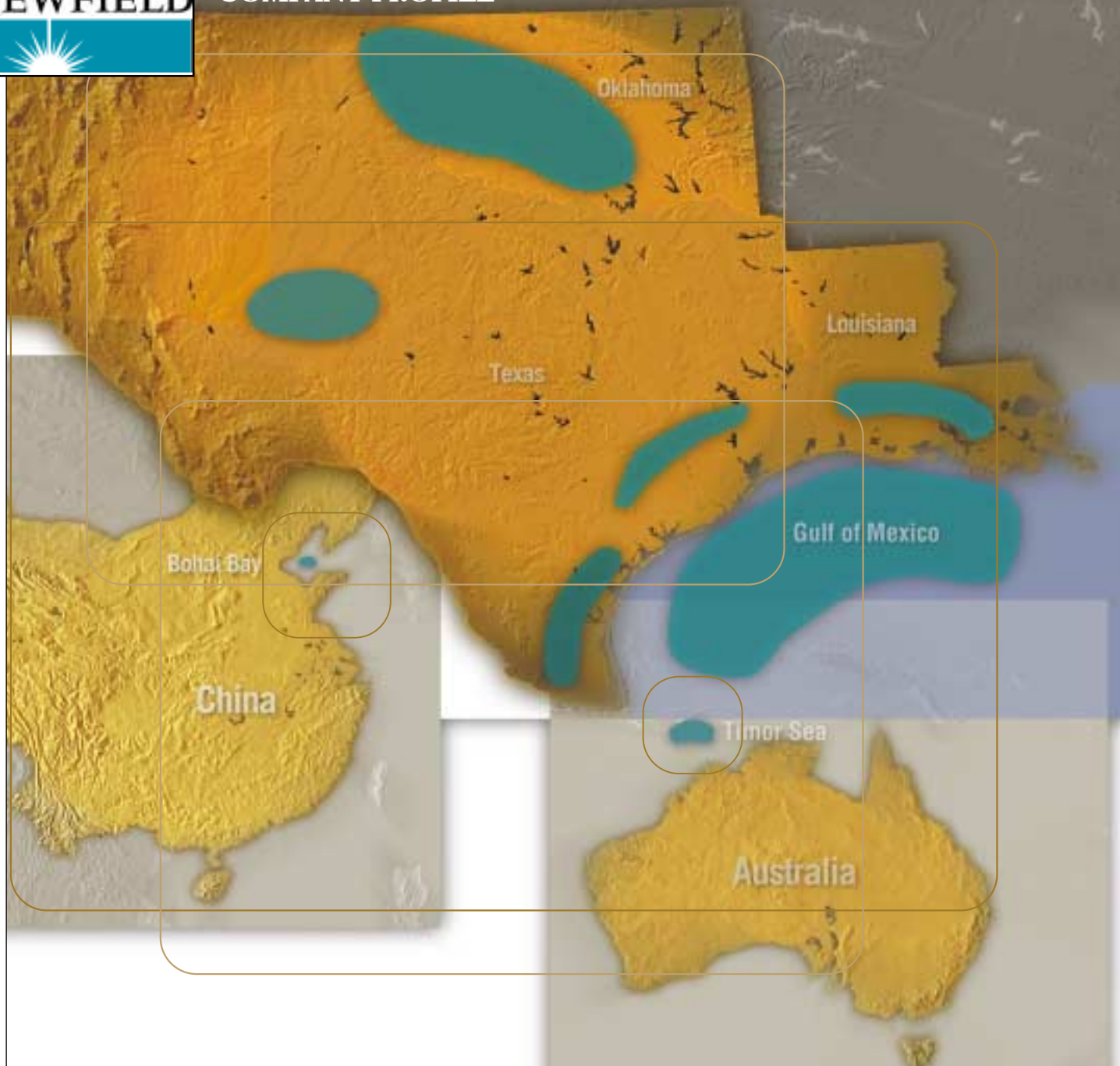


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2000 ANNUAL REPORT



## COMPANY PROFILE



Newfield Exploration Company (NYSE:NFX) is an independent crude oil and natural gas exploration and production company. Newfield relies on its proven growth strategy: balancing acquisitions with drill bit opportunities. Its current focus areas include the Gulf of Mexico, the Anadarko Basin of Oklahoma, onshore U.S. Gulf Coast and offshore Australia and China.

Founded in 1989 and taken public in 1993, Newfield has become one of the Gulf of Mexico's most active drillers and ranks near the top in terms of daily gross operated production volumes. Today, Newfield has an interest in nearly 170 blocks (about 850,000 acres) in the Gulf of Mexico, about 85% of which are company-operated.

Newfield was founded on the principle of applying major oil company technology in the Gulf of Mexico with an independent's low cost structure and mindset. The Company has a solid track record of growth in both production and reserves. Newfield's Fundamental Business Principles – balance, people, financial discipline and technology – are the basis for its success in the Gulf of Mexico and are being applied to new focus areas in the U.S. and overseas.

Following Newfield's recent acquisition of Lariat Petroleum, proved reserves were 943 Bcfe. About 75% of those reserves are natural gas, and nearly 90% are proved developed.

Newfield is headquartered in Houston, Texas.

## SUMMARY FINANCIAL AND RESERVE DATA

Year-Ended December 31, (In thousands, except per share data)	2000	1999	1998	1997	1996
Oil and gas revenues	\$ 526,642	\$ 287,889	\$ 199,474	\$ 201,755	\$ 150,812
Income (loss) from operations	221,229	65,143	(79,832)	64,567	58,789
Net income (loss)	132,349	33,204	(57,699)	40,603	38,494
Basic earnings (loss) per common share	\$ 3.13	\$ 0.81	\$ (1.55)	\$ 1.14	\$ 1.10
Diluted earnings (loss) per common share	\$ 2.93	\$ 0.79	\$ (1.55)	\$ 1.07	\$ 1.03
Weighted average number of shares outstanding (basic)	42,333	41,194	37,312	35,612	34,872
Weighted average number of shares outstanding (diluted)	47,228	42,294	37,312	38,017	37,409
Capital expenditures	\$ 378,663	\$ 209,799	\$ 310,772	\$ 253,159	\$ 163,823
Net cash provided by operating activities before changes in operating assets and liabilities	383,524	205,553	141,948	161,852	125,226
Net cash provided by operating activities	316,444	184,903	146,575	160,338	127,494
Net cash used in investing activities	(355,547)	(210,817)	(318,991)	(242,962)	(159,537)
Net cash provided by financing activities	15,933	67,758	164,291	77,551	32,800
Total assets	\$1,023,250	\$ 781,561	\$ 629,311	\$ 553,621	\$ 395,938
Long-term debt	133,711	124,679	208,650	129,623	60,000
Convertible preferred securities	143,750	143,750	-	-	-
Stockholders' equity	519,455	375,018	323,948	292,048	239,902
Oil and condensate reserves (MBbls)	27,934	25,770	15,171	16,307	13,659
Gas reserves (MMcf)	519,723	440,173	422,277	337,481	241,385
Total proved reserves (MMcfe)	687,327	594,790	513,304	435,323	323,339
Present value of estimated future after-tax net cash flows	\$2,670,258	\$ 732,519	\$ 451,156	\$ 502,948	\$ 611,928

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Our record of profitably growing reserves and production is strong. We attribute our success to exceptional people, a balanced approach to the business and financial discipline. These fundamentals will guide us in 2001 and beyond.

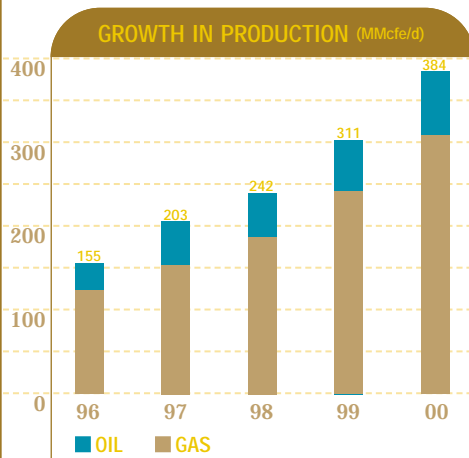


March 19, 2001

## Dear Fellow Stockholders:

In this letter last year, I described 1999 as both an excellent year and one of change. The year 2000 was *vintage*, our best year ever on nearly all metrics. Earnings, cash flow and production reached record levels as we continued our often-stated goal of adding value per share.

Positive changes continued in 2000. We expanded our operations along the onshore Gulf Coast and in the Gulf of Mexico. Most recently, we added a new onshore focus area through our acquisition of Lariat Petroleum. We now have operations in the Anadarko Basin with good people and prospects on which to build. Overseas, we reported our first



international discovery in Bohai Bay, offshore China. The exploration well and our first appraisal well each tested more than 2,500 barrels per day of relatively light crude oil.

We recognize that the dramatic increases in oil and natural gas prices played a large role in our 2000 financial results, but these good numbers also reflect hard work, the execution of a plan

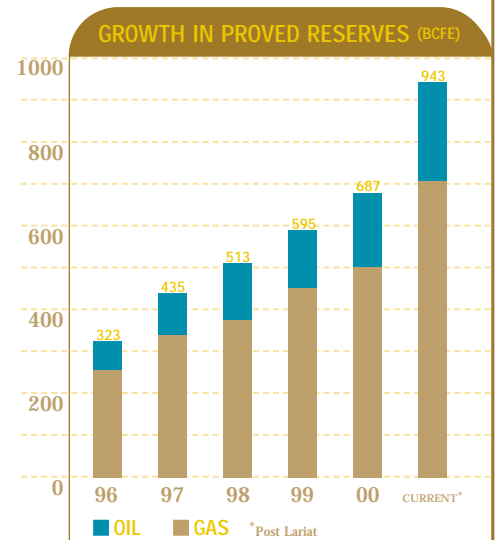
designed to increase our U.S. onshore position and dedication to and belief in our Founding Business Principles. Those principles were also the subject of discussion in this letter last year. But, as Joe Foster is fond of saying, the good stuff is worth repeating.

We began 2000 with the largest acquisition in our history — a \$139 million purchase of three producing gas fields in South Texas, a prolific and gas rich basin. This acquisition added nearly 100 Bcfe of proved natural gas reserves and was made at a time when natural gas was selling for about \$2.40 per Mcf, less than half of the current average 12-month NYMEX price. More importantly, the acquisition provided significant drilling opportunities. We have drilled six successful wells on these properties, three additional wells are now drilling and at least six more wells are planned for 2001. This acquisition established us as a significant competitor in South Texas. We currently have three experienced exploration teams dedicated to the area and are considering the addition of a fourth later this year. Our seismic data library includes about 1,300 square miles of 3-D coverage in the area.

Our onshore exploration effort yielded excellent results in 2000 with 13 successful wells out of the 15 we drilled. All five of the wells drilled by our two Provident City joint ventures were successful.

Our 2000 discoveries set up a number of development wells to be drilled in 2001 and we still have a deep inventory of ready-to-drill exploratory prospects. We plan to run four rigs in this area throughout 2001.

We started 2000 and closed 2000 with the largest acquisitions in our history.



On December 29, 2000, we announced an agreement to acquire Lariat Petroleum in a cash and stock merger valued at \$333 million. The Lariat transaction closed on January 23, 2001 and added 256 Bcfe of long-life reserves (75% natural gas) to our reserve base. Ninety percent of Lariat's reserves are located in the Anadarko Basin of Oklahoma. This transaction accomplished the following strategic objectives:

- added a new focus area in a gas rich province;
- captured substantial proved natural gas reserves at a reasonable price;



DAVID A. TRICE  
PRESIDENT, CEO AND DIRECTOR

- provided talented management and a technical team with a proven track record to continue to grow production and reserves; and
- provided a significant acreage position with identified drilling opportunities and an ongoing active 3-D seismic driven exploration program.

The transaction is expected to be accretive, on a per share basis, to earnings and cash flow.

In all respects, our onshore expansion has been consistent with our Founding Business Principles, which we believe underlie Newfield's consistency and success. We continue to be a highly focused company (see map, inside front cover) and to work hard to keep our costs low as we pursue a balanced mix of opportunities. The fact that Lariat shared nearly identical business principles and practices helped make it the right fit for us.

The fast growth of our onshore operations has not diluted our efforts in the Gulf of Mexico. It remains our most important operating area, accounting for two-thirds of our current production and 60% of our total reserves. We grew our daily Gulf production during 2000 without an

acquisition, drilling 30 successful wells and only six dry holes. We drilled nine successful wells on the Gulf of Mexico properties we acquired in mid-1999 and plan to drill another 11 prospects there during 2001. We have set seven new platforms or facilities to develop our 2000 successes and have an additional seven facilities in various stages of development planning. In February 2001, the Minerals Management Service recognized our exemplary performance in production and drilling operations in the Gulf of Mexico and awarded us the Safety Award for Excellence (SAFE) for the Lafayette MMS District. We have also been nominated for the national SAFE Award, which we were awarded in 1998. I am extremely proud of our record for safety and the efficiency of our offshore operations.

Of late, asset turnover in the Gulf of Mexico has been slow — hindered by pooling rules associated with megamergers over the last two years and high commodity prices. We expect an increase in dispositions of Gulf of Mexico properties in 2001 and we plan to continue our role as a consolidator. Our technical teams have

years of experience in the Gulf of Mexico and a track record of adding value on the properties we acquire.

The year 2000 also brought success in our international ventures. In China's Bohai Bay, we made our first international discovery with the CFD12-1 Field on Block 05/36. We are very encouraged by the results of the two successful wells drilled during 2000. Late in the year, we completed a 350 square kilometer 3-D seismic survey over the field. The data are being used to pick additional appraisal drilling locations. We are currently drilling the first of up to five appraisal wells in the field. If our appraisal efforts are successful, we expect to commence a development plan that could provide first oil production in late 2003. We also plan to drill a high-potential wildcat well on the block in late 2001.

Our Australian staff has embraced our Founding Business Principles and the dividends are apparent. Oil production has benefited from a gas lift optimization program and production has performed well. Our realized oil price has averaged nearly twice and cash flow has totaled three times our



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pre-acquisition planning. As expected, exploration efforts in the Timor Sea have proved difficult. We are disappointed with the unsuccessful wells drilled to date. However, we have an inventory of prospects and leads to evaluate in 2001. We will maximize reserve exposure while managing our risk capital. We will continue to look for other opportunities to grow this focus area.

Our capital spending totaled \$379 million in 2000, with the largest component being our \$139 million purchase of producing assets in South Texas. We borrowed about \$112 million to close that transaction in February 2000. Due to high cash flow during the year, only \$9 million of bank debt was outstanding at year-end and our debt to book capitalization was under 20%. Standard & Poor's recognized our financial strength in the third quarter of 2000 and upgraded our corporate credit rating to BB<sup>+</sup>.

Following the closing of the Lariat acquisition, our debt increased to about \$400 million and moved our debt to book capitalization to about 35%. On February 28, we issued \$175 million of 10-year senior notes yielding 7.635%. The proceeds were

used to repay a substantial portion of the outstanding borrowings under our revolving credit facility. Our capital budget for 2001 is \$710 million, including the \$333 million Lariat transaction.


We have come a long way over the past two years. In 1998, substantially all of our production and reserves were derived from the Gulf of Mexico (onshore production averaged less than 5 MMcfe/d) and our reserve life index was slightly less than five years. Our onshore U. S. production is now more than 130 MMcfe/d and that number is expected to rise in 2001 as we execute our drilling programs in South Texas and the Anadarko Basin. Onshore now accounts for about 40% of our total reserves — now 943 Bcfe. Our reserve life index has increased to six years. We are stronger and more diversified.

In closing, I want to thank our employees. While a short paragraph in our annual report cannot adequately recognize their extraordinary efforts, I would be remiss to omit it. In 2000, we drilled more wells than in any prior year and had higher than average success rates. Our employees got

the job done without sacrificing safety, technical analysis or pre-drill planning. While maintaining this workload, we completed our two largest-ever acquisitions, all in less than 11 months. A great deal of homework went into these two deals, but we pride ourselves on the careful evaluations we performed and are confident in the quality of these transactions. To all our employees, old and new, I thank you.

As always, we appreciate your interest in Newfield Exploration and look forward to a rewarding and prosperous 2001.

Sincerely,



David A. Trice



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**ONSHORE** Our most prolific growth in 2000 came from our U.S. onshore Gulf Coast operations. Production volumes increased 220% from 1999 and we exited 2000 with net daily production of more than 60 MMcfe/d. Our 2001 onshore net production is expected to average more than 135 MMcfe/d due to our recent acquisition of Lariat Petroleum and the success of our 2000 drilling program. About 30% of our 2001 production is expected to come from our onshore properties.

**GULF OF MEXICO** About 80% of our 2000 production came from the Gulf of Mexico. Our Gulf of Mexico daily production rate grew 10% solely through drill bit success. We drilled 29 successful wells and added more than 80 MMcfe/d of new production, offsetting declines from existing wells. Today, about 60% of our proved reserves are located in the Gulf of Mexico. We will continue our role as a consolidator and exploiter of properties in the Gulf of Mexico.

**INTERNATIONAL** Our international operations provide future growth opportunities. In 2000, we drilled our first international discovery in China's Bohai Bay and our Australian production is providing the funding to drill high-impact prospects in the Timor Sea. We have exploratory programs underway in both of these international areas. About 7% of our 2000 production came from our operations offshore Australia.



**W**e enjoyed strong growth in 2000.

That growth came in many ways.

We grew our production volumes 23% and our proved reserves 16%. That extended a long track record of growth in both categories and we expect this to continue in 2001.

During the year, we significantly increased our onshore operations through two large acquisitions. In February 2000, we acquired three producing gas fields in South Texas for \$139 million. This established us as a player in the region and brought balance to our onshore program, which had been driven primarily by exploration. On the last business day of 2000, we announced our largest-ever acquisition – Lariat Petroleum. The transaction closed on January 23, 2001, and established a new focus area in the Anadarko Basin of Oklahoma. Just as important, we gained employees with a history of adding value in this region. Today, about 40% of our reserves are located onshore.

At the time this report was released for printing, our onshore properties were producing more than 130 MMcfe/d, a 10-fold increase over our production volumes in early 1999. About 60 MMcfe/d is a result of our Lariat acquisition. Our onshore production now makes up approximately 30% of our daily volumes, compared to less than 5% during 1998. This growth represents a combination of acquisitions and

successful drilling results along the Texas and Louisiana coasts in 2000.

Our Gulf of Mexico production grew 10% in 2000, following a 12% growth rate in 1999. We drilled 29 successful wells in the Gulf of Mexico during 2000 and recorded an 81% success rate. Offshore, this was our most active year with the drill bit. Today, we have more than 40 prospects and are planning an active drilling campaign for 2001. Although we increased our Gulf of Mexico prospect inventory through three acquisitions in 1999, we did not complete any major acquisitions in this region in 2000. We will continue to look for quality acquisitions in the Gulf of Mexico.

In mid-2000, we announced our first international discovery with our CFD 12-1 #1 well in China's Bohai Bay. We followed this discovery with a successful appraisal well and are encouraged by the results. In late 2000, we completed a 350 square kilometer 3-D seismic shoot over the structure on Block 05/36. Our second appraisal well in the field was drilling at the time this report was released for printing. We plan to drill up to five appraisal wells in 2001. With continued success, we could declare the field commercial, file a plan of development with the Chinese government and work toward first production in late 2003. Our 35% interest (subject to a 51% "back-in" by the Chinese government) in this field could provide future oil production growth.

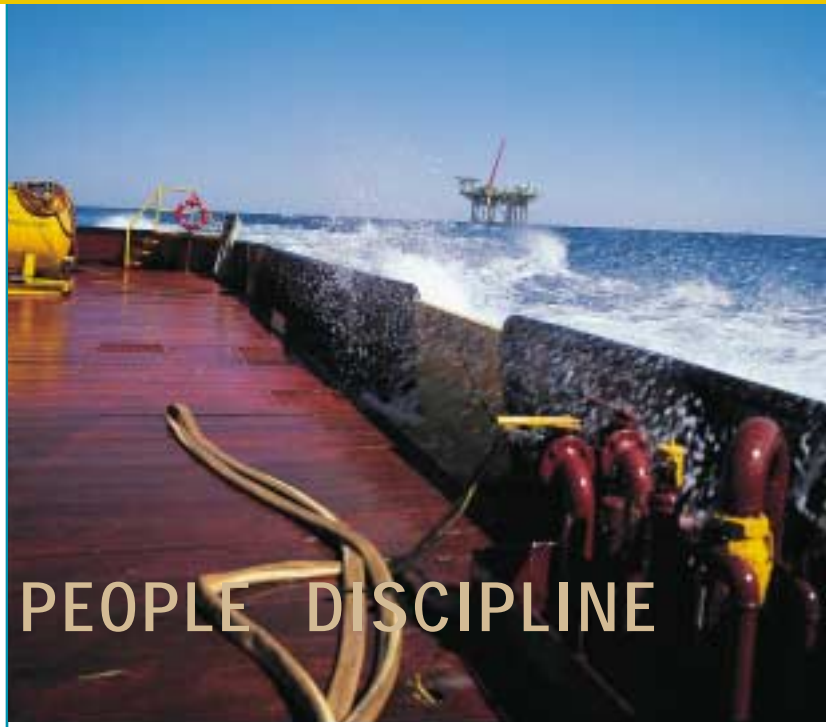
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**EXPLORATION/ACQUISITIONS** We have always balanced exploration with acquisitions. We seek acquisitions with exploitation opportunities, or what we call “drilling upside.” In early 2000, we acquired three gas fields in South Texas. In early 2001, we acquired Lariat Petroleum. These acquisitions established new focus areas and provided us with more than 235 prospects and over 800,000 gross acres to explore in the future.

**RISK/REWARD** Uncertainty is inherent in the oil and gas business. To balance risks, we plan a drilling calendar comprised of a greater number of low to moderate risk opportunities along with a few higher risk, higher reserve prospects. This increases the likelihood that our capital will yield reserve and production growth while exposing us to significant reserve impact targets. We also manage commodity price risks through hedging and drilling risks by using turnkey services.

**EXPOSURE** We prefer to operate our prospects and development programs, allowing us to better control operations and costs. However, we balance our capital dollars and risks through our exposure levels. We may elect to “sell down” our interests in higher risk opportunities while taking a greater interest in lower risk projects.

**F**ollowing the Lariat acquisition in January 2001, our proved reserve base was 943 Bcfe. Our reserves reflect a balance of acquisitions and drill bit success. In fact, about half our reserves have come from acquisitions. However, for every Bcfe we've acquired over the last five years, we've added an additional .6 Bcfe of new reserves from the same properties through the drill bit. We look for acquisitions that have the opportunity to add reserves. In 2000, about 45% of our proved reserve additions resulted from acquisitions. We will work these newly acquired properties in 2001 to generate prospects for future growth in reserves and production.

We balance our risks and rewards. There are companies that rely solely on the drill bit for growth. Conversely, others seek to primarily grow through acquisitions. We feel that our balance reduces risks and provides for steady growth. Our drilling program balances lower risk prospects with higher risk, higher potential targets. This approach helps

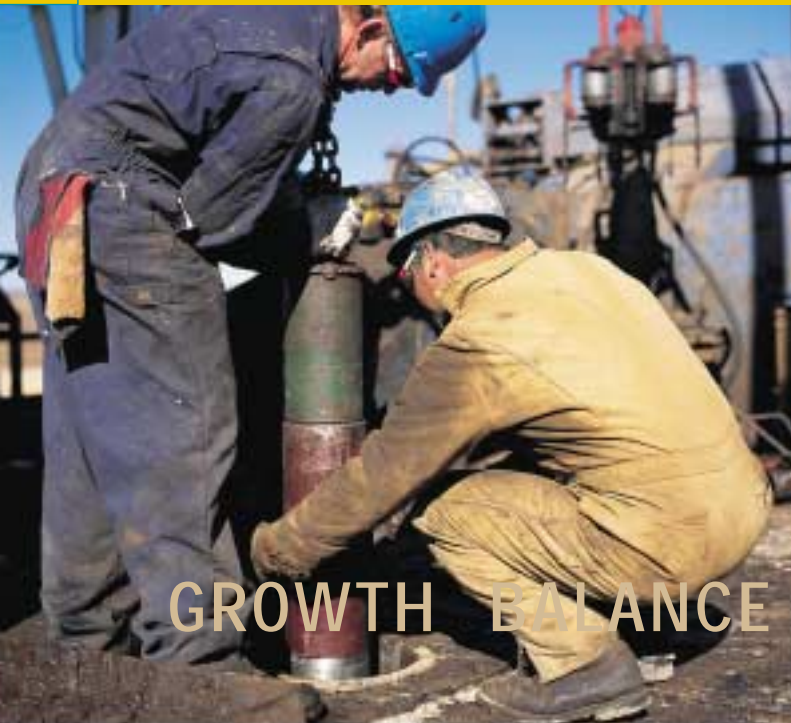
ensure that our drilling program will yield the reserve and production growth required to meet our goals.

We operated about 70% of the wells we drilled over the last three years (75% in 2000). In the Gulf of Mexico, we own an interest in more than 150 platforms and operate 132. Onshore, we control about 80% of our operations. To manage our risks and capital exposure, we may elect to "farm-out" an interest or take partners. We have partners in the majority of our wells. Our average working interest in the 56 wells we drilled in 2000 was 57%.

Although we prefer to operate, we do take non-operated interests in ventures. In China, for example, another company operates our Bohai Bay discovery. We have learned from the operator's experiences and may choose to operate any future drilling or production opportunities in the area.

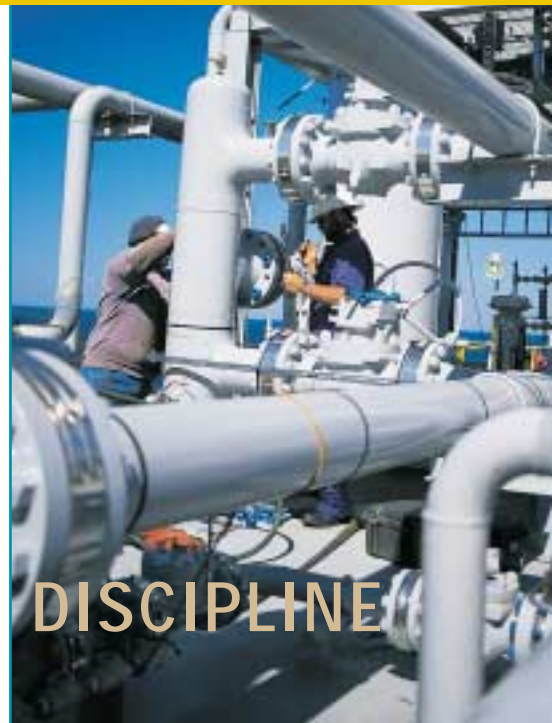
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**W**e believe our people are the most important contributor to our success. Our employee base has grown from the 23 individuals we started with in 1989 to 349 today. As our headcount rapidly grows, we work to maintain the same management style and business culture. Our people represent the best and the brightest across the industry and we retain them by providing a challenging work environment and a compensation package characterized by a high percentage of equity and incentive pay. Over the last five years, our attrition rate for professional and technical employees has averaged only 3% per year.

Each year, we compete with other companies for the best minds coming out of today's colleges and universities. We recruit the top graduates in engineering, geology and geophysics and provide them with a high level of responsibility from the first day. Over the last three years, we have hired seven graduates and cycled three upper classmen through our summer intern program. These new hires bring with them the latest geoscience technology. Their education, combined with the years of experience of our veteran professionals, makes a powerful combination.

With our move to establish onshore focus areas over the last several years, we added 120 employees. About 100 of those employees came through the acquisition of Lariat Petroleum. The Lariat business culture is very similar to ours.

Our employees and directors own more than 10% of our common stock on a fully diluted basis. As a result, our interests are aligned with those of our stockholders.

**SOLID FOUNDATION** Twenty-three employees founded Newfield in 1989. Today, all but two members of the Leadership Group are founding members. The additional members were added as we expanded our operations into new onshore focus areas. We have grown rapidly over the last several years and have increased our employee base from 96 at year-end 1998 to 349 today.

**ATTRACTING NEW TALENT** We have an active recruiting program to attract some of the most talented college graduates entering our industry. Today, nearly 20% of our technical and professional workforce is under the age of 35. Recent graduates infuse the latest computer technologies and skills into our operations and work hand-in-hand with experienced oil and gas finders.

**THE NEWFIELD CULTURE** We work hard to preserve our unique culture. Newfield offers a challenging work environment that allows tremendous autonomy at all levels. Our organizational structure lacks layers that can sometimes work to slow decision-making and stifle creativity. Our compensation is characterized by a high percentage of equity and performance-based pay. Our employees and directors own more than 10% of our common stock on a fully diluted basis.

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# Discipline

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**W**e take a disciplined approach to managing our business.

We have always maintained a strong balance sheet. We exited 2000 with a total debt to market capitalization ratio of less than 20%. Following the closing of our recent acquisition of Lariat Petroleum, our debt to market capitalization stood at 35%, one of the lowest in our peer group. On February 28, we placed \$175 million of 7 <sup>5</sup>/<sub>8</sub> % Senior Notes due 2011. Net proceeds from the sale were used to repay a substantial portion of the debt under our revolving credit facility. Our disciplined approach was recognized by Standard & Poor's in late 2000 when they upgraded our corporate credit rating to BB<sup>+</sup>. Our financial strength provides access to capital at attractive rates and the ability to take advantage of quality acquisition opportunities.

We frequently evaluate acquisition opportunities and bid on those that make sense. We are selective, preferring to concentrate on certain geographic regions and transactions that offer long-term growth potential.

We also exercise discipline in our commodity price hedging program. Over the last three years, we have utilized a *technical* program to guide our natural gas hedges. With the significant run-up in natural gas prices in 2000, our hedges negatively impacted our average realized prices. Although the results of our hedging program in 2000 more than erased the hedging gains we've experienced over the previous two years, we believe that hedging remains an effective way to manage commodity price volatility and provide more predictable cash flow. Hedging is also an effective tool to reduce the rate of return risks associated with acquiring properties and production. Going forward, we will continue to hedge our production.

**FINANCIAL STRENGTH** We believe in financial discipline. Because of this, we've been able to grow throughout commodity price cycles. Our financial strength gives us access to capital at attractive rates and allows us to capture good opportunities. We've achieved double-digit reserve and production growth every year since 1990 while maintaining a strong balance sheet.

**DOING THE RIGHT DEALS** We spend a great deal of time evaluating prospective acquisitions, both property and corporate. Our goal is not to simply become larger; our goal is to add long-term value. We look for acquisitions that provide drilling upside in basins with attractive markets and room to grow. We announced our two largest-ever acquisitions in 2000. Both deals established new focus areas and have the potential to seed years of sustained growth.

**HEDGING** We believe that hedging commodity price risks is an effective tool to ensure the required cash flow to build our business and to reduce rate of return risks on acquisitions and development decisions.



## THE FUTURE

**BUILDING ON THE PAST** We talk often about our Founding Business Principles and believe they have guided us to where we are today. We will continue to rely on these principles as we grow and expand our operations into new areas. Today, we are developing our new focus areas onshore U.S. and overseas with the same methodology we used to form our Gulf of Mexico operations more than 11 years ago.

**DRILLING OPPORTUNITIES** We have a deep inventory of exploration/exploitation prospects. We've built this inventory through a combination of acquisitions and internal prospect generation efforts. This is a greater inventory than we have ever had and will provide the fuel for our active drilling program. We plan to drill about 200 exploration/exploitation and development wells in 2001. We're confident that we can continue our record of profitable growth in production and reserves.

**RELIANCE ON OUR PEOPLE** Our people drive us. We have always said that Newfield would bet on the skills of its people and technology, but not commodity prices. We rely on the strength of our people to continue to find oil and gas and to open new doors for us to explore beyond. As our workforce grows, we seek to retain common work ethics and maintain a fun, challenging work environment.

**O**ur future has never looked brighter. We are strong financially. We have a deeper inventory of drilling ideas than we have ever had. Without losing focus, we have diversified our areas of operation, providing us with flexibility in our capital programs and more opportunities for growth. Most importantly, we have the people in place to continue to be successful.

As we look toward this future, we frequently reflect on our past and are cautious to not lose sight of our Founding Business Principles that have gotten us to where we are today. They are carved in stone and displayed in our lobby.

We continue to grow our operations in the Gulf of Mexico... and at the same time we have added new growth avenues onshore Texas, Louisiana and in the Anadarko Basin of Oklahoma. We have broadened our base of operations into international waters with ventures offshore Australia and China. We have proven our ability to add long-term value in mature hydrocarbon provinces and plan to continue this record in 2001 and beyond.

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# CORPORATE INFORMATION

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## MARKET INFORMATION

The Company's common stock is traded on the NYSE under the symbol NFX. The stock began trading November 12, 1993. The range of high and low quarterly sales prices for 1999 and 2000, as reported by the NYSE, are set forth below:

	High	Low
<b>1999</b>		
First Quarter	24.75	14.88
Second Quarter	28.50	22.12
Third Quarter	35.00	27.44
Fourth Quarter	32.94	21.00
<b>2000</b>		
First Quarter	38.31	24.50
Second Quarter	45.38	32.88
Third Quarter	50.25	31.81
Fourth Quarter	49.50	36.25

## TRANSFER AGENT

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On December 29, 2000, the closing sale price for the Company's stock was \$47.44 per share. Management believes after inquiry, that the number of beneficial owners of the Company's common stock is in excess of 4,200.

## ANNUAL MEETING

The Annual Meeting of Stockholders of Newfield Exploration Company will be held at 11 a.m. on May 3, 2001 at the Hotel Sofitel, 425 N. Sam Houston Parkway E., Houston, Texas.

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