

PEMBINA PIPE LINE LTD. 1979 ANNUAL REPORT

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REPORTING IN METRIC

On January 1, 1979, the Canadian petroleum industry adopted the International System of Units (SI) commonly called the metric system. Pembina has been using some metric units in its 1979 quarterly reports to shareholders. Reporting of company operations in 1980, including this 1979 Annual Report, will use the metric system; however we will include selected operating data in the old Imperial system and will continue to provide a table of appropriate conversion factors.

The most common conversions relating to volumes of oil and gas will be from barrels and cubic feet to cubic metres; one cubic metre is equal to approximately 6.3 barrels or 35.3 cubic feet. In reporting land areas the conversion will be from acres to hectares; one hectare is roughly equivalent to 2.5 acres.

To convert from	То	Multiply by
Cubic metre (m³)	barrel (bbl)	6.293
Thousands of cubic	thousand cubic	
metres (103m3)	feet (mcf)	35.494
Tonne (t)	long ton (t)	0.984
Metre (m)	foot (ft)	3.281
Kilometre (km)	mile (mi)	0.621
Hectare (ha)	acre (ac)	2.471
Examples:		
103m3 = one thousand	d cubic metres	

SUMMARY OF THE YEAR 1979	
	rease ease)
(thousands of dollars, except	
per share amounts)	
	3.6
	2.7
	5.4
	3.2
per share – \$ 0.82 0.54	1.0
Cash flow net of	
	6.7
per share – \$ 1.94 1.53	
Capital expenditures	6.5
OPERATING	
METRIC (SI) SYSTEM	
Pipeline deliveries	
	5.2
Gross Production	
Crude oil and natural gas liquids	
	1.6
	6.9
Land holdings at year end	
(thousands of hectares) Gross	0)
	3.0)
Wells drilled	.,,
	3.6
Net 12 8 50	0.0
ODEDATING	
OPERATING IMPERIAL SYSTEM	
Pipeline deliveries	
	5.2
Gross production	
Crude oil and natural gas liquids	
(barrels per day)	.6
Natural gas	
(thousands of cubic feet per day) 30,241 25,876 16	.9
Land holdings at year end (thousands of acres)	
Gross	(0)
Net	
Wells drilled	
Gross	.6
Net 12 8 50	.0



REPORT TO THE SHAREHOLDERS

For Pembina, 1979 was a year of growth. Significant improvements were recorded in revenue, cash flow and net earnings.

Activity throughout the industry continued at high levels in an operating environment which, on balance, was considered by most to be favorable. However, by year end, industry conditions were becoming reminiscent of those existing in the years 1974 and 1975. Confrontations between the Canadian federal and provincial governments as to sharing of resource revenues were again jeopardizing that degree of certainty essential to exploration and development investment.

Financial

Pembina's net earnings for 1979 amounted to \$6.8 million, up \$2.3 million or 51.6% over 1978. Gross revenues rose by 28.6% to a new high level of \$30.0 million. Earnings per share were \$0.82 compared to \$0.54 last year. Cash flow, net of current income tax, moved upwards by 26.7% to \$16.1 million or \$1.94 per share compared to \$12.7 million and \$1.53 per share in 1978. These improvements resulted primarily from higher product prices, larger production volumes of petroleum liquids and natural gas and higher pipeline throughput, partially offset by increased exploration and operating costs. Funds used in the search for new supplies of oil and gas totalled \$15.1 million in 1979 compared with \$13.0 million in 1978.

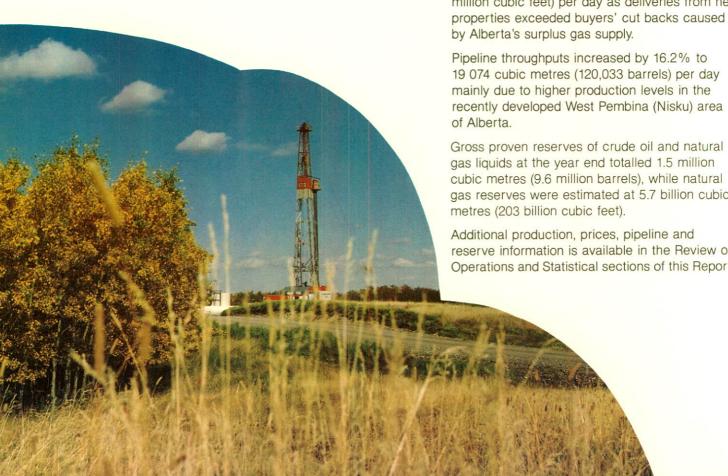
Production, Transportation, Reserves

Gross production of crude oil and natural gas liquids averaged 345 cubic metres (2,171 barrels) per day, up 14.6%. Gross natural gas sales rose 16.9% to 852 thousand cubic metres (30.2 million cubic feet) per day as deliveries from new properties exceeded buyers' cut backs caused by Alberta's surplus gas supply.

19 074 cubic metres (120,033 barrels) per day recently developed West Pembina (Nisku) area

gas liquids at the year end totalled 1.5 million cubic metres (9.6 million barrels), while natural gas reserves were estimated at 5.7 billion cubic

reserve information is available in the Review of Operations and Statistical sections of this Report.



Exploration and Development

Pembina has continued concentrating most of its exploration and development in Canada, particularly in Alberta and British Columbia. Recently, however, it has participated in the exploration and development of six Blocks in the highly potential area offshore Gulf of Mexico.

During 1979, the Company spent \$15.1 million on acquiring lands, seismic surveys, drilling, secondary recovery projects and the installation of production facilities, including gas plants.

In 1979, Pembina participated in the drilling of 46 development and exploratory wells (29 in 1978) with an average participating interest of 25.6% versus 29.0% last year. Details of the results of this drilling are presented on page 7.

At the year end, Pembina held varying interests in 886 thousand hectares (2.2 million acres) equivalent to 280 thousand net or wholly-owned hectares (0.7 million acres). Significant changes during the year included a reduction of permit holdings to leases in the Northwest Territories and the Yukon and the acquisition of exploratory properties in Alberta. A tabulation of the Company's acreage by major geographical areas is shown on page 7.

Industry Conditions

As indicated in our Report last year, an over supply of natural gas exists in Canada; buyers are unable to take delivery of their current contracted volumes. Exploratory drilling, particularly in the Deep Basin and Foothills of Alberta, is adding to the over supply position and the date when gas sales contracts are again available, becomes more indefinite. Following hearings in mid-1979, the National Energy Board at year end approved the export of 3.75 trillion cubic feet to the United States. The new export volumes however, were allocated to the applicant exporters on a basis which was not considered adequate to finance the construction of the required transportation facilities. Until this problem is resolved, construction and gas exports continue to be delayed.

Unlike the availability of natural gas, the supplies of crude oil in Canada are falling short of demand; the short-fall is made up by oil imports. Continued reliance on foreign sources exposes Canada not only to high supply risk but also to onerous deficits in the balance of trade in fuels. Higher prices for crude oil and natural gas will provide the cash flow necessary for the search and the development of new reserves, providing that such incremental funds are directed to the search for and the development of new reserves, rather than into additional royalties and taxation.

To our employees in Canada and the United States, the Board wishes to extend its sincere thanks for their contribution to the success of the Company and for the whole-hearted co-operation of these employees in carrying out management's plans for the continuing improvement and expansion of the Company's operations.

On behalf of the Board,

Chairman

President

Calgary, Alberta March 14, 1980

REVIEW OF OPERATIONS

PIPELINE

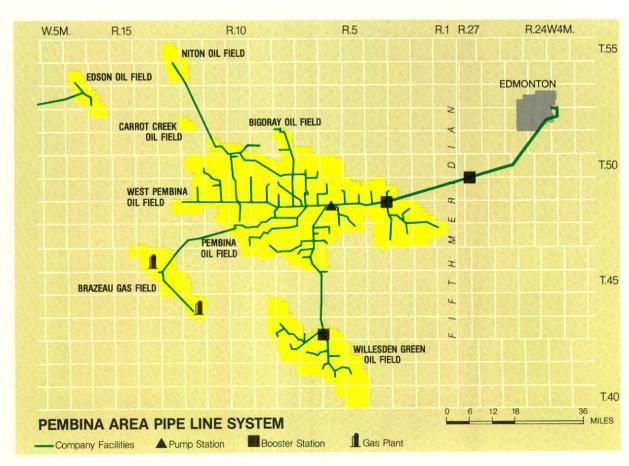
During 1979, Pembina's pipeline division gathered and transported 6 962 10³m³ (43.8 million barrels) of crude oil and condensate at an average daily volume of 19 074 m³ (120,033 barrels).

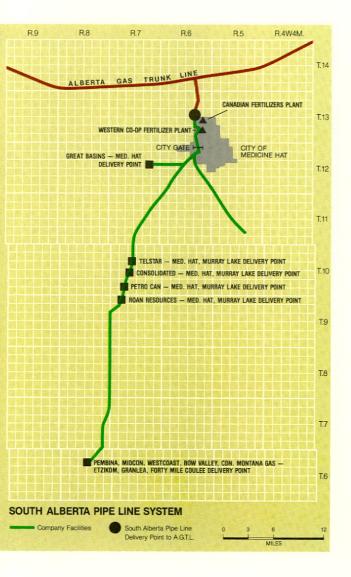
PIPELINE		Change from 1978		
THROUGHPUT (Daily Average)	1979	Amount	%	
Metric (SI) System (m³ per day)				
Crude oil and condensate				
Pembina	11 777	(618)	(5.0)	
West Pembina (Nisku)	4 320	2 882	200.4	
Willesden Green	1 882	121	6.9	
Other	1 095	270	32.7	
Total	19 074	2 655	16.2	
Imperial System (Barrels per day)				
Total	120.033	16.710	16.2	

The 16.2% throughput gain in 1979 was chiefly attributable to larger volumes gathered from the West Pembina area. During the fourth quarter 1979, volumes from this source were stabilizing at approximately 5 400 m³ (34,000 barrels) per day. Normal production decline expected in the older fields was partially offset by in-fill drilling programs and additional production related to secondary recovery projects.

The pipeline division extended the system by completing an additional 12.2 kilometres (7.6 miles) of four inch line with six fully automated battery pumping facilities to connect new wells in West Pembina to the system.

Pembina also owns a 50% equity interest in South Alberta Pipe Lines Ltd. with operations in the Medicine Hat area of Alberta. Gas fields serviced include, Etzikom, Murray Lake, Forty Mile Coulee, Granlea and portions of the Medicine Hat gas fields. Natural gas transported through this system averaged 1 366 103m3 (48 million cubic feet) per day during 1979.





PETROLEUM PRODUCTION

Crude Oil and Natural Gas Liquids

Pembina's 1979 production of petroleum liquids averaged 345 m³ (2,171 barrels) per day; an increase of 14.6% from 301 m³ (1,894 barrels) per day in 1978.

PRODUCTION INCLUDING		Change from 1978		
ROYALTY VOLUMES (Daily Average)	1979	Amount	%	
Metric (SI) System				
Crude oil (m³ per day)				
Alberta	225	33	17.2	
British Columbia	35	8	29.6	
Saskatchewan	55	(3)	(5.2)	
California, U.S.A.	11	11	100.0	
Sub-total	326	49	17.7	
Natural gas liquids	19	(5)	(20.8)	
Total	345	44	14.6	
Imperial System (Barrels per day)				
Crude oil	2,051	308	17.7	
Natural gas liquids	120	(31)	(20.8)	
Total	2,171	277	14.6	

Production volumes of crude oil increased by 17.7% to 326 m3 (2,051 barrels) per day in 1979. In Alberta, the gain was attributable to production from newly developed properties and from in-fill drilling programs in secondary recovery projects. The increase in production in British Columbia reflects the occurrence, in 1978, of a four-month strike by employees of Pacific Northern Gas and a pipeline break. Contributing to the over-all increase was the acquisition in late 1978 of varying interests in U.S. oil producing properties. Natural gas liquids recovered from natural gas deliveries averaged 19 m3 (120 barrels) daily in 1979, compared with 24 m3 (151 barrels) in the prior year; the decrease was primarily due to the declining liquid content in natural gas production.

Annual production statistics for crude oil and natural gas liquids are tabulated on page 10.

Natural Gas

In 1979 natural gas deliveries before deducting royalty volumes, increased by 16.9% to 852 10³m³ (30,241 mcf) per day.

PRODUCTION INCLUDING		Increase over		
ROYALTY VOLUMES (Daily Average)	1979	Amount	%	
Metric (SI) System (10³m³ per day)				
Natural gas				
Alberta	655	52	8.6	
British Columbia	197	71	56.3	
Total	852	123	16.9	
Imperial System				
(mcf per day)				
Total	30,241	4,365	16.9	

During 1979, gas purchasers continued to be faced with supply in excess of demand; as a result producers were forced to reduce deliveries below minimum contract levels, particularly in Alberta. Under the "take or pay" clauses in various gas sales contracts, Pembina received funds during 1979 for gas which will be taken by the purchaser in future years. Production from new fields in Alberta more than offset the above-noted cut-backs and the natural decline in mature fields. The increase in gas deliverabilities from properties in British Columbia reflected, as previously stated, Pacific Northern's four-month labour strike during 1978, and the development of new gas properties during 1978 and 1979.

PRICES

Prices for Pembina's petroleum products improved during 1979:

AVERAGE PRICES		Increase over 1978		
RECEIVED	1979	Amount	%	
Metric (SI) System				
Crude oil - per m³	\$82.95	\$ 7.72	10.3	
per m³	64.90	15.77	32.1	
Natural gas - per 103m3	43.17	9.45	28.4	
Imperial System				
Crude oil - per bbl	13.19	1.23	10.3	
per bbl	10.32	2.51	32.1	
Natural gas - per mcf	1.22	.27	28.4	

The price of Canadian crude oil was increased \$6.29 per m³ (\$1 per barrel) on July 1, 1979, to \$86.53 per m³ (\$13.75 per barrel). Effective January 1, 1980, a similar price increase was instituted, raising the current price level to \$92.82 per m³ (\$14.75 per barrel).

The price for domestic natural gas increased by \$5.32 10³m³ (15¢ per mcf) on August 1, 1979, and a similar increase became effective on February 1, 1980. The export price of natural gas rose from \$2.30 (U.S.) per mcf at May 1, 1979, to \$2.80 on August 11; to \$3.45 on November 3, 1979, and to \$4.47 (U.S.) per mcf effective February 17, 1980. The export rebate received by all producers in Alberta, which varies from month to month, amounted to \$25.20 per m³ (\$0.71 per mcf) in December 1979.

RESERVES

Pembina's proven reserves of petroleum liquids, natural gas and sulphur, (before deducting royalties), as calculated by independent consulting engineers are summarized below:

RESERVES			
Gross Proven		United	
(January 1, 1980)	Canada	States	Total
Metric (SI) System			
Crude oil - 103m3	1 261	62	1 323
Natural gas liquids -			
10 ³ m ³	203	_	203
Natural gas - 106m3	5 648	79	5 727
Sulphur - 10 ³ t	110	_	110
Imperial System			
Crude oil -			
(thousands of barrels)	7,935	388	8,323
Natural gas liquids			
(thousands of barrels)	1,280	_	1,280
Natural gas -			
(billion cubic feet)	200	3	203
Sulphur -			
(thousands of long tons)	108	_	108

LAND

At year end 1979, Pembina held varying interests in 886 thousand gross hectares (2.2 million acres) equivalent to 280 thousand net or wholly-owned hectares (0.7 million net acres) in the areas and countries shown in the tabulation below:

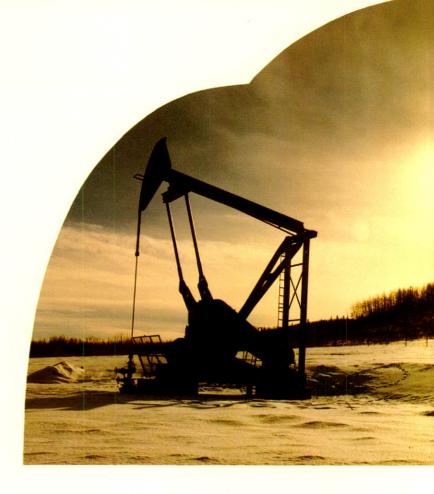
PEMBINA	1200	ross ctares	Net Hectares		
LAND HOLDINGS	Year- end 1979	Change vs. 1978	Year- end 1979	Change vs. 1978	
Metric (SI) System (Thousands of hectares)					
Alberta	438	45	140	6	
British Columbia	333	(5)	114	(4)	
Saskatchewan	15	2	7	3	
N.W.T. and Yukon	12	(174)	12	(42)	
Arctic Islands	75	_	6	_	
U.S.A	13	_	1	_	
Total	886	(132)	280	(37)	
Imperial System (Thousands of acres)					
Total	2,189	(328)	692	(94)	

During 1979 land acquisitions were made in the Rainbow, Westlock, Strachan, Gold Creek, Leddy Lake, Wabasca, Sakwatamau, Watelet, Karr, Cadotte, House Mountain, Musreau, Boundary Lake and Clyden areas of Alberta and in the Parkland, Bigfoot and Rigel areas of British Columbia.

Northwest Territories and Yukon acreage was reduced due to the cancellation and lease selection of permits at Bell River in the Yukon. Minor changes in British Columbia holdings include the selection of leases from permits at Tsea, Jonvan and Muskwa. Leases expired in the Blackfoot, Hay Lake, Cherhill, Livock, Iroquois and Buffalo Lake areas of Alberta.

DRILLING ACTIVITY

Pembina participated in the drilling of 46 gross wells in Canada and the United States during 1979 or the equivalent of 11.8 net or whollyowned wells. Of the 46 gross wells, 27 were drilled in Alberta, 9 in British Columbia and 10 in the United States.



In the United States, 9 wells were drilled in the Gulf of Mexico and the other in Grimes County, Texas.

Of the total 46 wells in which Pembina participated, 15 were drilled through farmout agreements with other companies whereby Pembina contributed land rather than cash to the ventures. Significant areas of exploratory drilling activity are reviewed in the Exploration section of this report.

Pembina's 1979 development and exploratory well completions are compared with the prior year below:

DRILLING	Develo	Development		ratory
ACTIVITY	1979	1978	1979	1978
Gross wells	17.0	8.0	29.0	21.0
Oil	8.0	3.0	4.0	1.0
Gas	8.0	5.0	20.0	11.0
Dry	1.0	2	5.0	9.0
Net wells	4.2	2.6	7.6	5.8
Oil	2.9	1.4	0.3	0.2
Gas	1.2	1.2	5.8	2.8
Dry	0.1	_	1.5	2.8

EXPLORATION AND DEVELOPMENT

CANADA

Alberta

In the Elmworth, Deep Basin area of northwestern Alberta, the Company participated in drilling four gas wells. In addition, as shown on the map, a number of gas wells have been drilled in close proximity to 16 250 gross hectares (40,150 gross acres) in which the Company owns varying interests.

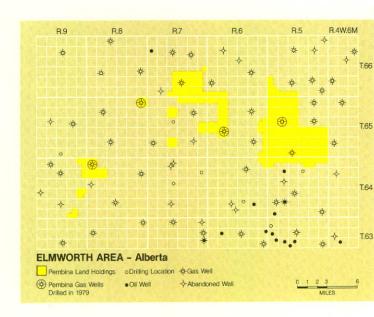
In the Sunchild area of southwestern Alberta, the Company participated in drilling and completing a gas well. This success resulted in the acquisition of 2 240 gross hectares (5,530 gross acres) through the purchase of a Petroleum Natural Gas License and two Petroleum Natural Gas Leases at an Alberta Petroleum & Petroleum Natural Gas rights sale. Exploration and development drilling on these lands is anticipated for 1980-81.

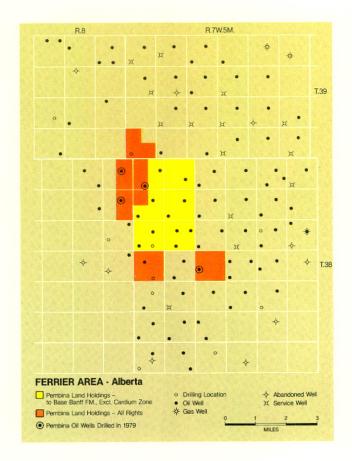
Development drilling in the Ferrier area resulted in the completion of four Cardium oil wells. The development program in Ferrier is located on 2 500 hectares (6,180 acres) of land in which Pembina owns interests ranging from 25-50%. While the current program at Ferrier involves development wells on half section spacing, it is expected that a secondary recovery program to maximize oil recovery will require quarter section well spacing. Development drilling in the Medicine River, Twining and Bassano areas of Alberta also resulted in successful oil well completions. In the Medicine River area of central Alberta a successful dual zone oil well was drilled; follow up development drilling will occur in 1980.

British Columbia

The Company participated with partners in drilling four exploration wells and two development wells in British Columbia. The program resulted in an oil well at Stoddart and three gas wells; the gas wells were located in the Silver, Bivouac and Rigel areas.

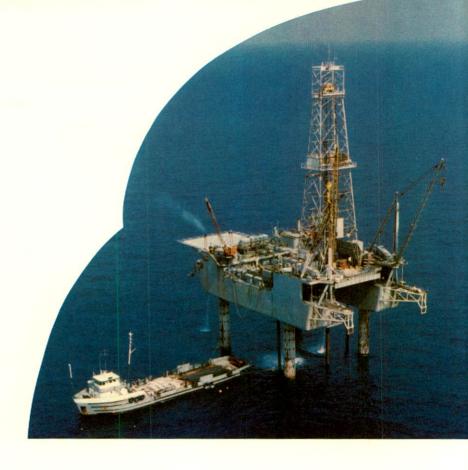
A number of seismic programs were carried out on the Company's large land blocks in northeastern British Columbia.





UNITED STATES

Exploration drilling in the Gulf of Mexico, offshore Texas and Louisana discovered sufficient reserves to justify the construction of production platforms on Block 281 (Pembina 8%), 504 (Pembina 11.4%) and 350 (Pembina 5.8%). Platform 281 has six gas wells which will go on stream in mid-1980. Platform 504 is under construction and expected to be complete by mid-year 1980. In 1979 an oil discovery was made on Block 350. The well tested oil at a rate of 765 barrels of oil per day. A platform for this block is currently being planned to allow follow up drilling to the oil discovery. Exploration and development drilling will be conducted on Blocks 483 (Pembina 6.4%), 442 (Pembina 4.8%) and 367 (Pembina 8%) in 1980.

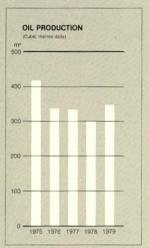






CONSOLIDATED FIVE YEAR REVIEW







	1979	1978	1977	1976	1975
Financial (thousands of dollars except per share amounts)					
Gross revenue Cash flow net of current income taxes per share – \$ Income before extraordinary item per share – \$ Net income per share – \$ Capital expenditures Investment in property, plant and equipment at	1.94 6,830 0.82 6,830 0.82 15,122	23,355 12,737 1.53 4,505 0.54 4,505 0.54 12,985	20,267 11,879 1.43 2,244 0.44 3,682 0.27 10,727	17,953 9,724 1.17 3,350 0.40 3,350 0.40 8,637	16,2678 7,298 0.88 3,344 0.40 3,344 0.40 7,493
year end – at cost		103,402	94,211	87,438	80,719
year end	792	1,792	2,792	3,792	4,792
Operations - Metric (SI)					
Pipeline					
Deliveries -m³ per day		16 419	15 600	16 497	18 427
Line built in year – kilometres Line at year end – kilometres		22 1 745	16 1 723	1 707	12 1 707
Gross production for year – Crude oil and natural gas Liquids – 10³m³ Natural gas – 10 ⁶ m³		110 266	123 258	124 228	151 239
Land holdings at year end					
Gross - thousands of hectares Net - thousands of hectares	886 280	1 018 317	1 302 392	1 363 454	1 713 527
Wells drilled – gross	46	29	44	59	26
Oil	77	74	72	71	70
Gas	114	107	103	97	78
Operations - Imperial					
Pipeline deliveries – thousands of barrels per day	120	103	98	104	116
Gross production for the year – Crude oil and natural gas liquids – thousands of barrels Natural gas – millions of cubic feet	792 11,038	693 9,433	774 9,172	779 8,085	949 8,482
Land holdings at year end					
Gross – thousands of acres Net – thousands of acres	2,189 692	2,515 786	3,217 968	3,367 1,121	4,234 1,302



Consolidated Statement of Income and Retained Earnings

Year Ended December 31, 1979

(with comparative figures for the year ended December 31, 1978)

	1979	1978
INCOME Revenue from operations	\$29,809,000 230,000	\$22,941,000 414,000
	30,039,000	23,355,000
EXPENSES		
Operating	8,195,000	6,818,000
Exploration and non-productive drilling	4,274,000 328,000	3,157,000 441,000
Depreciation	1,486,000	1,995,000
Depletion	1,574,000	1,490,000
Amortization of goodwill	8,000	24,000
Interest - long term debt	310,000 474,000	332,000 168,000
- 011161		
	16,649,000	14,425,000
Income before income taxes	13,390,000	8,930,000
Income taxes - current	4,920,000	3,300,000
- deferred	1,640,000	1,125,000
	6,560,000	4,425,000
Net income for the year	6,830,000	4,505,000
Retained earnings at beginning of year	20,444,000	15,939,000
Retained earnings at end of year	\$27,274,000	\$20,444,000
Earnings per share	82¢	54¢



Consolidated Balance Sheet

December 31, 1979

(with comparative figures at December 31, 1978)

Assets

CURRENT Cash and short term deposits Accounts receivable Deposits and prepaid expenses	\$ 1,212,000 8,771,000 271,000 10,254,000	\$ 3,132,000 4,488,000 250,000 7,870,000
INVESTMENTS, AT COST Debentures and shares of other companies	523,000	573,000
PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT, AT COST Less accumulated depreciation, depletion and amortization (1979 - \$44,754,000; 1978 - \$41,771,000) Operating oil supply	69,091,000 577,000 69,668,000	61,631,000 577,000 62,208,000
OTHER ASSETS	229,000	241,000
	\$80,674,000	\$70,892,000

On Behalf of the Board:

Le Director

Alex Rammings Director

Liabilities

CURRENT Bank loan (\$3,500,000 U.S.; 1978 - \$2,000,000 U.S.) Accounts payable Income taxes payable Current maturities of long term debt	\$ 4,085,000 3,689,000 1,592,000 1,000,000 10,366,000	\$ 2,325,000 4,368,000 984,000 1,000,000 8,677,000
PREPAYMENTS ON FUTURE GAS DELIVERIES	1,114,000	491,000
LONG TERM DEBT (Note 2)	792,000	1,792,000
DEFERRED INCOME TAXES	6,578,000	4,938,000
SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY Capital - Authorized: 16,000,000 common shares having a nominal or par value of \$4.15 each Issued: 8,325,160 shares Retained earnings	34,550,000 27,274,000 61,824,000 \$80,674,000	34,550,000 20,444,000 54,994,000 \$70,892,000



Consolidated Statement of Changes in Financial Position

Year Ended December 31, 1979

(with comparative figures for the year ended December 31, 1978)

	1979	1978
SOURCES OF FUNDS		
From operations		
Net income for the year	\$ 6,830,000	\$ 4,505,000
Depreciation	1,486,000	1,995,000
Depletion	1,574,000	1,490,000
Deferred income taxes	1,640,000	1,125,000
Surrendered leases	328,000	441,000
Amortization	8,000	24,000
	11,866,000	9,580,000
Exploration and non-productive drilling	4,274,000	3,157,000
Funds from operations before exploration expense	16,140,000	12,737,000
Prepayments on future gas deliveries	623,000	491,000
Other	54,000	142,000
Other		
	16,817,000	13,370,000
Application of funds Capital expenditures including exploration		
and non-productive drilling	15,122,000	12,985,000
Production loan payments	1,000,000	1,000,000
Purchase of debenture of affiliated company		500,000
	16,122,000	14,485,000
Increase (decrease) in working capital	695,000	(1,115,000)
Working capital (deficiency) at beginning of year	(807,000)	308,000
Working capital (deficiency) at end of year	\$ (112,000)	\$ (807,000)



Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements

December 31, 1979

1. SUMMARY OF ACCOUNTING POLICIES

a) Consolidation

Included in the consolidated statements are the accounts of all subsidiary companies, each of which is wholly owned.

b) Property, plant and equipment

In accounting for its oil and gas operations, the Company follows a form of the successful efforts method whereby all exploration and non-productive drilling costs and carrying charges relative to unproven acreage are written off currently and lease acquisition costs, production equipment and drilling costs applicable to productive wells are capitalized. Lease acquisition costs are charged against income upon surrender and capitalized leasehold and drilling costs associated with producing properties are depleted on the unit of production method based on estimated proven reserves. Depreciation of production equipment is computed on a straight line basis at a rate of 7% per annum.

Depreciation of the pipe line system assets is calculated on the unit of production method based on estimated proven reserves of the fields served at a rate which approximates 4% straight line.

c) Prepayments on future gas deliveries

Payments received for gas not delivered until required in the future are deferred and will be recorded as income when the equivalent amount in gas is delivered.

d) Foreign currency translation

Accounts of the foreign subsidiary are translated into Canadian dollars on the following basis: current assets and current liabilities at the rate of exchange at the balance sheet date; fixed assets and other non-current assets at historic rates of exchange; and revenues and expenses, except depreciation and depletion, at average rates of exchange during the year. Depreciation and depletion are recorded at historic rates of exchange. Exchange gains or losses are included in income.

2. PRODUCTION LOANS

Production loans consist of bank loans in the amount of \$1,792,000 which mature in 1981 and which bear interest at prevailing current rates being in the range of 12% to $15\frac{1}{2}\%$ during 1979 and $8\frac{3}{4}\%$ to 12% during 1978.

The required payments are \$1,000,000 in the next year and the balance due in the second year. These loans are secured by certain of the Company's interests in petroleum and natural gas properties and an assignment of the interest in the related gas purchase contracts.

3. REMUNERATION OF DIRECTORS AND OFFICERS

The remuneration paid to Directors and Senior Officers of the Companies during 1979 and 1978 was \$801,000 and \$420,000 respectively.

Auditors' Report to the Shareholders of Pembina Pipe Line Ltd.

We have examined the consolidated balance sheet of Pembina Pipe Line Ltd. as at December 31, 1979 and the consolidated statements of income and retained earnings and changes in financial position for the year then ended. Our examination was made in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards, and accordingly included such tests and other procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances.

In our opinion, these consolidated financial statements present fairly the financial position of the company as at December 31, 1979 and the results of its operations and the changes in its financial position for the year then ended in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles applied on a basis consistent with that of the preceding year.

The consolidated financial statements for 1978 were examined by other Chartered Accountants.

Calgary, Canada March 6, 1980 Clarkson Gordon



