below actual production capacity to conserve supplies of oil and gas. In addition, the production, handling, storage, transportation and disposal of oil and gas, by-products thereof and other substances and materials produced or used in connection with oil and gas operations are subject to regulation under federal, state and local laws and regulations primarily relating to protection of human health and the environment. These laws and regulations have continually imposed increasingly strict requirements for water and air pollution control and solid waste management. Significant expenditures may be required to comply with governmental laws and regulations applicable to the Company. The Company believes the trend of more expansive and stricter environmental legislation and regulations will continue.

We face extensive competition in our industry.

The Company operates in a highly competitive environment. The Company competes with major and independent oil and gas companies, many of whom have financial and other resources substantially in excess of those available to the Company. These competitors may be better positioned to take advantage of industry opportunities and to withstand changes affecting the industry, such as fluctuations in oil and gas prices and production, the availability of alternative energy sources and the application of government regulation.

#### Risks Related to Our Common Stock

The control of the Company by officers, directors and controlling stockholder may limit or preclude the control exercised by other stockholders.

As of June 1, 2004, the Company's executive officers and directors, in the aggregate, beneficially own approximately 12.5% of our outstanding common stock. Additionally, Mr. Davidson beneficially owns approximately 67.2% of our

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outstanding common stock. As a result, these stockholders acting together are, and after completion of this rights offering, depending on the exercise of subscription rights by the holder of the rights, will continue to be, able to control most matters requiring approval by the stockholders of the Company, including the election of directors. Such a concentration of ownership may have the effect of delaying or preventing a change in control of the Company, including transactions in which stockholders might otherwise receive a premium for their shares over then current market prices. See "Management," "Principal Stockholders" and "Description of Securities."

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We could issue additional preferred stock which could be entitled to dividend, liquidation and other special rights and preferences not shared by holders of our common stock or which could have anti-takeover effects.

The Company is authorized to issue up to 5,000,000 shares of preferred stock, par value \$.01 per share (the "Preferred Stock"). Shares of Preferred Stock may be issued from time to time in one or more series as the Board of Directors, by resolution or resolutions, may from time to time determine, each of said series to be distinctively designated. The voting powers, preferences and relative, participating, optional and other special rights, and the qualifications, limitations or restrictions thereof, if any, of each such series of Preferred Stock may differ from those of any and all other series of Preferred Stock at any time outstanding, and, subject to certain limitations of the Company's Certificate of Incorporation and the Delaware General Corporation Law (the "DGCL"), the Board of Directors may fix or alter, by resolution or resolutions, the designation, number, voting powers, preferences and relative, participating, optional and other special rights, and qualifications, limitations and restrictions thereof, of each such series Preferred Stock. The issuance of any such Preferred Stock could materially adversely affect the rights of holders of our common stock and, therefore, could reduce the value of our common stock.

The Company has designated 30,000 shares of its Preferred Stock as Cumulative Preferred Stock, Series A and had 12,533.58 shares of our Series A preferred stock outstanding as of March 31, 2004. Holders of Series A preferred stock are entitled to receive dividends at the rate of 12% of the liquidation preference per annum payable quarterly in cash or, at the option of the Company for all quarters ending on or prior to March 31, 2004, payable in whole or in part in additional shares of Series A preferred stock at the rate of 15% of the liquidation preference per annum. For all quarters after March 31, 2004, dividends are payable in cash. However, the Board of Directors of the Company has approved and the Company has received the consent of holders of the requisite number of shares of Series A preferred stock to the amendment of the Company's Certificate of Designation with respect to the Series A preferred stock to give the Company the ability to pay dividends on the Series A preferred stock with additional shares of Series A preferred stock after March 31, 2004 for so long as such shares remain outstanding and prior to the mandatory redemption date. Upon a liquidation of the Company, whether voluntary or mandatory, the shares of Series A preferred stock will rank prior to the shares of our common stock. Consequently, holders of Series A preferred stock will receive distributions in an amount per share equal to \$1,000 and all accrued and unpaid dividends thereon, whether or not declared or payable, before holders of our common stock will receive any distribution.

In addition, specific rights granted to future holders of Preferred Stock could be used to restrict the Company's ability to merge with, or sell its assets to, a third party. The ability of the Board of Directors to issue Preferred Stock could discourage, delay or prevent a takeover of the Company, thereby preserving control of the Company by the current stockholders.



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Our common stock traded over the counter and we can give no assurances as to the market for it.

Shares of our common stock are quoted on the NASD OTC Bulletin Board. The rights are transferable, but will not be listed for trading in the over-the-counter or any other market. We can give you no assurance that a market for the subscription rights will develop or, if a market does develop, how long it will continue.

The subscription price was determined by the Board of Directors in its sole discretion.

The subscription price for each share of our common stock to be issued pursuant to the rights offering will be \$\_\_\_\_. The Subscription Price was determined by the Company. In determining the Subscription Price, consideration was given to such factors as the current market price of our common stock, the availability of financing alternatives and the level, volatility of commodity prices and the ability to secure an agreement from CD Holding to back-stop this rights offering. The Subscription Price should not be considered an indication of the actual value of the Company or our common stock. There can be no assurance that the market price of our common stock will not decline during the subscription period or that, following the issuance of the common stock upon exercise of rights, a subscribing holder of rights will be able to sell shares of common stock purchased in the rights offering at a price equal to or greater than the Subscription Price.

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Non-participants in the offering will suffer substantial dilution

To the extent a stockholder does not exercise its rights in full, such stockholder's voting power and percentage equity interest in the Company, including its percentage interest in any future earnings, will suffer substantial dilution. Assuming all subscription rights are subscribed for on a pro rata basis by all of the stockholders to whom the subscription rights were issued, no shares would be exercisable in the over-subscription privilege and CD Holding would not be required to purchase any shares pursuant to its agreement to back-stop this rights offering and CD Holding's resulting beneficial ownership, together with that of its affiliates, would be 67.2%. Assuming CD Holding is the only stockholder to acquire shares of our common stock, which number of shares is equivalent to the full number of shares of our common stock it would have been entitled to subscribe for in this rights offering in accordance with its basic subscription privilege, and, through the back-stop, CD Holding acquires all of the remaining shares offered in this rights offering, CD Holding's resulting beneficial ownership, together with that of its affiliates, would be 90.2%.

We do not currently pay dividends on our common stock and do not anticipate doing so in the future.

The Company has paid no cash dividends on its common stock, and there is no assurance that the Company will achieve sufficient earnings to pay cash dividends on its common stock in the future. The Company intends to retain any earnings to fund its operations. Therefore, the Company does not anticipate paying any cash dividends on the common stock in the foreseeable future. In addition, the terms of the Company's outstanding Series A preferred stock prohibit the payment of any dividends to the holders of its common stock.

Subscriptions, once exercised, will be irrevocable.

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The election to exercise rights is irrevocable. Stockholders exercising rights could be committed to buying shares of common stock above the prevailing market price. Until certificates representing such shares are delivered, subscribing rights holders may not be able to sell such shares. Certificates representing shares of common stock purchased in the rights offering will be delivered by mail as soon as practicable following the Expiration Date. No interest will be paid to rights' holders on funds delivered to the Subscription Agent pursuant to the exercise of rights pending delivery of such certificates and return of any excess funds not applied to the purchase of shares. Further, subscriptions payments will not be placed in an escrow account. Once a holder has paid the subscription price, we will not refund any portion of such subscription price, even if the rights offering is terminated before we raise \$12,000,000.

There are material federal income tax considerations that should be considered.

Holders of our common stock should recognize no income or gain for federal income tax purposes upon the receipt, exercise or lapse of the rights. Nevertheless, the federal income tax treatment of the distribution of rights to holders of our common stock and any subsequent exercise or lapse of such rights is subject to some uncertainty. In addition, purchasers of our common stock should consider the federal income tax implications arising from the payment of dividends on or the sale of shares of our common stock. See "Certain United States Federal Income Tax Consequences" for a more detailed discussion of certain federal income tax consequences resulting from the purchase, ownership and disposition of rights and shares of our common stock.

A change of control could limit the Company's use of net operating losses.

As of March 31, 2004, the Company has accrued a net operating loss ("NOL") carry forward of approximately \$98,000,000. The Company believes that the distribution and exercise of rights received in the rights offering will not result in an ownership change within the meaning of Section 382 of the Internal Revenue Code. However, transfers of the Company's stock in the future could result in such an ownership change. In such a case, the ability of the Company to use its NOLs accrued through the ownership change date could be limited. In general, the amount of NOL the Company could use for any tax year after the date of the ownership change would be limited to the value of the stock of the Company (as of the ownership change date) multiplied by the long-term tax-exempt rate.

### FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS

This prospectus includes "forward-looking statements" within the meaning of Section 27A of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act"). All statements other than statements of historical facts, included in this prospectus that address activities, events or developments that Gulfport Energy Corporation ("Gulfport" or the "Company"), a Delaware corporation, formerly known as WRT Energy Corporation ("WRT"), expects or anticipates will or may occur in the future, including such things as estimated future net revenues from oil and gas reserves and the present value thereof, future capital expenditures (including the amount and nature thereof), business strategy and measures to implement strategy, competitive strength, goals, expansion and growth of Gulfport's business and operations, plans, references to future success, reference to intentions as to future matters and other such matters are forward-looking statements. These statements are based on certain assumptions and analyses made by Gulfport in light of its experience and its perception of historical trends, current conditions and expected future developments as well as other factors it believes are appropriate in the circumstances. However,

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whether actual results and developments will conform with Gulfport's expectations and predictions is subject to a number of risks and uncertainties, general economic, market, or business conditions; the opportunities (or lack thereof) that may be presented to and pursued by Gulfport; competitive actions by other oil and gas companies; changes in laws or regulations; and other factors, many of which are beyond the control of Gulfport. Consequently, all of the forward-looking statements made in this prospectus are qualified by these cautionary statements and there can be no assurances that the actual results or developments anticipated by Gulfport will be realized, or even if realized, that they will have the expected consequences to or effects on Gulfport, its business or operations. We have no intention, and disclaim any obligation, to update or revise any forward looking statements, whether as a result of new information, future results or otherwise.

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### USE OF PROCEEDS

Our gross proceeds from this rights offering will be approximately \$\_\_\_\_\_. The net cash proceeds from this rights offering are estimated to be approximately \$\_\_\_\_\_ minus the amount of any outstanding borrowings under our \$3.0 million revolving credit facility with CD Holding that CD Holding elects to apply to the subscription price for rights that it exercises in this rights offering. As of the date of this prospectus, we had outstanding borrowings of \$500,000 under this facility.

The net proceeds will be used primarily to fund a portion of our currently proposed seismic and drilling programs. We have budgeted approximately \$4.5 million for a 3-D seismic survey at our East Hackberry Field, approximately \$9.6 million for drilling 12 wells at West Cote Blanche Bay (of which approximately \$800,000 has been expended to date) and approximately \$1.0 million for workovers on ten wells in the WCBB field. To the extent that CD Holding pays cash upon the exercise of its rights rather than reduces the outstanding obligations under its credit facility, we also intend to use a portion of the net proceeds to repay any remaining balance under that credit facility which we entered into on April 30, 2004. The \$3,000,000 revolving credit facility matures on the earlier of the closing of this rights offering and August 1, 2005 and bears interest at the rate of 10.0% per annum. The borrowings under the revolving credit facility were used to fund a portion of our drilling program. The credit facility provides that if this rights offering is not completed, CD Holding has the right to convert any borrowings plus any accrued but unpaid interest under the facility into shares of our common stock at a conversion price equal to \$1.20 per share of common stock.

Pending the above uses, we may repay outstanding borrowings under our line of credit with the Bank of Oklahoma, which matures on July 1, 2004. We expect

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that this line of credit will be extended and that any amounts repaid will be available to us for the uses described above. Amounts borrowed under this line of credit bear interest at the prime rate charged from time to time by JPMorgan Chase plus 1%, with payments of interest on outstanding balances due monthly. The outstanding balance under this credit facility was \$2.2 million at March 31, 2004.

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### CAPITALIZATION

The following table sets forth our capitalization as of March 31, 2004, and each as adjusted to reflect the sale of all 10,000,000 shares in this rights offering and the application of the net proceeds from this rights offering as if such sale had occurred on March 31, 2004. The table should be read in conjunction with our consolidated financial statements and the notes to those financial statements included in this prospectus.

	As of March 31, 2004	
	Actual	As Adjusted
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		(Unaudited)
		-----
	(Dollars in Thousands, Except Share Data)	
Current maturities of long-term debt	\$ 2,311	\$
	=====	=====
Redeemable 12% cumulative preferred stock, Series A, \$0.01 par value, with redemption and liquidation value of \$1,000 per share; 30,000 authorized, 12,534 issued and outstanding, actual and as adjusted	\$ 12,534	\$
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Total long-term liabilities	\$ 14,845	\$

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### Stockholders' equity:

Common stock, \$0.01 par value, .		
20,000,000 authorized, 10,146,566		
issued and outstanding and 20,146,566		
issued and outstanding as adjusted	101	
Additional paid in capital	84,192	
Accumulated deficit	(51,105)	
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Total Stockholders' equity	33,188	
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Total capitalization	\$ 48,033	\$
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### MARKET FOR COMMON STOCK AND RELATED STOCKHOLDER MATTERS

Our common stock is traded on the NASD OTC Bulletin Board under the symbol "GPOR.OB." The following table sets forth the high and low sales prices for our common stock in each quarter:

Year Ended December 31, 2004	Low	High
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First Quarter	\$2.80	\$3.40
Second Quarter (through June 1, 2004)	\$2.50	\$3.10
Year Ended December 31, 2003	Low	High
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First Quarter	\$2.50	\$3.00
Second Quarter	\$2.60	\$3.40
Third Quarter	\$2.69	\$2.80
Fourth Quarter	\$2.75	\$3.30
Year Ended December 31, 2002	Low	High
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First Quarter	\$3.50	\$5.40
Second Quarter	\$2.80	\$4.20
Third Quarter	\$2.75	\$3.65
Fourth Quarter	\$2.10	\$3.05

The above quotations reflect inter-dealer prices, without retail mark-up, mark-down or commissions and may not represent actual transactions.

### Holder of Record

At the close of business on June 1, 2004, there were 396 stockholders of record holding 10,146,566 shares of our outstanding common stock.

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### Dividend Policy

Gulfport has never paid dividends on its common stock. We currently intends to retain all earnings to fund our operations. Therefore, Gulfport does not intend to pay any cash dividends on the common stock in the foreseeable future. In addition, the terms of Gulfport's outstanding Series A preferred stock prohibit the payment of any dividends to the holders of our common stock.

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### THE RIGHTS OFFERING

#### The Rights

We will distribute to each holder of our common stock who is a record holder of our common stock as of the close of business on the rights offering record date, which is \_\_\_\_\_, 2004, at no charge, one transferable subscription right for each 1.0146 shares of common stock owned, for a total of approximately 10,000,000 subscription rights. The subscription rights will be evidenced by transferable subscription rights certificates. Each subscription right will allow you to purchase one share of our common stock at a price of \$\_\_\_\_. If you elect to exercise your basic subscription privilege in full, you may also subscribe, at the subscription price, for additional shares of our common stock under your over-subscription privilege. We have not engaged an underwriter in connection with this rights offering.

#### Determination of Subscription Price

The subscription price for a share of common stock to be issued on exercise of a right will be \$\_\_\_\_. The subscription price was determined by the Company. In determining the subscription price, consideration was given to such factors as the current market price of our common stock, the availability of financing alternatives, the level and volatility of commodity prices and the ability to secure an agreement from CD Holding to back-stop this rights offering. The subscription price should not be considered an indication of the actual value of the Company or the common stock. There can be no assurance that the market price of the common stock will not decline during the subscription period or that, following the issuance of shares upon exercise of rights, a subscribing rights holder will be able to sell shares of common stock purchased in the rights offering at a price equal to or greater than the subscription price.

#### No Fractional Rights

No fractional rights or cash in lieu thereof will be issued or paid, and the number of rights distributed to each holder of common stock will be rounded up to the nearest whole number of rights. Because the number of rights distributed to each record holder will be rounded up to the nearest whole number, beneficial owners of common stock who are also the record holders of such shares may receive more rights than beneficial owners of common stock who are not the record holders of their shares.

You may request that the subscription agent divide your subscription rights certificate into transferable parts, for instance, if you are the record holder for a number of beneficial holders of our common stock. However, the subscription agent will not divide your subscription rights certificate so that you would receive any fractional subscription rights.

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### Expiration of the Rights Offering

You may exercise your subscription rights at any time before 5:00 p.m., Dallas time, on \_\_\_\_\_, 2004, the expiration date for this rights offering. We may, in our sole discretion, extend the time for exercising the subscription rights. We may extend the expiration date of this rights offering by giving oral or written notice to the subscription agent on or before the scheduled expiration date. If we elect to extend the expiration of this rights offering, we will issue a press release announcing such extension no later than 9:00 a.m., Dallas time, on the next business day after the most recently announced expiration date. In the event of a material change in the terms, conditions or the plan of distribution of this rights offering, we will redistribute an amended prospectus to stockholders of record of our common stock. Since CD Holding has agreed to back-stop this rights offering, we do not anticipate the need to extend the exercise period.

If you do not exercise your subscription rights before the expiration date of this rights offering, your unexercised subscription rights will be null and void. We will not be obligated to honor your exercise of subscription rights if the subscription agent receives the documents relating to your exercise after this rights offering expires, regardless of when you transmitted the documents, except if you have timely transmitted the documents under the guaranteed delivery procedures described below.

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### Subscription Privileges

Your subscription rights entitle you to a basic subscription privilege and an over-subscription privilege.

**Basic Subscription Privilege.** With your basic subscription privilege, you may purchase one share of our common stock per subscription right, upon delivery of the required documents and payment of the subscription price of \$\_\_\_\_ per share. You are not required to exercise all of your subscription rights unless you wish to purchase shares under your over-subscription privilege. We will deliver to you or your broker certificates representing the shares that you purchased with your basic subscription privilege as soon as practicable after this rights offering has expired.

**Over-Subscription Privilege.** In addition to your basic subscription privilege, you may subscribe for additional shares of our common stock, upon delivery of the required documents and payment of the subscription price of \$\_\_\_\_ per share, before the expiration of this rights offering. You may only exercise your over-subscription privilege if you exercised your basic subscription privilege in full.

**Pro Rata Allocation.** If there are not enough shares of our common stock to satisfy all subscriptions made under the over-subscription privilege, we will allocate the remaining shares of our common stock pro rata, after eliminating all fractional shares, among those over-subscribing rights holders. "Pro rata" means in proportion to the number of shares of our common stock that you and the other subscription rights holders have purchased by exercising your basic subscription privileges. If there is a pro rata allocation of the remaining shares of our common stock and you receive an allocation of a greater number of shares than you subscribed for under your over-subscription privilege, then we will allocate to you only the number of shares for which you subscribed. We will allocate the remaining shares pro rata among all other holders exercising their over-subscription privileges.

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Full Exercise of Basic Subscription Privilege. You may exercise your over-subscription privilege only if you exercise your basic subscription privilege in full. To determine if you have fully exercised your basic subscription privilege, we will consider only the basic subscription privileges held by you in the same capacity. For example, suppose that you were granted subscription rights for shares of our common stock that you own individually and shares of our common stock that you own collectively with your spouse. If you wish to exercise your over-subscription privilege with respect to the subscription rights you own individually, but not with respect to the subscription rights you own collectively with your spouse, you only need to fully exercise your basic subscription privilege with respect to your individually owned subscription rights. You do not have to subscribe for any shares under the basic subscription privilege owned collectively with your spouse to exercise your individual over-subscription privilege.

When you complete the portion of your subscription rights certificate to exercise your over-subscription privilege, you will be representing and certifying that you have fully exercised your subscription privileges as to shares of our common stock that you hold in that capacity. You must exercise your over-subscription privilege at the same time you exercise your basic subscription privilege in full.

Return of Excess Payment. If you exercised your over-subscription privilege and are allocated less than all of the shares of our common stock for which you wished to subscribe, your excess payment for shares that were not allocated to you will be returned to you by mail, without interest or deduction, as soon as practicable after the expiration date of this rights offering. We will deliver to you or your broker certificates representing the shares of our common stock that you purchased as soon as practicable after the expiration date of this rights offering and after all pro rata allocations and adjustments have been completed.

### Method of Subscription-Exercise of Rights

You may exercise your subscription rights by delivering the following to the subscription agent, at or prior to 5:00 p.m., Dallas time, on \_\_\_\_\_, 2004, the expiration date of this rights offering:

- Your properly completed and executed subscription rights certificate with any required signature guarantees or other supplemental documentation; and

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- Your full subscription price payment for each share subscribed for under your subscription privileges.

If you are a beneficial owner of shares of our common stock whose shares are registered in the name of a broker, custodian bank or other nominee, you should instruct your broker, custodian bank or other nominee to exercise your rights and deliver all documents and payment on your behalf prior to 5:00 p.m. Dallas time on \_\_\_\_\_, 2004, the expiration date of this rights offering. Your subscription rights will not be considered exercised unless the subscription agent receives from you, your broker, custodian or nominee, as the case may be, all of the required documents and your full subscription price payment prior to 5:00 p.m., Dallas time, on \_\_\_\_\_, 2004, the expiration date of this rights offering.

### Back-stop Agreement

Pursuant to an agreement between us and CD Holding, L.L.C., dated April 14,



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2004, CD Holding agreed, subject to certain conditions, to back-stop this rights offering by purchasing all of the shares of our common stock offered in this rights offering that are not otherwise subscribed for by the other holders of subscription rights under their basic subscription privileges and over-subscription privileges. CD Holding's obligations under the back-stop agreement are triggered if and to the extent that all 10,000,000 shares of common stock offered in this rights offering are not subscribed for. For example, if none of our stockholders exercise their basic subscription privilege, CD Holding would acquire all 10,000,000 shares of common stock offered in this rights offering. If all rights are exercised under the basic subscription privilege, CD Holding will not purchase any shares in the offering except the shares that CD Holding will purchase pursuant to its exercise of its basic subscription privilege as one of our stockholders. In return for its agreement to back-stop this rights offering, CD Holding will receive a commitment fee equal to 2% of the gross proceeds of this rights offering, which CD Holding, at its option, may apply to the subscription price payable by it upon exercise of the rights issued to it in this rights offering.

### Method of Payment

Your payment of the subscription price must be made in U.S. dollars for the full number of shares of common stock for which you are subscribing by either:

- check or bank draft drawn upon a U.S. bank or postal, telegraphic or express money order payable to the subscription agent; or
- wire transfer of immediately available funds, to the subscription account maintained by the subscription agent at UMB Bank, Kansas City, MO, ABA #101000695, Acct #9800006823, Ref: Gulfports Rights Offering.

### Receipt of Payment

Your payment will be considered received by the subscription agent only upon:

- Clearance of any uncertified check;
- Receipt by the subscription agent of any certified check or bank draft drawn upon a U.S. bank or of any postal, telegraphic or express money order; or
- Receipt of collected funds in the subscription account designated above.

### Clearance of Uncertified Checks

If you are paying by uncertified personal check, please note that uncertified checks may take at least five business days to clear. If you wish to pay the subscription price by uncertified personal check, we urge you to make payment sufficiently in advance of the time this rights offering expires to

ensure that your payment is received by the subscription agent and clears by the rights offering expiration date. We urge you to consider using a certified or cashier's check, money order or wire transfer of funds to avoid missing the opportunity to exercise your subscription rights should you decide to exercise your subscription rights.

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### Delivery of Subscription Materials and Payment

You should deliver your subscription rights certificate and payment of the subscription price or, if applicable, notices of guaranteed delivery, to the subscription agent at the following address:

UMB Bank, N.A.  
Corp Trust Department  
2401 Grand Blvd.  
Kansas City, MO 64108

You may call the subscription agent at 816-860-3020.

Your delivery to an address other than the addresses set forth above will not constitute valid delivery.

### Calculation of Subscription Rights Exercised

If you do not indicate the number of subscription rights being exercised, or do not forward full payment of the total subscription price payment for the number of subscription rights that you indicate are being exercised, then you will be deemed to have exercised your basic subscription privilege with respect to the maximum number of subscription rights that may be exercised with the aggregate subscription price payment you delivered to the subscription agent. If your aggregate subscription price payment is greater than the amount you owe for your subscription, you will be deemed to have exercised your over-subscription privilege to purchase the maximum number of shares of our common stock with your over-payment. If we do not apply your full subscription price payment to your purchase of shares of our common stock, we or the subscription agent will return the excess amount to you by mail, without interest or deduction, as soon as practicable after the expiration date of this rights offering.

### Exercising a Portion of Your Subscription Rights

If you subscribe for fewer than all of the shares of our common stock represented by your subscription rights certificate, you may receive from the subscription agent a new subscription rights certificate representing your unused subscription rights. However, all subscription rights must be exercised prior to the expiration date of this rights offering, or else your subscription rights will be null and void. We will not issue any subscription rights certificates for unexercised subscription rights after the rights offering expiration date.

Your Funds will be Held by the Subscription Agent Until Shares of our Common Stock are Issued

The subscription agent will hold your payment of the subscription price payment in a segregated account with other payments received from other subscription rights holders until we issue your shares of our common stock to you upon consummation of the rights offering.

### No Fractional Shares

No fractional shares will be issued upon exercise of the subscription rights. We will instead round the number of shares upon exercise of the subscription rights, as appropriate, to the nearest whole number.

### Medallion Guarantee May Be Required

Your signature on each subscription rights certificate must be guaranteed by an eligible institution, such as a member firm of a registered national securities exchange or a member of the National Association of Securities

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Dealers, Inc., or a commercial bank or trust company having an office or correspondent in the United States, subject to standards and procedures adopted by the subscription agent, unless:

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- Your subscription rights certificate provides that shares are to be delivered to you as record holder of those subscription rights; or
- You are an eligible institution.

### Notice to Beneficial Holders

If you are a broker, a trustee or a depository for securities who holds shares of our common stock for the account of others on \_\_\_\_\_, 2004, the rights offering record date, you should notify the respective beneficial owners of such shares of this rights offering as soon as possible to find out their intentions with respect to exercising or selling their subscription rights. You should obtain instructions from the beneficial owner with respect to their subscription rights, as set forth in the instructions we have provided to you for your distribution to beneficial owners. If the beneficial owner so instructs, you should complete the appropriate subscription rights certificates and submit them to the subscription agent with the proper payment. If you hold shares of our common stock for the account(s) of more than one beneficial owner, you may exercise the number of subscription rights to which all such beneficial owners in the aggregate otherwise would have been entitled had they been direct record holders of our common stock on the rights offering record date, provided that, you, as a nominee record holder, make a proper showing to the subscription agent by submitting the form entitled "Nominee Holder Certification" that we will provide to you with your rights offering materials. If you did not receive this form, you should contact the subscription agent to request a copy.

### Beneficial Owners

If you are a beneficial owner of shares of our common stock or will receive your subscription rights through a broker, custodian bank or other nominee, we will ask your broker, custodian bank or other nominee to notify you of this rights offering. If you wish to exercise or sell your subscription rights, you will need to have your broker, custodian bank or other nominee act for you. If you hold certificates of our common stock directly and would prefer to have your broker, custodian bank or other nominee act for you, you should contact your nominee and request it to effect the transactions for you. To indicate your decision with respect to your subscription rights, you should complete and return to your broker, custodian bank or other nominee the form entitled "Beneficial Owners Election Form." You should receive this form from your broker, custodian bank or other nominee with the other rights offering materials. If you wish to obtain a separate subscription rights certificate, you should contact the nominee as soon as possible and request that a separate subscription rights certificate be issued to you. You should contact your broker, custodian bank or other nominee if you do not receive this form, but you believe you are entitled to participate in this rights offering. We are not responsible if you do not receive the form from your broker, custodian bank or nominee or if you receive it without sufficient time to respond.

### Instructions for Completing Your Subscription Rights Certificate

You should read and follow the instructions accompanying the subscription rights certificates carefully.

You are responsible for the method of delivery of your subscription rights

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certificate(s) with your subscription price payment to the subscription agent. If you send your subscription rights certificate(s) and subscription price payment by mail, we recommend that you send them by registered mail, properly insured, with return receipt requested. You should allow a sufficient number of days to ensure delivery to the subscription agent prior to the time this rights offering expires. Because uncertified personal checks may take at least five business days to clear, you are strongly urged to pay, or arrange for payment, by means of a certified or cashier's check, money order or wire transfer of funds.

### Determinations Regarding the Exercise of Your Subscription Rights

We will decide all questions concerning the timeliness, validity, form and eligibility of the exercise of your subscription rights and any such determinations by us will be final and binding. We, in sole discretion, may waive, in any particular instance, any defect or irregularity, or permit, in any particular instance, a defect or irregularity to be corrected within such time

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as we may determine. We will not be required to make uniform determinations in all cases. We may reject the exercise of any of your subscription rights because of any defect or irregularity. We will not accept any exercise of subscription rights until all irregularities have been waived by us or cured by you within such time as we decide, in our sole discretion.

Neither we, nor the subscription agent, will be under any duty to notify you of any defect or irregularity in connection with your submission of subscription rights certificates and we will not be liable for failure to notify you of any defect or irregularity. We reserve the right to reject your exercise of subscription rights if your exercise is not in accordance with the terms of this rights offering or in proper form. We will also not accept the exercise of your subscription rights if our issuance of shares of our common stock to you could be deemed unlawful under applicable law or is materially burdensome to us.

### Regulatory Limitation

We will not be required to issue to you shares of our common stock pursuant to this rights offering if, in our opinion, you would be required to obtain prior clearance or approval from any state or federal regulatory authorities to own or control such shares if, at the time this rights offering expires, you have not obtained such clearance or approval.

### Guaranteed Delivery Procedures

If you wish to exercise your subscription rights, but you do not have sufficient time to deliver the subscription rights certificate evidencing your subscription rights to the subscription agent on or before the time this rights offering expires, you may exercise your subscription rights by the following guaranteed delivery procedures:

- Deliver to the subscription agent on or prior to the rights offering expiration date your subscription price payment in full for each share you subscribed for under your subscription privileges in the manner set forth above in "Method of Payment;"
- Deliver to the subscription agent on or prior to the expiration date the form entitled "Notice of Guaranteed Delivery," substantially in the form provided with the "Instructions as to Use of Subscription Rights Certificates" distributed with your subscription rights certificates; and

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- Deliver the properly completed subscription rights certificate evidencing your subscription rights being exercised and the related nominee holder certification, if applicable, with any required signature guarantee, to the subscription agent within three business days following the date of your Notice of Guaranteed Delivery.

Your Notice of Guaranteed Delivery must be delivered in substantially the same form provided with the Instructions as to the Use of Subscription Rights Certificates, which will be distributed to you with your subscription rights certificate. Your Notice of Guaranteed Delivery must come from an eligible institution, or other eligible guarantee institutions which are members of, or participants in, a signature guarantee program acceptable to the subscription agent.

In your Notice of Guaranteed Delivery, you must state:

- Your name;
- The number of subscription rights represented by your subscription rights certificates, the number of shares of our common stock you are subscribing for under your basic subscription privilege and the number of shares of our common stock you are subscribing for under your over-subscription privilege, if any; and
- Your guarantee that you will deliver to the subscription agent any subscription rights certificates evidencing the subscription rights you are exercising within three business days following the date the subscription agent receives your Notice of Guaranteed Delivery.

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You may deliver your Notice of Guaranteed Delivery to the subscription agent in the same manner as your subscription rights certificates at the address set forth above under "-Delivery of Subscription Materials and Payment." You may alternatively transmit your Notice of Guaranteed Delivery to the subscription agent by facsimile transmission Telecopy No.: (816) 860-3029. To confirm facsimile deliveries, you may call (816) 860-3020.

The subscription agent will send you additional copies of the form of Notice of Guaranteed Delivery if you request them. Please call (816) 860-3020 to request any copies of the form of Notice of Guaranteed Delivery. Banks and brokerage firms please call collect at (816) 860-3020 to request any copies of the form of Notice of Guaranteed Delivery.

### Questions About Exercising Subscription Rights

If you have any questions or require assistance regarding the method of exercising your subscription rights or requests for additional copies of this prospectus, the Instructions as to the Use of Subscription Rights Certificates or the Notice of Guaranteed Delivery, you should contact the subscription agent at the address and telephone number set forth above under "Prospectus Summary - Summary of the Rights Offering" included elsewhere in this prospectus.

### Subscription Agent

We have appointed UMB Bank, N.A. to act as subscription agent for this rights offering. We will pay all fees and expenses of the subscription agent related to this rights offering and have also agreed to indemnify the subscription agent from liabilities that they may incur in connection with this rights offering.

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### No Revocation

Once you have exercised your subscription privileges, you may not revoke your exercise. Subscription rights not exercised prior to the expiration date of this rights offering will expire and will have no value.

### Procedures for DTC Participants

We expect that the exercise of your basic subscription privilege and your over-subscription privilege may be made through the facilities of the Depository Trust Company. If your subscription rights are held of record through DTC, you may exercise your basic subscription privilege and your over-subscription privilege by instructing DTC to transfer your subscription rights from your account to the account of the subscription agent, together with certification as to the aggregate number of subscription rights you are exercising and the number of shares of our common stock you are subscribing for under your basic subscription privilege and your over-subscription privilege, if any, and your subscription price payment for each share of our common stock that you subscribed for pursuant to your basic subscription privilege and your over-subscription privilege.

### Foreign and Other Stockholders

Subscription rights certificates will not be mailed to subscription rights holders whose addresses are outside the United States or who have an APO or FPO address, but will be held by the subscription agent for such holders' accounts. To exercise such subscription rights, you must notify the subscription agent, and take all other steps which are necessary to exercise your subscription rights on or prior to the expiration date of this rights offering. Your subscription rights will expire and will have no value if the procedures set forth in the preceding sentence are not followed prior to the expiration date.

### Expiration Date, Extensions and Termination

We may extend this rights offering and the period for exercising your subscription rights, in our sole discretion. The subscription rights will expire at 5:00 p.m., Dallas time, on \_\_\_\_\_, 2004, unless we decide to extend this

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rights offering. In the event of a material change in the terms, conditions or plan of distribution of this rights offering, we will redistribute an amended prospectus to stockholders of record of our common stock. Since CD Holding has agreed to back-stop this rights offering, we do not anticipate the need to extend the exercise period. If you do not exercise your basic subscription privilege prior to the expiration date of this rights offering, your subscription rights will be null and void and will have no value. We will not be required to issue shares of our common stock to you if the subscription agent receives your subscription certificate or your payment after that time, regardless of when you sent the subscription certificate and payment, unless you send the documents in compliance with the guaranteed delivery procedures described above. In addition, we may terminate this rights offering, in whole or in part, at any time prior to the time this rights offering expires.

### Method of Transferring and Selling Subscription Rights

We do not intend to apply to have the subscription rights traded on the NASD OTC Bulletin Board or any exchange or other quotation system. We expect that subscription rights may be purchased or sold through usual investment

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channels until the close of business on the last trading day preceding the expiration date. However, there has been no prior public market for the subscription rights, and we cannot assure you that a trading market for the subscription rights will develop or, if a market develops, that the market will remain available throughout the subscription period. We also cannot assure you of the price at which the subscription rights will trade, if at all. If you do not exercise or sell your subscription rights you will lose any value inherent in the subscription rights. See "-General Considerations Regarding the Partial Exercise, Transfer or Sale of Subscription Rights" below.

**Transfer of Subscription Rights.** You may transfer subscription rights in whole by endorsing the subscription rights certificate for transfer. Please follow the instructions for transfer included in the information sent to you with your subscription rights certificate. If you wish to transfer only a portion of the subscription rights, you should deliver your properly endorsed subscription rights certificate to the subscription agent. With your subscription rights certificate, you should include instructions to register such portion of the subscription rights evidenced thereby in the name of the transferee (and to issue a new subscription rights certificate to the transferee evidencing such transferred subscription rights). You may only transfer whole subscription rights and not fractions of a subscription right. If there is sufficient time before the expiration of this rights offering, the subscription agent will send you a new subscription rights certificate evidencing the balance of your subscription rights which you did not transfer to the transferee. You may also instruct the subscription agent to send the subscription rights certificate to one or more additional transferees. If you wish to sell your remaining subscription rights, you may request that the subscription agent send you certificates representing your remaining (whole) subscription rights so that you may sell them through your broker or dealer.

If you wish to transfer all or a portion of your subscription rights, you should allow a sufficient amount of time prior to the time the subscription rights expire for the subscription agent to:

- receive and process your transfer instructions; and
- issue and transmit a new subscription rights certificate to your transferee or transferees with respect to transferred subscription rights, and to you with respect to any subscription rights you retained.

If you wish to transfer your subscription rights to any person other than a bank or broker, the signatures on your subscription rights certificate must be guaranteed by an eligible institution.

**General Considerations Regarding the Partial Exercise, Transfer or Sale of Subscription Rights.** The amount of time needed by your transferee to exercise or sell its subscription rights depends upon the method by which you, as the transferor, deliver the subscription rights certificates, the method of payment made by your transferee and the number of transactions which the holder instructs the subscription agent to effect. You should also allow up to ten business days for your transferee to exercise or sell the subscription rights that you transferred to it. Neither we nor the subscription agent will be liable to a transferee or transferor of subscription rights if subscription rights certificates or any other required documents are not received in time for exercise or sale prior to the expiration time.

You are responsible for all commissions, fees and other expenses (including brokerage commissions and transfer taxes) incurred in connection with the

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purchase, sale or exercise of your subscription rights, except that we will pay any fees of the subscription agent associated with this rights offering. Any amounts you owe will be deducted from your account.

If you do not exercise your subscription rights before the expiration date, your subscription rights will expire without value and will no longer be exercisable.

### Cancellation Rights

Our board of directors may cancel this rights offering, in whole or in part, in its sole discretion at any time prior to the time this rights offering expires for any reason (including a change in the market price of our common stock). If we cancel this rights offering, all outstanding subscription rights will expire without value and any funds you paid to the subscription agent will not be refunded. Holders of rights who exercised subscription rights prior to any such cancellation of this rights offering will receive certificates representing the shares of common stock purchased.

### No Board or Management Recommendation

An investment in shares of our common stock must be made according to each investor's evaluation of its own best interests and after considering all of the information in this prospectus, including the "Risk Factors" section of this prospectus. Our board of directors and our management makes no recommendation to subscription rights holders regarding whether they should exercise or sell their subscription rights. You should not view CD Holding's agreement to back-stop this rights offering as a recommendation or other indication by CD Holding or our board of directors that the exercise of your subscription rights is in your best interests.

### Shares of Common Stock Outstanding After the Rights Offering

Based on the 10,146,566 shares of our common stock issued and outstanding as of June 1, 2004, approximately 20,146,566 shares of our common stock will be issued and outstanding after this rights offering expires (assuming all of the rights are exercised), an increase in the number of outstanding shares of our common stock of approximately 98.5%. The 12,533.58 shares of our Series A preferred stock outstanding as of March 31, 2004 will remain outstanding.

### Effects of Rights Offering on Stock Option Plan

As of June 1, 2004, there were outstanding options to purchase 627,337 shares of our common stock at an exercise price of \$2.00 per share. The agreements governing these options have antidilution provisions that will be triggered by this rights offering. The number of shares of common stock for which options may be exercised will be increased and the exercise price per share will be decreased based upon the subscription price per share of the rights issued in this rights offering, the number of shares issuable in this rights offering and the current market price of our common stock. The aggregate exercise price applicable to the options will remain unchanged. After giving effect to this offering, there will be outstanding options to purchase \_\_\_\_\_ shares of our common stock at an exercise price of \$\_\_\_\_ per share.

### Effects of Rights Offering on Outstanding Warrants

As of June 1, 2004, there were outstanding warrants to purchase 2,431,517 shares of our common stock. The agreements governing these warrants have antidilution provisions that will be triggered by this rights offering. The exercise price of the warrants will be reduced to the subscription price, and the number of shares to be purchased under the warrants will be increased by dividing the subscription price into the aggregate exercise amount of the



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warrant prior to the reduction in the exercise price. Currently, the exercise price is \$4.00. This will be reduced to \$\_\_\_\_, and the number of shares to be purchased under each warrant will be \_\_\_\_\_, or 2,431,517 divided by \$\_\_\_\_. Additionally, if the holder of any warrant should exercise a warrant while there are rights outstanding, the total number of outstanding shares to be used in the

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determination of the number of shares to be purchased under the warrant will include the maximum number of shares deliverable upon the exercise of all of the rights.

### Dilutive Effects of Rights Offering

To the extent an stockholder does not exercise its rights in full, such stockholder's voting power and percentage equity interest in us, including its percentage interest in any future earnings, would suffer substantial dilution.

### Other Matters

We are not making this rights offering in any state or other jurisdiction in which it is unlawful to do so, nor are we distributing or accepting any offers to purchase any shares of our common stock from subscription rights holders who are residents of those states or other jurisdictions or who are otherwise prohibited by federal or state laws or regulations to accept or exercise the subscription rights. We may delay the commencement of this rights offering in those states or other jurisdictions, or change the terms of this rights offering, in whole or in part, in order to comply with the securities law or other legal requirements of those states or other jurisdictions. We may decline to make modifications to the terms of this rights offering requested by those states or other jurisdictions, in which case, if you are a resident in those states or jurisdictions or if you are otherwise prohibited by federal or state laws or regulations from accepting or exercising the subscription rights you will not be eligible to participate in this rights offering.

MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS OF  
FINANCIAL CONDITION AND RESULTS OF OPERATIONS

The following discussion and analysis of the Company's financial condition and results of operations is based in part on the financial statements and the notes thereto included elsewhere in this prospectus and should be read in conjunction therewith.

Critical Accounting Policies and Estimates

Our discussion and analysis of our financial condition and results of operations are based upon consolidated financial statements, which have been prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, or GAAP. The preparation of these financial statements requires us to make estimates and judgments that affect the reported amounts of assets, liabilities, revenues and expenses. Our significant accounting policies are described in Note 1 to our consolidated financial statements included elsewhere in this prospectus. We have identified certain of these policies as being of particular importance to the portrayal of our financial position and results of operations and which require the application of significant judgment by our management. We analyze our estimates, including those related to oil and gas properties, revenues recognition, income taxes and commitments and contingencies, and base our estimates on historical experience and various other assumptions that we believe to be reasonable under the circumstances. Actual results may differ from these estimates under different assumptions or conditions. We believe the following critical accounting policies affect our more significant judgments and estimates used in the preparation of our consolidated financial statements:

**Oil and Gas Properties.** The Company uses the full cost method of accounting for oil and gas operations. Accordingly, all costs, including nonproductive costs and certain general and administrative costs associated with acquisition, exploration and development of oil and gas properties, are capitalized. Net capitalized costs are limited to the estimated future net revenues, after income taxes, discounted at 10% per year, from proven oil and gas reserves and the cost of the properties not subject to amortization. Such capitalized costs, including the estimated future development costs and site remediation costs, if any, are depleted by an equivalent units-of-production method, converting gas to barrels at the ratio of six MCF of gas to one barrel of oil. No gain or loss is recognized upon the disposal of oil and gas properties, unless such dispositions significantly alter the relationship between capitalized costs and proven oil and gas reserves. Oil and gas properties not subject to amortization consist of the cost of undeveloped leaseholds and totaled \$1,600 at December 31, 2003 and March 31, 2004. These costs are reviewed periodically by management for impairment, with the impairment provision included in the cost of oil and gas properties subject to amortization. Factors considered by management in its impairment assessment include drilling results by Gulfport and other operators, the terms of oil and gas leases not held by production, and available funds for exploration and development.

**Income Taxes.** Gulfport uses the asset and liability method of accounting for income taxes, under which deferred tax assets and liabilities are recognized for the future tax consequences of (1) temporary differences between the financial statement carrying amounts and the tax bases of existing assets and

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liabilities and (2) operating loss and tax credit carryforwards. Deferred income tax assets and liabilities are based on enacted tax rates applicable to the future period when those temporary differences are expected to be recovered or settled. The effect of a change in tax rates on deferred tax assets and liabilities is recognized in income during the period the rate change is enacted. Deferred tax assets are recognized as income in the year in which realization becomes determinable.

Revenue Recognition. Gas revenues are recorded in the month produced using the entitlement method, whereby any production volumes received in excess of the Company's ownership percentage in the property are recorded as a liability. If less than Gulfport's entitlement is received, the underproduction is recorded as a receivable. There is no such liability or asset recorded at March 31, 2004 or December 31, 2003. Oil revenues are recognized when ownership transfers, which occurs in the month produced.

Commitments and Contingencies. Liabilities for loss contingencies arising from claims, assessments, litigation or other sources are recorded when it is probable that a liability has been incurred and the amount can be reasonably estimated.

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### Results of Operations

The markets for oil and gas have historically been, and will continue to be, volatile. Prices for oil and gas may fluctuate in response to relatively minor changes in supply and demand, market uncertainty and a variety of factors beyond the control of Gulfport. Set forth in the tables below are the average prices received by the Company and production volumes during the periods indicated.

	Three Months Ended March 31,		
	2004	2003	
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Production Volumes:			
Oil (MBBLS)	133	142	
Gas (MMCF)	15	26	
Average oil price (per Bbl)	\$ 32.56	\$ 28.91	
Average gas price (per Mcf)	\$ 3.30	\$ 4.23	
	2003	2002	2001
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Production Volumes:			
Oil (MBBLS)	571	464	595
Gas (MMCF)	123	103	71
Oil Equivalents (MBOE)	592	481	607
Average Prices:			
Oil (per BBL)	\$ 27.66 (1)	\$ 24.69 (2)	\$ 25.50
Gas (per MCF)	\$ 4.04	\$ 3.66	\$ 4.20
Oil Equivalents (per MBOE)	\$ 26.70	\$ 24.59	\$ 25.48
Average Production Costs (per BOE)	\$ 9.93 (3)	\$ 10.65 (3)	\$ 7.85
Average Production Taxes (per BOE)	\$ 3.17	\$ 2.81	\$ 2.88

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(1) Includes fixed contract prices of

January 2003	\$ 28.50
February 2003	\$ 28.34
March 2003	\$ 27.95
April 2003	\$ 27.08
May 2003	\$ 26.95
June 2003	\$ 24.27
July 2003	\$ 24.33
August 2003	\$ 24.42
September 2003	\$ 24.45
October 2003	\$ 24.45
November 2003	\$ 24.25
December 2003	\$ 24.10

Excluding the effect of the fixed price contracts, the average oil price for 2003 would have been \$32.38 per BBL and \$32.08 per BBL oil equivalent price.

- (2) Includes fixed contract prices of \$26.50 for the months May through October 2002 and \$25.90 for November and December
- (3) Does not include production taxes.

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### Comparison of the Three Months Ended March 31, 2004 and 2003

Gulfport reported net income attributable to common stock of \$40,000 for the three months ended March 31, 2004, as compared with net income attributable to common stock of \$850,000 for the three months ended March 31, 2003. The decrease in income attributable to common stock was primarily due to an increase in operating expenses, depreciation, depletion and amortization and interest expense on our Series A preferred stock. This decrease was partially offset by a 13% increase in average oil prices received for the three months ended March 31, 2004 as compared to the same period in 2003.

Oil and Gas Revenues. For the three months ended March 31, 2004, Gulfport reported oil and gas revenues of \$4,395,000, a 4% increase from revenues of \$4,218,000 during the same period in 2003. This increase in revenues is attributable to a 13% increase in the average oil price received for the three months ended March 31, 2004 of \$32.56 as compared to \$28.91 for the same period in 2003. This was partially offset by a 7% decrease in barrels of oil equivalents ("BOE's") produced to 136 BOE for the three months ended March 31, 2004 as compared to 142 BOE for the same period in 2003. This decrease in production was due mainly to natural production declines as well as additional declines from the high initial production rates attributable to the initial production from the Company's drilling program initiated in December 2002 during the three months ended March 31, 2004.

Operating Expenses. Lease operating expenses not including production taxes increased to \$1,448,000 for the three months ended March 31, 2004 as compared to \$1,251,000 for the same period in 2003. This increase was due primarily to non-capitalized LOE workovers performed during the period.

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Production Taxes. Production taxes increased slightly for the three months ended March 31, 2004 as compared to the same period in 2003 due to an increase in oil and gas revenues.

General and Administrative Expenses. Net general and administrative expenses increased to \$686,000 for the three months ended March 31, 2004 from \$572,000 for the same period in 2003. This increase was due to increases in the Company's reserve report costs, salary and benefits, legal expenses, 401(k) Company matching, and director's insurance which were partially offset by increases in capitalized general and administrative expenses of \$342,000 for the three months ended March 31, 2004 as compared to \$110,000 for the same period during 2003.

Interest Expense. Ordinary interest expense increased to \$42,000 for the three months ended March 31, 2004 from \$3,000 for the same period in 2003. This increase was due to an increase in the average debt outstanding for the three months ended March 31, 2004 as compared to the same period in 2003.

Interest Expense - Preferred Offering. In May 2003, the FASB issued SFAS No. 150, "Accounting for Certain Financial Instruments with Characteristics of both Liabilities and Equity." SFAS No. 150 establishes standards for how an issuer classifies and measures certain financial instruments with characteristics of both liabilities and equity. It requires that an issuer classify a financial instrument that is within its scope as a liability (or as an asset in some circumstances). Many of those instruments were previously classified as equity. SFAS No. 150 is generally effective for financial instruments entered into or modified after May 31, 2003, and otherwise is effective at the beginning of the first interim period beginning after June 15, 2003. Previously, our Series A preferred stock had been classified on our balance sheet between total liabilities and equity. Currently, the Company has recorded a liability related to the Series A preferred stock of \$12,534,000. As a result of the adoption of SFAS No. 150 in May 2003, the Company has recorded \$463,000 of interest expense for the three months ended March 31, 2004 on the preferred offering which would have previously been classified as a reduction in equity if there had been any for the same period in 2003.

Other changes in income for the three months ended March 31, 2004 as compared to the three months ended March 31, 2003 were attributable to the following factors:

Depreciation, Depletion and Amortization. Depreciation, depletion and amortization expense was \$1,133,000 for the three months ended March 31, 2004, consisting of \$1,080,000 in depletion on oil and gas properties, and \$53,000 in depreciation of other property and equipment. This is a 13% increase when compared to the 2003 depreciation, depletion and amortization expense of \$1,000,000. This increase is due primarily to the loss of barrels due to engineering revisions in the reserve report dated January 1, 2004.

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Income Taxes. As of March 31, 2004, the Company had a net operating loss carryforward of approximately \$98,000,000, in addition to numerous timing differences which gave rise to a deferred tax asset of approximately \$45,000,000, which was fully reserved by a valuation allowance at that date. Utilization of net operating loss carryforwards and other timing differences will be recognized as a reduction in income tax expense in the year utilized. No current tax provision was provided for the three-month period ended March 31, 2004.

Cumulative Effect of Accounting Change. On January 1, 2003, the Company

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adopted Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 143, "Accounting for Asset Retirement Obligations" ("SFAS No. 143"), which requires the Company to record a liability equal to the fair value of the estimated cost to retire an asset. The asset retirement liability is recorded in the period in which the obligation meets the definition of a liability, which is generally when the asset is placed into service. When the liability is initially recorded, the Company will increase the carrying amount of the related long-lived asset by an amount equal to the original liability. The liability is accreted to its present value each period, and the capitalized cost is depreciated over the useful life of the related long-lived asset. Any difference between costs incurred upon settlement of an asset retirement obligation and the recorded liability will be recognized as a gain or loss in the Company's earnings. The asset retirement obligation is based on a number of assumptions requiring professional judgment. The Company cannot predict the type of revisions to these assumptions that will be required in future periods due to the availability of additional information, including prices for oil field services, technological changes, governmental requirements and other factors. For the three months ended March 31, 2003 and upon adoption of SFAS No. 143, the Company recorded a net benefit of \$270,000 as the cumulative effect of a change in accounting principle. The non-cash transition adjustment increased oil and natural gas properties and asset retirement obligations by \$7,590,000 and \$7,370,000, respectively, and decreased accumulated depreciation by \$50,000.

### Comparison of Years Ended December 31, 2003 and 2002

Gulfport reported a net loss attributable to common stock of \$219,000 for the year ended December 31, 2003, as compared with a net loss attributable to common stock of \$625,000 for the year ended December 31, 2002. The decrease in loss attributable to common stock of \$406,000 was primarily due to an increase in oil and gas sales during 2003 as a result of increased production attributable to the Company's drilling program initiated in December 2002. In addition, during 2003, Gulfport had twelve full months of production. During 2002, as a result of Hurricane Lili, the Company experienced down time on its WCBB facility which resulted in a loss of production. Additionally, Gulfport's higher revenues was partially attributable to a 12% increase in average oil prices received for the year ended December 31, 2003 as compared to 2002. This reduction of net loss from 2003 was offset in part by an increase in operating expenses, depreciation, depletion and amortization and interest expense on the preferred stock.

Oil and Gas Revenues. For the year ended December 31, 2003, Gulfport reported oil and gas revenues of \$15,809,000, a 34% increase from revenues of \$11,450,000 in 2002. This \$3,980,000 increase in revenues is attributable to a 23% increase in BOE produced to 592 BOE for the year ended December 31, 2003 as compared to 481 BOE for 2002. This increase in production was due mainly to the Company's drilling program initiated in December 2002. In addition, during 2003, Gulfport had twelve full months of production. During 2002, as a result of Hurricane Lili, the Company experienced down time on its WCBB facility which resulted in a loss of production. Additionally, contributing to the increase in oil and gas revenue was a 12% increase in average oil prices received for the year ended December 31, 2003 as compared to 2002.

Operating Expenses Including Production Taxes. Total lease operating expenses including production taxes increased to \$7,768,000 for the year ended December 31, 2003 as compared to \$6,474,000 for the same period in 2002. This increase was due to primarily to non-capitalized lease operating expense for workovers performed during the period. In addition, production taxes increased for the year ended December 31, 2003 as compared to the same period in 2002 due to an increase in oil and gas revenues.

General and Administrative Expenses. Net general and administrative expenses decreased slightly to \$1,843,000 for the year ended December 31, 2003

from \$1,873,000 for 2002. This decrease was due primarily to an increase in administrative reimbursements from affiliated entities of \$764,000 for the year ended December 31, 2003 as compared to \$250,000 during 2002.

**Accretion Expense.** In August 2001, the Financial Accounting Standards Board ("FASB") issued SFAS No. 143, "Accounting for Asset Retirement Obligations." SFAS No. 143 requires entities to record the fair value of a liability for an asset retirement obligation in the period in which it is incurred. The liability is accreted to its present value each period, and the capitalized cost is depreciated over the useful life of the related long-lived asset. Any difference between costs incurred upon settlement of an asset retirement obligation and the recorded liability will be recognized as a gain or loss in the Company's earnings. Gulfport adopted SFAS No. 143 effective January 1, 2003. For the year ended December 31, 2003, Gulfport recognized \$393,000 in accretion expense related to SFAS No. 143. (See Note 21 to the Company's financial statements for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2003 included elsewhere in this prospectus).

**Interest Expense.** Ordinary interest expense decreased by \$69,000, or 62%, to \$112,000 for the year ended December 31, 2003 from \$181,000 for 2002. This decrease was due to a reduction of average debt outstanding during 2003.

**Interest Expense - Preferred Offering.** In May 2003, the FASB issued SFAS No. 150, "Accounting for Certain Financial Instruments with Characteristics of both Liabilities and Equity." SFAS No. 150 establishes standards for how an issuer classifies and measures certain financial instruments with characteristics of both liabilities and equity. It requires that an issuer classify a financial instrument that is within its scope as a liability (or as an asset in some circumstances). Many of those instruments were previously classified as equity. SFAS No. 150 is generally effective for financial instruments entered into or modified after May 31, 2003, and otherwise is effective at the beginning of the first interim period beginning after June 15, 2003. Previously, our Series A preferred stock had been classified on the balance sheet between total liabilities and equity. The Company has recorded a liability related to the Series A preferred stock of \$12,071,000. As a result of the adoption of SFAS No. 150 in May 2003, the Company has recorded \$875,000 of interest expense for the last six months of 2003 related to the outstanding Series A preferred stock which would have previously been classified as a reduction in equity. (See Note 21 to the Company's financial statements for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2003 included elsewhere in this prospectus).

**Litigation Trust.** Pursuant to Old WRT's 1997 plan of reorganization, all of Old WRT's possible causes of action against third parties (with the exception of certain litigation related to recovery of marine and rig equipment assets and claims against Tri-Deck Oil and Gas Company ("Tri-Deck")), existing as of the effective date of that plan, were transferred into a "Litigation Trust" controlled by an independent party for the benefit of most of Old WRT's existing unsecured creditors. The litigation related to recovery of marine and rig equipment and the Tri-Deck claims were subsequently transferred to the Litigation Trust as described below.

The Litigation Trust was funded by a \$3,000,000 cash payment which was made on the effective date of reorganization. Gulfport owns a 12% interest in the Litigation Trust with the other 88% being owned by the former general unsecured creditors of Old WRT. For financial statement reporting purposes, Gulfport has not recognized the potential value of recoveries which may ultimately be obtained, if any, as a result of the actions of the Litigation Trust, treating the entire \$3,000,000 payment as a reorganization cost at the time of the reorganization.

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On January 20, 1998, Gulfport and the Litigation Trust entered into a Clarification Agreement whereby the rights to pursue various claims reserved by Gulfport under the plan of reorganization were assigned to the Litigation Trust. In connection with this agreement, the Litigation Trust agreed to reimburse Gulfport \$100,000 for legal fees Gulfport had incurred in connection with these claims. As additional consideration for the contribution of this claim to the Litigation Trust, Gulfport is entitled to 20% to 80% of the net proceeds from these claims.

During 2002, Gulfport received \$160,000 in proceeds from the Litigation Trust. No proceeds were received from the Litigation Trust in 2003. Gulfport received \$160,000 from the Litigation Trust during 2002. No revenues were received from the Litigation Trust in 2003.

Other changes in income for the year ended December 31, 2003 as compared to the year ended December 31, 2002 were attributable to the following factors:

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Depreciation, Depletion and Amortization. Depreciation, depletion and amortization expense was \$4,637,000 for the year ended December 31, 2003, consisting of \$4,421,000 in depletion on oil and gas properties, \$210,000 in depreciation of other property and equipment and \$6,000 in amortization expense. This is a 37% increase when compared to the 2002 depreciation, depletion and amortization expense of \$3,386,000. This increase is due primarily to an increase in production for the year ended December 31, 2003 to 592 MBOE as compared to 481 MBOE in 2002 and the loss of reserves due to engineering revisions in the reserve report dated January 1, 2004. In addition, as a result of the adoption of SFAS 143 "Accounting for Asset Retirement Obligations," the amount to amortize increased by \$7,500,000 which resulted in additional depletion, depreciation and amortization. (See Note 21 to the Company's financial statements for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2003 included elsewhere in this prospectus).

Income Taxes. As of December 31, 2003, the Company had a net operating loss carryforward of approximately \$98,000,000, in addition to numerous timing differences which gave rise to a deferred tax asset of approximately \$45,000,000, which was fully reserved by a valuation allowance at that date. Utilization of net operating loss carryforwards and other timing differences will be recognized as a reduction in income tax expense in the year utilized. A current tax provision of \$490,000 was provided for the year ended 2003, which was fully offset by an equal income tax benefit due to operating loss carryforwards and other deferred tax assets.

### Capital Expenditures, Capital Resources and Liquidity

Net cash flow provided by operating activities for the three months ended March 31, 2004 was \$553,000, as compared to net cash flow provided by operating activities of \$6,525,000 during the same period in 2003. This was mainly due to the collection during 2003 of an insurance settlement in the amount of \$2,510,000 related to damage to the WCBB facility caused by Hurricane Lili (an additional \$1,000,000 advance had been paid to the Company during 2002), a reduction of net income of \$1,000,000, an increase in accounts receivable of \$979,000, a decrease in accounts payable and an increase in interest expense of \$463,000 as a result of the adoption of SFAS No. 150. Net cash flow provided by operating activities for the year ended December 31, 2003 was \$9,382,000, as compared to net cash flow provided by operating activities of \$4,030,000 for 2002. The increase was mainly due to the collection during 2003 of the insurance settlement, an increase in depreciation, depletion and amortization of \$1,265,000 and an increase in production due to factors described above and an



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increase in interest expense as a result of the adoption of SFAS No. 150.

Net cash used in investing activities for the three months ended March 31, 2004 was \$1,062,000 as compared to \$4,389,000 used during the same period in 2003. Mainly as a result of the Company's drilling programs initiated in December 2002, the Company spent \$3,778,000 in additions to oil and gas properties in the first three months of 2003 as compared to \$987,000 for the same period in 2004. This amount was primarily used for workover and recompletion activities on existing wells. During 2004, Gulfport financed its capital expenditures with cash flow provided by operations. Net cash used in investing activities for the year ended December 31, 2003 was \$11,127,000 as compared to \$8,904,000 used during 2002. Mainly as a result of the Company's drilling programs initiated in December 2002 and April 2003, the Company spent \$10,145,000 in additions to oil and gas properties in 2003. This amount consists primarily of \$5,600,000 for drilling activity and \$4,000,000 for other workover and recompletion activities on existing wells. In addition, another \$707,000 was spent on the clean up and repair of hurricane damage, \$40,000 was spent on the acquisition of other property and equipment, and the remaining expenditures were attributable to general and administrative costs capitalized to the full cost pool. During 2003, Gulfport financed its capital expenditures with cash flow provided by operations, borrowings from the Company's line of credit and the remaining proceeds from the issuance of the Series A preferred stock.

Net cash used in by financing activities for the three months ended March 31, 2004 and March 31, 2003 were \$6,000 and \$5,000, respectively, related to principal payments on borrowings. Net cash provided by financing activities for 2003 was \$2,178,000 as compared to \$4,906,000 provided during 2002. Net cash provided by financing activities in 2003 related to \$2,200,000 in proceeds received from borrowings on the Company's line of credit. Net cash provided by financing activities for 2002 consisted of \$6,029,000 from the issuance of the Series A preferred stock in 2002 and reduction of debt of \$1,123,000 during 2002.

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**Capital Resources.** In addition to cash generated by operating activities primarily related to funds from our producing oil and gas properties, our main capital resources are derived from the issuance of equity securities and borrowings under our bank and other credit facilities.

**Credit Facilities.** On June 20, 2002, the Company entered into a line of credit with the Bank of Oklahoma. Under the terms of the agreement, the Company was extended a commitment to borrow up to \$2,300,000. Amounts borrowed under the line bear interest at the prime rate charged from time to time by JPMorgan Chase plus 1%, with payments of interest on outstanding balances due monthly. On July 1, 2003, the Company renewed this line of credit and extended the maturity date to July 1, 2004. The outstanding balance under this credit facility was \$2,200,000 at March 31, 2004. The Company intends to extend the maturity date of this credit facility and, pending application of the net proceeds from the rights offering, may use a portion of the net proceeds from this rights offering to repay amounts outstanding under this credit facility.

In connection with this rights offering, on April 30, 2004, the Company entered into a \$3,000,000 revolving credit facility with CD Holding, L.L.C., a principal stockholder of the Company. Borrowings under the credit facility are due on the earlier of the closing of this rights offering and August 1, 2005 and bear interest at 10.0% per annum. Under the credit facility, CD Holding may, if it elects to do so, apply the outstanding principal amount and any accrued but unpaid interest either (1) to the subscription price payable upon exercise of the rights issued to CD Holding in the rights offering, or (2) to the purchase price for our common stock. Any amounts that remain outstanding after such

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application will be repaid with a portion of the net proceeds from the rights offering to the extent such funds are available. The credit facility provides that if this rights offering is not completed, CD Holding has the right to convert any borrowings plus any accrued but unpaid interest under the facility into shares of our common stock at a conversion price equal to \$1.20 per share of common stock.

On May 22, 2001, the Company entered into a revolving line of credit agreement with Gulfport Funding, LLC ("Gulfport Funding"), an affiliate of the Company. Under the terms of the agreement, the Company could borrow up to \$3,000,000, with borrowed amounts bearing interest at the prime rate charged from time to time by the Bank of America plus 4%. All outstanding principal amounts along with accrued interest were due on February 22, 2002. The Company paid a facility commitment fee of \$60,000 in connection with this line of credit. This fee was amortized over the life of the agreement. On March 29, 2002, the outstanding balance of this note payable, together with all accrued and unpaid interest, was satisfied in full through Gulfport Funding's participation in the Company's private placement offering of its Series A preferred stock as described below.

Issuance of Equity. In March 2002, the Company commenced a private placement offering of 10,000 units. Each unit consisted of (i) one share of Cumulative Preferred Stock, Series A, of the Company and (ii) a warrant to purchase up to 250 shares of common stock, par value \$0.01 per share, of the Company. Holders of the Series A preferred stock are entitled to receive dividends at the rate of 12% of the liquidation preference per annum payable quarterly in cash or, at the option of the Company for all quarters ending on or prior to March 31, 2004, payable in whole or in part in additional shares of Series A preferred stock at the rate of 15% of the liquidation preference per annum. The Company chose to pay dividends on the shares of Series A preferred stock with additional shares of Series A preferred stock for the quarterly periods ended March 31, June 30, September 30 and December 31, 2003 and March 31, 2004 and, as a result, had issued an additional 3,241.73 shares of Series A preferred stock as of March 31, 2004. For all quarters after March 31, 2004, dividends are payable in cash. However, the Board of Directors of the Company has approved and the Company has received the consent of holders of the requisite number of shares of Series A preferred stock to the amendment of the Company's Certificate of Designation with respect to the Series A preferred stock to give the Company the ability to pay dividends on the Series A preferred stock with additional shares of Series A preferred stock after March 31, 2004 for so long as such shares remain outstanding and prior to the mandatory redemption date. To the extent funds are legally available, the Company is obligated to declare and pay the dividends on the Series A preferred stock. The Series A preferred stock may be redeemed at any time for an amount per share equal to \$1,000 and all accrued and unpaid dividends thereon, whether or not declared or payable, and must be redeemed on March 29, 2007 for an amount per share equal to \$1,000 and all accrued and unpaid dividends thereon, whether or not declared or payable. Accordingly, the outstanding Series A preferred stock is treated as redeemable stock on the Company's balance sheet.

The Warrants have a term of ten years and an exercise price of \$4.00 per share of common stock, subject to adjustment under certain circumstances

including the occurrence of this rights offering. See "the Rights Offering-Effects of Rights Offering on Outstanding Warrants." The Company granted to holders of the Warrants certain demand and piggyback registration rights with respect to shares of common stock issuable upon exercise of the warrants.

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The Series A preferred stock offering was made available to stockholders (some of whom were affiliates) of the Company as of December 31, 2001 and who were accredited investors. Purchasers were able to participate up to their pro rata share of ownership in the Company as of December 31, 2001. As of April 15, 2002, the Company had closed on subscriptions totaling \$9,292,000 for 9,291.85 units, which included the conversion by Gulfport Funding, LLC of its \$3,000,000 loan along with the accumulated interest due from the Company for 3,262.98 units. Additionally, multiple entities controlled by the Company's majority stockholder participated in the offering by subscribing for 2,738 units at a cost of \$2,738,000.

During 2003, the Company hired Petrie Parkman & Co. to assist in a possible sale of its West Cote Blanche Bay Field (WCBB). As of the date of this prospectus, no sale is pending. It is the Board of Directors' determination that if a sale of WCBB is not consummated that it is in the best interests of the Company to undertake this rights offering. CD Holding, one of our principal stockholders, has agreed subject to certain conditions, to back-stop this rights offering for a commitment fee of 2% of the gross proceeds from this rights offering, which, at the option of CD Holding, may be applied to the subscription price payable upon exercise of the rights issued to it in this rights offering.

Liquidity and Capital Expenditures. Historically, our primary sources of funds have been cash flow from our producing oil and gas properties, the issuance of equity securities, borrowings under our bank and other credit facilities and, from time to time, the sale of oil and gas properties. Our ability to access any of these sources of funds can be significantly impacted by unexpected decreases in oil and natural gas prices. To mitigate the effects of dramatic commodity price fluctuations, we have entered into fixed price contracts for the WCBB production as follows:

May 2004	1000	bbls	@	day	\$30.85
June 2004	1000	bbls	@	day	\$30.85
July-December 2004	1000	bbls	@	day	\$33.60
January-June 2005	1000	bbls	@	day	\$33.10

The primary capital commitments faced by the Company are the capital requirements needed to continue developing the Company's proved reserves and obligations under Gulfport's credit facilities and its outstanding Series A preferred stock.

Gulfport's strategy is to continue to increase cash flows generated by its properties by undertaking new drilling, workover, sidetrack and recompletion projects in the fields to exploit its reserves. The Company has upgraded its infrastructure by enhancing its existing facilities to increase operating efficiencies, increase volume capacities and lower lease operating expenses. Additionally, Gulfport completed the reprocessing of its 3-D seismic data in its principal property, WCBB. The reprocessed data will continue to enable the Company's geophysicists to generate new prospects and enhance existing prospects in the intermediate zones in the field, thus creating a portfolio of new drilling opportunities.

In Gulfport's January 1, 2004 reserve report, 91% of Gulfport's net reserves were categorized as proved undeveloped. The proved reserves of Gulfport will generally decline as reserves are depleted, except to the extent that Gulfport conducts successful exploration or development activities or acquires properties containing proved developed reserves, or both. To realize reserves and increase production, the Company must continue its exploratory drilling, undertake other replacement activities or utilize third parties to accomplish those activities.

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Gulfport's inventory of prospects includes 137 proved undeveloped (PUD) wells at WCBB. The drilling schedule used in the reserve report anticipates that all of those wells will be drilled by 2011. Gulfport's proposed 2004 drilling program includes 12 wells at WCBB during 2004 at an estimated aggregate cost of \$9,600,000. In addition, Gulfport intends to workover ten existing wells at WCBB through the first quarter of 2005 at an estimated aggregate cost of \$1,000,000.

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Beginning in 2004, Gulfport intends to shoot 3-D seismic at East Hackberry Field at a total estimated cost of approximately \$4,500,000.

Gulfport leases office space in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma under a lease covering approximately 12,035 square feet. The monthly rent is approximately \$18,000. The Company recently entered into an agreement to purchase the office building it occupies. The building contains approximately 24,823 total rentable square feet. Assuming the purchase is consummated, immediately upon the closing the Company will have access to an additional 3,000 square feet with the unused space to be leased for approximately 12 months by the existing tenant/owner. At the end of the twelve-month period, the Company will either occupy or sub-lease any unused space. The Company is in the process of securing possible financing related to the building purchase. The effect on the Company's liquidity is expected to be minimal, as debt service costs are projected to be covered by the rental income generated.

The Company intends to use cash flows from operations and the net proceeds from this rights offering to meet its capital expenditure, debt repayment and other financial obligations during 2004.

### Commitments and Contingencies

#### Plugging and Abandonment Funds

In connection with the acquisition of a portion of its interest in the WCBB properties, the Company assumed the seller's obligation to contribute approximately \$18,000 per month through March 2004, to a plugging and abandonment trust and the obligation to plug a minimum of 20 wells per year for 20 years commencing March 11, 1997. ChevronTexaco retained a security interest in production from these properties until these abandonment obligations have been fulfilled. Beginning in 2007, the Company can access the trust for use in plugging and abandonment charges associated with the property. As of March 31, 2004, the plugging and abandonment trust totaled approximately \$2,807,000, including interest received during 2004 of \$3,000. The Company has plugged 132 wells at WCBB since it began its plugging program in 1997 and is current in its funding and plugging obligations.

In addition, the Company has letters of credit totaling \$200,000 secured by certificates of deposit being held for plugging costs in the East Hackberry field. Once specific wells are plugged and abandoned, the \$200,000 will be returned to the Company.

#### Texaco Global Settlement

Pursuant to the terms of a global settlement between ChevronTexaco and the State of Louisiana which includes the State Lease No. 50 portion of Gulfport's East Hackberry Field, Gulfport was obligated to commence drilling a well or other qualifying development operation on certain non-producing acreage in the field prior to March 1998. Because of prevailing market conditions during 1998, the Company believed it was commercially impractical to shoot seismic or commence drilling operations on the subject property. As a result, Gulfport has

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agreed to surrender approximately 440 non-producing acres in this field to the State of Louisiana. At March 31, 2004, Gulfport was in the process of releasing such acreage to the State of Louisiana.

### Accounting and Reporting Changes

#### SFAS No. 143

On January 1, 2003, the Company adopted Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 143, "Accounting for Asset Retirement Obligations" ("SFAS No. 143"), which requires the Company to record a liability equal to the fair value of the estimated cost to retire an asset. The asset retirement liability is recorded in the period in which the obligation meets the definition of a liability, which is generally when the asset is placed into service. When the liability is initially recorded, the Company will increase the carrying amount of the related long lived asset by an amount equal to the original liability. The liability is accreted to its present value each period, and the capitalized

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cost is depreciated over the useful life of the related long-lived asset. Any difference between costs incurred upon settlement of an asset retirement obligation and the recorded liability will be recognized as a gain or loss in the Company's earnings. The asset retirement obligation is based on a number of assumptions requiring professional judgment. The Company cannot predict the type of revisions to these assumptions that will be required in future periods due to the availability of additional information, including prices for oil field services, technological changes, governmental requirements and other factors. Upon adoption of SFAS No. 143, the Company recorded a net benefit of \$270,000 as the cumulative effect of a change in accounting principle. The non-cash transition adjustment increased oil and natural gas properties and asset retirement obligations by \$7,590,000 and \$7,370,000, respectively, and decreased accumulated depreciation by \$50,000.

The asset retirement obligation recognized by the Company at December 31, 2003, relates to the estimated costs to dismantle and abandon its investment in producing oil and gas properties and the related facilities. Of the total asset retirement liability, \$480,000 that has been classified as short-term is the estimated portion of the total liability to be settled during the next year as the Company meets its plugging and abandonment requirements as discussed in Note 8.

The pro forma asset retirement obligation as of December 31, 2002, was \$7,370,000. Pro forma net income for the period December 31, 2002, assuming SFAS No. 143 had been applied retroactively, is shown in the following table:

December 31, 2002  
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Net income available to common stockholders -	
As reported	\$ (625,000)
Pro forma	(340,000)
Net income per common share -	
As reported, basic	\$ (0.06)
Pro forma, basic	(0.03)
As reported, diluted	(0.06)
Pro forma, diluted	(0.03)

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SFAS No. 150

In May 2003, the FASB issued SFAS No. 150, "Accounting for Certain Financial Instruments with Characteristics of both Liabilities and Equity." SFAS No. 150 establishes standards for how an issuer classifies and measures certain financial instruments with characteristics of both liabilities and equity. It requires that an issuer classify a financial instrument that is within its scope as a liability (or as an asset in some circumstances). Many of those instruments were previously classified as equity. SFAS No. 150 is generally effective for financial instruments entered into or modified after May 31, 2003, and otherwise is effective at the beginning of the first interim period beginning after June 15, 2003. The Company has recorded a liability related to the Series A preferred stock of \$12,071,000. Previously, the Series A preferred stock had been classified on the balance sheet between total liabilities and equity. This amount represents the 12,071 preferred shares issued and outstanding as of December 31, 2003, at the redemption and liquidation value of \$1,000 per share. In the opinion of management, the \$1,000 per share redemption and liquidation value approximates fair value. The shares are mandatorily redeemable on the fifth anniversary of the first issuance of Series A preferred stock.

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### BUSINESS

#### Description of Business

Gulfport is an independent oil and gas exploration and production company with properties located along the Louisiana Gulf Coast. The Company's operations are concentrated in two fields: WCBB and the Hackberry Fields. As of January 1, 2004, the Company had 22 MMBOE of proved reserves with a present value of estimated future net reserves, discounted at 10%, of approximately \$210,000,000 and associated standardized measure of discounted future net cash flows of approximately \$194,000,000.

#### Principal Oil and Gas Properties

Gulfport owns interests in a number of producing oil and gas properties located along the Louisiana Gulf Coast. The following table presents certain information as of June 1, 2004 reflecting Gulfport's net interest in its producing oil and gas properties.

Field	NRI/WI (1) Percentages	Producing Wells (2)		Wells		Acreage (3)	
		Gross	Net	Gross	Net	Gross	Net
West Cote Blanche							
Bay (4) (5)	79.443/100	48	46	288	287	4,590	4,590
E Hackberry	78.7/100	11	11	72	70	3,147	3,147
W Hackberry	87.5/100	1	1	26	26	592	592
Overrides/Royalty							
Non-operated	Various	20	1	21	3	4,956	586
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Total	80	59	407	386	13,285	8,915
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- (1) Net Revenue Interest (NRI)/Working Interest (WI)
- (2) Additionally, East Hackberry has seven wells that produce intermittently, and WCBB has nine wells that produce intermittently.
- (3) All of Gulfport's acreage is developed acreage. All of the oil and gas leases in which Gulfport owns an interest have been perpetuated by production. The operator may surrender the leases at any time by notice to the lessors, or by the cessation of production.
- (4) Gulfport has a 100% working interest (79.443% average NRI) from the surface to the base of the 13,900 Sand which is located at 11,320 feet. Below the base of the 13,900 Sand, Gulfport has a 40.40% non-operated working interest (29.95% NRI).
- (5) By the time the field is retired, Gulfport will be required to plug and abandon approximately 400 wellbores. In order to meet this obligation, Gulfport has plugged at least twenty wells each year at WCBB since July of 1997 and, through March 2004, invested monthly in a plugging escrow account. The Company has met its funding obligation for the West Cote Blanche Bay Escrow Account. The account has a current balance of approximately \$2,800,000.

West Cote Blanche Bay Field

Location and Land

The WCBB lies approximately five miles off the coast of Louisiana, primarily in St. Mary Parish, in a shallow bay with water depths averaging eight

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to ten feet. Currently, Gulfport owns a 100% working interest (79.443% average NRI) and is the operator in the depths above the base of the 13,900 Sand which is located at 11,320 feet. In addition, Gulfport owns a 40.40% non-operated working interest (29.95% NRI) in depths below the base of the 13,900 Sand. ChevronTexaco is the operator below the base of the 13,900 Sand. Gulfport's leasehold at WCBB covers a portion of Louisiana State Lease 340 and contains 4,590 gross acres.

Area History and Production

Texaco drilled the discovery well in this field in 1940 based on a seismic and gravitational anomaly. WCBB was subsequently developed on an even 160-acre pattern for much of the remainder of the decade. Developmental drilling continued and reached its peak in the 1970's when over 300 wells were drilled in the field. Of the 880 wells drilled to date, only 80 were dry holes. As a result, the field has a historic success rate of over 90% for all wells drilled. Past successes do not assure similar results going forward. The historical average cumulative gross production for a producer in the field is 237 MBO, with over 100 of those wells (14% of total wells) producing in excess of 500 MBO. As of January 1, 2004, field cumulative gross production was 192 MMBO and 233 BCF of gas.

Of the 880 wells drilled in WCBB, 48 are currently producing, 273 are

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shut-in and five are salt water disposal wells. The other 554 wells have been plugged and abandoned. During 2003, Gulfport's net current daily production at WCBB averaged 1,326 MBO, 1,132 MCF of gas and 14,155 barrels of water. For the three months ended March 31, 2004, Gulfport's net daily production in this field averaged 1,467 barrels of oil.

In 1991, Texaco conducted a 70 square mile 3-D seismic survey with 1,100 shot points per mile that processed out 100 fold. In 1993, an undershoot survey around the crest and production facilities was added. Gulfport owns the rights to the seismic data. In December 1999, Gulfport completed the reprocessing of the seismic data and its technical staff developed prospects from the data. The reprocessed data has enabled Gulfport to identify prospects in areas of the field that would otherwise remain obscure.

Since Gulfport's acquisition of WCBB in 1997, Gulfport has drilled 37 new wells resulting in 32 producers and six dry holes, for an 83% success rate. In addition, we drilled two sidetrack re-entries, one of which was successful. These drilling projects have produced 1,914 gross MBOE with a total wellbore gross estimated ultimate recovery (EUR) of 5,599 MBOE. Gulfport has also re-completed 36 existing wells resulting in 24 producers and 12 failures for a 67% success rate. These re-completed wells have produced 700 gross MBOE with an estimated gross EUR of 851 MBOE.

### Geology

WCBB overlies one of the largest salt dome structures on the Gulf Coast. The field is characterized by a piercement salt dome, which created traps from the Pleistocene through the Miocene formation. The relative movements affected deposition and created a complex system of fault traps. The compensating fault sets generally trend northwest to southeast and are intersected by sets having a major radial component. Later-stage movement caused extension over the dome and a large graben system (a downthrown area bounded by normal faults) was formed.

There are over 100 distinct sandstone reservoirs recognized throughout most of the field, and nearly 200 major and minor discrete intervals have been tested. Within the 880 wellbores that have been drilled to date in the field, over 4,000 potential zones have been penetrated. These sands are highly porous and permeable reservoirs primarily with a strong water drive.

WCBB is a structurally and stratigraphically complex field. All of the proved undeveloped (PUD) locations at WCBB are adjacent to faults and abut at least one fault. Gulfport's PUD drilling program is designed to penetrate each PUD trap with a new wellbore in a structurally optimum position, usually very close to the fault seal. The majority of these wells have been and new wells drilled in connection with our drilling program will be directionally drilled using steering tools and downhole motors. The tolerance for error in getting

near the fault is low, so the complex faulting does introduce the risk of crossing the fault before encountering the zone of interest, which could result in part or all of the zone being absent in the borehole. This, in turn, can result in lower than expected or zero reserves for that zone. The new wellbores eliminate the mechanical risk associated with trying to produce the zone from an old existing wellbore, while the wellbore locations are situated so as to more efficiently drain each reservoir. The vast majority of the PUD targets are up-dip offsets to wells that produced from a sub-optimum position within a particular zone. Gulfport's inventory of prospects includes 137 PUD wells. The drilling schedule used in the reserve report anticipates that all of those wells will be drilled by 2011. Gulfport intends to drill 12 wells during 2004.



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### Facilities

Gulfport owns and operates a production facility at WCBB. The platform for the production facility stretches over a mile and is equipped with a 50 MMCF capacity dehydrating system and three 140 horsepower triplex saltwater disposal pumps.

### Future Activity

Gulfport is planning a 11 well drilling program for 2004 to begin in the summer of 2004. The wells are expected to range in depth from approximately 2,500 feet to 9,900 feet; all with multiple production horizon targets. The Company also plans to workover seven existing wells and convert an inactive well to a salt water disposal well during the second quarter of 2004.

### East Hackberry Field

#### Location and Land

The East Hackberry Field is located along the western shore of Lake Calcasieu in Cameron Parish, Louisiana approximately 80 miles west of Lafayette and 15 miles inland from the Gulf of Mexico. Gulfport owns a 100% working interest (approximately 79% average NRI) in certain producing oil and gas properties situated in the East Hackberry Field. The interest includes two separate lease blocks, the Erwin Heirs Block which is located on land and the adjacent State Lease 50 Block which is located primarily in the shallow waters of Lake Calcasieu. The two lease blocks together contain 3,147 acres.

#### Area History and Production

The East Hackberry field was discovered in 1926 by Gulf Oil Company (now ChevronTexaco Corporation) by a gravitational anomaly survey. The massive shallow salt stock presented an easily recognizable gravity anomaly indicating a productive field. Initial production began in 1927 and has continued to the present. The estimated cumulative oil and condensate production through 2003 was over 111 MBO with casinghead gas production being over 60 BCF of gas. There have been a total of 170 wells drilled on Gulfport's portion of the field. As of December 31, 2003, 11 wells had current daily production, 7 produced intermittently, 72 were shut-in and 4 had been converted to salt water disposal wells. The remaining 76 wells have been plugged and abandoned. During 2003, daily net production averaged 195 barrels of oil with a limited amount of net gas production.

#### Geology

The Hackberry Field is a major salt intrusive feature, elliptical in shape as opposed to a classic "dome," divided into East and West field entities by a saddle. Structurally, Gulfport's East Hackberry acreage is located on the eastern end of the Hackberry salt ridge. There are over 30 pay zones at this field. The salt intrusion formed a series of structurally complex and steeply dipping fault blocks in the Lower Miocene and Oligocene age rocks. These fault blocks serve as traps for hydrocarbon accumulation. Gulfport's wells currently produce from perforations found between 5,100 feet and 12,200 feet.

### Facilities

Gulfport has land-based production and processing facilities located at the East Hackberry Field. The facilities are comprised of two dehydrating units and

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four disposal pumps. Gulfport also has a field office that serves both the East and West Hackberry fields.

The Gulfport technical staff continues its effort to identify additional drilling, workover and recompletion candidates at East Hackberry. During 2004, Gulfport intends to shoot 3-D seismic at East Hackberry Field to allow us to undertake drilling at that field. Gulfport intends to image shallow horizons at depths of approximately 5,000 feet to 7,000 feet, and image steeply dipping targets as deep as 15,000 feet.

### West Hackberry Field

#### Location and Land

The West Hackberry Field is located on land and is five miles West of Lake Calcasieu in Cameron Parish, Louisiana, approximately 85 miles west of Lafayette and 15 miles inland from the Gulf of Mexico. Gulfport owns a 100% working interest (approximately 87.5% NRI) in 592 acres within the West Hackberry Field. Gulfport's leases at West Hackberry are located within two miles of one of the United States Department of Energy's Strategic Petroleum Reserves. This West Hackberry storage facility occupies 525 acres and has capacity to store 222 MBO in underground salt caverns.

#### Area History and Production

The first discovery well at West Hackberry was drilled in 1938 and the field was developed by Superior Oil Company (now Exxon-Mobil Corporation) between 1938 and 1988. The estimated cumulative oil and condensate production through 2003 was 170 MBO and 120 BCF of gas. There have been 36 wells drilled to date on Gulfport's portion of West Hackberry. Currently, one is producing, 26 are shut-in and one has been converted to a saltwater disposal well. The remaining eight wells have been plugged and abandoned. During 2003, daily net production averaged 18 barrels of oil and a limited amount of gas. Total net production per day for both Hackberry fields was 220 barrels of oil for the three-month period ended March 31, 2004.

#### Geology

Structurally, Gulfport's West Hackberry acreage is located on the western end of the Hackberry salt ridge. There are over 30 pay zones at this field. West Hackberry consists of a series of fault-bounded traps in the Oligocene-age Vincent and Keough sands associated with the Hackberry Salt Ridge. Recoveries from these thick, porous, water-drive reservoirs have resulted in per well cumulative production of almost 700 BOE.

#### Facilities

Gulfport has land-based production and processing facilities located at the West Hackberry field. Gulfport has two dehydrating units and one disposal pump. Gulfport maintains a field office that serves both the East and West Hackberry fields.

#### Additional Properties

In addition to its interests in WCBB, East Hackberry and West Hackberry,

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Gulfport owns working interests and overriding royalty interest in various fields as described in the following table:

Field	Parish	Acreage Working Interest	Overriding Royalty Interests	Producing Wells	Non-Producing Wells
Bayou Long	Iberia	3.125%	0%	1	0
Bayou Penchant	Terrebonne	3.125%	10.0%	8	9
Bayou Pigeon	Iberia	6.250%	0%	6	6
Deer Island	Terrebonne	6.250%	0%	3	3
Golden Meadow	Lafourche	3.125%	0%	0	1
Napoleonville	Assumption	10.000%	2.5%	3	0

Other Interests

Litigation Trust

Gulfport owns a 12% interest in the Trust (the "Litigation Trust") that was established in WRT's bankruptcy to pursue litigation connected with WRT. The Litigation Trust filed approximately 400 preference actions and several substantive actions alleging fraud, malpractice and other wrongdoings. At this time, Gulfport cannot estimate what the potential future recovery from the litigation will be. See additional discussion regarding the Litigation Trust in the footnotes to the Company's financial statements included elsewhere in this prospectus.

Oil and Gas Marketing

Gulfport sells its oil to Shell Trading Company ("Shell"). Shell takes custody of the oil at the barge inlet. Gulfport has entered into fixed price contracts for the first barrels of production in a day with the remainder being sold in accordance with posted price for West Texas/New Mexico Intermediate crude plus Platt's trade month average P+ value, plus or minus the Platt's WII/LLS differential less \$0.83 per barrel for transportation.

During 2003, Gulfport sold all of its oil production to Shell Trading Company and all of its gas production to ChevronTexaco. During 2002, approximately 87% of Gulfport's revenues from oil and gas sales were attributable to Shell.

Competition and Markets

Availability of Markets

The availability of a ready market for any oil and/or gas produced by Gulfport depends on numerous factors beyond the control of management, including but not limited to, the extent of domestic production and imports of oil, the proximity and capacity of gas pipelines, the availability of skilled labor, materials and equipment, the effect of state and federal regulation of oil and gas production and federal regulation of gas sold in interstate commerce. Oil and gas produced by Gulfport in Louisiana is sold to various purchasers who service the areas where Gulfport's wells are located. Gulfport's wells are not subject to any agreements that would prevent Gulfport from either selling its production on the spot market or committing such gas to a long-term contract; however, there can be no assurance that Gulfport will continue to have ready access to suitable markets for its future oil and gas production.

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### Impact of Energy Price Changes

Oil and gas prices can be extremely volatile and are subject to substantial seasonal, political and other fluctuations. The prices at which oil and gas produced by Gulfport may be sold is uncertain and it is possible that under some

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market conditions the production and sale of oil and gas from some or all of its properties may not be economical. The availability of a ready market for oil and gas and the prices obtained for such oil and gas, depend upon numerous factors beyond the control of Gulfport, including competition from other oil and gas suppliers and national and international economic and political developments. Because of all of the factors influencing the price of oil and gas, it is impossible to accurately predict future prices.

### Regulation

#### Regulation of Gas and Oil Production

Gas and oil operations are subject to various types of regulation by state and federal agencies. Legislation affecting the gas and oil industry is under constant review for amendment or expansion. Also, numerous departments and agencies, both federal and state, are authorized by statute to issue rules and regulations binding on the gas and oil industry and its individual members, some of which carry substantial penalties for failure to comply. The regulatory burden on the gas and oil industry increases the Company's cost of doing business and, consequently, affects its profitability.

Gulfport owns interests in a number of producing oil and gas properties located along the Louisiana Gulf Coast. The state of Louisiana regulates the production and sale of natural gas and crude oil, including requirements for obtaining drilling permits, the method of developing new fields, the spacing and operation of wells. In addition, regulations governing conservation matters aimed at preventing the waste of gas and oil resources could affect the rate of production and may include maximum daily production allowables for wells on a market demand or conservation basis.

#### Oil Price Controls

Sales of crude oil, condensate and gas liquids by the Company are not regulated and are made at market prices.

#### Environmental Regulation

The Company's natural gas and oil exploration, development and production operations are subject to stringent federal, state and local laws and regulations governing the discharge of materials into the environment or otherwise relating to environmental protection. Numerous governmental agencies, such as the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), issue regulations to implement and enforce such laws, which often require difficult and costly compliance measures that carry substantial administrative, civil and criminal penalties or may result in injunctive relief for failure to comply. These laws and regulations may require the acquisition of a permit before drilling commences, restrict the types, quantities and concentrations of various substances that can be released into the environment in connection with drilling and production activities, limit or prohibit construction or drilling activities on certain lands lying within wilderness, wetlands, ecologically sensitive and other protected areas, require remedial action to prevent pollution from former operations, such as plugging abandoned wells or closing pits, and impose

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substantial liabilities for pollution resulting from the Company's operations. The regulatory burden on the natural gas and oil industry increases the cost of doing business and consequently affects profitability. Changes in environmental laws and regulations occur frequently, and any changes that result in more stringent and costly waste handling, storage, transport, disposal or cleanup requirements could materially adversely affect the Company's operations and financial position, as well as the gas and oil industry in general. Management believes that the Company is in substantial compliance with current applicable environmental laws and regulations and the Company has not experienced any material adverse effect from compliance with these environmental requirements; this trend, however, may not continue in the future.

The Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act, as amended, also known as CERCLA or Superfund, and comparable state laws impose liability without regard to fault or the legality of the original conduct on certain classes of persons who are considered to be responsible for the release of a "hazardous substance" into the environment. These persons include the

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owner or operator of the disposal site or sites where the release occurred and companies that disposed or arranged for the disposal of the hazardous substances found at the site. Under CERCLA, such persons may be subject to joint and several liability for the costs of cleaning up the hazardous substances that have been released into the environment, for damages to natural resources and for the costs of certain health studies, and it is not uncommon for neighboring landowners and other third parties to file claims for personal injury and property damage allegedly caused by the release of hazardous substances or other pollutants into the environment.

The Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA), as amended, generally does not regulate most wastes generated by the exploration and production of natural gas and oil. RCRA specifically excludes from the definition of hazardous waste "drilling fluids, produced waters, and other wastes associated with the exploration, development, or production of crude oil, natural gas or geothermal energy." However, these wastes may be regulated by the EPA or state agencies as solid waste. Moreover, ordinary industrial wastes, such as paint wastes, waste solvents, laboratory wastes and waste compressor oils, may be regulated as hazardous waste. Although the costs of managing solid and hazardous waste may be significant, the Company does not expect to experience more burdensome costs than similarly situated companies involved in natural gas and oil exploration and production.

The Company currently owns or leases, and has in the past owned or leased, numerous properties that for many years have been used for the exploration and production of gas and oil. Although the Company has utilized operating and disposal practices that were standard in the industry at the time, hydrocarbons or other wastes may have been disposed of or released on or under the properties owned or leased by the Company or on or under other locations where such wastes have been taken for disposal. In addition, many of these properties have been operated by third parties whose treatment and disposal or release of hydrocarbons or other wastes was not under the Company's control. These properties and the wastes disposed thereon may be subject to CERCLA, RCRA and analogous state laws. Under such laws the Company could be required to remove or remediate previously disposed wastes or property contamination, or to perform remedial plugging or pit closure operations to prevent future contamination.

The Federal Water Pollution Control Act of 1972, as amended, also known as the Clean Water Act, and analogous state laws impose restrictions and strict controls regarding the discharge of pollutants, including produced waters and other gas and oil wastes, into state waters or waters of the United States. The

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discharge of pollutants into regulated waters is prohibited, except in accordance with the terms of a permit issued by the EPA or the state. These proscriptions also prohibit certain activity in wetlands unless authorized by a permit issued by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers. The EPA has also adopted regulations requiring certain gas and oil exploration and production facilities to obtain permits for storm water discharges. Costs may be associated with the treatment of wastewater or developing and implementing storm water pollution prevention plans. The Company's management believes that the Company has obtained or applied for all permits required under the Clean Water Act. Sanctions for failure to comply with Clean Water Act requirement include administrative, civil and criminal penalties, as well as injunctive relief.

The Clean Air Act (CAA), as amended, restricts the emission of air pollutants from many sources, including natural gas and oil operations. New facilities may be required to obtain permits before work can begin, and existing facilities may be required to incur capital costs in order to remain in compliance. In addition, more stringent regulations governing emissions of toxic air pollutants are being developed by the EPA, and may increase the costs of compliance for some facilities. The Company's management believes that the Company is in substantial compliance with all air emissions regulations and that the Company has or has applied for all necessary permits for its operations.

### Operational Hazards and Insurance

Gulfport's operations are subject to all of the risks normally incident to the production of oil and gas, including blowouts, cratering, pipe failure, casing collapse, oil spills and fires, each of which could result in severe damage to or destruction of oil and gas wells, production facilities or other property, or injury to persons. The energy business is also subject to environmental hazards, such as oil spills, gas leaks, and ruptures and discharge of toxic substances or gases that could expose Gulfport to substantial liability due to pollution and other environmental damage. Although Gulfport maintains

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insurance coverage considered to be customary in the industry for a company its size, it is not fully insured against certain of these risks, either because such insurance is not available or because of high premium costs. The occurrence of a significant event that is not fully insured against could have a material adverse effect on Gulfport's financial position.

### Headquarters and Other Facilities

Gulfport leases office space in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma under a lease covering approximately 12,035 square feet. The monthly rent is approximately \$18,000. Gulfport has recently entered into an agreement to purchase the building. See "Management Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations-Capital Expenditures, Capital Resources and Liquidity" for additional information regarding the proposed purchase.

In 1996, Gulfport purchased a building in Lafayette, Louisiana to be used as Gulfport's Louisiana headquarters. The 16 year-old building contains 12,480 total square feet with 6,180 square feet of finished office area and 6,300 square feet of clear span warehouse area. This building allows Gulfport to provide office space for Louisiana personnel, have access to meeting space close to the fields and maintain a corporate presence in Louisiana.

### Employees

At March 31, 2004, Gulfport had 28 employees. A Louisiana well servicing company serves as contract operator of the fields and provides all necessary

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field personnel.

### Oil & Gas Reserves

The oil and gas reserve information set forth below represents estimates as prepared by the independent engineering firm of Netherland, Sewell & Associates, Inc. Reserve engineering is a subjective process of estimating volumes of economically recoverable oil and gas that cannot be measured in an exact manner. The accuracy of any reserve estimate is a function of the quality of available data and of engineering and geological interpretation. As a result, the estimates of different engineers often vary. In addition, the results of drilling, testing and production may justify revisions of such estimates. Accordingly, reserve estimates often differ from the quantities of oil and gas that are ultimately recovered. Estimates of economically recoverable oil and gas and of future net revenues are based on a number of variables and assumptions, all of which may vary from actual results, including geologic interpretation, prices, and future production rates and costs.

The following table sets forth estimates of the proved oil and gas reserves of Gulfport at January 1, 2004, as estimated by Netherland, Sewell & Associates, an independent engineering firm.

	JANUARY 1, 2004		
	Developed	Undeveloped	Total
Proved Reserves			
Oil (MBBLS)	1,790	18,093	19,883
Gas (MMCF)	1,257	12,267	13,524
MBOE	1,999	20,138	22,137
Year-end present value of estimated future net revenue, discounted at 10% (Pre-tax)	\$ 25,350,000	\$ 184,188,000	\$ 209,538,000

Total proved reserves decreased to 22,137 MBOE at January 1, 2004 from 26,090 at January 1, 2003. This decrease in reserves is mainly attributable to normal production declines and engineering revisions.

The estimated future net revenues set forth above were determined by using reserve quantities of proved reserves and the periods in which they are expected

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to be developed and produced based on economic conditions prevailing at January 1, 2004. The estimated future production is priced at December 31, 2003 without escalation using \$32.52 per BBL and \$6.19 per MCF, adjusted by lease for transportation fees and regional price differentials.

In compliance with federal law, Gulfport files annual reports with the Energy Information Agency of the U.S. Department of Energy with respect to its production of oil and gas during each calendar year and its estimated oil and gas reserves at the end of each year. The reserves reported in Gulfport's filing to the U.S. Department of Energy do not differ more than five percent from those disclosed in this prospectus.

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### Production, Prices, and Production Costs

The following are tables of Gulfport's average prices received and production volumes during the periods indicated:

	Three Months Ended March 31,		
	2004	2003	
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Production Volumes:			
Oil (MBBLS)	133	142	
Gas (MMCF)	15	26	
Average oil price (per Bbl)	\$ 32.56	\$ 28.91	
Average gas price (per Mcf)	\$ 3.30	\$ 4.23	
	2003	2002	2001
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Production Volumes:			
Oil (MBBLS)	571	464	595
Gas (MMCF)	123	103	71
Oil Equivalentents (MBOE)	592	481	607
Average Prices:			
Oil (per BBL)	\$ 27.66 (1)	\$ 24.69 (2)	\$ 25.50
Gas (per MCF)	\$ 4.04	\$ 3.66	\$ 4.20
Oil Equivalentents (per MBOE)	\$ 26.70	\$ 24.59	\$ 25.48
Average Production Costs (per BOE)	\$ 9.93 (3)	\$ 10.65 (3)	\$ 7.85
Average Production Taxes (per BOE)	\$ 3.17	\$ 2.81	\$ 2.88

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 (1) Includes fixed contract prices of

January 2003	\$ 28.50
February 2003	\$ 28.34
March 2003	\$ 27.95
April 2003	\$ 27.08
May 2003	\$ 26.95
June 2003	\$ 24.27
July 2003	\$ 24.33
August 2003	\$ 24.42
September 2003	\$ 24.45
October 2003	\$ 24.45
November 2003	\$ 24.25
December 2003	\$ 24.10

Excluding the effect of the fixed price contracts, the average oil price for 2003 would have been \$32.38 per BBL and \$32.08 per BBL oil equivalent price.



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(2) Includes fixed contract prices of \$26.50 for the months May through October 2002 and \$25.90 for November and December.

(3) Does not include production taxes.

### Drilling and Recompletion Activities

The following table contains data with respect to certain of Gulfport's field operations during the years ended December 31, 2003, 2002 and 2001.

	2003		2002		2001
	Gross	Net	Gross	Net	Gross
Recompletions, Sidetracks and Deepenings:					
Oil	8	8	4	4	6
Gas	0	0	0	0	0
Non-Productive	1	1	0	0	0
<b>TOTAL:</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>6</b>
Exploratory - non-productive	0	0	1	1	0
Development Wells:					
Oil	7	7	8	8	7
Gas	0	0	0	0	0
Non-Productive	1	1	1	1	0
<b>TOTAL:</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>7</b>

### Title to Oil and Gas Properties

It is customary in the oil and gas industry to make only a cursory review of title to undeveloped oil and gas leases at the time they are acquired and to obtain more extensive title examinations when acquiring producing properties. In future acquisitions, Gulfport will conduct title examinations on material portions of such properties in a manner generally consistent with industry practice. Certain of Gulfport's oil and gas properties may be subject to title defects, encumbrances, easements, servitudes or other restrictions, none of which, in management's opinion, will in the aggregate materially restrict Gulfport's operations.

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The officers and directors of Gulfport are as follows:

Name	Age	Position
Mike Liddell	50	Chairman of the Board, Chief Executive Officer, President and Director
Michael G. Moore	47	Vice President and Chief Financial Officer
Lisa Holbrook	33	Vice President, General Counsel and Secretary
*Robert E. Brooks	57	Director
*David L. Houston	51	Director
Mickey Liddell	42	Director
*Dan Noles	56	Director

\*Members of Gulfport's Audit Committee.

Mike Liddell has served as a director of Gulfport since July 11, 1997, as Chief Executive Officer since April 28, 1998 and as Chairman of the Board since July 28, 1998. Mr. Liddell has served as President of Gulfport since July 2000. In addition, Mr. Liddell served as Chief Executive Officer of DLB from October 1994 to April 28, 1998, and as a director of DLB from 1991 through April 1998. From 1991 to 1994, Mr. Liddell was President of DLB. From 1979 to 1991, he was President and Chief Executive Officer of DLB Energy. He received a B.S. degree in education from Oklahoma State University. He is the brother of Mickey Liddell and brother in law of Dan Noles.

Michael G. Moore has served as Vice President and Chief Financial Officer since July 2000. From May 1998 through July 2000, Mr. Moore served as Vice President and Chief Financial Officer of Indian Oil Company. From September 1995 through May 1998, Mr. Moore served as Controller of DLB Oil & Gas, Inc. Prior to that, Mr. Moore served as Controller of LEDCO, Inc., a Houston based gas marketing company. Mr. Moore received his B.B.A degree in finance from the University of Central Oklahoma in 1982 and in 1987 also completed his M.B.A. from the University of Central Oklahoma.

Lisa Holbrook has served as Vice President and Secretary of Gulfport since November 5, 1999, and as General Counsel since April 28, 1998. In addition, Ms. Holbrook served as Assistant General Counsel of DLB until April 1998. In 1996, Ms. Holbrook received her J.D. from Oklahoma City University Law School where she graduated with highest distinction.

Robert E. Brooks has served as a director of Gulfport since July 11, 1997. Mr. Brooks is currently president of Delphi Oil & Gas, Inc. From 1997 to 2002, Mr. Brooks was a partner with Brooks Greenblatt, a commercial finance company located in Baton Rouge, Louisiana that was formed by Mr. Brooks in July 1997. Mr. Brooks is a Certified Public Accountant and was Senior Vice President in charge of Asset Finance and Managed Assets for Bank One, Louisiana between 1993 and July 1997. He received his B.S. degree from Purdue University in mechanical engineering in 1969. He obtained graduate degrees in finance and accounting from the Graduate School of Business at the University of Chicago in 1974.

David Houston has served as a director of Gulfport since July 1998. Since 1991, Mr. Houston has been the principal of Houston & Associates, a firm that offers life and disability insurance, compensation and benefits plans and estate planning. Prior to 1991, he was President and Chief Executive Officer of Equity Bank for Savings, F.A., a \$600,000,000, Oklahoma-based savings bank. He

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currently serves on the board of directors and executive committee of Deaconess Hospital, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, and is the former chair of the Oklahoma State Ethics Commission and the Oklahoma League of Savings Institutions. He received a Bachelor of Science degree in business from Oklahoma State University and a graduate degree in banking from Louisiana State University.

Mickey Liddell has served as a director of the Company since January 1999. Since 2001, Mr. Liddell has been the President of Berlanti-Liddell Entertainment, LLC, a television and motion picture production company. From

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2000 through 2001, Mr. Liddell served as President of Entertainment Services, LLC. From 1994 through 1999, Mr. Liddell served as President of Banner Entertainment, LLC. Both Banner Entertainment LLC and Mr. Liddell filed for bankruptcy in 1999. Mr. Liddell received a Bachelor of Arts from the University of Oklahoma in Communications in 1984 and a graduate degree from Parson School of Design in New York, New York in 1987. He is the brother of Mike Liddell and brother-in-law of Dan Noles.

Dan Noles has served as a director of the Company since January 2000. Mr. Noles is the President of Dan Noles Construction LLC. Prior to that he served as the President of Atoka Management Company, an oilfield equipment company. Mr. Noles received his Bachelor degree in Finance from the University of Oklahoma in 1970. Mr. Noles is the brother-in-law of Mike Liddell and Mickey Liddell.

### Executive Compensation

The following table sets forth the compensation information earned during 2003, 2002 and 2001 by the Chief Executive Officer and by the two other most highly compensated executive officers of the Company whose annual salary and bonus exceeded \$100,000 (the "named executives"), in all capacities in which they served during that period.

Name and Principal Position	Year	Annual Compensation (1)		All Other Compensation (2)
		Salary	Bonus	
Mike Liddell Chief Executive Officer	2003	\$218,566	\$24,000	\$19,500
	2002	200,000	24,000	19,142
	2001	200,000	16,667	17,516
Michael Moore Vice President & Chief Financial Officer	2003	105,000	13,800	\$7,128
	2002	105,000	23,800	8,094
	2001	105,000	12,600	6,623
Lisa Holbrook Vice President & General Counsel	2003	105,000	\$13,800	\$7,128
	2002	103,750	23,650	7,983
	2001	90,000	10,800	5,448

(1) Amounts shown include cash and non-cash compensation earned and received by the named executives as well as amounts earned but deferred at their election. The Company provides various perquisites to certain employees, including the named executives. In each case, the aggregate value of the perquisite provided to the named executives did not exceed 10% of such

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named executive's total annual salary and bonus.

- (2) Amounts for Mike Liddell include the Company's matching 401(k) plan contributions of \$12,000, \$13,717 and \$10,291 during 2003, 2002 and 2001 respectively and life insurance premium payments of \$7,500, \$5,425 and \$7,225 during 2003, 2002 and 2001 respectively. Amounts for Michael Moore and Lisa Holbrook represent the Company's matching 401(k) plan contributions during each of the indicated years.

### Stock Options

No options were granted to the named executives or directors in 2003.

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The following table sets forth the number of unexercised options held by named executives as of December 31, 2003. No options were exercised by named executives in 2001, 2002 or 2003.

Name	Number of Securities Underlying Unexercised Options at Fiscal Year End		Value of Unexercised In the Money Options Year End	
	Exercisable	Un-exercisable	Exercisable	Unexercisable
Mike Liddell (1)	457,270	-	\$411,543	-
Lisa Holbrook (1)	10,000	-	9,000	-
Mike Moore (1)	10,000	-	9,000	-

- (1) These options were exercisable at \$2.00 per share. The Company's common stock closed at \$2.90 on December 31, 2003 as reported by the NASD OTC Bulletin Board.

### Employment Agreements

In June 2003, the Company renewed a five year employment agreement with its Chief Executive Officer, Mike Liddell. The employment agreement terminates on June 1, 2009. The employment agreement provides an annual base salary of \$200,000 adjusted for cost of living increases. The employment agreement contains a change of control provision which guarantees Mr. Liddell one-year salary upon the occurrence of a change of control in the Company.

### Liability of Directors and Officers and Indemnification

As permitted by the DGCL, the Company's Certificate of Incorporation eliminates in certain circumstances the monetary liability of the directors for a breach of their fiduciary duty. These provisions do not eliminate liability of the directors for (i) a breach of the director's duty of loyalty to the Company or its Stockholders, (ii) acts or omissions by a director not in good faith or which involve intentional misconduct or a knowing violation of law, (iii) liability arising under Section 174 of the DGCL (relating to the

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declaration of dividends and purchase or redemption of shares in violation of the DGCL) or (iv) any transaction from which the director derived an improper personal benefit. In addition, these provisions do not eliminate the liability of a director for violations of the Federal securities laws, nor do they limit the rights of the Company or its Stockholders, in appropriate circumstances, to seek equitable remedies such as injunctive or other forms of non-monetary relief. Such remedies may not be effective in all cases.

The Bylaws provide that the Company shall indemnify its directors and officers to the fullest extent permitted by the DGCL. Under such provisions, any director or officer, who in his capacity as such, is made or threatened to be made a party to any suit or proceeding, may be indemnified if the Board of Directors determines such director or officer acted in good faith and in a manner he reasonably believed to be in or not opposed to the best interest of the Company. The Bylaws and the DGCL, further provide that such indemnification is not exclusive of any other rights to which such individuals may be entitled under the Certificate of Incorporation, the Bylaws, any agreement, vote of Stockholders or disinterested directors or otherwise.

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### Securities Authorized for Issuance under Equity Compensation Plans

The following table sets forth certain information, as of December 31, 2003, with respect to all compensation plans previously approved by the Company's security holders, as well as compensation plans not previously approved by the Company's security holders.

	Number of Securities To be Issued Upon Exercise of Outstanding Options, Warrants and Rights	Weighted Average Exercise Price of Outstanding Options, Warrants and Rights		Number of Securities Remaining Available For Future Issuance Under Equity Compensation Plans (Excluding Securities Reflected in Far Column)
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Equity compensation plans approved by security holders	627,337	\$2.00		255,663
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Equity compensation plans not approved by security holders	--	--		--
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Total	627,337 =====	\$2.00 =====	255,663 =====
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PRINCIPAL STOCKHOLDERS

The following table sets forth certain information regarding the beneficial ownership of our common stock as of June 1, 2004, without giving effect to this rights offering, by (i) each director, (ii) each named executive officer, (iii) each person known or believed by the Company to own beneficially five percent or more of our common stock, and (iv) all directors and executive officers as a group.

Name and Address of Beneficial Owner (1)	Beneficial Ownership	
	Shares	Percentage (2)
Charles E. Davidson (3) 411 West Putnam Avenue Greenwich, CT 06830	8,177,595	67.2%
Peter M. Faulkner (4) 767 Third Avenue, Fifth Floor New York, NY 10017	602,565	5.9%
Mike Liddell (5)	1,169,416	11.0%
Robert Brooks (6)	20,000	*

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David Houston (7)	20,000	*
Mickey Liddell (8)	20,000	*
Dan Noles (9)	20,000	*
Lisa Holbrook (10)	10,000	*
Michael G. Moore (11)	10,000	*
All directors and executive officers as a group (7 individuals)	1,269,416	12.5%
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\* Less than one percent

- (1) Unless otherwise indicated, each person or group has sole voting and sole dispositive power with respect to all listed shares. The address of the Company's directors and executive officers is 14313 N. May Avenue, Suite 100, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma 73134.
- (2) Beneficial ownership is determined in accordance with the SEC's rules. In computing percentage ownership of each person, shares of common stock subject to options held by that person that are currently exercisable, or exercisable within 60 days of the Record Date, are deemed to be beneficially owned. These shares, however, are not deemed outstanding for the purpose of computing the percentage ownership of each other person. The percentage of shares beneficially owned is based on 10,146,566 shares of common stock outstanding as of June 1, 2004.
- (3) Includes 3,574,722 shares of our common stock held by CD Holding, L.L.C. and 784,273 shares of our common stock held in an IRA for Mr. Davidson. Mr. Davidson is the sole member of CD Holding, L.L.C. Mr. Davidson is the Chairman and controlling member of Wexford Management, L.L.C. In addition, the amount includes 1,795,860 shares of common stock owned by the following investment funds (the "Wexford Entities") that are affiliated with Wexford Management: Wexford Special Situations 1996, L.P.; Wexford Special Situations 1996 Institutional, L.P.; Wexford Special Situations 1996, Limited; Wexford-Euris Special Situations 1996, L.P.; Wexford Spectrum

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Investors, L.L.C.; Wexford Capital Partners II, L.P.; Wexford Overseas Partners I, L.P. Includes 2,022,740 shares of common stock issuable upon the exercise of warrants that are currently exercisable owned by the following investment funds that are affiliated with Wexford Management: Wexford Special Situations 1996, Limited; Wexford-Euris Special Situations 1996, L.P.; Wexford Spectrum Investors, L.L.C.; Wexford Capital Partners II, L.P.; Wexford Overseas Partners I, L.P. Mr. Davidson disclaims beneficial ownership of the 1,795,860 shares of our common stock and warrants to purchase 2,022,740 shares of our common stock owned by the Wexford Entities.

- (4) Represents shares of our common stock owned by Rumpere Capital Trading Partners, Ltd. and PMF Partners, LLC.
- (5) Includes 712,146 shares of our common stock held of record by Liddell Investments, L.L.C. Mr. Liddell is the sole member of Liddell Investments,

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L.L.C. Also includes 457,270 shares of common stock issuable upon the exercise of options that are currently exercisable or exercisable within 60 days of June 1, 2004.

- (6) Represents 20,000 shares of our common stock issuable upon the exercise of stock options that are currently exercisable or exercisable within 60 days of June 1, 2004.
- (7) Represents 20,000 shares of our common stock issuable upon the exercise of stock options that are currently exercisable or exercisable within 60 days of June 1, 2004.
- (8) Represents 20,000 shares of our common stock issuable upon the exercise of stock options that are currently exercisable or exercisable within 60 days of June 1, 2004.
- (9) Represents 20,000 shares of our common stock issuable upon the exercise of stock options that are currently exercisable or exercisable within 60 days of June 1, 2004.
- (10) Represents 10,000 shares of our common stock issuable upon the exercise of stock options that are currently exercisable or exercisable within 60 days of June 1, 2004.
- (11) Represents 10,000 shares of our common stock issuable upon the exercise of stock options that are currently exercisable or exercisable within 60 days of June 1, 2004.

### CERTAIN RELATIONSHIPS AND RELATED TRANSACTIONS

#### Management Services

The Company's personnel help manage oil and gas and oil and gas related assets owned by affiliates of its largest stockholder. The Company is reimbursed an amount equal to the pro rata share of time its employees spend performing such services and overhead. In 2003, the amount billed by the Company for such services and overhead totaled approximately \$764,000, of which \$379,000 remained outstanding as of December 31, 2003. At March 31, 2004, the receivable amount totaled \$542,000.

#### Issuance of Series A Preferred Stock

In March 2002, the Company commenced a private placement offering of 10,000 units. Each unit consisted of (i) one share of Cumulative Preferred Stock,



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Series A, of the Company and (ii) a warrant to purchase up to 250 shares of common stock, par value \$0.01 per share, of the Company. Gulfport Funding, LLC and several of its affiliates purchased an aggregate of 6,000.98 units in that offering. See "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Conditions and Results of Operations - Capital Resources - Issuance of Equity" for additional information.

### Back-stop Agreement

Pursuant to an agreement between us and CD Holding, L.L.C., dated April 14, 2004, CD Holding agreed, subject to certain conditions, to back-stop this rights offering by purchasing all of the shares of our common stock that are not otherwise subscribed for by the other holders of subscription rights under their basic subscription privileges and over-subscription privileges. In return for its agreement to back-stop this rights offering, CD Holding will receive a commitment fee equal to 2% of the gross proceeds of this rights offering, which, at the option of CD Holding, may be applied to the subscription price payable upon exercise of the rights issued to it in this rights offering.

### Credit Agreement

In connection with this rights offering, on April 30, 2004, the Company entered into a \$3,000,000 revolving credit facility with CD Holding, L.L.C., a principal stockholder of the Company. See "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Conditions and Results of Operations - Capital Resources - Credit Facilities" for additional information regarding this credit facility.

## DESCRIPTION OF SECURITIES

The following summary description of the Company's capital stock is qualified in its entirety by reference to the Company's Certificate of Incorporation and Bylaws, each of which is filed as an exhibit to the Registration Statement.

### Common Stock

The Company is currently authorized to issue up to 20,000,000 shares of common stock, par value \$.01 per share, of which there were 10,146,566 shares outstanding as of June 1, 2004. Holders of our common stock are entitled to cast one vote for each share held of record on each matter submitted to a vote of stockholders. There is no cumulative voting for election of directors. Subject to the prior rights of any series of preferred stock which may from time to time be outstanding, if any, holders of our common stock are entitled to receive ratably dividends when, as, and if declared by the Board of Directors out of funds legally available therefor and, upon the liquidation, dissolution or winding up of the Company, are entitled to share ratably in all assets remaining after payment of liabilities and payment of accrued dividends and

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liquidation preferences on the preferred stock, if any. There are no redemption or sinking fund provisions that are applicable to our common stock. Subject only to the requirements of the DGCL, the Board of Directors may issue shares of our common stock without stockholder approval, at any time and from time to time, to such persons and for such consideration as the Board of Directors deems appropriate. Holders of our common stock have no preemptive rights and have no rights to convert their common stock into any other securities. The outstanding common stock is validly authorized and issued, fully paid, and nonassessable. On April 14, 2004, our Board of Directors adopted resolutions approving, and as of April 15, 2004, the holders of more than a majority of the outstanding shares of our common stock approved, an amendment to the Company's Certificate of Incorporation increasing the number of authorized shares of our common stock from 20,000,000 shares to 35,000,000 shares. The amendment will become effective upon filing with the Secretary of State of the State of Delaware, which will occur before the closing of the rights offering.

### Preferred Stock

The Company is authorized to issue up to 5,000,000 shares of Preferred Stock, par value \$.01 per share, of which there were 12,533.58 shares outstanding as of March 31, 2004. Shares of Preferred Stock may be issued from time to time in one or more series as the Board of Directors, by resolution or resolutions, may from time to time determine, each of said series to be distinctively designated. The voting powers, preferences and relative, participating, optional and other special rights, and the qualifications, limitations or restrictions thereof, if any, of each such series of Preferred Stock may differ from those of any and all other series of Preferred Stock at any time outstanding, and, subject to certain limitations of the Certificate of Incorporation and the DGCL, the Board of Directors may fix or alter, by resolution or resolutions, the designation, number, voting powers, preferences and relative, participating, optional and other special rights, and qualifications, limitations and restrictions thereof, of each such series of Preferred Stock.

The issuance of any such Preferred Stock could adversely affect the rights of the holders of our common stock and therefore, reduce the value of the common stock. The ability of the Board of Directors to issue Preferred Stock could discourage, delay, or prevent a takeover of the Company. See "Risk Factors."

### Series A Preferred Stock

The Company has designated 30,000 shares of its Preferred Stock as Cumulative Preferred Stock, Series A and had 12,533.58 shares of our Series A preferred stock outstanding as of March 31, 2004. Holders of the Series A preferred stock are entitled to receive dividends at the rate of 12% of the liquidation preference per annum payable quarterly in cash or, at the option of the Company for all quarters ending on or prior to March 31, 2004, payable in whole or in part in additional shares of Series A preferred stock at the rate of 15% of the liquidation preference per annum. For all quarters after March 31, 2004, dividends are payable in cash. However, the Board of Directors of the

Company has approved and the Company has received the consent of holders of the requisite number of shares of Series A preferred stock to amend the Company's Certificate of Designation with respect to the Series A preferred stock to give the Company the ability to pay dividends on the Series A preferred stock with additional shares of Series A preferred stock after March 31, 2004 for so long as such shares remain outstanding and prior to the mandatory redemption date.

The Series A preferred stock may be redeemed at any time for an amount per

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share equal to \$1,000 and all accrued and unpaid dividends thereon, whether or not declared or payable. All then outstanding shares of Series A preferred stock will be redeemed on March 29, 2007 for an amount per share equal to \$1,000 and all accrued and unpaid dividends thereon, whether or not declared or payable. Upon a liquidation of the Company, whether voluntary or mandatory, the shares of Series A preferred stock will rank prior to the shares of our common stock. Consequently, holders of Series A preferred stock will receive distributions in an amount per share equal to \$1,000 and all accrued and unpaid dividends thereon, whether or not declared or payable, before holders of our common stock will receive any distribution.

The affirmative vote of at least two thirds of the votes entitled to be cast by holders of the Series A preferred stock is necessary for any amendment to the certificate of incorporation which (1) adversely affects the rights and privileges of the Series A preferred stock or (2) creates or authorizes an increase in any shares ranking senior to the Series A preferred stock or securities convertible into the foregoing. The Series A preferred stock cannot be sold or transferred by its holders, subject to certain exceptions.

Transfer Agent and Registrar

The transfer agent and registrar for our common stock is UMB Bank, N.A.

### CERTAIN UNITED STATES FEDERAL INCOME TAX CONSEQUENCES

The following discussion is a summary of certain federal income tax consequences of this rights offering to holders of our common stock that hold such stock as a capital asset for federal income tax purposes. This discussion is based on laws, regulations, rulings and decisions in effect on the date hereof, all of which are subject to change (possibly with retroactive effect) and to differing interpretations. This discussion applies only to holders that are U.S. persons and does not address all aspects of federal income taxation that may be relevant to holders in light of their particular circumstances or to holders who may be subject to special tax treatment under the Internal Revenue Code, including, without limitation, holders of preferred stock or warrants, holders who are dealers in securities or foreign currency, foreign persons, insurance companies, tax-exempt organizations, banks, financial institutions, broker-dealers, holders who hold common stock as part of a hedge, straddle, conversion or other risk reduction transaction, or who acquired common stock pursuant to the exercise of compensatory stock options or otherwise as

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compensation.

We have not sought, and will not seek, an opinion of counsel or a ruling from the Internal Revenue Service regarding the federal income tax consequences of this rights offering or the related share issuance. The following summary does not address the tax consequences of this rights offering or the related share issuance under foreign, state, or local tax laws. Accordingly, each holder of common stock should consult its Tax Advisor with respect to the particular tax consequences of this rights offering or the related share issuance to such holder.

For U.S. federal income tax purposes, neither the receipt nor the exercise of the subscription rights should result in taxable income to you. Moreover, you should not realize a loss if you do not exercise the subscription rights. The holding period for a share acquired upon exercise of a subscription right begins with the date of exercise. The basis for determining gain or loss upon the sale of a share acquired upon the exercise of a subscription right will be equal to the sum of:

- the subscription price per share;
- any servicing fee charged to you by your broker, bank or trust company; and
- the basis, if any, in the subscription rights that you exercised.

A gain or loss recognized upon a sale of a share acquired upon the exercise of a subscription right should be a capital gain or loss assuming the share is held as a capital asset at the time of sale. This gain or loss will be a long-term capital gain or loss if the share has been held at the time of sale for more than one year.

As noted above, your basis in a share issued under the subscription rights offer includes your basis in the subscription rights underlying that share. If the aggregate fair market value of the subscription rights at the time they are distributed is less than 15% of the aggregate fair market value of our common stock at such time, the basis of the subscription rights issued to you will be zero unless you elect to allocate a portion of your basis of previously owned common stock to the subscription rights issued to you in this rights offering. If the aggregate fair market value of the subscription rights at the time they are distributed is 15% or more of the aggregate fair market value of our common stock at such time, or if you elect to allocate a portion of your basis of previously owned common stock to the subscription rights issued to you in this offering, then your basis in previously owned common stock will be allocated between such common stock and the subscription rights based upon the relative fair market value of such common stock and the subscription rights as of the date of the distribution of the subscription rights. Thus, if such an allocation is made and the rights are later exercised, the basis in the common stock you originally owned will be reduced by an amount equal to the basis allocated to the subscription rights. An election must be made in a statement attached to your federal income tax return for the year in which the subscription rights are distributed. If the subscription rights expire without exercise, you will realize no loss and no portion of your basis in the common stock will be allocated to the unexercised subscription rights.

If you sell, exchange or otherwise dispose of subscription rights received in the rights offering prior to the expiration date, you should recognize

capital gain or loss equal to the difference between (i) the amount of cash and

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the fair market value of any property received, and (ii) your tax basis (if any) in the subscription rights disposed of. Any such capital gain or loss will be long-term capital gain or loss if your holding period for the subscription rights exceeds one year at the time of disposition. Your holding period for the subscription rights received in the rights offering will include your holding period for the common stock with respect to which the rights were received.

### LEGAL MATTERS

The validity of the subscription rights and the shares of common stock offered pursuant to this rights offering will be passed upon for us by Akin Gump Strauss Hauer & Feld LLP.

### EXPERTS

Our consolidated financial statements of as of December 31, 2003 and for each of the two years in the period ended December 31, 2003 appearing in this prospectus and registration statement have been audited by Hogan & Slovacek, independent auditors, as set forth in their report thereon appearing elsewhere herein, and are included in reliance upon such report given on the authority of such firm as experts in accounting and auditing.

### WHERE YOU CAN FIND MORE INFORMATION

We file information statements and annual, quarterly and special reports with the Securities and Exchange Commission. You may read and copy any document that we file at the Securities and Exchange Commission's public reference room in Washington, D.C. located at 450 Fifth Street N.W., Washington, D.C. 20549. You may also call the Securities and Exchange Commission at 1-800-SEC-0330 for further information on the public reference rooms. The Securities and Exchange Commission maintains a web site that contains reports, proxy statements and information statements and other information regarding registrants that file electronically with the Securities and Exchange Commission, including us. Our Securities and Exchange Commission filings are also available to you free of charge at the Securities and Exchange Commission's web site at [www.sec.gov](http://www.sec.gov).

This prospectus is part of a registration statement on Form SB-2 we have filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission under the Securities Act of 1933.

You may request a copy of our filings, at no cost, by writing or telephoning us at:

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## INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

The Board of Directors and  
Stockholders of Gulfport Energy Corporation:

We have audited the accompanying balance sheet of Gulfport Energy Corporation (a Delaware corporation) as of December 31, 2003, and the related statements of operations, stockholders' equity, and cash flows for the years ended December 31, 2003 and 2002. These financial statements are the

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responsibility of Gulfport's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audits.

We conducted our audits in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audits to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audits provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of Gulfport Energy Corporation as of December 31, 2003, and the results of its operations and its cash flows for the years ended December 31, 2003 and 2002, in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

As described in Note 21 to the financial statements, Gulfport changed its method of accounting for asset retirement obligations and its redeemable 12% cumulative preferred stock as required by the provisions of Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 143 and 150, respectively.

HOGAN & SLOVACEK

Oklahoma City, OK  
May 10, 2004

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### GULFPORT ENERGY CORPORATION

#### BALANCE SHEET

	December 31, 2003
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Assets	
Current assets:	
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 1,542,000
Accounts receivable	1,340,000
Accounts receivable - related party	379,000
Prepaid expenses and other current assets	179,000
	-----
Total current assets	3,440,000
	-----
Property and equipment:	
Oil and natural gas properties	127,991,000
Other property and equipment	1,912,000
Accumulated depletion, depreciation, amortization	(77,423,000)
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Property and equipment, net	52,480,000	-----
Other assets	3,060,000	-----
Total assets	\$ 58,980,000	=====
Liabilities and Stockholders' Equity		
Current liabilities:		
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	\$ 3,274,000	
Accrued payable - royalty audit	212,000	
Asset retirement obligation - current	480,000	
Current maturities of long-term debt	2,318,000	-----
Total current liabilities	6,284,000	-----
Asset retirement obligation - long-term	7,356,000	
Accrued payable - royalty audit	121,000	
Redeemable 12% cumulative preferred stock, Series A, \$.01 par value, with a redemption and liquidation value of \$1,000 per share; 30,000 authorized, 12,071 issued and outstanding at December 31, 2003	12,071,000	-----
Total liabilities	25,832,000	-----
Commitments and contingencies		
Preferred stock, \$.01 par value; 5,000,000 authorized at December 31, 2003, none issued	-	
Common stockholders' equity:		
Common stock - \$.01 par value, 20,000,000 authorized, 10,146,566 issued and outstanding at December 31, 2003	101,000	
Paid-in capital	84,192,000	
Accumulated deficit	(51,145,000)	-----
Total stockholders' equity	33,148,000	-----
Total liabilities and stockholders' equity	\$ 58,980,000	=====

See accompanying notes to financial statements.

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GULFPORT ENERGY CORPORATION  
STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS

Year Ended December 31,

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2003

2002



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Revenues:	-----	-----
Gas sales	\$ 498,000	\$ 379,000
Oil and condensate sales	15,311,000	11,450,000
Other income	138,000	305,000
	-----	-----
	15,947,000	12,134,000
	-----	-----
Costs and expenses:		
Operating expenses	5,886,000	5,163,000
Production taxes	1,882,000	1,311,000
Depreciation, depletion, and amortization	4,637,000	3,386,000
General and administrative	1,843,000	1,873,000
	-----	-----
	14,248,000	11,733,000
	-----	-----
INCOME FROM OPERATIONS:	1,699,000	401,000
	-----	-----
OTHER (INCOME) EXPENSE:		
Accretion expense	393,000	-
Interest expense	112,000	181,000
Interest expense - preferred stock	875,000	-
Interest income	(30,000)	(61,000)
Proceeds from Litigation Trust	-	(160,000)
	-----	-----
	1,350,000	(40,000)
	-----	-----
INCOME (LOSS) BEFORE INCOME TAXES	349,000	441,000
	-----	-----
INCOME TAX EXPENSE (BENEFIT):		
Current	490,000	176,000
Deferred	(490,000)	(176,000)
	-----	-----
	-	-
	-----	-----
NET INCOME (LOSS) BEFORE EFFECT OF CHANGE IN ACCOUNTING PRINCIPLE	349,000	441,000
Cumulative effect of change in accounting principle	270,000	-
	-----	-----
NET INCOME (LOSS)	619,000	441,000
	-----	-----
Less: Preferred stock dividends	(838,000)	(1,066,000)
	-----	-----
NET INCOME (LOSS) AVAILABLE TO COMMON STOCKHOLDERS	\$ (219,000)	\$ (625,000)
	=====	=====
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER COMMON SHARE - BASIC:		
Per common share before effect of change in accounting principle	\$ (0.05)	\$ (0.06)

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Effect per common share of change in accounting principle	0.03	-
	-----	-----
	\$ (0.02)	\$ (0.06)
	=====	=====
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER COMMON SHARE - DILUTED:		
Per common share before effect of change in accounting principle	\$ (0.05)	\$ (0.06)
Effect per common share of change in accounting principle	0.03	-
	-----	-----
	\$ (0.02)	\$ (0.06)
	=====	=====

See accompanying notes to financial statements.

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GULFPORT ENERGY CORPORATION  
Statements of Common Stockholders' Equity

	Common Stock Shares	Common Stock Amount	Additional Paid-in Capital	Accumulated Deficit
	-----	-----	-----	-----
Balance at December 31, 2001	10,146,566	\$101,000	\$84,192,000	\$ (50,301,000)
Net income	-	-	-	441,000
Preferred stock dividends	-	-	-	(1,066,000)
	-----	-----	-----	-----
Balance at December 31, 2002	10,146,566	\$101,000	\$84,192,000	\$ (50,926,000)
Net income	-	-	-	619,000
Preferred stock dividends	-	-	-	(838,000)
	-----	-----	-----	-----
Balance at December 31, 2003	10,146,566	\$101,000	\$84,192,000	\$ (51,145,000)
	=====	=====	=====	=====

See accompanying notes to financial statements.

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GULFPORT ENERGY CORPORATION  
Statements of Cash Flows

	Year Ended December 31,	
	2003	2002
Cash flows from operating activities:		
Net income	\$ 619,000	\$ 441,000
Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided by operating activities:		
Cumulative effect of change in accounting principle	(270,000)	-
Accretion of discount	393,000	-
Interest expense - preferred stock	875,000	-
Depletion, depreciation and amortization	4,631,000	3,366,000
Amortization of debt issuance costs	6,000	20,000
Changes in operating assets and liabilities:		
Decrease in insurance settlement receivable	2,510,000	-
Decrease (increase) in accounts receivable	493,000	(682,000)
(Increase) decrease in accounts receivable - related party	(321,000)	47,000
Decrease in prepaid expenses	26,000	31,000
Increase in accounts payable and accrued liabilities	420,000	807,000
Net cash provided by operating activities	9,382,000	4,030,000
Cash flows from investing activities:		
(Additions) to cash held in escrow	(235,000)	(242,000)
(Additions) to other property, plant and equipment	(40,000)	(16,000)
(Additions) to oil and gas properties	(10,145,000)	(8,513,000)
Expenditures related to oil and gas properties due to hurricane	(707,000)	(133,000)
Net cash used in investing activities	(11,127,000)	(8,904,000)
Cash flows from financing activities:		
Borrowings on note payable	2,200,000	-
Principal payments on borrowings	(22,000)	(1,123,000)
Proceeds from issuance of preferred stock	-	6,029,000
Net cash provided by financing activities	2,178,000	4,906,000

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Net increase in cash and cash equivalents	433,000	32,000
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of period	1,109,000	1,077,000
	-----	-----
Cash and cash equivalents at end of period	\$ 1,542,000	\$ 1,109,000
	=====	=====
Supplemental disclosure of cash flow information:		
Interest payments	\$ 112,000	\$ 42,000
	=====	=====
Supplemental disclosure of non-cash transactions:		
Repayment of note payable to related party through issuance of Series A Preferred Stock	\$ -	\$ 3,000,000
	=====	=====
Repayment of accrued interest due on note payable to related party through issuance of Series A Preferred Stock	\$ -	\$ 263,000
	=====	=====
Payment of Series A Preferred Stock dividends through issuance of Series A Preferred Stock	\$ 838,000	\$ 1,066,000
	=====	=====

See accompanying notes to financial statements.

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### GULFPORT ENERGY CORPORATION NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS DECEMBER 31, 2003 AND 2002

#### 1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

##### Business

Gulfport is a domestic independent oil and gas exploration, development and production company with properties located in the Louisiana Gulf Coast.

##### Cash and Cash Equivalents

The Company considers all highly liquid investments with an original maturity of three months or less to be cash equivalents for purposes of the statement of cash flows.

##### Oil and Gas Properties

The Company uses the Full Cost method of accounting for oil and gas operations. Accordingly, all costs, including nonproductive costs and certain general and administrative costs associated with acquisition, exploration and development of oil and gas properties, are capitalized. Net capitalized costs are limited to the estimated future net revenues, after income taxes, discounted at 10% per year, from proven oil and gas reserves and the cost of the properties not subject to amortization. Such capitalized costs, including the estimated

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future development costs and site remediation costs, if any, are depleted by an equivalent units-of-production method, converting gas to barrels at the ratio of six MCF of gas to one barrel of oil. No gain or loss is recognized upon the disposal of oil and gas properties, unless such dispositions significantly alter the relationship between capitalized costs and proven oil and gas reserves. Oil and gas properties not subject to amortization consist of the cost of undeveloped leaseholds and totaled \$1,600 at December 31, 2003. These costs are reviewed periodically by management for impairment, with the impairment provision included in the cost of oil and gas properties subject to amortization. Factors considered by management in its impairment assessment include drilling results by Gulfport and other operators, the terms of oil and gas leases not held by production, and available funds for exploration and development.

### Other Property and Equipment

Depreciation of other property and equipment is provided on a straight-line basis over estimated useful lives of the related assets, which range from 7 to 30 years.

### Reclassifications

Certain reclassifications have been made to the 2002 financial statement presentation in order to conform to the 2003 financial statement presentation.

### Net Income (Loss) per Common Share

Basic net income (loss) per common share is computed by dividing income or loss attributable to common stock by the weighted average number of common shares outstanding for the period. Diluted net income (loss) per common share reflects the potential dilution that could occur if options or other contracts to issue common stock were exercised or converted into common stock. Diluted net loss per common share does not reflect dilution from potential common shares, because to do so would be anti-dilutive. Calculations of basic and diluted net income (loss) per common share are illustrated in Note 16.

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### Income Taxes

Gulfport uses the asset and liability method of accounting for income taxes, under which deferred tax assets and liabilities are recognized for the future tax consequences of (1) temporary differences between the financial statement carrying amounts and the tax bases of existing assets and liabilities and (2) operating loss and tax credit carryforwards. Deferred income tax assets and liabilities are based on enacted tax rates applicable to the future period when those temporary differences are expected to be recovered or settled. The effect of a change in tax rates on deferred tax assets and liabilities is recognized in income during the period the rate change is enacted. Deferred tax assets are recognized as income in the year in which realization becomes determinable.

### Revenue Recognition

Gas revenues are recorded in the month produced using the entitlement

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method, whereby any production volumes received in excess of the Company's ownership percentage in the property are recorded as a liability. If less than Gulfport's entitlement is received, the underproduction is recorded as a receivable. There is no such liability or asset recorded at December 31, 2003. Oil revenues are recognized when ownership transfers, which occurs in the month produced.

### Use of Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles requires management to make estimates, judgments and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities as of the date of the financial statements and revenues and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ materially from those estimates. Significant estimates with regard to these financial statements include the estimate of proved oil and gas reserve quantities and the related present value of estimated future net cash flows there from and future net operating loss carryforwards available as reductions of income tax expense.

### Commitments and Contingencies

Liabilities for loss contingencies arising from claims, assessments, litigation or other sources are recorded when it is probable that a liability has been incurred and the amount can be reasonably estimated.

### Segment Information

The Company's only revenue generating activity is the production and sale of oil and gas from properties located on the Louisiana Gulf Coast. Therefore, no reporting of business segments has been included in these financial statements or the notes thereto.

### 2. INSURANCE SETTLEMENT RECEIVABLE

Hurricane Lili hit the southern gulf coast of Louisiana on October 3, 2002 with estimated sustained winds over 120 miles per hour and a 9-1/2 foot tidal surge. The eye of the hurricane came on shore directly East of Gulfport's WCBB field. The storm caused significant damage to the Company's production facilities and the WCBB field. The total cost to restore production to the field was estimated by the Company's personnel and insurance carrier to be \$3,510,000. As of December 31, 2003, the Company had received the \$3,510,000 in insurance settlement proceeds. Hurricane related repairs for the years ended December 31, 2003 and 2002, were \$707,000 and \$1,133,000 respectively.

### 3. ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE - RELATED PARTY

Included in the accompanying December 31, 2003 balance sheet are amounts receivable from entities that have similar controlling interests as those

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controlling the Company. These receivables represent amounts billed by the Company for general and administrative functions performed by Gulfport's personnel on behalf of the related party companies. At the end of 2003, this receivable amount totaled \$379,000.

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### 4. PROVISION FOR ALLOWANCE FOR DOUBTFUL ACCOUNTS

A summary of the activity in the allowance for doubtful accounts for the year ended December 31, 2003 is as follows:

Balance, beginning of the year	\$	239,000
Provision for bad debts		-
Bad debts written off		(239,000)
		-----
Balance, end of year	\$	-
		=====

Charges to bad debt expense totaling \$7,000 were made during the year ended December 31, 2003. The Company wrote off a receivable of \$246,000 during the year resulting in bad debt expense of \$7,000 after fully utilizing the provision for allowance for doubtful accounts of \$239,000. Charges to bad debt expense for the year ended December 31, 2002 were \$87,000.

### 5. PROPERTY AND EQUIPMENT

The major categories of property and equipment and related accumulated depreciation, depletion and amortization as of December 31, 2003 are as follows:

Oil and gas properties	\$	127,991,000
Office furniture and fixtures		1,435,000
Building		217,000
Land		260,000
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Total property and equipment		129,903,000
Accumulated depreciation, depletion, amortization and impairment reserve		(77,423,000)
		-----
Property and equipment, net	\$	52,480,000
		=====

Included in oil and gas properties at December 31, 2003 are \$2,113,000 in general and administrative costs incurred and capitalized to the full cost pool. General and administrative costs capitalized to the full cost pool represent management's estimate of costs incurred directly related to exploration and development activities such as geological costs and other administrative costs associated with overseeing the exploration and development activities. All general and administrative costs not directly associated with exploration and development activities were charged to expense as they were incurred.

### 6. OTHER ASSETS

Other assets as of December 31, 2003 consist of the following:

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Plugging and abandonment escrow account

on the WCBB properties (Note 8)	\$	2,749,000
CD's securing letter of credit		200,000
Deposits		111,000
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	\$	3,060,000
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7. ACCRUED PAYABLE - ROYALTY AUDIT

During the third quarter of 2002, the Company underwent a royalty audit which was conducted by the State of Louisiana. The audit covered the period from January 1, 1999 through December 31, 2001. The Company was notified during the fourth quarter of 2002 that the total amount to be paid as a result of the audit was \$492,000, including \$146,000 in penalties and interest. As of December 31, 2003, the liability was \$333,000. Amounts to be paid in the next twelve months total \$212,000 and have been classified as "Accrued payable - royalty audit" in the current liability section of the accompanying balance sheet. The portion of the liability that will be due in periods beginning after the next twelve months total \$121,000 and have been classified as "Accrued payable - royalty audit" in the non-current liability section of the accompanying balance sheet.

8. LONG-TERM DEBT

Long-term debt as of December 31, 2003 is as follows:

Building loan	\$	118,000
Amounts borrowed under line of credit (Note 10)		2,200,000
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		2,318,000
Less - current maturities of long term debt		2,318,000
		-----
Debt reflected as long term	\$	-
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All debt outstanding as of December 31, 2003 will mature during 2004.

Building Loan

The building loan of \$118,000 relates to a building in Lafayette, Louisiana, purchased in 1996 to be used as the Company's Louisiana headquarters. The building is 12,480 square feet with approximately 6,180 square feet of finished office area and 6,300 square feet of warehouse space. This building allows Gulfport to provide office space for Louisiana personnel, have access to



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meeting space close to the fields and to maintain a corporate presence in Louisiana.

### 9. NOTE PAYABLE - RELATED PARTY

On March 29, 2002, the outstanding balance of the Company's note payable to Gulfport Funding, LLC ("Gulfport Funding"), along with all accumulated interest due on the note, were retired through Gulfport Funding's participation in the Company's Private Placement Offering as described in Note 11.

### 10. REVOLVING LINE OF CREDIT

The Company maintains a line of credit with Bank of Oklahoma, under which the Company may borrow up to \$2,300,000. Amounts borrowed under the line bear interest at Chase Manhattan Prime plus 1%, with payments of interest on outstanding balances due monthly. Any principal amounts borrowed under the line will be due on July 1, 2004. As of December 31, 2003, \$2,200,000 had been borrowed under this line.

### 11. COMMON STOCK OPTIONS, WARRANTS AND CHANGES IN CAPITALIZATION

#### Options

The Company sponsors the 1999 Stock Option Plan (the "Plan"), which is administered by the Compensation Committee (the "Committee") of the Board of Directors of the Company. Under the terms of the Plan, the Committee may determine: to which eligible participants options shall be granted, the number of shares covered by such options, the purchase price or exercise price of such

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options, the vesting period of such options and the exercisable period of such options. Eligible participants are defined as (i) all directors of the Company; (ii) all officers of the Company; and (iii) all key employees of the Company with a customary work week of at least 40 hours in the employ of the Company. The maximum number of shares for which options may be granted under the Plan, as adjusted for changes in capitalization which have taken place since the Plan's adoption, is 883,000.

The Company accounts for stock options under Statement of Financial Accounting Standards ("SFAS") No. 123, "Accounting for Stock-Based Compensation" as amended by SFAS No. 148, "Accounting for Stock-Based Compensation - Transition and Disclosure". Presented below is a summary of the status of stock options and related activity for the years ended December 31, 2003 and 2002:

	Shares	Weighted Average Exercise Price per Share
	-----	-----
Options outstanding at December 31, 2001	607,337	\$ 2.00
Granted	20,000	2.00
Exercised	-	-
Forfeited/expired	-	-
	-----	-----
Options outstanding at December 31, 2002	627,337	\$ 2.00
Granted	-	-
Exercised	-	-

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Forfeited/expired	-	-
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Options outstanding at December 31, 2003	627,337	\$ 2.00
	=====	=====

All options granted, exercised and outstanding have an exercise price of \$2.00.

The fair value of each option grant is estimated on the date of grant using the Black-Scholes option-pricing model and an expected life of 5 years. No options were granted during the year ended December 31, 2003.

Options outstanding at December 31, 2003 totaled 627,337. Of this total, 612,520 options were exercisable at December 31, 2003, with the remaining options vesting in future periods.

Warrants

In accordance with the origination of the note payable to Gulfport Funding (retired during 2002 as discussed in Note 9), the Company issued 108,625 warrants to CD Holdings, LLC. The exercise price of these warrants is \$5.25 and was estimated as the average closing price of the Company's common stock for the five days following the issuance of the warrants. The warrant agreement provides for pro rata adjustments to the number of warrants granted if the Company at any time increases the number of outstanding shares or otherwise adjusts its capitalization.

Also, on July 11, 2002, 1,163,195 previously exercisable warrants expired. The issuance of these warrants had stemmed from a reorganization which took place in 1997.

Private Placement Offering

In March 2002, the Company commenced a private placement offering of 10,000 units. Each unit consisted of (i) one share of Cumulative Preferred Stock, Series A, of the Company (Preferred) and (ii) a warrant to purchase up to 250 shares of common stock, par value \$0.01 per share, of the Company. Holders of the Preferred are entitled to receive dividends at the rate of 12% of the liquidation preference per annum payable quarterly in cash or, at the option of the Company for all quarters ending on or prior to March 31, 2004, payable in

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whole or in part in additional shares of Preferred at the rate of 15% of the liquidation preference per annum. To the extent funds are legally available, the Company is obligated to declare and pay the dividends on the Preferred. The Preferred may be redeemed at any time for an amount per share equal to \$1,000 and all accrued and unpaid dividends thereon, whether or not declared or payable, and must be redeemed on March 29, 2007 for an amount per share equal to \$1,000 and all accrued and unpaid dividends thereon, whether or not declared or payable. Accordingly, the Preferred issued in connection with this Offering is treated as redeemable stock on the Company's balance sheet. The affirmative vote of at least two thirds of the votes entitled to be cast by holders of the Preferred is necessary for any amendment to the certificate of incorporation

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which (1) adversely affects the rights and privileges of the Preferred or (2) creates or authorizes an increase in any shares ranking senior to the Preferred or securities convertible into the foregoing. The Preferred cannot be sold or transferred by its holders, subject to certain exceptions.

The Warrants have a term of ten years and an exercise price of \$4.00 per share of common stock. The Company granted to holders of the Warrants certain demand and piggyback registration rights with respect to shares of common stock issuable upon exercise of the warrants.

The Preferred offering was made available to stockholders (some of whom were affiliates) of the Company as of December 31, 2001 and who were accredited investors. Purchasers were able to participate up to their pro rata share of ownership in the Company as of December 31, 2001. As of April 15, 2002, the Company had closed on subscriptions totaling \$9,292,000 for 9,291.85 units, which included the conversion by Gulfport Funding, LLC of its \$3,000,000 loan along with the accumulated interest due from the Company for 3,262.98 units. Additionally, multiple entities controlled by the Company's majority stockholder participated in the offering by subscribing for 2,738 units at a cost of \$2,738,000.

### 12. DIVIDENDS ON SERIES A PREFERRED STOCK

As discussed in Note 11, the Company may, at its option, accrue additional shares of Preferred for the payment of dividends at a rate of 15% per annum during the initial two years following the closing date of its Offering. The Company has chosen to do so for the quarterly periods ending March 31, June 30, September 30, and December 31, 2003 and has therefore accrued additional shares payable totaling 838,000 at December 31, 2003 related to the Preferred Stock Series A shares issued and outstanding during those time periods. Subsequent to the adoption of SFAS 150 in the third quarter (see Note 21), the dividends were recognized as interest expense. The \$875,000 shown as "Interest expense - preferred stock" in the accompanying statement of operations represents the dividends accrued on the Preferred Stock Series A for the quarterly periods ended September 30 and December 31, 2003. These dividends payable were calculated based upon the Preferred's \$1,000 per share redemptive value and are reflected as "Series A preferred stock" in the accompanying balance sheet. Beginning with the period ended June 30, 2004, the Company will be required to pay cash dividends at a rate of 12% per annum on the Series A Preferred Stock.

### 13. FAIR VALUE OF FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS

All financial instruments carried as assets and liabilities on the accompanying balance sheet at December 31, 2003 are carried at cost, which approximates market value. The outstanding shares of Series A preferred stock have been stated on the accompanying balance sheet at their redemptive value of \$1,000 per share.

### 14. CASTEX BACK-IN

Gulfport sold its interest in the Bayou Penchant, Bayou Pigeon, Deer Island and Golden Meadow fields to Castex Energy 1996 Limited Partnership (Castex) effective April 1, 1998 subject to a 25% reversionary interest in the partnership after Castex had received 100% of the initial investment. Castex informed Gulfport that the investment had paid out effective September 1, 2001. In lieu of a 25% interest in the partnership, Gulfport elected to take a proportionately reduced 25% working interest in the properties. During March 2002, the Company received approximately \$220,000 from Castex which the Company

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believes consists of sales income for the period after payout net of operating expenses, although the Company has not received confirmation of such. As a result, this amount received has been included in the accompanying statements of operations for the year ended December 31, 2002 as "Other income". The Company received an additional \$66,000 from Castex in March of 2003, which is also included in the accompanying statement of income for the year ended December 31, 2003 as "Other Income".

### 15. INCOME TAXES

A reconciliation of the statutory federal income tax amount to the recorded expense follows:

	2003	2002
	-----	-----
Income before federal income taxes	\$ 349,000	\$ 441,000
	-----	-----
Expected income tax at statutory rate	140,000	176,000
Increase in tax resulting from interest expense not tax deductible	350,000	-
Provision for income taxes	490,000	176,000
Net operating loss carryforward utilized	(490,000)	(176,000)
Other deferred tax assets utilized	-	-
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Income tax expense recorded	\$ -	\$ -
	=====	=====

Subsequent to the adoption of SFAS 150, the Company recognized interest expense of \$875,000 for the year ended December 31, 2003. This interest is not deductible for tax purposes. This resulted in a taxable difference of \$350,000 when the interest expense is applied to the statutory rate of 40%. The difference in taxable income is fully nullified by the Company's net operating loss carryforward.

The tax effects of temporary differences and net operating loss carryforwards, which give rise to deferred tax assets at December 31, 2003 are estimated as follows:

	2003	2002
	-----	-----
Net operating loss carryforward	\$ 39,349,000	\$ 36,356,000
Oil and gas property basis difference	5,564,000	12,540,000
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Total deferred tax asset	44,913,000	48,896,000
Valuation allowance	(44,913,000)	(48,896,000)
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The Company recorded a net loss from continuing operations after preferred stock dividends for the years ended December 31, 2003 and 2002. Due to this, no potentially dilutive shares were used in the computation of dilutive earnings per share as the use of such shares would be anti-dilutive.

### 17. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

In the ordinary course of business, the Company conducts business activities with a substantial number of its shareholders.

### 18. COMMITMENTS

#### Office Lease

On August 8, 2002, the Company executed a 60-month lease on 12,035 square feet of office space which commenced on November 15, 2002. Payments due under the lease during its term are as follows:

For the year ended December 31,

2004	\$	217,000
2005		217,000
2006		217,000
2007		162,000
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	\$	813,000
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Payments made under this lease during the year ended December 31, 2003 totaled \$217,000. Rental expense for all operating leases for the years ended December 31, 2003 and 2002 totaled \$233,000 and \$165,000, respectively.

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#### Plugging and Abandonment Funds

In connection with the acquisition of the remaining 50% interest in the WCBB properties, the Company assumed the seller's obligation to contribute approximately \$18,000 per month through March 2004, to a plugging and abandonment trust and the obligation to plug a minimum of 20 wells per year for 20 years commencing March 11, 1997. ChevronTexaco retained a security interest in production from these properties until abandonment obligations to ChevronTexaco have been fulfilled. Beginning in 2007, the Company can access the trust for use in plugging and abandonment charges associated with the property. As of December 31, 2003, the plugging and abandonment trust totaled approximately \$2,749,000, including interest received during 2003 of approximately \$14,000. The Company has plugged 132 wells at WCBB since it began its plugging program in 1997 and is current in its funding and plugging obligations.

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### Texaco Global Settlement

Pursuant to the terms of a global settlement between Texaco and the State of Louisiana which includes the State Lease No. 50 portion of Gulfport's East Hackberry Field, Gulfport was obligated to commence drilling a well or other qualifying development operation on certain non-producing acreage in the field prior to March 1998. Because of prevailing market conditions during 1998, the Company believed it was commercially impractical to shoot seismic or commence drilling operations on the subject property. As a result, Gulfport has agreed to surrender approximately 440 non-producing acres in this field to the State of Louisiana. At December 31, 2003, Gulfport was in the process of releasing such acreage to the State of Louisiana.

### Contributions to 401(k) Plan

Gulfport sponsors a 401(k) and Profit Sharing plan under which eligible employees may contribute up to 15% of their total compensation through salary deferrals. Also under these plans, the Company will make a contribution each calendar year on behalf of each employee equal to at least 3% of his or her salary, regardless of the employee's participation in salary deferrals. During the years ended December 31, 2003 and 2002, Gulfport incurred \$71,000 and \$56,000, respectively, in contribution expense related to this plan.

### Employment Agreement

At December 31, 2003, Gulfport had an employment agreement with its Chief Executive Officer. This agreement expires June 1, 2009, and calls for an annual salary of \$200,000, which may be adjusted for cost of living increases.

## 19. CONTINGENCIES

### Litigation

The Company has been named as a defendant on various litigation matters. The ultimate resolution of these matters is not expected to have a material adverse effect on the Company's financial condition or results of operations for the periods presented in the financial statements.

### Concentration of Credit Risk

Gulfport operates in the oil and gas industry in the state of Louisiana with sales to refineries, re-sellers such as pipeline companies, and local distribution companies. While certain of these customers are affected by periodic downturns in the economy in general or in their specific segment of the oil and gas industry, Gulfport believes that its level of credit-related losses due to such economic fluctuations has been immaterial and will continue to be immaterial to the Company's results of operations in the long term. During 2003, Gulfport wrote off bad debts of \$7,000. Bad debt expense of \$87,000 was incurred during 2002.

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The Company maintains cash balances at several banks. Accounts at each

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institution are insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation up to \$100,000. At December 31, 2003 Gulfport held cash in excess of insured limits in these banks totaling \$1,442,000.

During 2003, Gulfport sold all of its oil production to Shell Trading Company and all of its gas production to ChevronTexaco. During 2002, approximately 87% of Gulfport's revenues from oil and gas sales were attributable to Shell Trading Company.

### 20. LITIGATION TRUST ENTITY

Pursuant to Old WRT's 1997 plan of reorganization, all of Old WRT's possible causes of action against third parties (with the exception of certain litigation related to recovery of marine and rig equipment assets and claims against Tri-Deck Oil and Gas Company (Tri-Deck)), existing as of the effective date of that plan, were transferred into a "Litigation Trust" controlled by an independent party for the benefit of most of Old WRT's existing unsecured creditors. The litigation related to recovery of marine and rig equipment and the Tri-Deck claims were subsequently transferred to the Litigation Trust as described below.

The Litigation Trust was funded by a \$3,000,000 cash payment, which was made on the effective date of reorganization. Gulfport owns a 12% interest in the Litigation Trust with the other 88% being owned by the former general unsecured creditors of Old WRT. For financial statement reporting purposes, Gulfport has not recognized the potential value of recoveries which may ultimately be obtained, if any, as a result of the actions of the Litigation Trust, treating the entire \$3,000,000 payment as a reorganization cost at the time of the reorganization.

On January 20, 1998, Gulfport and the Litigation Trust entered into a Clarification Agreement whereby the rights to pursue various claims reserved by Gulfport under the plan of reorganization were assigned to the Litigation Trust. In connection with this agreement, the Litigation Trust agreed to reimburse the Company \$100,000 for legal fees Gulfport had incurred in connection these claims. As additional consideration for the contribution of this claim to the Litigation Trust, Gulfport is entitled to 20% to 80% of the net proceeds from these claims.

During 2002, Gulfport received \$160,000 in proceeds from the Litigation Trust. No proceeds were received from the Litigation Trust in 2003.

### 21. ACCOUNTING PRONOUNCEMENTS

SFAS No. 143

On January 1, 2003, the Company adopted Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 143, "Accounting for Asset Retirement Obligations" ("SFAS No. 143"), which requires the Company to record a liability equal to the fair value of the estimated cost to retire an asset. The asset retirement liability is recorded in the period in which the obligation meets the definition of a liability, which is generally when the asset is placed into service. When the liability is initially recorded, the Company will increase the carrying amount of the related long-lived asset by an amount equal to the original liability.

The liability is accreted to its present value each period, and the capitalized cost is depreciated over the useful life of the related long-lived asset. The accretion of the asset retirement obligation resulted in an expense of \$393,000 for the year ended December 31, 2003, as shown in the accompanying statement of operations. Any difference between costs incurred upon settlement of an asset retirement obligation and the recorded liability will be recognized as a gain or loss in the Company's earnings. The asset retirement obligation is based on a



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number of assumptions requiring professional judgment. The Company cannot predict the type of revisions to these assumptions that will be required in future periods due to the availability of additional information, including prices for oil field services, technological changes, governmental requirements and other factors. Upon adoption of SFAS No. 143, the Company recorded a net benefit of \$270,000 as the cumulative effect of a change in accounting principle. The non-cash transition adjustment increased oil and natural gas properties and asset retirement obligations by \$7.59 million and \$7.37 million, respectively, and decreased accumulated depreciation by \$50,000.

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The asset retirement obligation recognized by the Company at December 31, 2003, relates to the estimated costs to dismantle and abandon its investment in producing oil and gas properties and the related facilities. Of the total asset retirement liability, \$480,000 that has been classified as short-term is the estimated portion of the total liability to be settled during the next year as the Company meets its plugging and abandonment requirements as discussed in Note 18.

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The pro forma asset retirement obligation as of December 31, 2002, was \$7.37 million. Pro forma net income for the period December 31, 2002, assuming SFAS No. 143 had been applied retroactively, is shown in the following table:

	December 31, 2002
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Net income available to common stockholders -	
As reported	\$ (625,000)
Pro forma	(340,000)
Net income per common share -	
As reported, basic	\$ (0.06)
Pro forma, basic	(0.03)
As reported, diluted	(0.06)
Pro forma, diluted	(0.03)

SFAS No. 150

In May 2003, the FASB issued SFAS No. 150, "Accounting for Certain Financial Instruments with Characteristics of both Liabilities and Equity." SFAS No. 150 establishes standards for how an issuer classifies and measures certain financial instruments with characteristics of both liabilities and equity. It requires that an issuer classify a financial instrument that is within its scope as a liability (or as an asset in some circumstances). Many of those instruments were previously classified as equity. SFAS No. 150 is generally effective for financial instruments entered into or modified after May 31, 2003, and otherwise is effective at the beginning of the first interim period beginning after June 15, 2003. The Company has recorded a liability related to the Preferred of \$12,071,000. Previously, the Preferred had been classified on the balance sheet between total liabilities and equity. This

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amount represents the 12,071 shares of Preferred issued and outstanding as of December 31, 2003, at the redemption and liquidation value of \$1,000 per share. In the opinion of management, the \$1,000 per share redemption and liquidation value approximates fair value. The shares are mandatorily redeemable on the fifth anniversary of the first issuance of Preferred.

### 22. SUBSEQUENT EVENTS

The Board of Directors has determined that if a sale of WCBB is not consummated that it is in the best interests of the Company to conduct an equity offering. The Board has approved a registered rights offering in the amount of \$12.0 million. The rights offering will be backstopped by one of the Company's principal stockholders. As a result, the Company is guaranteed proceeds of \$12.0 million if the rights offering is commenced for a commitment fee of 2% of the gross proceeds from the rights offering. Therefore, the Company shall have required liquidity either through the sale of the property or the proceeds from the rights offering.

In connection with the rights offering, on April 30, 2004, the Company entered into a \$3.0 million revolving credit facility with CD Holding, L.L.C., a principal stockholder of the Company. Borrowings under the credit facility are due on the earlier of the closing of the rights offering and August 1, 2005 and bear interest at the rate of 10.0% per annum. Under the credit facility, CD Holding may, if it elects to do so, apply the outstanding principal amount and any accrued but unpaid interest either (1) to the subscription price payable

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upon exercise of the rights issued to CD Holding in the rights offering, or (2) to the purchase price for the Common Stock. The credit facility provides that if the rights offering is not completed, CD Holding has the right to convert any borrowings plus any accrued but unpaid interest under the facility into shares of Common Stock at a conversion price \$1.20 per share of Common Stock.

In April 2004, the Board of Directors of the Company approved and the Company received the consent of holders of the requisite number of shares of Preferred to amend the Company's Certificate of Designation with respect to the Series A preferred stock to give the Company the ability to pay dividends on the Series A preferred stock with additional shares of Series A preferred stock after March 31, 2004 for so long as such shares remain outstanding and prior to the mandatory redemption date.

### 23. SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION ON OIL AND GAS EXPLORATION AND PRODUCTION ACTIVITIES (UNAUDITED)

The following is historical revenue and cost information relating to the Company's oil and gas operations located entirely in the State of Louisiana:

Capitalized Costs Related to Oil and Gas Producing Activities

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Proven Properties	\$ 127,991,000
Accumulated depreciation, depletion amortization and impairment reserve	(76,158,000)
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Proven properties, net	\$ 51,833,000
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### Costs Incurred in Oil and Gas Property Acquisition and Development Activities

	2003	2002
	-----	-----
Acquisition	\$ -	\$ 63,000
Development of Proved Undeveloped Properties	6,320,000	5,270,000
Exploratory	-	126,000
Recompletions/Workovers	3,825,000	3,054,000
	-----	-----
Total	\$ 10,145,000	\$ 8,513,000
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### Results of Operations for Producing Activities

The following schedule sets forth the revenues and expenses related to the production and sale of oil and gas. The income tax expense is calculated by applying the current statutory tax rates to the revenues after deducting costs, which include depreciation, depletion and amortization allowances, after giving effect to the permanent differences. The results of operations exclude general office overhead and interest expense attributable to oil and gas production.

	2003	2002
	-----	-----
Revenues	\$15,809,000	\$11,829,000
Production costs	(7,768,000)	(6,474,000)
Depletion	(4,421,000)	(3,106,000)
	-----	-----
	3,620,000	2,249,000
	-----	-----
Income tax expense		
Current	1,448,000	900,000
Deferred	(1,448,000)	(900,000)
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Results of operations from producing activities	\$ 3,620,000	\$ 2,249,000
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### Oil and Gas Reserves

The following table presents estimated volumes of proven and proven undeveloped oil and gas reserves as of December 31, 2003 and 2002 and changes in proven reserves during the last two years, assuming continuation of economic conditions prevailing at the end of each year. Volumes for oil are stated in thousands of barrels (MBbls) and volumes for gas are stated in millions of cubic feet (MMCF). The weighted average prices at December 31, 2003 used for reserve report purposes are \$32.52 and \$6.19, adjusted by lease for transportation fees and regional price differentials, fixed price contracts, and for oil and gas reserves, respectively.

Gulfport emphasizes that the volumes of reserves shown below are estimates which, by their nature, are subject to revision. The estimates are made using all available geological and reservoir data, as well as production performance data. These estimates are reviewed annually and revised, either upward or downward, as warranted by additional performance data.

	2003		2002	
	Oil	Gas	Oil	Gas
Proven Reserves				
Beginning of the period	23,005	18,510	24,823	24,725
Purchases in oil and gas reserves in place	377	555	-	-
Extensions, discoveries and other additions	-	-	-	-
Revisions of prior reserve estimates	(2,928)	(5,417)	(1,354)	(6,112)
Current production	(571)	(123)	(464)	(103)
Sales of oil and gas reserves in place	-	-	-	-
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End of period	19,883	13,525	23,005	18,510
	=====	=====	=====	=====
Proven developed reserves	1,790	1,258	3,232	3,773
	=====	=====	=====	=====

### Discounted Future Net Cash Flows

Estimates of future net cash flows from proven oil and gas reserves were made in accordance with SFAS No. 69, "Disclosures about Oil and Gas Producing activities." The following tables present the estimated future cash flows, and changes therein, from Gulfport's proven oil and gas reserves as of December 31, 2003 and 2002, assuming continuation of economic conditions prevailing at the end of each year.

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Standardized Measure of Discounted Future Net Cash Flows Relating to Proven Oil and Gas Reserves

	Year ended December 31,	
	2003	2002
Future cash flows	\$ 715,751,000	\$ 768,573,000
Future development costs	(128,487,000)	(130,762,000)
Future production costs	(104,677,000)	(87,370,000)
Future production taxes	(81,866,000)	(87,692,000)
Future net cash flows before income taxes	400,721,000	462,749,000
10% discount to reflect timing of cash flows	(191,182,000)	(217,417,000)
Discounted future net cash flows	209,539,000	245,332,000
Future income taxes, net of 10% discount	(15,530,000)	(34,294,000)
Standardized measure of discounted future net cash flows	\$194,009,000	\$211,038,000

In order to develop its proved undeveloped reserves according to the drilling schedule used by the engineers in Gulfport's reserve report, the Company will need to spend \$6,605,900, \$13,266,000 and \$16,058,000 during years 2004, 2005 and 2006 respectively.

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Changes in Standardized Measure of Discounted Future Net Cash Flows Relating to Proven Oil and Gas Reserves

	Year ended December 31,	
	2003	2002
Sales and transfers of oil and gas produced,		
net of production costs	\$ (8,041,000)	\$ (5,355,000)
Net changes in prices and production costs	11,592,000	265,326,000
Acquisition of oil and gas reserves in place,		
less related production costs	15,340,000	-
Extensions, discoveries and improved recovery, less related costs	-	-
Revisions of previous quantity estimates, less		

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related production costs	(80,919,000)	(45,538,000)
Sales of reserves in place	-	-
Accretion of discount	26,235,000	(99,498,000)
Net changes in income taxes	18,764,000	(32,819,000)
Other	-	-
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Total change in standardized measure of discounted future net cash flows	\$ (17,029,000)	\$ 82,116,000
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The standardized measure includes a deduction of \$138,200 from the value, at a discount rate of 10%, of the reserves to reflect the cumulative effect of hedges in place at year-end for future periods as calculated at the time of the reserve report using year-end SEC pricing.

Comparison of Standardized Measure of Discounted Future Net Cash Flows to the Net Carrying Value of Proven Oil and Gas Properties at December 31, 2003 is as follows:

	2003	2002
	-----	-----
Standardized measure of discounted future and net cash flows	\$194,009,000	\$211,038,000
Proven oil and gas properties	127,991,000	109,480,000
Less accumulated depreciation, depletion, amortization and impairment reserve	(76,158,000)	(71,791,000)
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Net carrying value of proven oil and gas properties	51,833,000	37,689,000
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Standardized measure of discounted future net cash flows in excess of net carrying value of proven oil and gas properties	\$142,176,000	\$173,349,000
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## GULFPORT ENERGY CORPORATION

### BALANCE SHEET

	March 31, 2004
	----- (Unaudited)
Assets	
Current assets:	
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 1,027,000
Accounts receivable	2,319,000
Accounts receivable - related party	542,000
Prepaid expenses and other current assets	71,000
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Total current assets	3,959,000
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Property and equipment:	
Oil and natural gas properties	128,980,000
Other property and equipment	1,927,000
Accumulated depletion, depreciation, amortization	(78,556,000)
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Property and equipment, net	52,351,000
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Other assets	3,118,000
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Total assets	\$ 59,428,000
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Liabilities and Stockholders' Equity	
Current liabilities:	
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	\$ 3,199,000
Accrued payable - royalty audit	159,000
Asset retirement obligation - current	480,000
Current maturities of long-term debt	2,311,000
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Total current liabilities	6,149,000
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Asset retirement obligation - long-term	7,436,000
Accrued payable - royalty audit	121,000
Redeemable 12% cumulative preferred stock, Series A, \$.01 par value, with a redemption and liquidation value of \$1,000 per share; 30,000 authorized, 12,534 issued and outstanding at March 31, 2004	12,534,000
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Total liabilities	26,240,000
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Commitments and contingencies	
Preferred stock, \$.01 par value; 5,000,000 authorized at March 31, 2004, 30,000 issued as redeemable 12%	

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cumulative preferred stock, Series A -

Common stockholders' equity:	
Common stock - \$.01 par value, 20,000,000 authorized, 10,146,566 issued and outstanding at March 31, 2004	101,000
Paid-in capital	84,192,000
Accumulated deficit	(51,105,000)
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Total stockholders' equity	33,188,000
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Total liabilities and stockholders' equity	\$ 59,428,000
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See accompanying notes to financial statements.

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STATEMENTS OF INCOME

	Three Months Ended March 31,	
	2004	2003
	-----	-----
Revenues:		
Gas sales	\$ 48,000	\$ 108,000
Oil and condensate sales	4,347,000	4,110,000
Other income	1,000	74,000
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	4,396,000	4,292,000
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Costs and expenses:		
Operating expenses	1,448,000	1,251,000
Production taxes	515,000	474,000
Depreciation, depletion, and amortization	1,133,000	1,000,000
General and administrative	686,000	572,000
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	3,782,000	3,297,000
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INCOME FROM OPERATIONS:	614,000	995,000
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OTHER (INCOME) EXPENSE:		
Accretion expense	73,000	75,000
Interest expense	42,000	3,000
Interest expense - preferred stock	463,000	-
Interest income	(4,000)	(11,000)
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	574,000	67,000
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INCOME BEFORE INCOME TAXES	40,000	928,000
INCOME TAX EXPENSE (BENEFIT):		



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Current	201,000	401,000
Deferred	(201,000)	(401,000)
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	-	-
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NET INCOME BEFORE EFFECT OF CHANGE IN ACCOUNTING PRINCIPLE	40,000	928,000
Cumulative effect of change in accounting principle, net of tax effect	-	270,000
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NET INCOME	40,000	1,198,000
Less: preferred stock dividends	-	(348,000)
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NET INCOME AVAILABLE TO COMMON SHAREHOLDERS	\$ 40,000	\$ 850,000
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NET INCOME PER COMMON SHARE - BASIC:		
Per common share before effect of change in accounting principle	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.05
Effect per common share of change in accounting principle	-	0.03
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	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.08
	=====	=====
NET INCOME PER COMMON SHARE - DILUTED:		
Per common share before effect of change in accounting principle	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.05
Effect per common share of change in accounting principle	-	0.03
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	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.08
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GULFPORT ENERGY CORPORATION  
Statements of Common Stockholders' Equity

	Common Stock		Additional	Accumu
	Shares	Amount	Paid-in Capital	Defi
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Balance at December 31, 2002	10,146,566	\$101,000	\$84,192,000	\$ (50,92
Net income	-	-	-	1,19
Preferred stock dividends	-	-	-	(34
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Balance at March 31, 2003	10,146,566	\$101,000	\$84,192,000	\$ (50,07
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Balance at December 31, 2003	10,146,566	\$101,000	\$84,192,000	\$ (51,14
Net income	-	-	-	4
Preferred stock dividends	-	-	-	
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Balance at March 31, 2004	10,146,566	\$101,000	\$84,192,000	\$ (51,10
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GULFPORT ENERGY CORPORATION  
Statements of Cash Flows

	For the Three Months Ended March 31,	
	2004	2003
	-----	-----
Cash flows from operating activities:		
Net income	\$ 40,000	\$ 1,198,000
Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided by operating activities:		
Cumulative effect of change in accounting principle	-	(270,000)
Accretion of discount	73,000	75,000
Interest expense - preferred stock	463,000	
Depletion, depreciation and amortization	1,133,000	997,000
Amortization of debt issuance costs	-	3,000
Changes in operating assets and liabilities:		
Decrease in insurance settlement receivable	-	2,510,000
(Increase) decrease in accounts receivable	(979,000)	181,000
(Increase) in accounts receivable -		

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related party	(163,000)	(112,000)
Decrease in prepaid expenses	108,000	61,000
(Decrease) increase in accounts payable and accrued liabilities	(122,000)	1,882,000
Net cash provided by operating activities	553,000	6,525,000
Cash flows from investing activities:		
(Additions) to cash held in escrow	(58,000)	(61,000)
(Additions) to other property, plant and equipment	(15,000)	(14,000)
(Additions) to oil and gas properties	(987,000)	(3,778,000)
Expenditures related to oil and gas properties due to hurricane	(2,000)	(536,000)
Net cash used in investing activities	(1,062,000)	(4,389,000)
Cash flows from financing activities:		
Principal payments on borrowings	(6,000)	(5,000)
Net cash used in financing activities	(6,000)	(5,000)
Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents	(515,000)	2,131,000
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of period	1,542,000	1,109,000
Cash and cash equivalents at end of period	\$ 1,027,000	\$ 3,240,000
Supplemental disclosure of cash flow information:		
Interest payments	\$ 42,000	\$ 3,000
Supplemental disclosure of non-cash transactions:		
Payment of Series A Preferred Stock dividends through issuance of Series A Preferred Stock	\$ -	\$ 348,000

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NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
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These condensed financial statements have been prepared by Gulfport Energy Corporation (the "Company" or "Gulfport") without audit, pursuant to the rules and regulations of the Securities and Exchange Commission, and reflect all adjustments, which are in the opinion of management, necessary for a fair statement of the results for the interim periods, on a basis consistent with the annual audited financial statements. All such adjustments are of a normal

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recurring nature. Certain information, accounting policies, and footnote disclosures normally included in financial statements prepared in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles have been omitted pursuant to such rules and regulations, although the Company believes that the disclosures are adequate to make the information presented not misleading. These financial statements should be read in conjunction with the financial statements and the summary of significant accounting policies and notes thereto included in the Company's most recent annual report on Form 10-KSB.

1. ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE - RELATED PARTY

Included in the accompanying March 31, 2004 balance sheet are amounts receivable from entities that have similar controlling interests as those controlling the Company. These receivables represent amounts billed by the Company for general and administrative functions performed by Gulfport's personnel on behalf of the related party companies during 2004. As of March 31, 2004, this receivable amount totaled \$542,000.

2. PROPERTY AND EQUIPMENT

The major categories of property and equipment and related accumulated depreciation, depletion and amortization are as follows:

	March 31, 2004
	-----
Oil and gas properties	\$128,980,000
Office furniture and fixtures	1,450,000
Building	217,000
Land	260,000
	-----
Total property and equipment	130,907,000
Accumulated depreciation, depletion, amortization and impairment reserve	(78,556,000)
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Property and equipment, net	\$ 52,351,000
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3. OTHER ASSETS

Other assets consist of the following:

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Plugging and abandonment escrow account	
on the WCBB properties (Note 8)	\$ 2,807,000
CD's securing letter of credit	200,000
Deposits	111,000
	-----
	\$ 3,118,000
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#### 4. LONG-TERM DEBT

A break down of long-term debt is as follows:

	March 31, 2004
	-----
Building loan	\$ 111,000
Amounts borrowed under line of credit (Note 5)	2,200,000
	-----
	2,311,000
Less - current maturities of long term debt	2,311,000
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Debt reflected as long term	\$ -
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The building loan of \$111,000 relates to a building in Lafayette, Louisiana, purchased in 1996 to be used as the Company's Louisiana headquarters. The building is 12,480 square feet with approximately 6,180 square feet of finished office area and 6,300 square feet of warehouse space. This building allows the Company to provide office space for Louisiana personnel, have access to meeting space close to the fields and to maintain a corporate presence in Louisiana.

All debts outstanding at March 31, 2004 will mature during 2004.

#### 5. REVOLVING LINE OF CREDIT

The Company maintains a line of credit with Bank of Oklahoma, under which the Company may borrow up to \$2,300,000. Amounts borrowed under the line bear interest at Chase Manhattan Prime plus 1%, with payments of interest on outstanding balances due monthly. Any principal amounts borrowed under the line will be due on July 1, 2004. As of March 31, 2004, \$2,200,000 had been borrowed under this line. The Company intends to extend the maturity date of this credit facility or use a portion of the net proceeds from the rights offering to repay in full the outstanding balance of this credit facility.

#### 6. CASTEX BACK-IN

Gulfport sold its interest in the Bayou Penchant, Bayou Pigeon, Deer Island and Golden Meadow fields to Castex Energy 1996 Limited Partnership (Castex) effective April 1, 1998 subject to a 25% reversionary interest in the partnership after Castex had received 100% of the initial investment. Castex informed Gulfport that the investment had paid out effective September 1, 2001. In lieu of a 25% interest in the partnership, Gulfport elected to take a proportionately reduced 25% working interest in the properties. During March

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2002, the Company received approximately \$220,000 from Castex which the Company believes consists of sales income for the period after payout net of operating expenses, although the Company has not received confirmation of such. The Company received an additional \$66,000 from Castex in March of 2003, which is included in the accompanying statement of income for the period ended March 31, 2003 as "Other Income".

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### 7. EARNINGS PER SHARE

A reconciliation of the components of basic and diluted net income (loss) per common share is presented in the table below:

	For the Three Months Ended March 31,					
	2004			2003		
	Income	Shares	Per Share	Income	Shares	Per Share
Income before effect of change in						
accounting principle	\$40,000			\$ 928,000		
Less: preferred stock dividends	-			(348,000)		
	-----			-----		
	40,000	10,146,566	0.00	580,000	10,146,566	0.0
Effect of change in accounting principle	-	10,146,566	-	270,000	10,146,566	0.0
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	\$40,000		\$0.00	\$ 850,000		\$0.0
Effect of dilutive securities:						
Stock options		216,089			178,513	
Diluted:						
Income before effect of change in						
accounting principle	\$40,000			\$ 928,000		
Less: preferred stock dividends	-			(348,000)		
	-----			-----		
	40,000	10,362,655	0.00	580,000	10,325,079	0.0
Effect of change in accounting principle	-	10,362,655	-	270,000	10,325,079	0.0
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	\$40,000		\$0.00	\$ 850,000		\$0.0
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Common stock equivalents not included in the calculation of 2004 and 2003 diluted earnings per share above consists of 2,322,893 warrants issued in connection with the Company's Private Placement Offering which took place during March 2002 as discussed in Note 9. Also not included in the calculation of 2004 and 2003 diluted earnings per share are 108,625 warrants issued in connection with the Company's revolving line of credit with Gulfport Funding, which was retired during March 2002. These potential common shares were not considered in

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the calculation due to their anti-dilutive effect during the periods presented.

### 8. COMMITMENTS

#### Plugging and Abandonment Funds

In connection with the acquisition of the remaining 50% interest in the WCBB properties, the Company assumed the seller's obligation to contribute approximately \$18,000 per month through March 2004, to a plugging and abandonment trust and the obligation to plug a minimum of 20 wells per year for 20 years commencing March 11, 1997. ChevronTexaco retained a security interest in production from these properties until abandonment obligations to ChevronTexaco have been fulfilled. Beginning in 2007, the Company can access the trust for use in plugging and abandonment charges associated with the property. As of March 31, 2004, the plugging and abandonment trust totaled approximately \$2,807,000, including interest received during 2004 of approximately \$3,000. The Company has plugged 132 wells at WCBB since it began its plugging program in 1997 and is current in its funding and plugging obligations.

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#### Office Lease

The Company leases 12,035 square feet of office space in Oklahoma City. This lease commenced in November of 2002 and has a 60 month term. Payments due under the lease during its term are as follows:

For the year ended March 31,  
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2005	\$	217,000
2006		217,000
2007		216,000
2008		108,000
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	\$	758,000
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The Company recently entered into an agreement to purchase the office building it occupies. The building contains approximately 24,823 total rentable square feet. Assuming the purchase is consummated, immediately upon the closing the Company will have access to an additional 3,000 square feet with the remaining space to be leased for approximately 12 months by the existing tenant/owner. At the end of the twelve-month period, the Company will either occupy or sub-lease any unused space. The Company is in the process of securing possible financing related to the building purchase. The effect on the Company's liquidity is expected to be minimal, as debt service costs are projected to be covered by the rental income generated.

### 9. PRIVATE PLACEMENT OFFERING

In March 2002, the Company commenced a private placement offering of 10,000

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units. Each unit consisted of (i) one share of Cumulative Preferred Stock, Series A, of the Company (Preferred) and (ii) a warrant to purchase up to 250 shares of common stock, par value \$0.01 per share, of the Company. Holders of the Preferred are entitled to receive dividends at the rate of 12% of the liquidation preference per annum payable quarterly in cash or, at the option of the Company for all quarters ending on or prior to March 31, 2004, payable in whole or in part in additional shares of Preferred at the rate of 15% of the liquidation preference per annum. To the extent funds are legally available, the Company is obligated to declare and pay the dividends on the Preferred. The Preferred may be redeemed at any time for an amount per share equal to \$1,000 and all accrued and unpaid dividends thereon, whether or not declared or payable, and must be redeemed on March 29, 2007 for an amount per share equal to \$1,000 and all accrued and unpaid dividends thereon, whether or not declared or payable. Accordingly, the Preferred issued in connection with this Offering is treated as redeemable stock and a liability on the Company's balance sheet. The affirmative vote of at least two thirds of the votes entitled to be cast by holders of the Preferred is necessary for any amendment to the certificate of incorporation which (1) adversely affects the rights and privileges of the Preferred or (2) creates or authorizes an increase in any shares ranking senior to the Preferred or securities convertible into the foregoing. The Preferred cannot be sold or transferred by its holders, subject to certain exceptions.

The Warrants have a term of ten years and an exercise price of \$4.00 per share of common stock. The Company granted to holders of the Warrants certain demand and piggyback registration rights with respect to shares of common stock issuable upon exercise of the warrants.

The Preferred offering was made available to stockholders (some of whom were affiliates) of the Company as of December 31, 2001 and who were accredited investors. Purchasers were able to participate up to their pro rata share of ownership in the Company as of December 31, 2001. As of April 15, 2002, the Company had closed on subscriptions totaling \$9,292,000 for 9,291.85 units, which included the conversion by Gulfport Funding, LLC of its \$3,000,000 loan along with the accumulated interest due from the Company for 3,262.98 units. Additionally, multiple entities controlled by the Company's majority stockholder participated in the offering by subscribing for 2,738 units at a cost of \$2,738,000.

### 10. DIVIDENDS ON SERIES A PREFERRED STOCK

As discussed in Note 9, the Company may, at its option, accrue additional shares of Preferred for the payment of dividends at a rate of 15% per annum during the initial two years following the closing date of its Offering. The

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Company has chosen to do so for the three month period ended March 31, 2004 and has therefore accrued additional shares totaling \$463,000 at March 31, 2004 related to the Preferred Stock Series A shares issued and outstanding during that time period. These dividends were calculated based upon the Preferred's \$1,000 per share redemptive value and are reflected as "Series A preferred stock" in the accompanying balance sheet. As a result of the adoption of SFAS 150, the dividends issued as additional shares for the three month period ended March 31, 2004 are shown as "Interest expense - preferred stock" in the accompanying statement of income. Beginning with the period ended June 30, 2004,



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the Company will be required to pay cash dividends at a rate of 12% per annum on the Series A Preferred Stock.

In April 2004, the Board of Directors of the Company approved and the Company received the consent of holders of the requisite number of shares of Preferred to amend the Company's Certificate of Designation with respect to the Series A preferred stock to give the Company the ability to pay dividends on the Series A preferred stock with additional shares of Series A preferred stock after March 31, 2004, for so long as such shares remain outstanding and prior to the mandatory redemption date.

### 11. SUBSEQUENT EVENTS

During 2003, the Company hired Petrie Parkman & Co. to assist in a possible sale of WCBB. The Board of Directors has determined that if a sale of WCBB is not consummated that it is in the best interests of the Company to conduct an equity offering. The Board has approved a registered rights offering in the amount of \$12.0 million. The rights offering will be backstopped by one of the Company's principal stockholders for a commitment fee of 2% of the gross proceeds from the rights offering. As a result, the Company is guaranteed proceeds of \$12.0 million if the rights offering is commenced. Therefore, the Company shall have required liquidity either through the sale of the property or the proceeds from the rights offering.

In connection with the rights offering, on April 30, 2004, the Company entered into a \$3.0 million revolving credit facility with CD Holding, L.L.C., a principal stockholder of the Company. Borrowings under the credit facility are due on the earlier of the closing of the rights offering and August 1, 2005 and bear interest at the rate of 10.0% per annum. Under the credit facility, CD Holding may, if it elects to do so, apply the outstanding principal amount and any accrued but unpaid interest (1) to the subscription price payable upon exercise of the rights issued to CD Holding in the rights offering, or (2) to the purchase price for the Common Stock. The credit facility provides that if the rights offering is not completed, CD Holding has the right to convert any borrowings plus any accrued but unpaid interest under the facility into shares of our common stock at a conversion price equal to \$1.20 per share.

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Gulfport Energy Corporation

10,000,000 Shares of Common Stock

Common Stock Subscription Rights

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PROSPECTUS

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PART II - INFORMATION NOT REQUIRED IN PROSPECTUS

Item 24. Indemnification of Directors and Officers.

The Registrant, a Delaware corporation, is empowered by Section 145 of the DGCL, subject to the procedures and limitations stated therein, to indemnify certain parties. Section 145 of the DGCL provides in part that a corporation shall have the power to indemnify any person who was or is a party or is threatened to be made a party to any threatened, pending or completed action, suit or proceeding (other than an action by or in the right of the corporation) by reason of the fact that such person is or was a director, officer, employee or agent of the corporation or is or was serving at the request of the corporation as a director, officer, employee or agent of another corporation or other enterprise, against expenses (including attorneys' fees), judgments, fines and amounts paid in settlement actually and reasonably incurred by him in connection with such action, suit or proceeding if he acted in good faith and in a manner he reasonably believed to be in or not opposed to the best interests of the corporation, and with respect to any criminal action or proceeding, had no reasonable cause to believe his conduct was unlawful. Similar indemnity is authorized for such persons against expenses (including attorneys' fees) actually and reasonably incurred in the defense or settlement of any threatened, pending or completed action or suit by or in the right of the corporation, if such person acted in good faith and in a manner he reasonably believed to be in or not opposed to the best interests of the corporation, and provided further that (unless a court of competent jurisdiction otherwise provides) such person shall not have been adjudged liable to the corporation. Any such indemnification may be made only as authorized in each specific case upon a determination by the stockholders or disinterested directors that

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indemnification is proper because the indemnitee has met the applicable standard of conduct. Where an officer or a director is successful on the merits or otherwise in the defense of any action referred to above, the corporation must indemnify him against the expenses which such officer or director actually or reasonably incurred. Section 145 provides further that indemnification pursuant to its provisions is not exclusive of other rights of indemnification to which a person may be entitled under any bylaw, agreement, vote of stockholders or disinterested directors or otherwise.

The Registrant's Bylaws provide that the Registrant shall indemnify and advance expenses to each person who is a director or officer of the Registrant to the fullest extent permitted under Section 145 of the DGCL, and such indemnity and advancement of expenses shall continue as to a person who has ceased to be a director or officer and shall inure to the benefit of the heirs, executors and administrators of such a person.

Article VI of the Registrant's Certificate of Incorporation eliminates the personal liability of the Registrant's directors to the fullest extent permitted under Section 102(b)(7) of the DGCL, as amended. Such section permits a company's certificate of incorporation to eliminate or limit the personal liability of a director to the corporation or its stockholders for monetary damages for breach of fiduciary duty as a director, provided that such provision shall not eliminate or limit the liability of a director: (i) for any breach of the director's duty of loyalty to the corporation or its stockholders; (ii) for acts or omissions not in good faith or which involve intentional misconduct or a knowing violation of law; (iii) under Section 174 of the DGCL (which addresses director liability for unlawful payment of a dividend or unlawful stock purchase or redemption) or (iv) for any transaction from which the director derived an improper personal benefit.

Article VI of the Bylaws of the Registrant provides that the Registrant shall, to the fullest extent permitted by Delaware law, indemnify any and all persons whom it shall have power to indemnify against any and all of the costs, expenses, liabilities or other matters incurred by them by reason of having been officers or directors of the Registrant, any such subsidiary of the Registrant or of any other corporation for which he acted as officer or director at the request of the Registrant.

The Registrant maintains director and officer liability insurance providing insurance protection for specified liabilities under specified terms.

The Registrant has adopted provisions in its Bylaws and in its Certificate which provide for indemnification of its officers and directors to the maximum extent permitted under the DGCL.

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#### Item 25. Other Expenses of Issuance and Distribution.

The estimated expenses in connection with the issuance and distribution of the securities being registered are set forth in the following table. We will bear all such expenses.

SEC registration fees	\$ 1,521
Printing and engraving expenses	\$
Legal fees and expenses	\$
Accounting fees and expenses	\$
Blue sky fees and expenses	\$

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Transfer agent and registrar fees		\$
and expenses		\$
Miscellaneous		\$
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Total		\$
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Item 26. Recent Sales of Unregistered Securities.

The following sets forth unregistered sales of securities by us during the proceeding three years:

In March 2002 through April 2002, we issued 9,291.85 Units, each consisting of one share of Cumulative Preferred Stock, Series A and one warrant to purchase up to 250 shares of Common Stock to certain of the Company's stockholders who were also accredited investors in a private placement, at a price of \$1,000 per Unit. The issuance of these shares was exempt from registration under Section 4(2) of the Securities Act of 1933, as sales not involving a public offering, and from various similar state exemptions.

Dividends accrue on the Series A preferred stock prior to the mandatory redemption date at the rate of 12% of the liquidation preference per annum payable quarterly in cash or, at the option of the Company for a period not to exceed two years from the closing date, payable in whole or in part in additional shares of Series A preferred stock at the rate of 15% of the liquidation preference per annum. The Company chose to pay dividends on the shares of Series A preferred stock with additional shares of Series A preferred stock for the quarterly periods ended March 31, June 30, September 30, and December 31, 2003 and March 31, 2004 and, as a result, issued an additional 3,241.73 shares of Series A preferred stock as of March 31, 2004. The issuance of these shares was exempt from registration under Section 4(2) of the Securities Act of 1933, as sales not involving a public offering, and from various similar state exemptions.

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Item 27. Exhibits.

Exhibit Number	Description
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3.1	Restated Certificate of Incorporation (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.1 to the Form 10-Q filed December 1, 1997).
3.2*	Amendment to Certificate of Incorporation changing name of corporation to Gulfport Energy Corporation.

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- 3.3+ Amendment to Certificate of Incorporation to effect a 3 to 1 reverse stock split of the issued and outstanding Common Stock.
  - 3.4\* Amendment to Certificate of Incorporation to increase the number of authorized shares of Common Stock from 50,000,000 to 250,000,000.
  - 3.5\* Amendment to Certificate of Incorporation to effect a 50 to 1 reverse stock split of the issued and outstanding Common Stock.
  - 3.6\* Amendment to Certificate of Incorporation to reduce the number of authorized shares of Common Stock from 250,000,000 to 15,000,000.
  - 3.7 Amendment to Certificate of Incorporation (incorporated by reference to Exhibit A to Information Statement filed on February 20, 2004).
  - 3.8 Bylaws (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.2 the Form 10-Q filed December 1, 1997).
  - 4.1 + Form of Common Stock certificate.
  - 4.2\*\* Form of Subscription Right certificate.
  - 5.1+ Opinion of Akin Gump Strauss Hauer & Feld LLP.
  - 10.1\*\* Back-stop Letter Agreement between the Registrant and CD Holding, LLC.
  - 10.2\*\* Credit Agreement dated July 1, 2003 by and between the Registrant and the Bank of Oklahoma.
  - 10.3 Stock Option Plan (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.2 to the Form 10-K filed March 30, 2001).
  - 10.4+ Form of Warrant Agreement.
  - 10.5\* Employment Agreement dated June 2003 between the Registrant and Mike Liddell.
  - 10.6\*\* Credit Agreement dated April 30, 2004 by and between the Registrant and CD Holding, L.L.C.
  - 21.1\*\* List of Subsidiaries of Registrant.
  - 23.1\* Consent of Akin Gump Strauss Hauer & Feld LLP.
  - 23.2\* Consent of Hogan & Slovacek.
  - 23.3\* Consent of Netherland, Sewell & Associates.
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- 24\*\* Power of Attorney.
  - 99.1\*\* Form of Instructions for Use of Subscription Rights Certificates.
  - 99.2\*\* Form of Notice of Guaranteed Delivery for Subscription Rights.

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- 99.3\*\* Form of Letter to Stockholders Who Are Record Holders.
- 99.4\*\* Form of Letter to Stockholders Who Are Beneficial Holders.
- 99.5\*\* Form of Letter to Clients of Stockholders Who Are Beneficial Holders.
- 99.6\*\* Form of Nominee Holder Certification Form.
- 99.7\*\* Form of Beneficial Owner Election Form.

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\*Filed herewith.

\*\*Previously filed.

+To be filed by amendment.

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### Item 28. Undertakings.

(a) The undersigned registrant hereby undertakes:

1. To file, during any period in which offers or sales are being made, a post-effective amendment to this registration statement:

(i) To include any prospectus required by Section 10(a)(3) of the Securities Act;

(ii) To reflect in the prospectus any facts or events which, individually or in the aggregate, represent a fundamental change in the information set forth in the registration statement. Notwithstanding the foregoing, any increase or decrease in volume of securities offered (if the total dollar value of securities offered would not exceed that which was registered) and any deviation from the low or high end of the estimated maximum offering range may be reflected in the form of prospectus filed with the

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Securities and Exchange Commission under Rule 424(b) if, in the aggregate, the changes in the volume and price represent no more than a 20% change in the maximum aggregate offering price set forth in the "Calculation of Registration Fee" table in the effective registration statement; and

(iii) To include any additional or changed material information on the plan of distribution.

2. That, for the purpose of determining liability under the Securities Act, each such post-effective amendment may be deemed to be a new registration statement relating to the securities offered therein, and the offering of such securities at that time will be deemed to be the initial bona fide offering thereof.

3. To file a post-effective amendment to remove from registration any of the securities being registered that remain unsold at the end of the offering.

(b) Insofar as indemnification for liabilities arising under the Securities Act may be permitted to directors, officers and controlling persons of the registrant under the foregoing provisions, or otherwise, the registrant has been advised that in the opinion of the Securities and Exchange Commission such indemnification is against public policy as expressed in the Securities Act and is, therefore, unenforceable. In the event that a claim for indemnification against such liabilities (other than the payment by the registrant of expenses incurred or paid by a director, officer or controlling person of the registrant in the successful defense of any action, suit or proceeding) is asserted by such director, officer or controlling person in connection with the securities being registered, the registrant will, unless in the opinion of its counsel the matter has been settled by controlling precedent, submit to a court of appropriate jurisdiction the question whether such indemnification by it is against public policy as expressed in the Securities Act and will be governed by the final adjudication of such issue.

(c) The undersigned registrant hereby undertakes that:

1. For purposes of determining any liability under the Securities Act of 1933, the information omitted from the form of prospectus filed as part of this registration statement in reliance upon Rule 430A and contained in a form of prospectus filed by the registrant pursuant to Rule 424(b)(1) or (4) or 497(h) under the Securities Act shall be deemed to be part of this registration statement as of the time it was declared effective; and

2. For the purpose of determining any liability under the Securities Act of 1933, each post-effective amendment that contains a form of prospectus shall be deemed to be a new registration statement relating to the securities offered in any such amendment, and the offering of such securities at that time shall be deemed to be the initial bona fide offering of such securities.

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### SIGNATURES

In accordance with the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, the registrant certifies that it has reasonable grounds to believe that it meets all of the requirements for filing on Form SB-2 and authorized this registration statement to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized, in the City of Oklahoma City, State of Oklahoma, on June 17, 2004.

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GULFPORT ENERGY CORPORATION

By:/s/Mike Liddell

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Mike Liddell,  
Chief Executive Officer

In accordance with the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, this Registration Statement was signed by the following persons in the capacities and on the dates stated.

Date ----	Signature / Title -----
June 17, 2004	By:/s/Mike Liddell ----- Mike Liddell, Chief Executive Officer, Chairman of the Board and Director
June 17, 2004	By:* ----- Robert Brooks, Director
June 17, 2004	By:* ----- David L. Houston, Director
June 17, 2004	By:* ----- Mickey Liddell, Director
June 17, 2004	By:* ----- Dan Noles, Director
June 17, 2004	By:* ----- Michael G. Moore, Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

\*By:/s/Lisa Holbrook

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Lisa Holbrook  
Attorney-in-Fact