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REVIEW BOARD

Attention:

Kimberley Cliffe-Phillips

Environmental Assessment Officer

Dear Ms. Cliffe-Phillips:

Re:

Environmental Assessment EA03-005 Cameron Hills Extension Information Request Number 1.2.103

Pursuant to Information Request Number IR 1.2.103, attached is a copy of the Patching Associates Acoustical Engineering Ltd reports on noise monitoring:

- Cameron Hills, N.W.T. Gathering System and Facilities Ambient Noise Survey January 30, 2002
- Cameron Hills, N.W.T. Gathering System and Central Facility Noise Survey Following Production Operations Commencement April 19, 2002
- Cameron Hills, N.W.T. Gathering System and Central Facility Second Noise Survey Following Production Operations Commencement July 6, 2003

Should you have any questions, please contact the undersigned at (403) 206-3878.

Sincerely,

PARAMOUNT RESOURCES LTD.

Ed H. Kustan, Environmental Consultant

Corporate Compliance Department

c.c. Shirley Maaskant, Regulatory & Community Affairs Coordinator

Consultants in Acoustics, Noise Control and Vibrations

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Purpose

Paramount Resources Ltd. retained the services of Patching Associates Acoustical Engineering Ltd. (PAAE Ltd.) to conduct an ambient noise survey at two locations situated 1500 metres to a proposed installation of a battery facility and a satellite site southwest of Hay River, Northwest Territories.

Glossary of Terms

The dBA noise level is an "A weighted" derivative of the measured dB noise level. The A weighting corrects for the non-linear response of the human ear.

The " L_{eq} " noise level is a logarithmic time averaged noise level which allows for variations over a given time period. For example, the L_{eq} may be quoted over a 1-minute period, 1-hour period, 9-hour period, etc. The L_{10} noise level is that exceeded 10 % of the time. Likewise, the L_{50} and L_{90} noise levels are those exceeded 50% and 90% of the time respectively.

Major Equipment

Paramount is proposing to construct an oil and gas gathering system, a satellite, a central compression and battery facility in the Cameron Hills region approximately 200 km NNW of High Level, Alberta. The proposed facilities are located in grid area 60° 10′ N, 117° 30′ W.

Noise Criteria

This survey was conducted according to the guidelines set forth by the Alberta Energy and Utilities Board (AEUB) Noise Control Directive ID 99-8. The National Energy Board (NEB) often allows for the application of the AEUB Directive to acoustical issues outside of Alberta as it is widely considered as the most stringent environmental noise guideline in Canada.

The AEUB Directive permits specified sound levels attributable to energy industry facilities at designated receptor points. These allowable limits are dependent on the population density, proximity to heavily traveled transportation routes (motor vehicles, rail and aircraft) and other specified adjustments. The AEUB Directive permits the daytime sound level to be as much as 10 dB above the nighttime sound level.

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The Permissible Sound Level is the limit that the sound emanating from a facility may not exceed over a specified period, as measured in the yard of the nearest, most impacted, or complainant's residence. In the event that there are no residents located within a radius of 1500 metres, the level is generally limited at a distance of 1500 metres from the facility. The AEUB Permissible Sound Level calculations are shown in Appendix A.

Method

The nearest resident in this study is located at a distance greater than 1500 metres from the proposed battery and satellite sites. Thus, measurements were taken for a theoretical receiver situated at 1500 metres from each site for a 24-hour period. The sound level meters were configured to continuously record the one-minute Leq, L10 and L90 values.

The ambient sound monitoring surveys were conducted with Brüel & Kjær Model 2236 Precision Integrating Sound Level Meters which were equipped with Brüel & Kjær 4188 microphones. Each microphone was mounted with Brüel & Kjær windscreen Model DS 0934 to reduce the potential for wind-induced noise at the microphone, as required by the Directive. The sound level meters were field calibrated at the start of the sound monitoring survey and then checked at the completion of the survey with a Brüel & Kjær Model 4231 Sound Level Calibrator. This equipment meets or exceeds the requirements of the Directive.

Measurement Site #1 was located 1500 metres NNW of the satellite site at UTM 6659021 N / 11 470884 E and Measurement Site #2 was located 1500 metres S of the battery facility at UTM 6654227 N / 11 472066 E. Figure 1.0 depicts the locations of the ambient noise measurements for the study.

Measurement Site #1

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Figure 1.0: Ambient Noise Measurement Locations (Jan. 24 – 25, 2002)

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Results

Tables 1.1 and 1.2 in Appendix B summarize the overall and hourly L_{eq} at Measurement Site #1.

Figures 1.1 to 1.4 in Appendix B depict the continuous monitoring at Measurement Site #1 from 11:26 am January 24/2002 to 11:23 am January 25/2002.

Figures 1.1i to 1.4i in Appendix B depict the isolated noise levels at Measurement Site #1 from 11:26 am January 24/2002 to 11:23 am January 25/2002.

Tables 2.1 and 2.2 in Appendix C summarize the overall and hourly L_{eq} at Measurement Site #2.

Figures 2.1 to 2.4 in Appendix C depict the continuous monitoring at Measurement Site #2 from 11:38 am January 24/2002 to 11:33 am January 25/2002.

Figures 2.1i to 2.4i in Appendix C depict the isolated noise levels at Measurement Site #2 from 11:38 am January 24/2002 to 11:33 am January 25/2002.

In each case, the difference between Figure 1.1 and 1.1i (1.2 and 1.2i; 1.3 and 1.3i; etc.) is that extraneous noise from the helicopter and crew during set-up and teardown have been removed in the "Residual" analysis.

The analysis reveals that the ambient noise level recorded at Measurement Site #1 had a 23.6-hour Leq of 26.9 dBA when extraneous events had been removed. Measurement Site #2 had a 23.8-hour Leq of 23.9 dBA when extraneous events had been removed.

As there are no residents within a 1500 metre radius of either facility, the AEUB Directive recommends that new facilities proposed for remote areas should be designed to meet a Leq noise level of 40 dBA at a distance of 1500 metres from the facility. However, the AEUB Directive states that this target is not mandatory.

Conclusions

A survey of the ambient sound levels in the Cameron Hills area at two measurement locations 1500 metres from the proposed battery facility and satellite site was conducted from the 24 to 25 of January 2002. The overall L_{eq} at Measurement Site #1 and Site #2 were 26.9 dBA and 23.9 dBA respectively.

The AEUB Noise Control Directive ID 99-8 recommends that the plant should be designed to generate no more than 40 dBA $L_{\rm eq}$ at 1500 metres. Although the AEUB Directive states that this target is not mandatory, Paramount Resources Ltd. has expressed to the NEB that this is an agreeable target.

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Appendix A

Permissible Sound Level Calculation

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AEUB Noise Control Directive Permissible Sound Level Determination Cameron Hills Gathering System

Basic Nighttime Sound Level

_	Dwelling Unit Density per 1/4 Section of Land				
Proximity to Transportation	1-8	9 - 160	>160		
•	Dwellings	Dwellings	Dwellings		
Category 1	1 9628 240	43	46		
Category 2	45	48	51		
Category 3	50	53	56		

Daytime Adjustment Basic Sound Levels

40	40
N/A	10
40	50

Daytime

Nighttime

Class A Adjustments

Class	Reason for Adjustment	Value (dBA L _{eq})		
A1	Seasonal Adjustment (1 Nov - 31 Mar)	+5		
A2	Absence of Both Tonal and Impulse/Impact Components	+5		
A3	Ambient Monitoring Adjustment	-10 to +10		
Class Adjustment = Sum of A1, A2 and A3 (as applicable), but not to exceed a maximum of 10 dBA Leq				

Total Class A Adjustments

		0

Class B Adjustments

Class	Duration of Activity	Value (dBA L _{eq})
B1	1 day	+15
B2	1 week	+10
B3	< or = to 2 months	+5
B4	> 2 months :	0
	Class B Adjustment = one only of B1, B2, B3 or B4	THE PROPERTY OF THE PARTY OF TH

Class B Adjustment

PERMISSIBLE SOUND LEVEL (dBA)

40 50	
0 : 0	

Notes:

A3 correction is not given for installation of new facilities in remote areas where nearest residence is beyond 1500 metres.

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Appendix B

Sound Level Results at Measurement Site #1

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Monitoring Equipment Data

roject Name acility Location

Paramount Resources Ltd. Cameron Hills N.W.T.

Facility LSD

File Number **Start Date**

2002-1270 24-Jan-02

Consultant Measurements Consultant Tape Review

NM

Computer File Location/Residence **GPS Coordinates (UTM)** Microphone Placement

2236-2 Paramount Site1.xls Site 1 - 1500m NW of Satellite 6659021N / 11 470884E 1.5 m above ground

Sound Level Meter (Outdoor)

Microphone **Meter Calibration Date**

Outdoor Microphone Kit Sound Level Meter Microphone

Meter Calibration Date Outdoor Microphone Kit Bruel & Kjaer 2236 Bruel & Kjaer 4188

Bruel & Kjaer UA1404 Bruel & Kjaer Bruel & Kjaer 4188

Bruel & Kjaer UA1404

1 - 2173781 2143086 Feb 13/01 Yes	2 - 2015449 2140862 Sept 05/01 Yes	3 - 1799377 189184 Mar 10/00 Yes	4 - 1799382 1803167 July 10/01 Yes	5 - 1911156 2121009 Jun 16/00
2236-2100873-D 1765148 Jul 31/00 No	2236-1764289-D 1795138 Oct 24/02 No		2260-2027582 1931041 Apr 20/01 No	Yes 2238-2163499 2143085 July 09/01 No

B&K 4220 285153 Oct 4/00

Calibrator

Calibrator Calibration Date

Bruel & Kjaer 4231

2122824 1800168 2052131 Aug 04/01 Oct 24/02

2175822 Nov 17/00 Sept 05/01

Field Calibration Level

Start

94.0

dBA

Stop

94.0

dBA

VCR

Unit/Make Model• Serial No	HS-U55C 5500271	5 JVC HR-DD840U 122E0459	6 JVC HR-DD840U 122E0468	7 JVC HR-DD840U 122E0443	
Unit/Make	10 JVC	11 JVC	12 JVC	13 JVC	14 JVC
Model	Optimus	HR-DD840U	HR-DD840U	HR-DD840U	HR-DD840U
Serial No	F8SK40354	153E0121	153E0126	153E0139	153E0703

Temperature (Deg C)

-32

Humidity (%)

Windspeed

5-7 kph N

Clock Synchronization:

GPS

SLM

VCR Field Calibration Level Tape / Time

dBA 20 - 100

Battery Level (v)

Tape	Start Date	Start Time	Stop Time	Reading (dB)
1				/ /cdding (dD)
2				<u> </u>
3				
4				
5				
6				

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Table 1.1 Paramount Resources Ltd. Site 1 - 1500m NW of Satellite Daily Leq Values

Date	Time	Mea	Measured		idual
	· inite	Leq	Hours	Leq	Hours
Jan. 24, 2002	07:00 - 21:59	53.9	10.6	< 29.8	10.5
Jan. 24, 2002 - Jan. 25, 2002	22:00 - 06:59	< 20	9.0	< 20	9.0
Jan. 25, 2002	07:00 - 21:59	60.5	4.4	< 21.1	4.2
Jan 25, 2002 - Jan 26, 2002	22:00 - 06:59				,
Jan. 26, 2002	07:00 - 21:59				
Overall Leq		54.9	24.0	< 26.9	23.6

Notes:

Due to the measurement range limitations of the sound level meter (between 20 and 100 dBA), all underrange entries were replaced with 19.9 dBA in order to calculate an approximate sound level for the environment.

The Residual Leq describes the sound level without the influence of equipment and crew. ie. helicopters and setup staff.

70.4% of the total measurement period was under 20 dBA. 27.8% of the measurement was between 20.0 and 24.9 dBA. 1.8% of the measurement period was above 25.0 dBA.

Error of the Overall Residual Leq is less than 1 dBA. Error of the Overall Measured Leq is less than 0.1 dBA.

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Table 1.2 Paramount Resources Ltd. Site 1 - 1500m NW of Satellite Hourly Leq Values

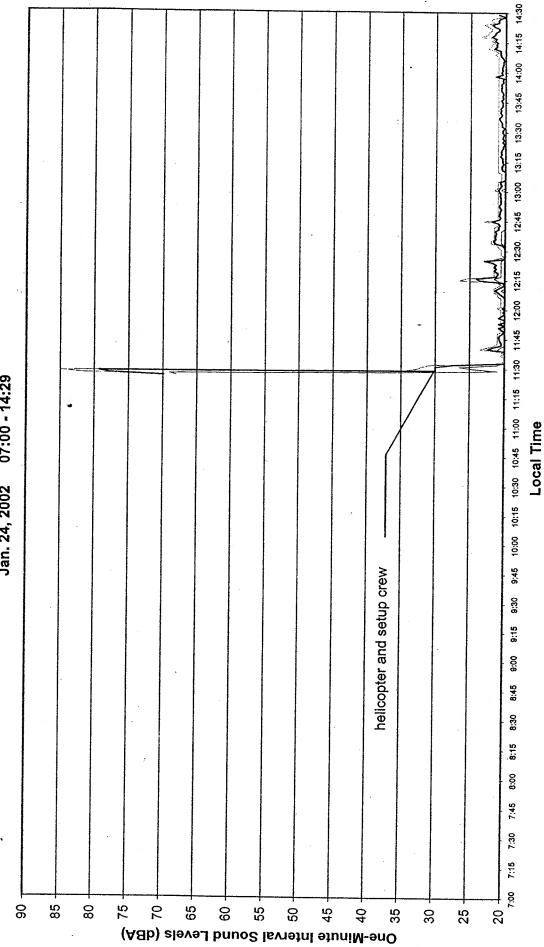
Date	24-Ja		25-Ja	n-02	26-Ja	n-02
Start Time	Comprehensive Sound Level (dBA Leq)	Residual Sound Level (dBA Leq)	Comprehensive Sound Level (dBA Leq)	Residual Sound Level (dBA Leq)	Comprehensive Sound Level (dBA Leq)	Residual Sound Level (dBA Leq)
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1:00			19.9	19.9	· [
2:00			19.9	19.9	1	
3:00			19.9	19.9	l i	
4:00			19.9	19.9		•
5:00			19.9	19.9		
6:00	1		19.9	19.9	-	
7:00			20.1	20.1		
8:00	1		20.0	20.0	1	
9:00]		19.9	19.9		
10:00			22.4	22.4		
11:00	66.6	20.5	70.9	24.4		
12:00	20.9	20.9				
13:00	20.4	20.4			i l	
14:00	39.6	39.6				
15:00	20.7	20.7				
16:00	20.0	20.0	·		1	•
17:00	20.2	20.2				
18:00	20.0	20.0				
19:00	19.9	19.9		.*1		
20:00 21:00	19.9	19.9				•
22:00	19.9	19.9				
23:00	20.5	20.5				
20.00	19.9	19.9				

Notes:

Due to the measurement range limitations of the sound level meter (between 20 and 100 dBA), all underrange entries were replaced with 19.9 dBA in order to calculate an approximate sound level for the environment.

Figure 1.1 Paramount Resources Ltd.

Site 1 - 1500m NW of Satellite Jan. 24, 2002 07:00 - 14:29

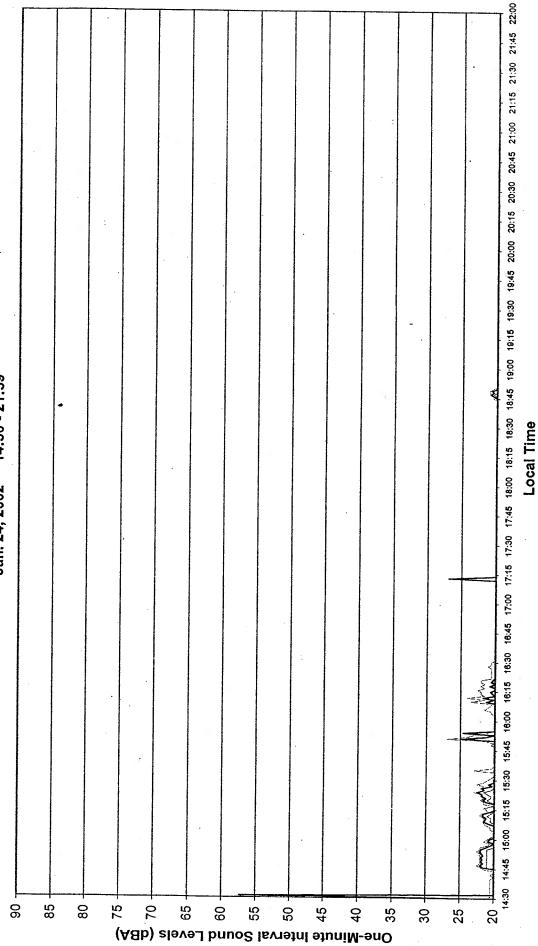


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____L10 ____L90 ____Leq

Figure 1.2 Paramount Resources Ltd.

Site 1 - 1500m NW of Satellite Jan. 24, 2002 14:30 - 21:59



____L10 ____L90 ____Leq

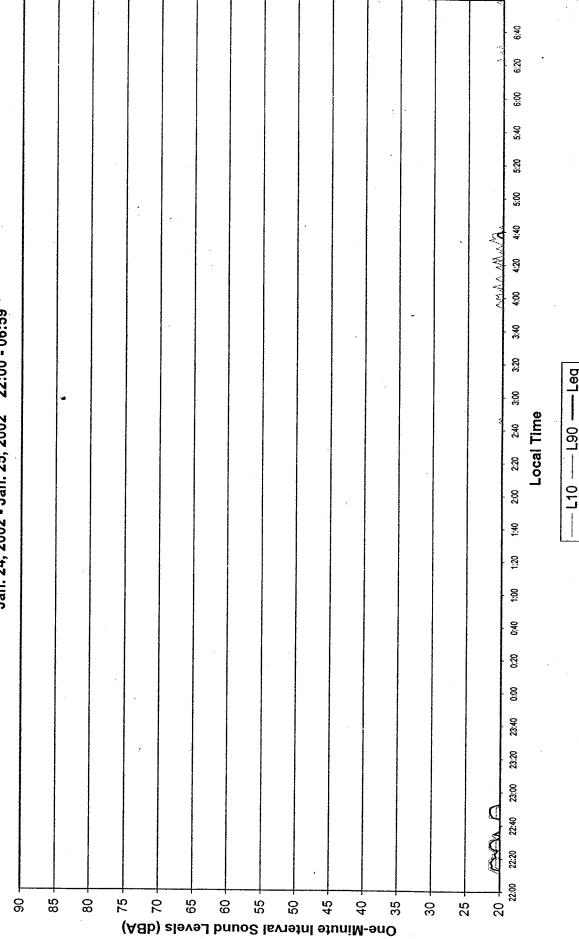
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Figure 1.3 Paramount Resources Ltd.

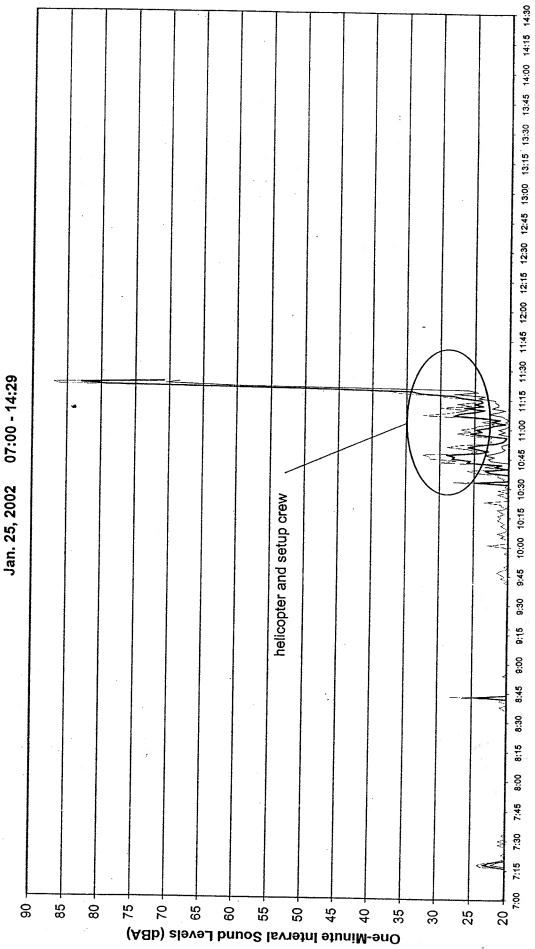
Site 1 - 1500m NW of Satellite Jan. 24, 2002 - Jan. 25, 2002 22:00 - 06:59



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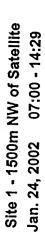
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Paramount Resources Ltd.

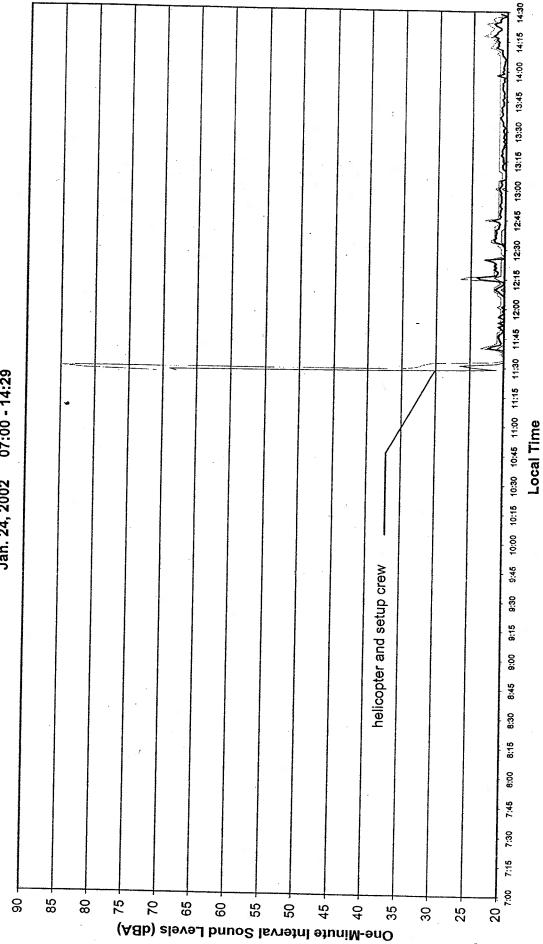
Site 1 - 1500m NW of Satellite Jan. 25. 2002 07:00 - 14:29



Local Time

Figure 1.1i Paramount Resources Ltd.

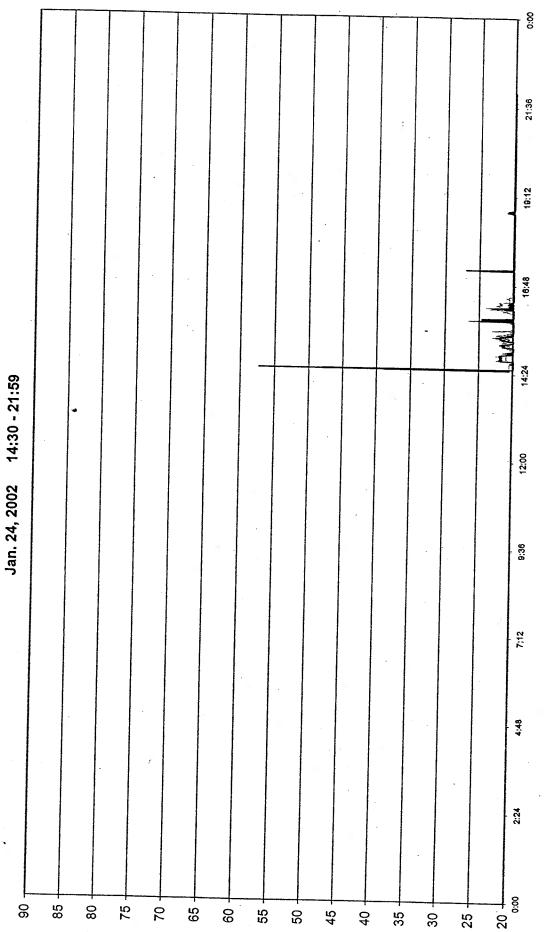




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Figure 1.2i Paramount Resources Ltd.

Site 1 - 1500m NW of Satellite Jan. 24. 2002 14:30 - 21:59

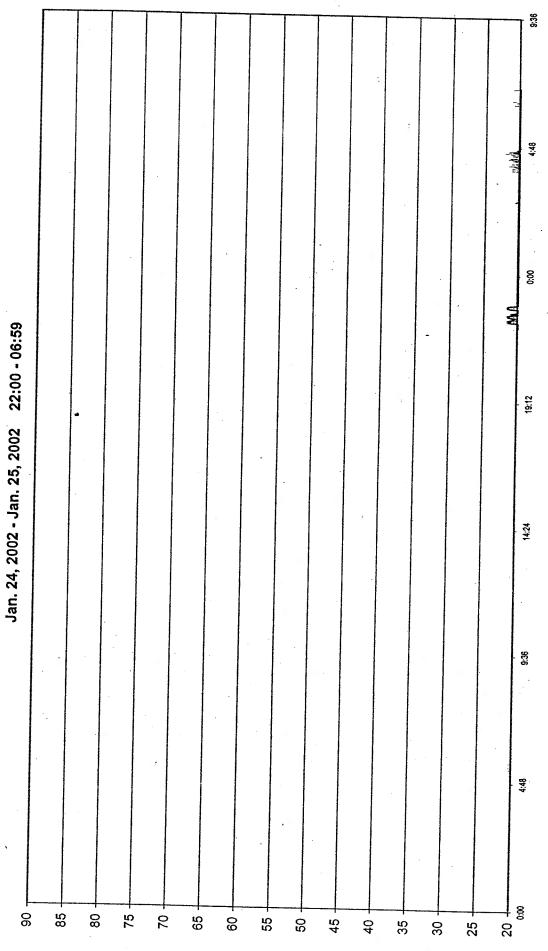


____L10 ___L90 ___Leq

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Figure 1.3i Paramount Resources Ltd.

Site 1 - 1500m NW of Satellite

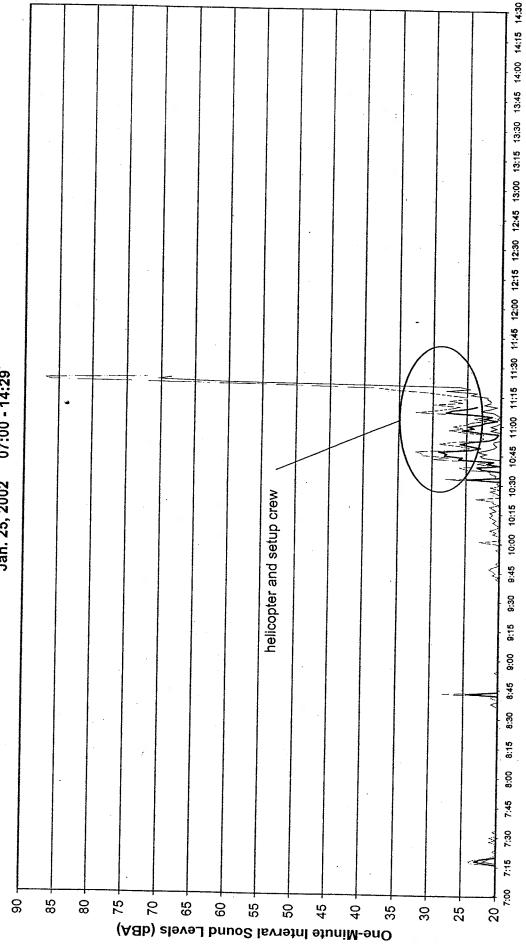


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____L10 ____L90 ____Leq

Figure 1.4i Paramount Resources Ltd.

Site 1 - 1500m NW of Satellite Jan. 25, 2002 07:00 - 14:29



Local Time

____L10 ___L90 ___Leq

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Appendix C

Sound Level Results at Measurement Site #2

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Monitoring Equipment Data

∠roject Name Facility Location Facility LSD Paramount Resources Ltd. Cameron Hills N.W.T.

Facility LSD
File Number
Start Date

2002-1270 24-Jan-02 NM

Consultant Measurements Consultant Tape Review

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Computer File Location/Residence GPS Coordinates (UTM) Microphone Placement 2236-2 Paramount Site2.xls Site 2 - 1500m S of Battery 6654227N / 11 472066E 1.5 m above ground

Sound Level Meter (Outdoor)

Microphone

Meter Calibration Date
Outdoor Microphone Kit
Sound Level Meter
Microphone
Meter Calibration Date

Bruel & Kjaer 2236 Bruel & Kjaer 4188

Bruel & Kjaer UA1404 Bruel & Kjaer Bruel & Kjaer 4188

Bruel & Kjaer UA1404

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Outdoor Microphone Kit

Calibrator
Calibrator Calibration Date

Bruel & Kjaer 4231

2122824 1800168 2052131 2175822 Aug 04/01 Oct 24/02 Nov 17/00 Sept 05/01 B&K 4220 285153 Oct 4/00

Field Calibration Level

Start

94.0

dBA

Stop

94.0

dBA

VCR

Unit/Make	1 Mitsubishi	5 JVC	6 JVC	7 JVC	
Model	HS-U55C	HR-DD840U	HR-DD840U	HR-DD840U	
Serial No	5500271	122E0459	122E0468	122E0443	
Unit/Make	10 JVC	11 JVC	12 JVC	13 JVC	14 JVC
Model	Optimus	HR-DD840U	HR-DD840U	HR-DD840U	HR-DD840U
Serial No	F8SK40354	153E0121	153E0126	153E0139	153E0703

Temperature (Deg C)

-32

Humidity (%)

Windspeed

5-7 kph N

Clock Synchronization:

GPS

SLM

VCR Field Calibration Level Tape / Time

dBA 20 - 100

Battery Level (v)

Tape	Start Date	Start Time	Stop Time	Reading (dB)
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2				
3				
4			·	
5				
6				

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Table 2.1 Paramount Resources Ltd. Site 2 - 1500m S of Battery Daily Leq Values

Date	Time	Measured		Residual	
74 W		Leq	Hours	Leg	Hours
Jan. 24, 2002 Jan. 24, 2002 - Jan. 25, 2002 Jan. 25, 2002 Jan 25, 2002 - Jan 26, 2002 Jan. 26, 2002	07:00 - 21:59 22:00 - 06:59 07:00 - 21:59 22:00 - 06:59 07:00 - 21:59	59.0 < 19.9 62.2	10.4 9.0 4.6	< 24.5 < 19.9 < 26.5	10.3 9.0 4.5
Overall Leq		58.2	23.9	< 23.9	23.8

Notes:

Due to the measurement range limitations of the sound level meter (between 20 and 100 dBA), all underrange entries were replaced with 19.9 dBA in order to calculate an approximate sound level for the environment.

The Residual Leq describes the sound level without the influence of equipment and crew. ie. helicopters and setup staff.

94.0% of the total measurement period was under 20 dBA. 2.3% of the measurement was between 20.0 and 24.9 dBA. 3.7% of the measurement period was above 25.0 dBA.

Error of the Overall Residual Leq is less than 2.1 dBA. Error of the Overall Measured Leq is less than 0.1 dBA.

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Table 2.2
Paramount Resources Ltd.
Site 2 - 1500m S of Battery
Hourly Leq Values

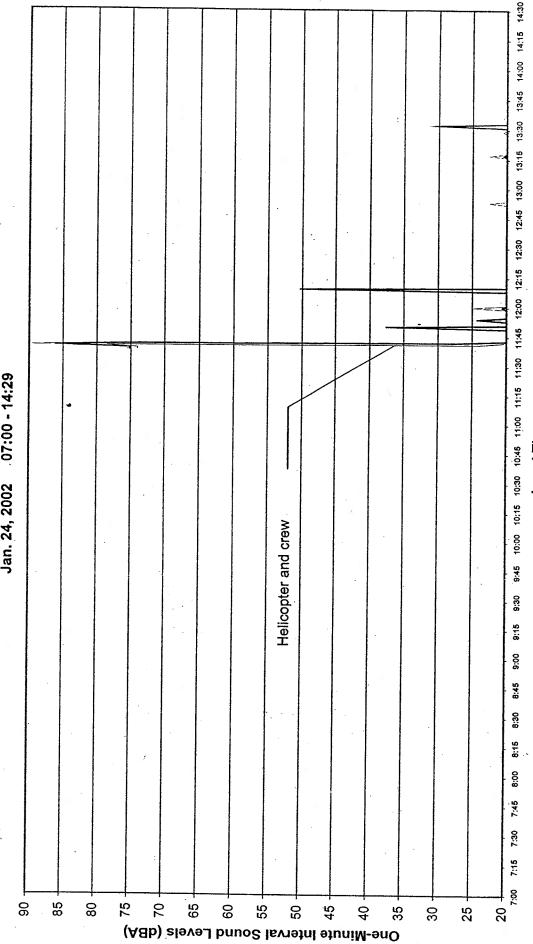
Date	24-Jan-02		25-Jan-02		26-Jan-02	
Start Time	Comprehensive Sound Level (dBA Leq)	Residual Sound Level (dBA Leq)	Comprehensive Sound Level (dBA Leq)	Residual Sound Level (dBA Leq)	Comprehensive Sound Level (dBA Leq)	Residual Sound Level (dBA Leq)
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1:00			19.9	19.9	[•
2:00			19.9	19.9		
3:00			19.9	19.9		
4:00			19.9	19.9	ļ	
5:00			19.9	19.9		
6:00			20.1	20.1	-	
7:00			19.9	19.9		•
8:00			19.9	19.9	}	
9:00			19.9	19.9		
10:00			21.7	21.7		
11:00	73.5	26.5	71.3	34.9		
12:00	32.7	32.7	1			
13:00	20.6	20.6	1	•		
14:00	19.9	19.9				
15:00	20.0	20.0				
16:00	19.9	19.9		-	·	
17:00	19.9	19.9				
18:00	19.9	19.9	1			
19:00	19.9	19.9	1	6		
20:00	19.9	19.9				
21:00	19.9	19.9				•
22:00	19.9	19.9				
23:00	19.9	19.9	j			

Notes:

Due to the measurement range limitations of the sound level meter (between 20 and 100 dBA), all underrange entries were replaced with 19.9 dBA in order to calculate an approximate sound level for the environment.

Figure 2.1 Paramount Resources Ltd.

Site 2 - 1500m S of Battery Jan. 24, 2002 07:00 - 14:29



Local Time

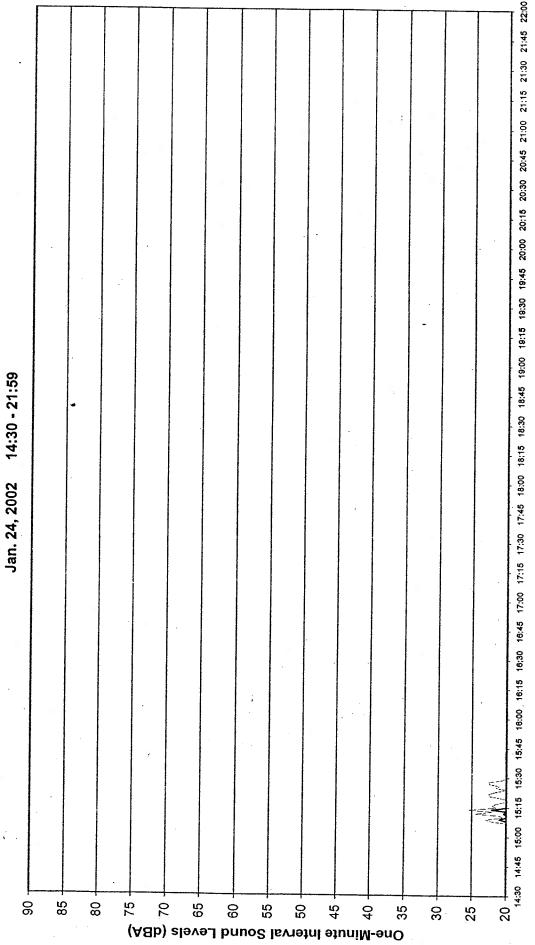
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Figure 2.2 Paramount Resources Ltd.

Site 2 - 1500m S of Battery lan. 24, 2002 14:30 - 21:59



Local Time

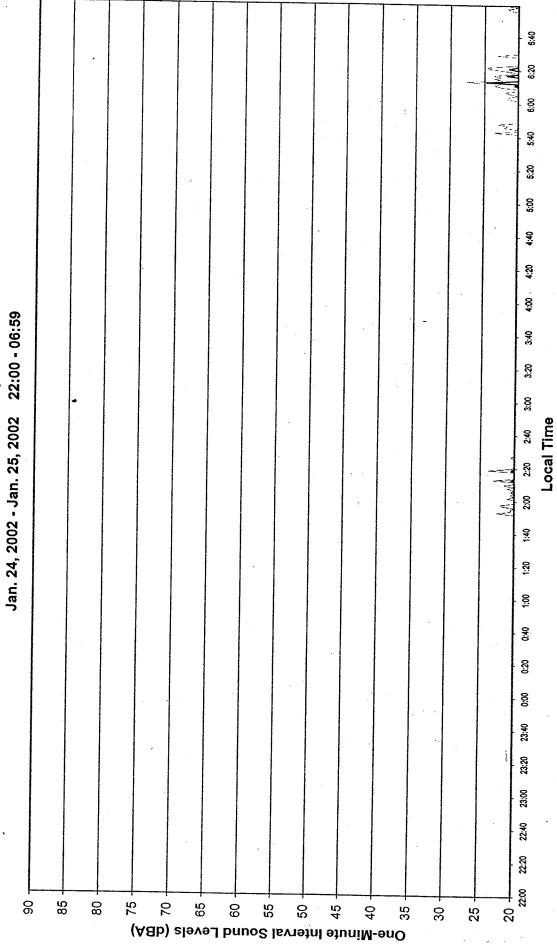
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-L10 -- L90

Figure 2.3 Paramount Resources Ltd.

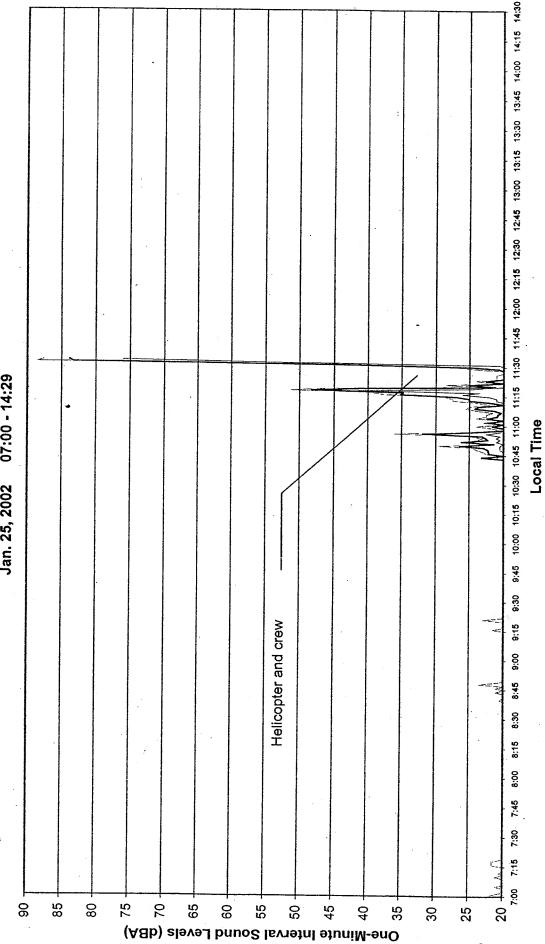
Site 2 - 1500m S of Battery



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Figure 2.4 Paramount Resources Ltd.

Site 2 - 1500m S of Battery Jan. 25, 2002 07:00 - 14:29

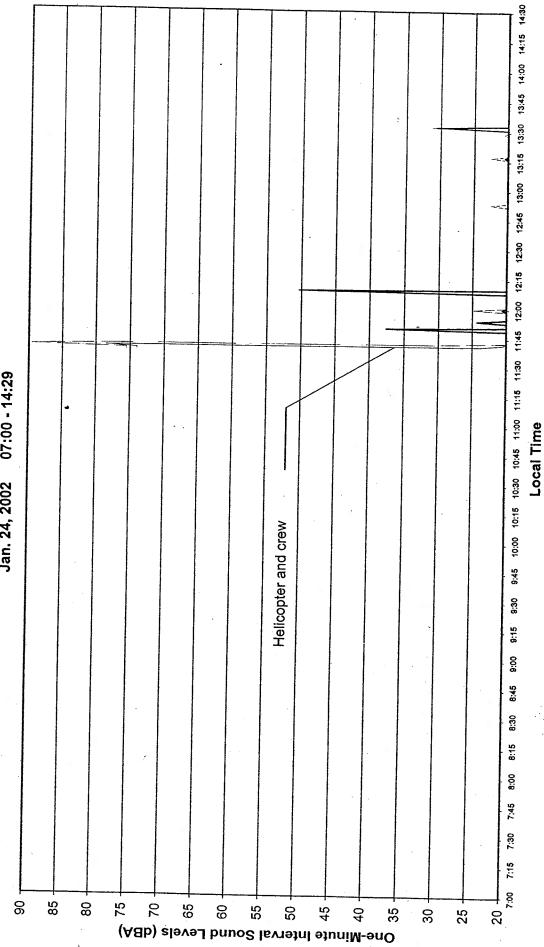


____L10 ____L90 ____Leq

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Figure 2.1i
Paramount Resources Ltd.

Site 2 - 1500m S of Battery Jan. 24, 2002 07:00 - 14:29

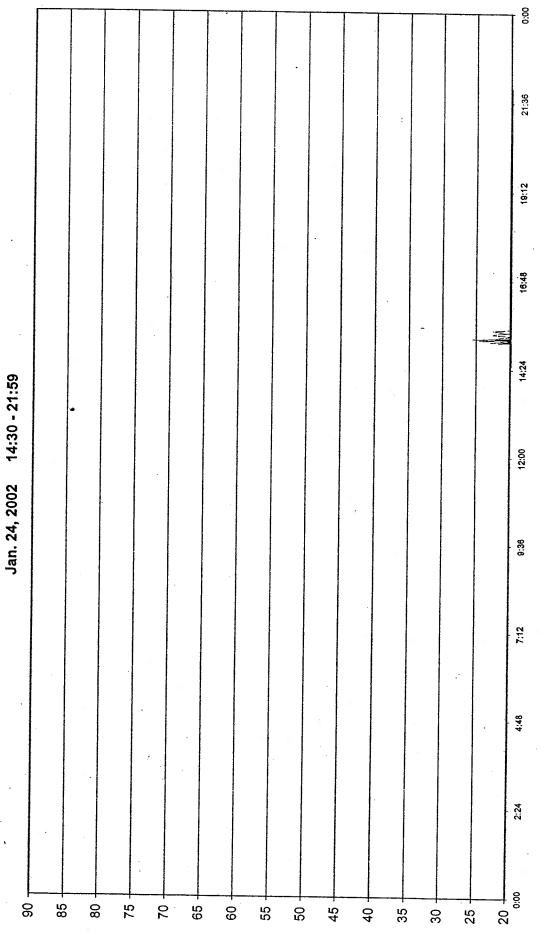


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--- L10 ---- L90 --- Leq

Figure 2.2i Paramount Resources Ltd.

Site 2 - 1500m S of Battery Jan. 24, 2002 14:30 - 21:59



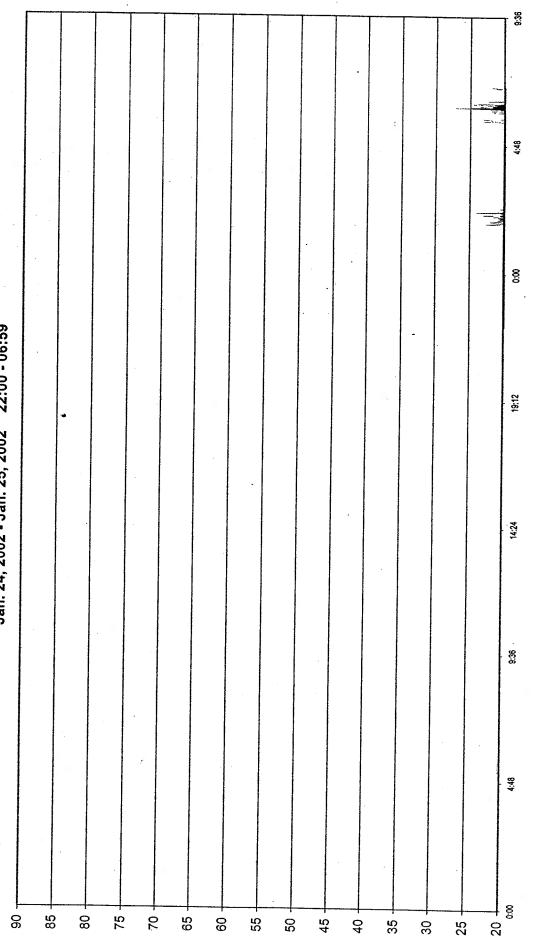
2236-2 Paramount Site2.xls/D 1(2)i

___L10 ___L90 ___Leq

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Figure 2.3i Paramount Resources Ltd.

Site 2 - 1500m S of Battery Jan. 24, 2002 - Jan. 25, 2002 | 22:00 - 06:59

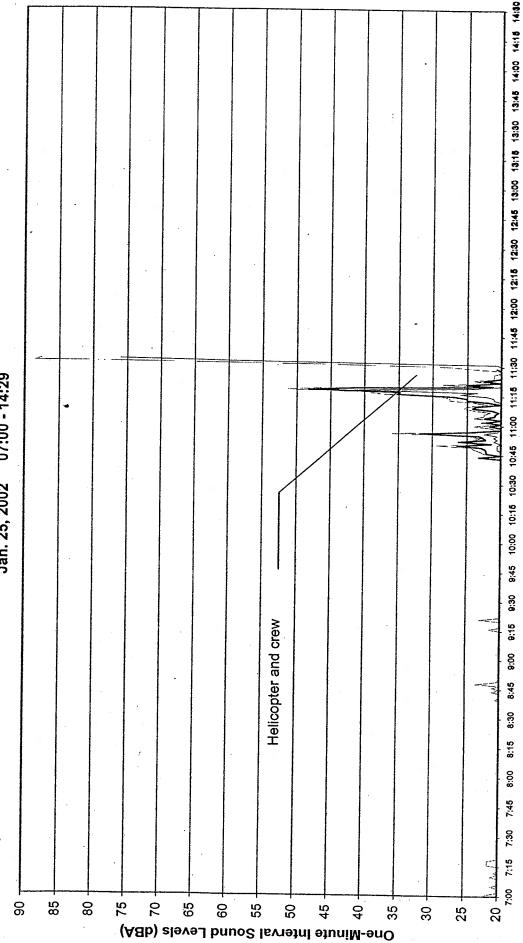


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----L10 ----L90 ----Leq

Figure 2.4i Paramount Resources Ltd.

Site 2 - 1500m S of Battery Jan. 25, 2002 07:00 - 14:29



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Cameron Hills, N.W.T.
Gathering System and Central Facility
Noise Survey Following
Production Operations Commencement

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Executive Summary

Patching Associates Acoustical Engineering Ltd. (PAAE) was requested by Paramount Resources Ltd. (Paramount) to perform a noise survey following the start-up of production operations at a facility southwest of Hay River, Northwest Territories. The results of this survey will be used to determine the noise contribution of only the facilities at Paramount's operations in the Cameron Hills region after the construction of an oil and gas gathering system and central facility. Measurements were taken over a one-day period at two locations 1500 metres from the central facility and future satellite site.

The survey results contained short-term higher-level sound events that were not indicative of noise generated by the facility and are attributed to helicopters, facility operators on all-terrain vehicles and visits by PAAE technical staff. The non-facility short-term sounds were verified and isolated from comprehensive sound level data using activity logs from the plant operators and are presented in the table below.

Noise Measurements at Two Receivers Located at 1500 metres

Date (2002)	Daytime/ Nighttime	Measured Sound Level*		Residual Sound Level**	
		Leg (dBA)	Hours	Leg (dBA)	Hours
Site 1 – 1500	NNW of Future S	Satellite Site			
Apr. 13	07:00 - 21:59	31.0	10.5	20.3	10.3
Apr. 13 – 14	22:00 – 06:59	21.0	9.0	21.0	9.0
Apr. 14	07:00 – 21:59	31.9	4.2	23.6	4.1
Overall		29.5	23.7	21.4	23.4
Site 2 – 1500	S of Central Fac	ility		<u></u>	
Apr. 13	07:00 – 21:59	40.0	10.4	24.9	10.1
Apr. 13 – 14	22:00 – 06:59	24.6	9.0	24.6	9.0
Apr. 14	07:00 - 21:59	37.9	4.3	26.4	4.0
Overall		37.5	23.7	25.1	23.2

^{*} The Measured Leq describes the sound level without the influence of PAAE set-up staff only (i.e. PAAE support helicopter).

The results of this assessment indicate that the current post-construction noise levels at 1500 metres from the central facility and future satellite site are well within the nighttime L_{eq} target of 40 dBA made by Paramount Resources Ltd.

^{**} The Residual Leq describes the sound level without the influence of helicopters and all-terrain vehicles used by Paramount and PAAE set-up staff.

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Introduction

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Noise Criteria

Paramount has targeted a nighttime L_{eq} noise level of 40 dBA from the facility. PAAE has assumed that the nighttime period to be the same as the nighttime period specified by the Alberta Energy and Utilities Board (AEUB). The AEUB defines daytime as between 7:00 and 21:59, and nighttime as between 22:00 and 6:59.

The L_{eq} is the A-weighted equivalent-continuous sound level. This index is an energy average of the varying sound levels over a specified period. The use of this index permits the description of a varying sound level environment as a single number. As the L_{eq} is an "average" level, the measured sound level may exceed the criterion level for a short period, provided that the duration is limited. The L_{eq} value considers both the sound level and the length of time that the sound level occurs. Appendix A provides a detailed explanation of the L_{eq} index.

Methodology

The sound monitoring survey was conducted with Brüel & Kjær Model 2236 Precision Integrating Sound Level Meter which was equipped with a Brüel & Kjær 4188 microphone. The sound level meter was configured to continuously record the one-minute L_{eq} , L_{10} and L_{90} values. The microphone was mounted with a Brüel & Kjær windscreen Model DS 0934 to reduce the potential for wind-induced noise at the microphone, as required by the Directive.

The sound level meter was field calibrated at the start of the comprehensive sound monitoring survey and then checked at the completion of the survey with a Brüel & Kjær Model 4231 Sound Level Calibrator.

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Monitoring Locations

Measurement Site #1 was located 1500 metres NNW of the future satellite site at UTM 6659021 N / 11 470884 E and Measurement Site #2 was located 1500 metres S of the central facility at UTM 6654227 N / 11 472066 E. Figure 1.0 depicts the locations of the comprehensive noise measurements for the study.

Measurement Site #1

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B-05

B-0

Figure 1.0: Comprehensive Noise Measurement Locations (Apr. 13 - 14, 2002)

The microphone was mounted on a tripod at a height of approximately 1.5 m above the ground.

Facility Operating Conditions

Observations from field staff and conversations with the facility operator indicate that the Paramount facility was operating normally during the study period.

It is the understanding of PAAE that local helicopter and all-terrain vehicle activities were due to troubleshooting work at the wellsites. Paramount has indicated that once the initial start-up phase of the production operation is streamlined, this activity will be substantially reduced.

Environmental Conditions

Wind induced noise can often be a problem in environmental measurements. The AEUB Noise Control Directive ID 99-8 (Directive) requires that for environmental noise surveys, the wind speed is no greater than 20 kph for facilities upwind or crosswind of the receiver and 15 kph for facilities downwind of the receiver. This survey has also adopted this method to ensure a valid and meaningful measurement result.

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The hourly observation record of wind velocity and direction measured at the Hay River weather station is presented in Table 1.

Table 1 – Weather Conditions for Hay River, Northwest Territories April 13, 2002 – April 14, 2002

Date	Time	Temperature (°C)	Wind Speed (kph)	Wind Direction
	11:00	-8	13	NNW
	12:00	-7	13	NNW
	13:00	-6	. 11	NW
	14:00		Not Available	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
	15:00	-4	13	NNW
April 12 2002	16:00	-3	11	NW
April 13, 2002	1 <i>7</i> :00	-3	11	NW
	18:00	-2	13	NW
	19:00	-2	15	WNW
L	20:00	-3	9	WNW
	21:00	-5	9	WNW
	22:00	-6	0	-
	23:00	-9	0	-
	00:00	-10	11	E
	01:00	-9	13	E
	02:00	-11	11	E
	03:00	-11	7	E
	04:00	-11	6	ESE
April 14, 2002	05:00	-13	11	E
7 (pm 14, 2002	06:00	-16	7	E
	07:00	-16	4	ESE
L.	08:00	-15	9	E .
	09:00	-14	7	E
	10:00	-12	15	ENE
	11:00	-11	15	ENE

It should be noted that the weather conditions at the weather station might not correspond with those at the measurement sites but should serve as an adequate indicator of the conditions in the general study area.

The topography of the area may be described as flat muskeg with small brush and trees.

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Results

The recorded values for the monitored one-minute L_{eq} , L_{10} and L_{90} sound levels for Site #1 and Site #2 are presented graphically in a time history format in Figures 1.1 to 1.4 and Figures 2.1 to 2.4 in Appendix B. The one-minute L_{eq} values were used to calculate daytime, nighttime and overall L_{eq} values for each measurement location. The daytime and nighttime periods are the same as those specified by the AEUB.

The measured noise levels for each measurement location are presented in Table 2.

Table 2 - Noise Measurements at Two Receivers Located at 1500 metres

Date	Daytime/	Measured S	ound Level	Residual Sound Leve	
(2002)	Nighttime	Leq (dBA)	Hours	Leq (dBA)	Hours
Site 1 - 1500	NNW of Future S	Satellite Site		- 	
Apr. 13	07:00 - 21:59	31.0	10.5	20.3	10.3
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Overall		37.5	23.7	25.1	23.2

Table 2 shows that Paramount's current post-construction facility operation sound levels at 1500 metres from the future satellite site and central facility are well within the target nighttime L_{eq} of 40 dBA.

Discussion of Results

Through the use of activity logs provided by Paramount, many of the noise spikes were found to be sounds generated by helicopters, facility operators on all-terrain vehicles and visits from PAAE staff. The Measured Sound Levels in Table 2 are the resulting sound levels after noise generated by PAAE staff have been removed. The Residual Sound Levels listed in Table 2 are the resulting sound levels after noise from helicopters, all-terrain vehicles and PAAE staff have been removed and are more indicative of the sound produced by only the facility. Figures 1.1 Isolated to 1.4 Isolated and Figures 2.1 Isolated to 2.4 Isolated in Appendix B present the time history for the measurement with extraneous events removed.

Comparing the comprehensive noise level with the ambient noise level measured in a previous study (PAAE file 2002-1270), the current noise level is approximately 1.0 dBA and 1.2 dBA greater than the ambient pre-construction noise level at Site #1 and Site #2 respectively. (Note: a change of 3 dB is barely perceptible by a human with normal hearing under field conditions)

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Conclusion

The results of this assessment indicate that the current post-construction noise levels at 1500 metres from the central facility and future satellite site are well within the nighttime L_{eq} target set by Paramount Resources Ltd. of 40 dBA.

APPENDIX A

Explanation of Technical Details Regarding Sound Measurement and Analysis

Technical Details

Sound is the phenomena of vibrations transmitted through air, or other medium such as water or a building structure. The range of pressure amplitudes, intensities, and frequencies of the sound energy is very wide, and many specialized fields have developed using different ranges of these variables, such as room acoustics and medical ultrasound.

Due to the wide range of intensities, which are perceived as sound, standard engineering units become inconvenient. Sound levels are commonly measured on a logarithmic scale, with the level (in decibels, or dB) being proportional to ten times the common logarithm of the sound energy or intensity. Normal human hearing covers a range of about twelve to fourteen orders of magnitude in energy, from the threshold of hearing to the threshold of pain. On the decibel scale, the threshold of hearing is set as zero, written as 0 dB, while the threshold of pain varies between 120 to 140 dB. The most usual measure of sound is the sound pressure level (SPL), with 0 dB SPL set at 2.0 X 10^{-5} N/m² (also written $20~\mu$ Pa), which corresponds to a sound intensity of 10^{-12} Watts/m² (or 1 picoWatt per square metre, written 1 pW/m²).

Normal human hearing spans a frequency range from about 20 Hertz (Hz, or cycles per second) to about 20,000 Hz (written 20 KHz). However, the sensitivity of human hearing is not the same at all frequencies. To accommodate the variation in sensitivity, various frequency-weighting scales have been developed. The most common is the A-weighting scale, which is based on the sensitivity of human hearing at moderate levels; this scale reflects the low sensitivity to sounds of very high or very low frequencies. Sound levels measured on the A-weighted scale are written in A-weighted decibels, commonly shown as dBA or dB(A).

When sound is measured using the A-weighting scale, the reading is often called the "Noise level", to confirm that human sensitivity and reactions are being addressed. A table of some common noise sources and their associated noise levels are shown in Table A1.

When the A-weighting scale is <u>not</u> used, the measurement is said to have a "linear" weighting, or to be unweighted, and may be called a "linear" level. As the linear reading is an accurate measurement of the physical (sound) pressure, the term "Sound Pressure Level", or SPL, is usually (but not universally) reserved for unweighted measurements.

Noise is usually defined as "unwanted sound", which indicates that it is not just the physical sound that is important, but also the human reaction to the sound that leads to the perception of sound as noise. It implies a judgment of the quality or quantity of sound experienced. As a human reaction to sound is involved, noise levels are usually given in A-weighted decibels (dBA). An alternate definition of noise is "sound made by somebody else", which emphasizes that the ability to control the level of the sound alters the perception of noise.

Table A1- Noise Levels of Familiar Sources

Source Or Environment	Noise Level (dBA)
High Pressure Steam Venting To Atmosphere (3m)	121
Steam Boiler (2m)	90-95
Drilling Rig (10m)	80-90
Pneumatic Drill (15m)	85
Pump Jack (10m)	68-72
Truck (15m)	65-70
Business Office	65
Conversational Speech (1m)	60
Light Auto Traffic (30m)	50
Living Room	40
Library	35
Soft Whisper (5m)	20-35

The single number A-weighted level is often inadequate for engineering purposes, although it does supply a good estimate of people's reaction to a noise environment. As noise sources, control measures, and materials differ in the frequency dependence of their noise responses or production, sound is measured with a narrower frequency bandwidth; the specific methodology varies with the application. For most work, the acoustic frequency range is divided into frequency bands where the centre frequency of each band is twice the frequency of the next lower band; these are called "Octave" bands, as their frequency relation is called an "Octave" in music, where the field of acoustics has its roots. For more detailed work, the octave bands, and certain standard octave and 1/3 octave bands have been specified by international agreements.

Where the noise at the receiver is steady, it is easy to assess the noise level. However, both the production of noise at the source and the transmission of noise can vary with time; most noise levels are not constant, either because of the motion of the noise source (as in traffic noise), because the noise source itself varies, or because the transmission of sound to the receiver location is not steady as over long distances. This is almost always the case for environmental noise studies. Several single number descriptors have been developed and are used to assess noise in these conditions.

The most common is the measurement of the "equivalent continuous" sound level, or $L_{\rm eq}$, which is the level of a hypothetical source of a constant level which would give the same total sound energy as is measured during the sampling period. This is the "energy" average noise level. Typical sampling periods are one hour, nighttime (9 hours) or one day (24 hours); the sampling period used must be reported when using this unit.

The greatest value of the L_{eq} is that the contributions of different sources to the total noise level can be assessed, or in a case where a new noise source is to be added to an existing environment, the total noise level from new and old sources can be easily calculated. It is also sensitive to short term high noise levels.

Statistical noise levels are sometimes used to assess an unsteady noise environment. They indicate the levels that are exceeded a fixed percentage of the measurement time period measured. For example, the 10%-ile level, written L_{10} , is the levels exceeded 10% of the time; this level is a good measure of frequent noisy occurrences such as steady road traffic. The 90% level, L_{90} , is the level exceeded 90% of the time, and is the background level, or noise floor. A steady noise source will modify the background level, while an intermittent noise source such as road or rail traffic will affect the short-term levels only.

One disadvantage with the L_{eq} measure, when used alone, is that nearby loud sources (e.g. dogs barking, or birds singing) can confuse the assessment of the situation when it is the noise from a distant plant that is the concern. For this reason, the equivalent level and the statistical levels can be used together to better understand the noise environment. One such indication is the difference between the L_{eq} and the L_{90} levels. A large difference between the L_{eq} and L_{90} , greater than 10 dB, indicates the intrusion of short-term noise events on the general background level. A small difference, less than 5 dB, indicates a very steady noise environment. If the L_{eq} value exceeds the L_{10} value this indicates the presence of significant short-term loud events.

APPENDIX B

Measurement Results
Graphs of 1-Minute Leq, L10 and L90 Data

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Monitoring Equipment Data

Project Name Facility Location Paramount Resources Ltd.

Facility LSD

Cameron Hills N.W.T.

File Number Start Date **Consultant Measurements**

2002-1270B 13-Apr-02 NM

Consultant Tape Review Computer File

2236-2 Paramount Site1.xls

Location/Residence

Site #1 - 1500m NNW of Future Satellite Site

GPS Coordinates (UTM) Microphone Placement

6659021N / 11 470884E 1.5 m above ground

Bruel & Kjaer 2236

Bruel & Kjaer 4188

Sound Level Meter (Outdoor)

Microphone

Meter Calibration Date Outdoor Microphone Kit

Sound Level Meter Microphone

Meter Calibration Date

Outdoor Microphone Kit

Calibrator Calibration Date

Bruel & Kjaer UA1404 Bruel & Kjaer Bruel & Kjaer 4188

Bruel & Kjaer UA1404

Bruel & Kjaer 4231

1 - 2173781	2 - 2015449	3 - 1799377	4 - 1799382	5 - 1911156
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February 22/02		Mar 10/00	July 10/01	Jun 16/00
Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
	2236-1764289-D	2260-2311741	2260-2027582	2238-2163499
1765148	1795138	4189-2305533	1931041	2143085
Jul 31/00	Oct 24/02	June 29/01	Apr 20/01	July 09/01
No	No	No	No	No

2175822 Sept 05/01 B&K 4220 285153 Oct 4/00

Field Calibration Level

Start

93.7

dBA

2122824

Aug 04/01

Stop

1800168

Oct 24/01

93.7

2052131

Jan 17/02

dBA

VCR

Calibrator

Unit/Make Model Serial No	1 Mitsubishi HS-U55C 5500271	5 JVC HR-DD840U 122E0459	6 JVC HR-DD840U 122E0468	7 JVC HR-DD840U 122E0443	
Unit/Make		11 JVC	12 JVC	13 JVC	14 JVC
Model	Optimus	HR-DD840U	HR-DD840U	HR-DD840U	HR-DD840U
Serial No	F8SK40354	153E0121	153E0126	153E0139	153E0703

Temperature (Deg C)

Humidity (%)

Windspeed

Clock Synchronization:

GPS

SLM

VCR Field Calibration Level

Tape / Time

dBA 20 - 100

Battery Level (v)

Tape	Start Date	Start Time	Stop Time	Reading (dB)
1				3/
2				
3				
4				
5		· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·		
6	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·			

Notes:

Equipment used in this survey have been bolded and shaded above.

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Table 1.1 Paramount Resources Ltd. Site #1 - 1500m NNW of Future Satellite Site Daily Leq Values

Date	Date Time		Measured		Residual	
	111116	Leq Hours		Leg	Hours	
Apr. 13, 2002	07:00 - 21:59	31.0	10.5	20.3	10.3	
Apr. 13, 2002 - Apr. 14, 2002	22:00 - 06:59	21.0	9.0	21.0	9.0	
Apr. 14, 2002	07:00 - 21:59	31.9	4.2	23.6	4.1	
Apr 14, 2002 - Apr 15, 2002	22:00 - 06:59			_5.0	7.1	
Apr. 15, 2002	07:00 - 21:59					
Overall Leq	·	29.5	23.7	21.4	23.4	

Notes

Due to the measurement range limitations of the sound level meter (between 20 and 100 dBA), all underrange entries were replaced with 19.9 dBA in order to calculate an approximate sound level for the environment.

The Measured Leq describes the sound level without the influence of PAAE setup staff only (i.e. PAAE support helicopter).

The Residual Leq describes the sound level without the influence of helicopters and all-terrain vehicles used by Paramount and PAAE setup staff.

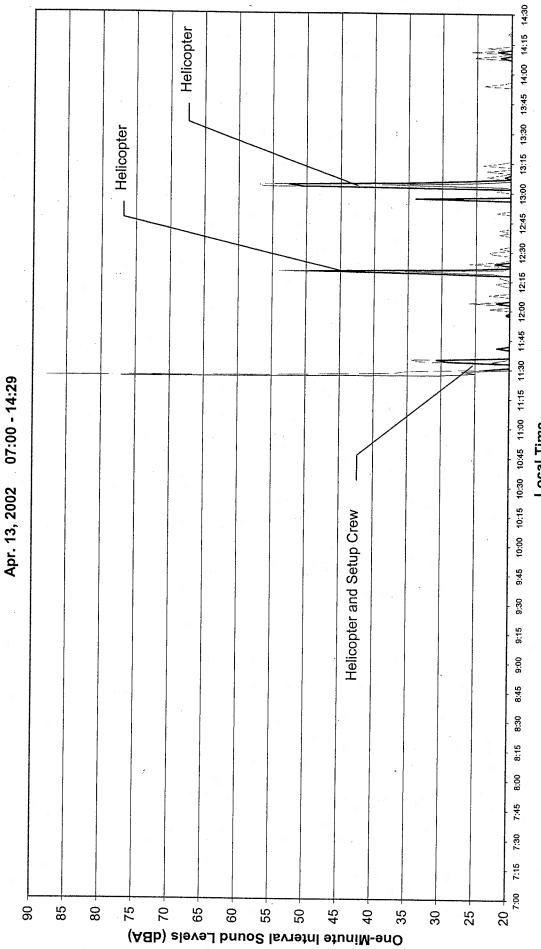
69.3% of the total measurement period was under 20 dBA. 24.6% of the measurement was between 20.0 and 24.9 dBA. 6.1% of the measurement period was above 25.0 dBA.

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Table 1.2 Paramount Resources Ltd. Site #1 - 1500m NNW of Future Satellite Site Hourly Leq Values

Date		pr-02	14-Ap	or-02	15-Ap	r-02
Start Time	Comprehensive Sound Level (dBA Leq)	Residual Sound Level (dBA Leq)	Comprehensive Sound Level (dBA Leq)	Residual Sound Level (dBA Leq)	Comprehensive Sound Level (dBA Leq)	Residual Sound Level (dBA Leq)
0:00			19.9	19.9	"	
1:00			19.9	19.9	1.	
2:00			19.9	19.9		
3:00			19.9	19.9		
4:00		•	19.9	19.9		
5:00			21.6	21.6		
6:00			24.4	24.4		
7:00			24.1	24.1		
8:00			24.3	24.3		
9:00]	,	26.7	23.3		
10:00	l		37.3	21.2		
11:00	22.2	20.2	25.7	25.7		
12:00	32.1	21.5				•
13:00	37.1	19.9				
14:00	20.0	20.0				
15:00	19.9	19.9				
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17:00	20.2	20.2				
18:00	37.6	19.9				
19:00	19.9	19.9				
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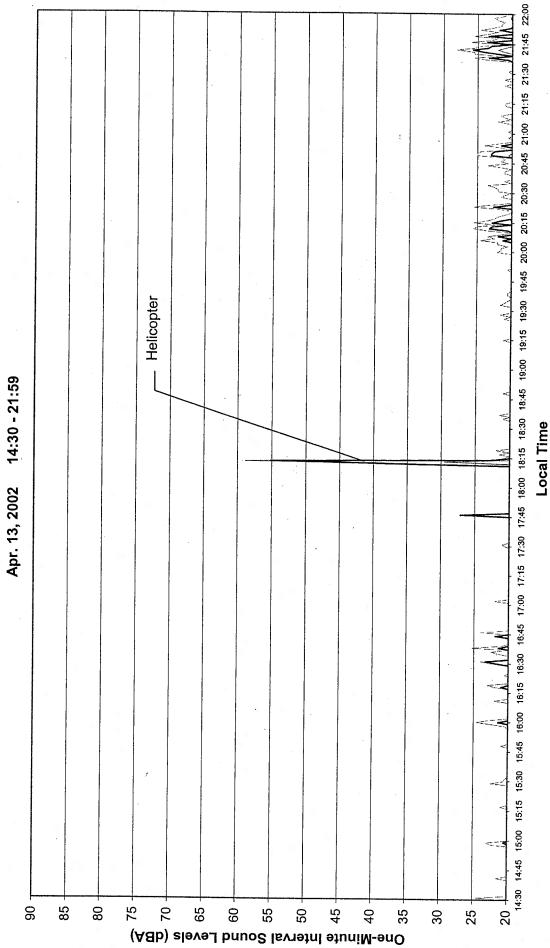
Paramount Resources Ltd. Figure 1.1



Local Time

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Figure 1.2 Paramount Resources Ltd.

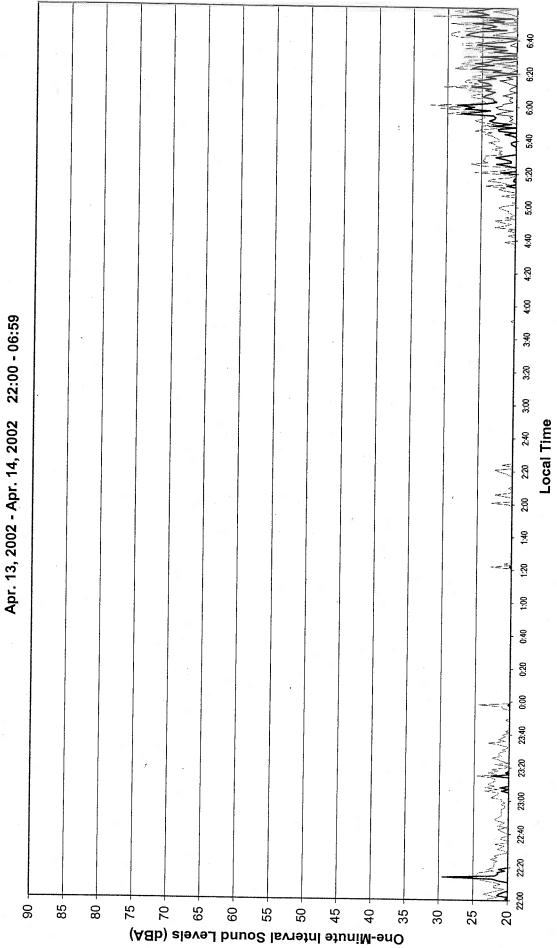


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-L10 --- L90

Figure 1.3
Paramount Resources Ltd.

Site #1 - 1500m NNW of Future Satellite Site Apr. 13, 2002 - Apr. 14, 2002 22:00 - 06:59

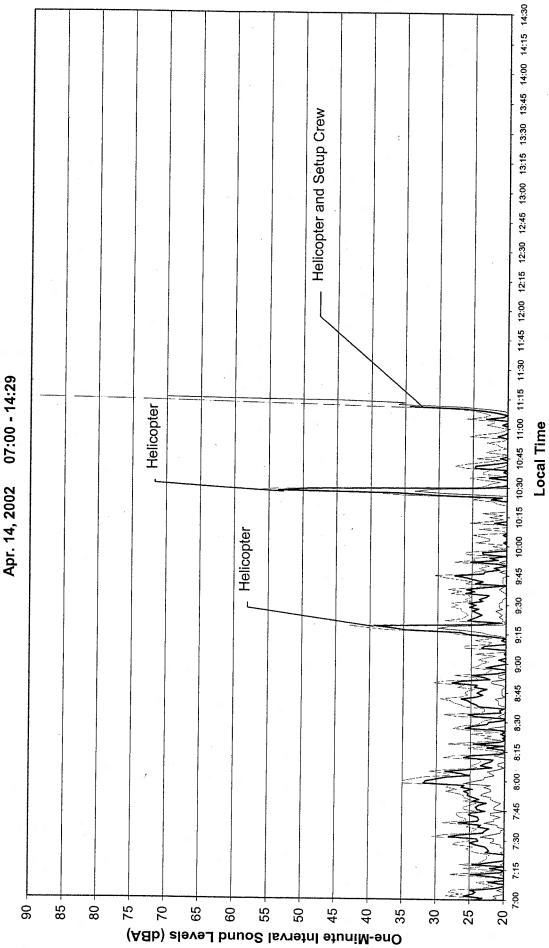


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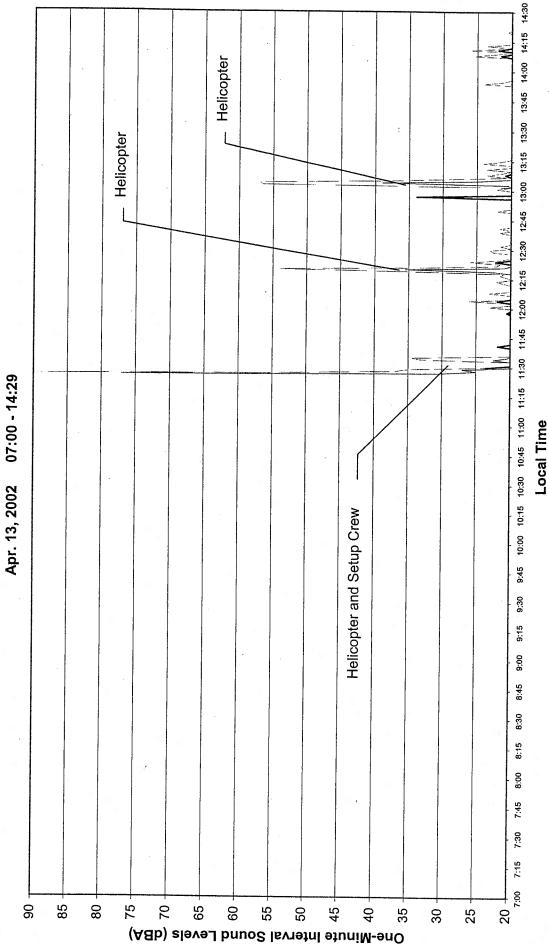
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Figure 1.4
Paramount Resources Ltd.



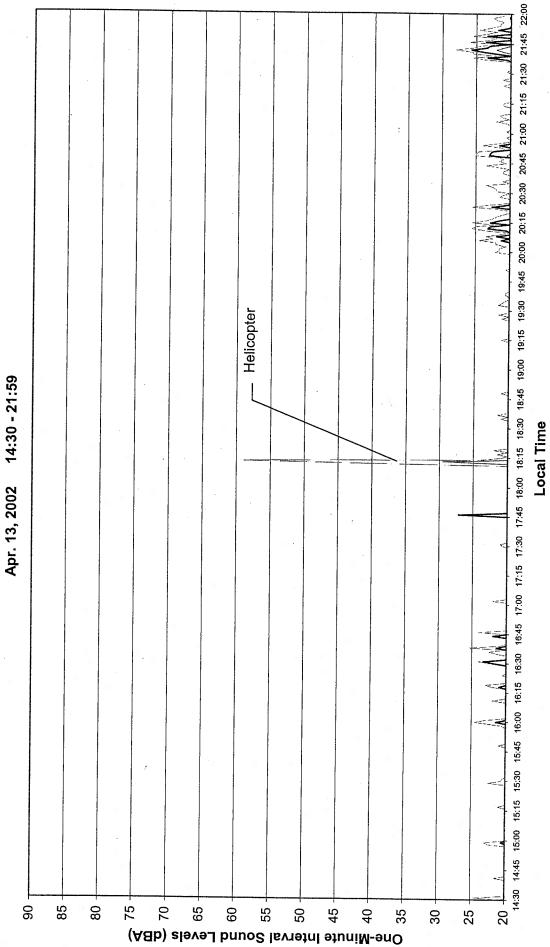
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Figure 1.1 Isolated Paramount Resources Ltd.



-L10 ——L90 ——Leq

Figure 1.2 Isolated Paramount Resources Ltd.

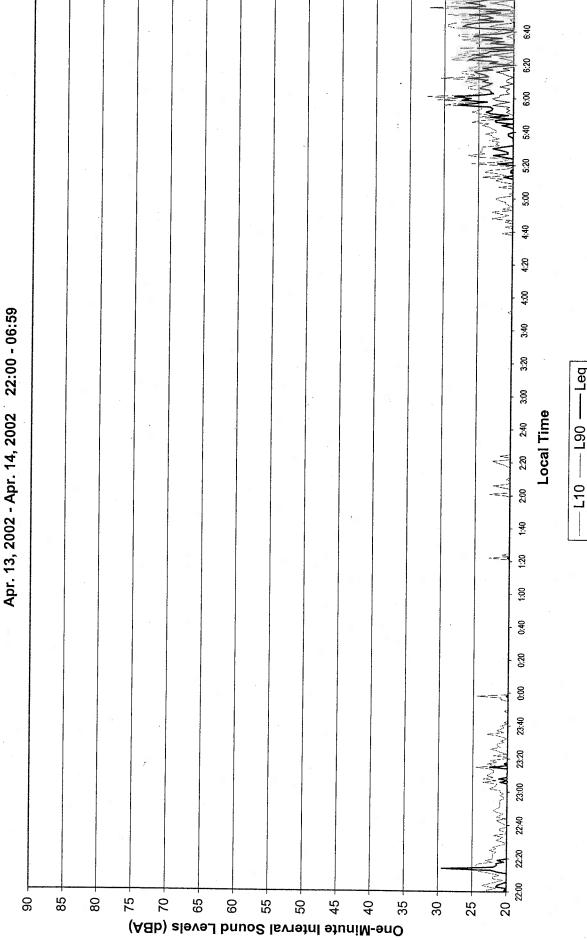


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Figure 1.3 Isolated Paramount Resources Ltd.

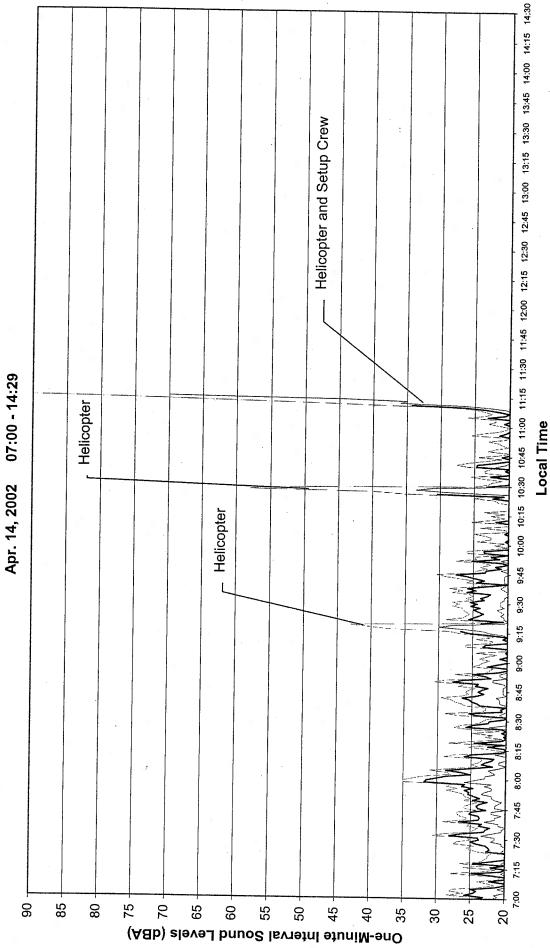
Site #1 - 1500m NNW of Future Satellite Site
Apr. 13, 2002 - Apr. 14, 2002 - 22:00 - 06:59



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Figure 1.4 Isolated Paramount Resources Ltd.

Site #1 - 1500m NNW of Future Satellite Site



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- L90

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Monitoring Equipment Data

Project Name **Facility Location** Paramount Resources Ltd. Cameron Hills N.W.T.

Facility LSD File Number

2002-1270B 13-Apr-02

Start Date Consultant Measurements Consultant Tape Review

NM

Computer File Location/Residence

2236-2 Paramount Site2.xls Site #2 - 1500m S of Central Facility

GPS Coordinates (UTM) Microphone Placement

6654227N / 11 472066E 1.5 m above ground

Sound Level Meter (Outdoor)

Microphone

Meter Calibration Date Outdoor Microphone Kit Sound Level Meter

Microphone

Meter Calibration Date Outdoor Microphone Kit Bruel & Kjaer UA1404

Bruel & Kjaer Bruel & Kjaer 4188

Bruel & Kjaer 2236

Bruel & Kjaer 4188

Bruel & Kjaer UA1404

Calibrator Calibrator Calibration Date

Bruel & Kjaer 4231

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189184 1803167 Sept 05/01 Mar 10/00 July 10/01 Yes Yes Yes 2236-2100873-D| 2236-1764289-D 2260-2311741 2260-2027582 1765148 1795138 4189-2305533 1931041 Jul 31/00 Oct 24/02 June 29/01 Apr 20/01 No No No No

2122824 1800168 2052131 2175822 Aug 04/01 Oct 24/01 Jan 17/02 Sept 05/01 B&K 4220 285153 Oct 4/00

Field Calibration Level

Start

93.8

dBA

Stop

93.8

3 - 1799377

dBA

4 - 1799382

5 - 1911156

2121009

Jun 16/00

Yes

2238-2163499

2143085

July 09/01

No

VCR

Unit/Make	1 Mitsubishi	5 JVC	6 JVC	7 JVC	
Model	HS-U55C	HR-DD840U	HR-DD840U	HR-DD840U	
Serial No	5500271	122E0459	122E0468	122E0443	
Unit/Make	10 JVC	11 JVC	12 JVC	13 JVC	14 JVC
Model	Optimus	HR-DD840U	HR-DD840U	HR-DD840U	HR-DD840U
Serial No	F8SK40354	153E0121	153E0126	153E0139	153E0703

Temperature (Deg C)

Humidity (%)

Windspeed

Clock Synchronization:

GPS

SLM

VCR Field Calibration Level

Tape / Time

dBA 20 - 100

Battery Level (v)

Tape	Start Date	Start Time	Stop Time	Reading (dB)
1				J (/
2				
3				
4				
5				
6				· E

Notes:

Equipment used in this survey have been bolded and shaded above.

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Table 2.1 Paramount Resources Ltd. Site #2 - 1500m S of Central Facility Daily Leg Values

Date	Time	Measured		Residual	
		Leg Hours		Leq	Hours
Apr. 13, 2002	07:00 - 21:59	40.0	10.4	24.9	10.1
Apr. 13, 2002 - Apr. 14, 2002 Apr. 14, 2002	22:00 - 06:59 07:00 - 21:59	24.6	9.0	24.6	9.0
Apr 14, 2002 - Apr 15, 2002	22:00 - 06:59	37.9	4.3	26.4	4.0
Apr. 15, 2002	07:00 - 21:59				
Overall Leq		37.5	23.7	25.1	23.2

Note:

The Measured Leq describes the sound level without the influence of PAAE setup staff only (i.e. PAAE support helicopter).

The Residual Leq describes the sound level without the influence of helicopters and all-terrain vehicles used by Paramount and PAAE setup staff.

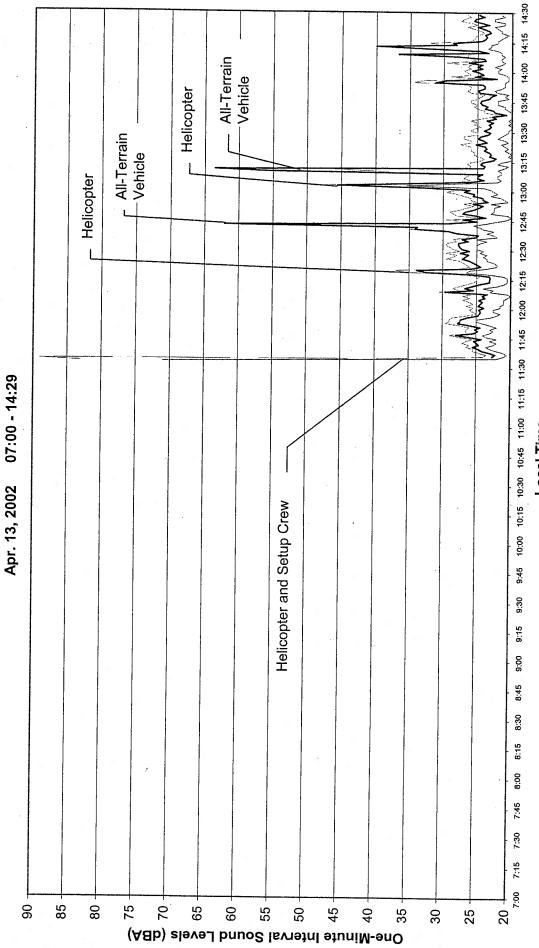
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Table 2.2 Paramount Resources Ltd. Site #2 - 1500m S of Central Facility Hourly Leq Values

Date		or-02	14-A	pr-02	15-Δ	pr-02
Start Time	Comprehensive Sound Level (dBA Leq)	Residual Sound Level (dBA Leq)	Comprehensive Sound Level (dBA Leq)	Residual Sound Level (dBA Leq)	Comprehensive Sound Level (dBA Leq)	Residual Sound Level (dBA Leq)
0:00			24.0	24.0		(42)(134)
1:00			23.5	23.5		
2:00			23.7	23.7		
3:00]		23.1	23.1		
4:00			23.9	23.9		
5:00	1		25.0	25.0		
6:00			28.0	28.0		
7:00			27.4	26.7		
8:00			26.3	26.3		
9:00			29.7	26.9		•
10:00	·		43.8	25.7		
11:00	25.4	25.4	31.6	26.2		
12:00	44.4	25.9	İ		İ	
13:00	46.5	24.5				
14:00	27.8	27.8		,		
15:00	42.3	26.0				
16:00	24.4	24.4				
17:00	41.1	22.9]	
18:00	26.4	22.4				
19:00	23.8	23.8		,		
20:00	23.9	23.9		·		
21:00	23.9	23.9				
22:00	23.1	23.1				
23:00	24.2	24.2				

Figure 2.1
Paramount Resources Ltd.

Site #2 - 1500m S of Central Facility Apr. 13, 2002 07:00 - 14:29 (:.

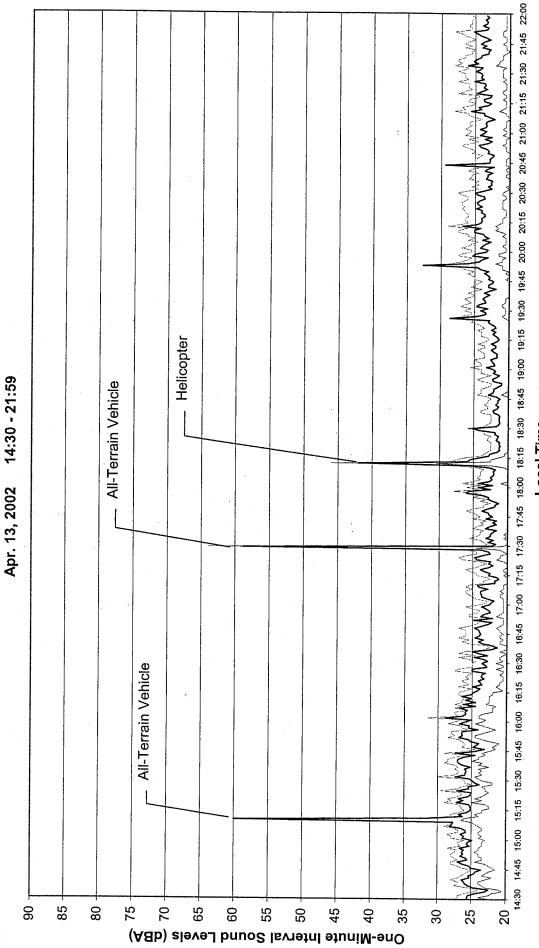


Local Time

Figure 2.2

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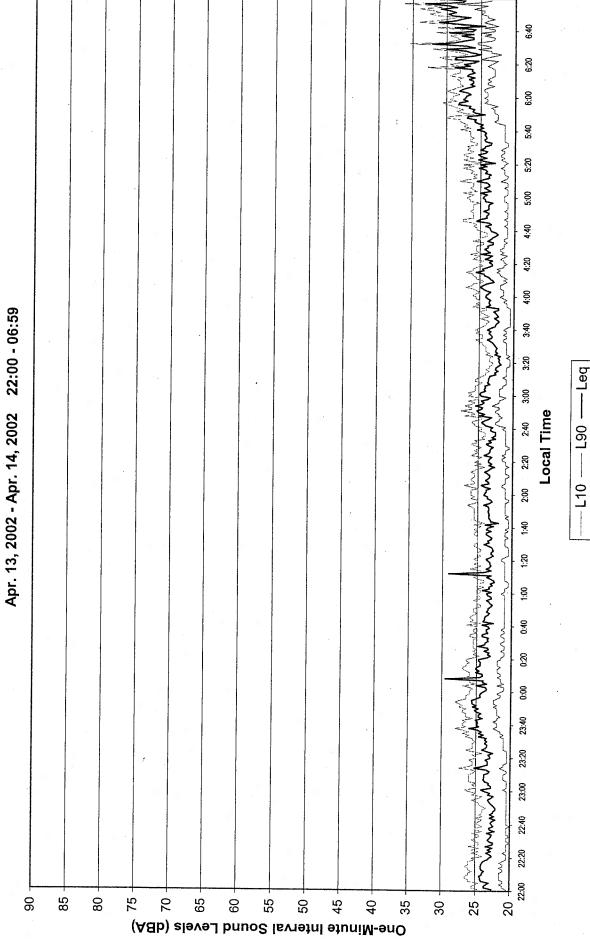
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Local Time

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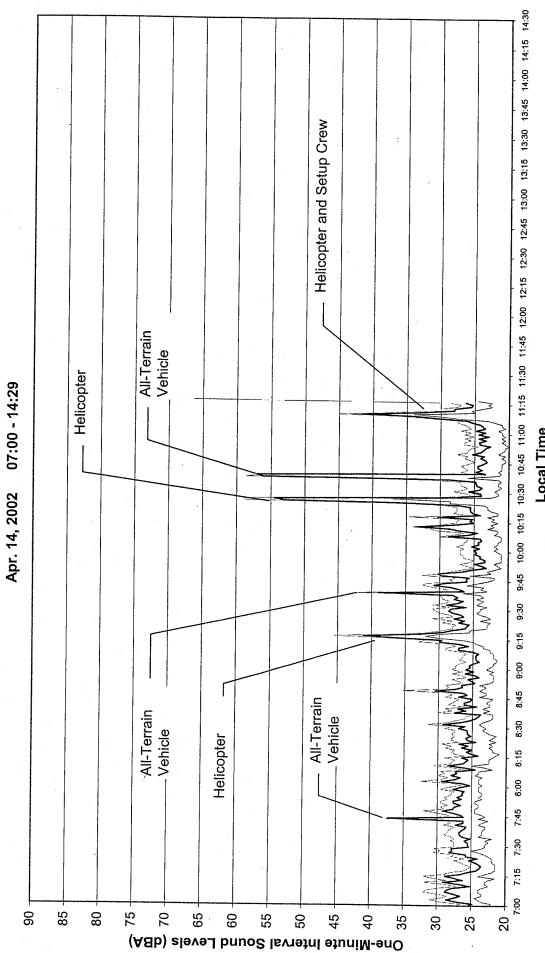
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Apr. 13, 2002 - Apr. 14, 2002 - 25-00 - 06-59



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Paramount Resources Ltd. Figure 2.4

Site #2 - 1500m S of Central Facility

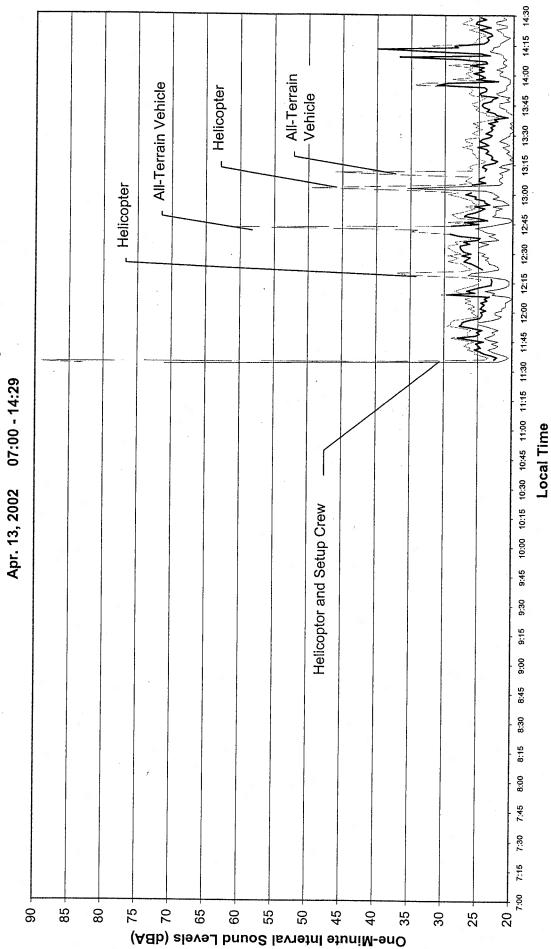


Local Time

- Leg **-**F30 _L10

Figure 2.1 Isolated Paramount Resources Ltd.

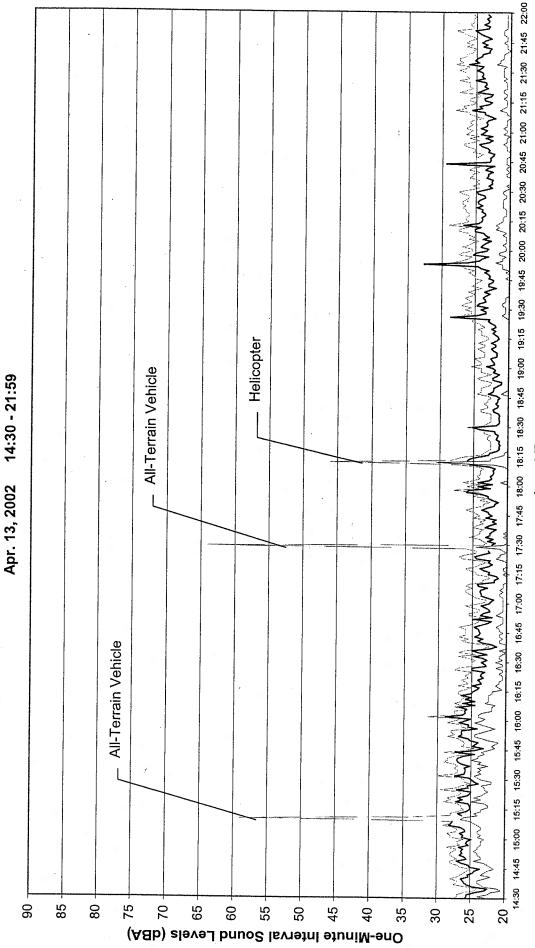
Site #2 - 1500m S of Central Facility Apr. 13, 2002 07:00 - 14:29



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Figure 2.2 Isolated Paramount Resources Ltd.

Site #2 - 1500m S of Central Facility

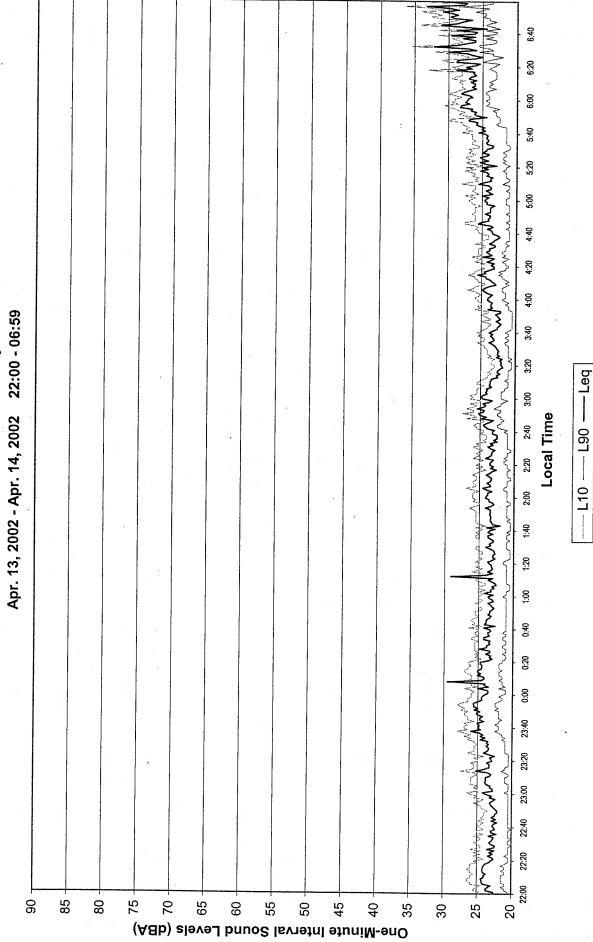


Local Time

___L10 ___L90 ___Leq

Figure 2.3 Isolated Paramount Resources Ltd.

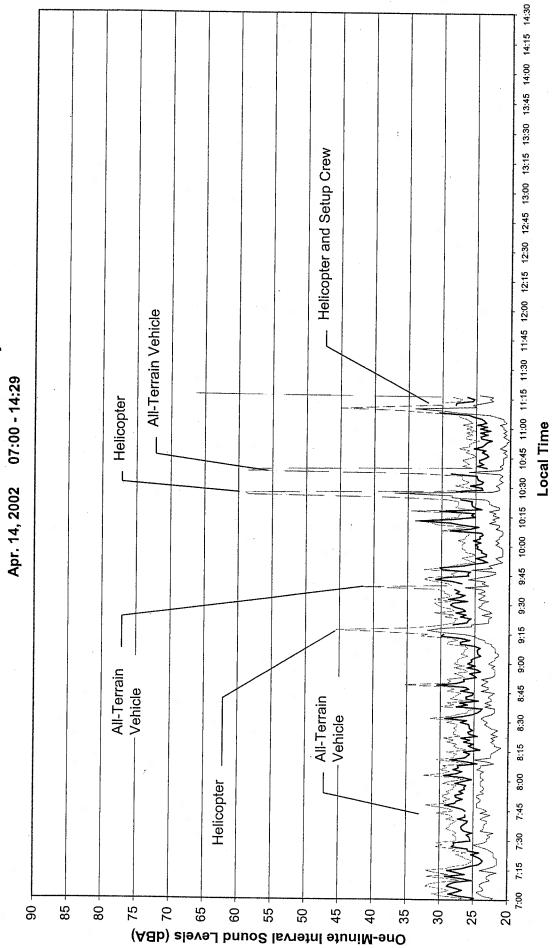
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Apr 13 2002 - Apr 14 2002 - 22:00 - 06:50



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Figure 2.4 Isolated Paramount Resources Ltd.

Site #2 - 1500m S of Central Facility Apr. 14, 2002 07:00 - 14:29



_____L10 ____L90 ____Leq

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Cameron Hills, N.W.T.
Gathering System and Central Facility
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Executive Summary

Patching Associates Acoustical Engineering Ltd. (PAAE) was requested by Paramount Resources Ltd. (Paramount) to perform a noise survey following the start-up of production operations at a facility southwest of Hay River, Northwest Territories. The results of this survey will be used to determine the noise contribution of the facilities at Paramount's operations in the Cameron Hills region after the construction of an oil and gas gathering system and central facility. Measurements were taken over a nominal one-day period at two locations, one at 1500 metres from the future satellite site and the other at 1300 metres south from the central facility.

In previous studies, the measurement site south of the central facility was located at 1500 metres, but this site is located in the bottom of a muskeg-filled creek bed well with a large ridge between it and the facility – a site which allowed for a secure positioning of the microphone on less swampy ground was selected on a secondary ridge 200 metres north. Neglecting the increased effect of the ridge at the original site, the levels at 1500 km should be 1.2 dBA less than those at the 1300 metres distance.

The survey results contained short-term higher-level sound events that were not indicative of noise generated by the facility and are attributed to helicopters, visits by PAAE technical staff and facility operators on all-terrain vehicles. The non-facility short-term sounds were verified and isolated from comprehensive sound level data using activity logs from the plant operators and are presented in the table below.

Noise Measurements at Two Monitoring Sites

Date (2002)	Daytime/ Nighttime	Measured Sound Level*		Residual Sound Level**	
		Leq (dBA)	Hours	Leg (dBA)	Hours
Site 1 – 1500	NNW of Future S	Satellite Site			110013
June 12	07:00 21:59	38.4	7.6	24.6	~ .
June 12 - 13	22:00 - 06:59	34.9	9.0		7.4
June 13	07:00 - 21:59	43.7		24.8	8.9
Ov	erali		1.1	29.6	1.1
Site 2 – 1300 S of Central Faci		37.8	17.8	25.3	17.4
June 12					
	07:00 - 21:59	37.8	7.1	32.5	6.8
June 12 – 13	22:00 - 06:59	28.4	9.0	28.4	
June 13	07:00 - 21:59	29.7	1.6	29.7	9.0
Overall					1.6
	erall	34.6	17.7	30.6	17.4

^{*} The Measured Leq describes the sound level without the influence of PAAE set-up staff only (i.e. PAAE support helicopter).

The results of this assessment indicate that the current post-construction noise levels at 1500 metres from future satellite site and at 1300 metres from the central facility are well within the nighttime L_{eq} target of 40 dBA made by Paramount Resources Ltd.

^{**} The Residual Leq describes the sound level without the influence PAAE set-up staff, of helicopters and all-terrain vehicles used by Paramount staff, and the sporadic birdsongs of the "dawn chorus" between 03:00 and 06:45

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Introduction

Patching Associates Acoustical Engineering Ltd. (PAAE) was requested by Paramount Resources Ltd. (Paramount) to perform a second noise survey following the start-up of production operations at a facility southwest of Hay River, Northwest Territories. The results of this survey will be used to determine the noise contribution of only the facilities at Paramount's operations in the Cameron Hills region after the construction of an oil and gas gathering system and central facility. Measurements were taken over a nominal one-day period (complete nighttime plus at least three hours of daytime) at two locations, one at 1500 metres from the future satellite site and one at 1300 metres from the central facility.

During earlier studies in January and April of 2002, the site to the south of the central facilities was located at 1500 metres south of the central facility. At the time the ground was frozen with significant snow cover. At the time of these measurements, this site was found to be at the bottom of a muskeg-filled creekbed – this site was also well behind a large ridge. A more suitable site was selected, along the cut-line 200 metres north of the original site on the top of a secondary ridge, where the microphone could be mounted in a more accessible location, and secured to a survey marker to prevent being blown or knocked over.

Noise Criteria

Paramount has specified a nighttime L_{eq} noise level target of 40 dBA from the facility. PAAE has assumed that the nighttime period to be the same as the nighttime period specified by the Alberta Energy and Utilities Board (AEUB). The AEUB defines daytime as between 7:00 and 21:59, and nighttime as between 22:00 and 6:59.

The L_{eq} is the A-weighted equivalent-continuous sound level. This index is an energy average of the varying sound levels over a specified period. The use of this index permits the description of a varying sound level environment as a single number. As the L_{eq} is an "average" level, the measured sound level may exceed the criterion level for a short period, provided that the duration is limited. The L_{eq} value considers both the sound level and the length of time that the sound level occurs. Appendix A provides a detailed explanation of the L_{eq} index.

Methodology

The sound monitoring survey was conducted with Brüel & Kjær Model 2236 Precision Integrating Sound Level Meter which was equipped with a Brüel & Kjær 4188 microphone. The sound level meter was configured to continuously record the one-minute $L_{\rm eq}$, $L_{\rm 10}$ and $L_{\rm 90}$ values. The microphone was mounted at a height of 1.5 metres above the ground, with a Brüel & Kjær windscreen Model DS 0934 to reduce the potential for wind-induced noise at the microphone, as required by the Directive.

The sound level meter was field calibrated at the start of the comprehensive sound monitoring survey and then checked at the completion of the survey with a Brüel & Kjær Model 4231 Sound Level Calibrator.

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Monitoring Locations

Measurement Site #1 was located 1500 metres NNW of the future satellite site at UTM 6659019 N / 11 470889 E and Measurement Site #2A was located 1300 metres S of the central facility at UTM 6654420 N / 11 472125 E. Figure 1.0 depicts the locations of the comprehensive noise measurements for the study.

Measurement Site #1

B-25

B-05

A-05

C-75

B-05

A-06

C-75

B-06

B-9mm 00

B-9mm 00

FEST

SATELLITE

H-04

A-04

B-74

A-

Figure 1.0: Comprehensive Noise Measurement Locations (June 12 - 13, 2003)

The microphone was mounted on a tripod at a height of 1.5 m above the ground.

Facility Operating Conditions

Observations from field staff and conversations with the facility operators indicated that the Paramount facility was operating normally during the study period.

It is the understanding of PAAE that most of the local helicopter and all-terrain vehicle activities in the area were due to troubleshooting work at the wellsites, as well as repairs to a bridge north of Site #1. Paramount had indicated that once the initial start-up phase of the production operation was streamlined, this activity would be substantially reduced.

Environmental Conditions

Wind-induced noise can often be a problem in environmental measurements. The AEUB Noise Control Directive ID 99-8 (Directive) requires that for environmental noise surveys, the wind speed is no greater than 20 kph for facilities upwind or crosswind of the receiver and 15 kph for facilities downwind of the receiver. This survey has also adopted this method to ensure a valid and meaningful measurement result.

The hourly observation record of wind velocity and direction measured at the Hay River weather station is presented in Table 1.

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Table 1 – Weather Conditions for Hay River, Northwest Territories June 12, 2003 – June 13, 2003

Date	Time	Temperature (°C)	Wind Speed (kph)	Wind Direction
	12:00	3	11	N
	13:00	4	13	NNW
	14:00	4	16	NW
	15:00	4	14	NW
	16:00	4	7	NW
June 12, 2003	1 <i>7</i> :00	5	13	NW
	18:00	5	3	NNW
	19:00	4	11	
	20:00	4	5	NNE NE
	21:00	4	3	
	22:00	3	1	ENE
	23:00	1	0	ENE
	00:00	-1	0	-
,	01:00	-1	0	-
	02:00	1	1	
	03:00	0	0	SSE
	04:00	0	5	<u>.</u> .
lung 12 2002	05:00	-1	7	SE
June 13, 2003	06:00	0		SE
	07:00	2	7	SSE
	08:00	4	3	ESE
 	09:00	4	9	ESE
	10:00	6	7	SE
<u></u>	11:00	6	3	E
		0	18	ENE

It should be noted that the weather conditions at the weather station might not correspond with those at the measurement sites but should serve as an adequate indicator of the conditions in the general study area.

The topography of the area to the north of the plant may be described as flat muskeg with small brush and trees. To the south of the plant, there are a number of ridges aligned roughly WSW to ENE, with a creek at 1500 metres from the plant also running parallel to the ridges – the direction of flow of this creek was not determined.

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Results

The recorded values for the monitored one-minute L_{eq} , L_{10} and L_{90} sound levels for Site #1 and Site #2A are presented graphically in a time history format in Figures 1.1 to 1.4 and Figures 2.1 to 2.4 in Appendix B. The one-minute L_{eq} values were used to calculate daytime, nighttime and overall L_{eq} values for each measurement location. The daytime and nighttime periods are the same as those specified by the AEUB.

The measured noise levels for each measurement location are presented in Table 2.

Table 2 - Noise Measurements at Two Monitoring Sites

Date	Daytime/ Nighttime	Measured Sound Level*		Residual Sound Level**	
(2002)		Leq (dBA)	Hours	Leq (dBA)	Hours
Site 1 – 1500	NNW of Future S	Satellite Site			110410
June 12	07:00 – 21:59	38.4	7.6	24.6	7.4
June 12 – 13	22:00 – 06:59	34.9	9.0	24.8	8.9
June 13	07:00 - 21:59	43.7	1.1	29.6	1.1
Overall		37.8	17.8	25.3	17.4
Site 2 – 1300	S of Central Faci	lity			17.7
June 12	07:00 - 21:59	37.8	7.1	32.5	6.8
June 12 – 13	22:00 - 06:59	28.4	9.0	28.4	9.0
June 13	07:00 - 21:59	29.7	1.6	29.7	1.6
Overall		34.6	17.7	30.6	17.4

^{*} The Measured Leq describes the sound level without the influence of PAAE set-up staff only (i.e. PAAE support helicopter).

Table 2 shows that Paramount's current post-construction facility operation sound levels at 1500 metres from the future satellite site and central facility are well within the target nighttime L_{eq} of 40 dBA.

Discussion of Results

Many of the noise spikes were determined, from discussions with Paramount staff, to be sounds generated by helicopters, facility operators on all-terrain vehicles and visits from PAAE staff. The Measured Sound Levels in Table 2 are the resulting sound levels after noise generated by PAAE staff have been removed. The Residual Sound Levels listed in Table 2 are the resulting sound levels after noise from helicopters, all-terrain vehicles and PAAE staff have been removed and are more indicative of the sound produced by only the facility. Figures 1.1 Isolated to 1.4 Isolated and Figures 2.1 Isolated to 2.4 Isolated in Appendix B present the time history for the measurement with extraneous events removed.

^{**} The Residual Leq describes the sound level without the influence PAAE set-up staff, of helicopters and all-terrain vehicles used by Paramount staff, and the sporadic birdsongs of the "dawn chorus" between 03:00 and 06:45.

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Comparing these nighttime comprehensive noise levels with the noise levels measured in a previous study (PAAE file 2002-1270B), the current noise level is approximately 3.8 dBA and 0.3 dBA greater than the first post-construction noise level at Site #1 and Site #2 respectively. (Note: a change of 3 dB is barely perceptible by a human with normal hearing under field conditions).

At Site #1, the measured noise levels were below the lower limit of the measuring equipment (20 dBA) for a good deal of the time. In the calculation of the Leq noise levels, under-range data were replaced by a value of 15 dBA, in order to calculate the overall noise levels by having the calculations of time functions work properly. As the Leq level is dominated by the higher-level noise events, any error introduced would be an increase of less than one deciBel.

Conclusion

The results of this assessment indicate that the current post-construction noise levels at 1500 metres from the future satellite site and 1300 metres from central facility are well within the nighttime L_{eq} target set by Paramount Resources Ltd. of 40 dBA.

APPENDIX A

Explanation of Technical Details Regarding Sound Measurement and Analysis

Technical Details

Sound is the phenomena of vibrations transmitted through air, or other medium such as water or a building structure. The range of pressure amplitudes, intensities, and frequencies of the sound energy is very wide, and many specialized fields have developed using different ranges of these variables, such as room acoustics and medical ultrasound.

Due to the wide range of intensities, which are perceived as sound, standard engineering units become inconvenient. Sound levels are commonly measured on a logarithmic scale, with the level (in decibels, or dB) being proportional to ten times the common logarithm of the sound energy or intensity. Normal human hearing covers a range of about twelve to fourteen orders of magnitude in energy, from the threshold of hearing to the threshold of pain. On the decibel scale, the threshold of hearing is set as zero, written as 0 dB, while the threshold of pain varies between 120 to 140 dB. The most usual measure of sound is the sound pressure level (SPL), with 0 dB SPL set at 2.0 X 10^{-5} N/m² (also written $20~\mu$ Pa), which corresponds to a sound intensity of 10^{-12} Watts/m² (or 1 picoWatt per square metre, written 1 pW/m²).

Normal human hearing spans a frequency range from about 20 Hertz (Hz, or cycles per second) to about 20,000 Hz (written 20 KHz). However, the sensitivity of human hearing is not the same at all frequencies. To accommodate the variation in sensitivity, various frequency-weighting scales have been developed. The most common is the A-weighting scale, which is based on the sensitivity of human hearing at moderate levels; this scale reflects the low sensitivity to sounds of very high or very low frequencies. Sound levels measured on the A-weighted scale are written in A-weighted decibels, commonly shown as dBA or dB(A).

When sound is measured using the A-weighting scale, the reading is often called the "Noise level", to confirm that human sensitivity and reactions are being addressed. A table of some common noise sources and their associated noise levels are shown in Table A1.

When the A-weighting scale is <u>not</u> used, the measurement is said to have a "linear" weighting, or to be unweighted, and may be called a "linear" level. As the linear reading is an accurate measurement of the physical (sound) pressure, the term "Sound Pressure Level", or SPL, is usually (but not universally) reserved for unweighted measurements.

Noise is usually defined as "unwanted sound", which indicates that it is not just the physical sound that is important, but also the human reaction to the sound that leads to the perception of sound as noise. It implies a judgment of the quality or quantity of sound experienced. As a human reaction to sound is involved, noise levels are usually given in A-weighted decibels (dBA). An alternate definition of noise is "sound made by somebody else", which emphasizes that the ability to control the level of the sound alters the perception of noise.

Table A1- Noise Levels of Familiar Sources

Source Or Environment	Noise Level (dBA)
High Pressure Steam Venting To Atmosphere (3m)	121
Steam Boiler (2m)	90-95
Drilling Rig (10m)	80-90
Pneumatic Drill (15m)	85
Pump Jack (10m)	68-72
Truck (15m)	65-70
Business Office	65
Conversational Speech (1m)	60
Light Auto Traffic (30m)	50
Living Room	40
Library	35
Soft Whisper (5m)	20-35

The single number A-weighted level is often inadequate for engineering purposes, although it does supply a good estimate of people's reaction to a noise environment. As noise sources, control measures, and materials differ in the frequency dependence of their noise responses or production, sound is measured with a narrower frequency bandwidth; the specific methodology varies with the application. For most work, the acoustic frequency range is divided into frequency bands where the centre frequency of each band is twice the frequency of the next lower band; these are called "Octave" bands, as their frequency relation is called an "Octave" in music, where the field of acoustics has its roots. For more detailed work, the octave bands, and certain standard octave and 1/3 octave bands have been specified by international agreements.

Where the noise at the receiver is steady, it is easy to assess the noise level. However, both the production of noise at the source and the transmission of noise can vary with time; most noise levels are not constant, either because of the motion of the noise source (as in traffic noise), because the noise source itself varies, or because the transmission of sound to the receiver location is not steady as over long distances. This is almost always the case for environmental noise studies. Several single number descriptors have been developed and are used to assess noise in these conditions.

The most common is the measurement of the "equivalent continuous" sound level, or L_{eq}, which is the level of a hypothetical source of a constant level which would give the same total sound energy as is measured during the sampling period. This is the "energy" average noise level. Typical sampling periods are one hour, nighttime (9 hours) or one day (24 hours); the sampling period used must be reported when using this unit.

The greatest value of the L_{eq} is that the contributions of different sources to the total noise level can be assessed, or in a case where a new noise source is to be added to an existing environment, the total noise level from new and old sources can be easily calculated. It is also sensitive to short term high noise levels.

Statistical noise levels are sometimes used to assess an unsteady noise environment. They indicate the levels that are exceeded a fixed percentage of the measurement time period measured. For example, the 10%-ile level, written L_{10} , is the levels exceeded 10% of the time; this level is a good measure of frequent noisy occurrences such as steady road traffic. The 90% level, L_{90} , is the level exceeded 90% of the time, and is the background level, or noise floor. A steady noise source will modify the background level, while an intermittent noise source such as road or rail traffic will affect the short-term levels only.

One disadvantage with the L_{eq} measure, when used alone, is that nearby loud sources (e.g. dogs barking, or birds singing) can confuse the assessment of the situation when it is the noise from a distant plant that is the concern. For this reason, the equivalent level and the statistical levels can be used together to better understand the noise environment. One such indication is the difference between the L_{eq} and the L_{90} levels. A large difference between the L_{eq} and L_{90} , greater than 10 dB, indicates the intrusion of short-term noise events on the general background level. A small difference, less than 5 dB, indicates a very steady noise environment. If the L_{eq} value exceeds the L_{10} value this indicates the presence of significant short-term loud events.

APPENDIX B

 $\label{eq:measurement Results} Measurement Results$ Graphs of 1-Minute Leq, L10 and L90 Data

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Table 1.1 Paramount Cameron Hills 1.5 km northwest of Satellite Daily Leq Values

Date	Time	Measured		Residual	
		Leq	Hours	Lea	Hours
Jun. 12, 2003 Jun. 12, 2003 - Jun. 13, 2003 Jun. 13, 2003 Jun 13, 2003 - Jun 14, 2003 Jun. 14, 2003	07:00 - 21:59 22:00 - 06:59 07:00 - 21:59 22:00 - 06:59 07:00 - 21:59	38.4 34.9 43.7	7.6 9.0 1.1	24.6 24.8 29.6	7.4 8.9 1.1
Overall Leq		37.8	17.7	25.3	17.4

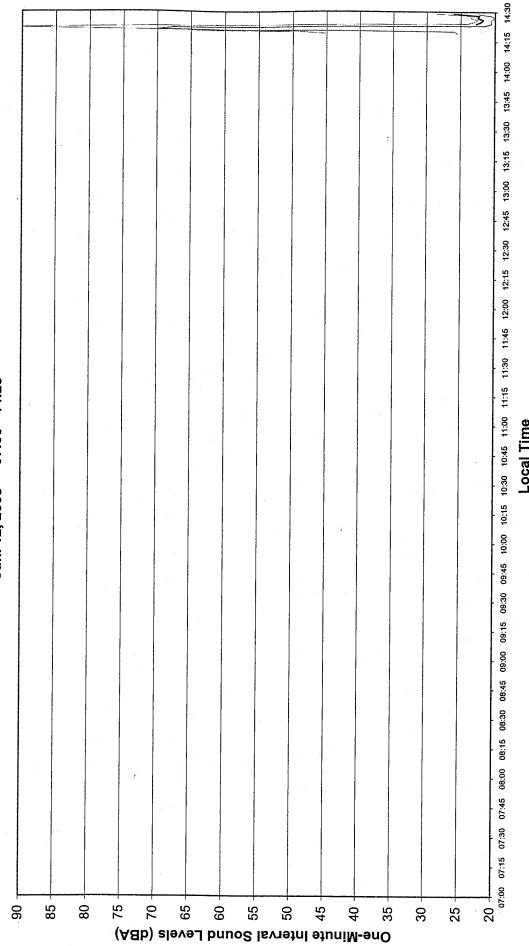
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Table 1.2 **Paramount Cameron Hills** 1.5 km northwest of Satellite **Hourly Leq Values**

Date		ın-03	13-Ju	ın-03	14-Jun-03	
Start Time	Comprehensive Sound Level (dBA Leq)	Residual Sound Level (dBA Leq)	Comprehensive Sound Level (dBA Leq)	Residual Sound Level (dBA Leq)	Comprehensive Sound Level (dBA Leq)	Residual Sound Level (dBA Leg)
00:00			27.6	22.4		
01:00			27.7	27.7		
02:00			30.9	28.0		
03:00			39.4	25.3		
04:00			37.4	24.2		
05:00			37.9	24.5		
06:00			36.9	23.8		
07:00			39.6	29.7	İ	
08:00			51.2	27.7		
09:00						
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12:00	}					
13:00		17				
14:00	38.2	27.4				
15:00	42.3	28.9				,
16:00	40.4	25.4				
17:00	32.0	26.3				
18:00	21.9	21.9				
19:00	42.8	18.7		,		
20:00	19.4	19.4	`			
21:00	16.9	16.9				
22:00	19.0	19.0				
23:00	19.5	19.5				

Paramount Cameron Hills Figure 1.1

1.5 km northwest of Satellite 07:00 - 14:29 Jun. 12, 2003

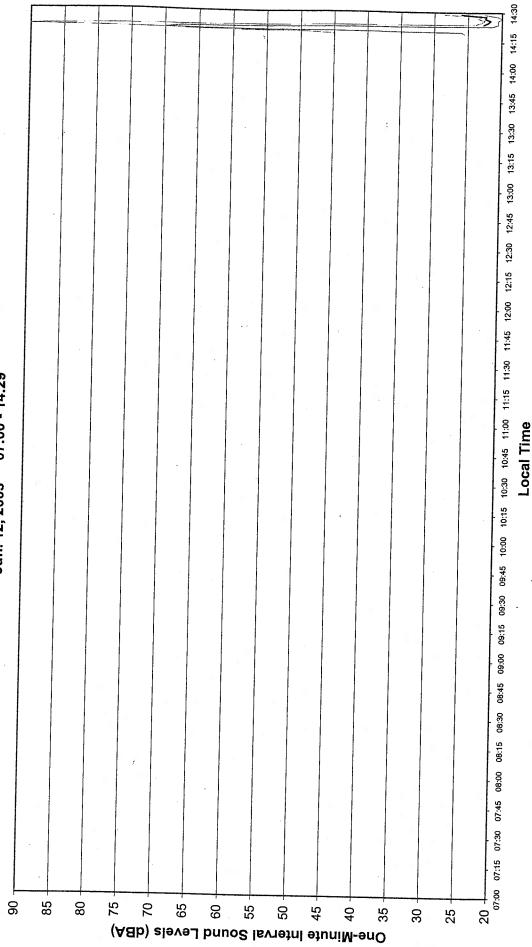


Local Time

-L10 --- L90 --- Leq

Figure 1.1 - Isolated Paramount Cameron Hills

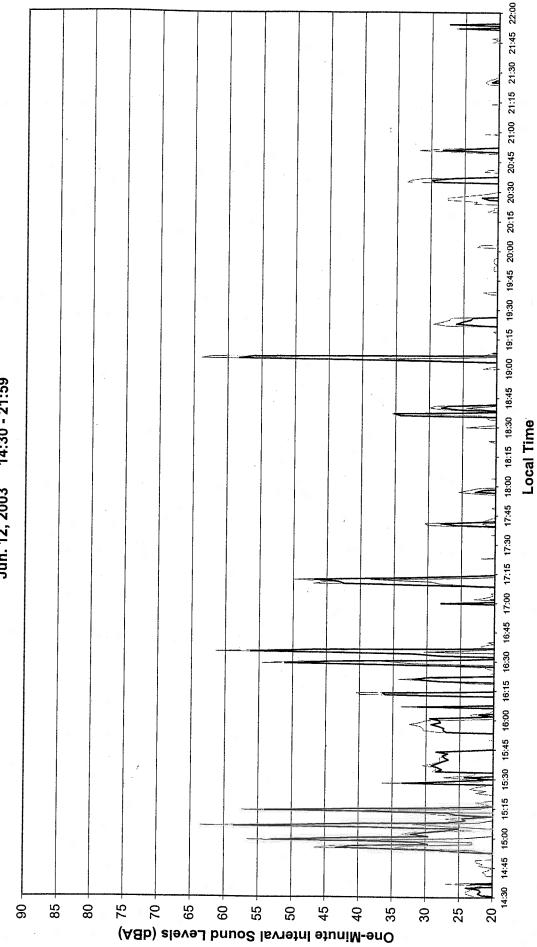
1.5 km northwest of Satellite Jun. 12, 2003 07:00 - 14:29



Cameron Site 1A Isolated.xls/D 1(1) isolated

Figure 1.2
Paramount Cameron Hills



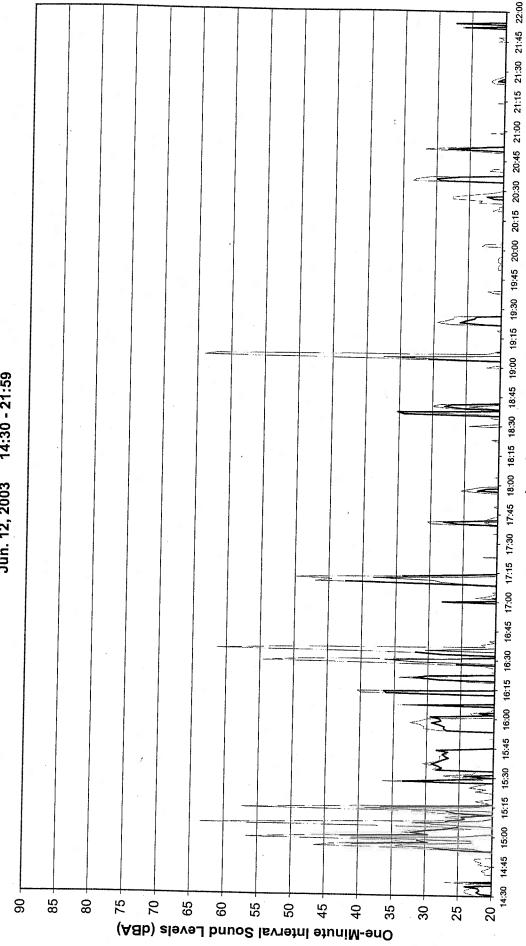


Cameron Site 1A Isolated.xls/D 1(2)

-L10 --- L90 --

Figure 1.2 - Isolated Paramount Cameron Hills

1.5 km northwest of Satellite Jun. 12, 2003 14:30 - 21:59



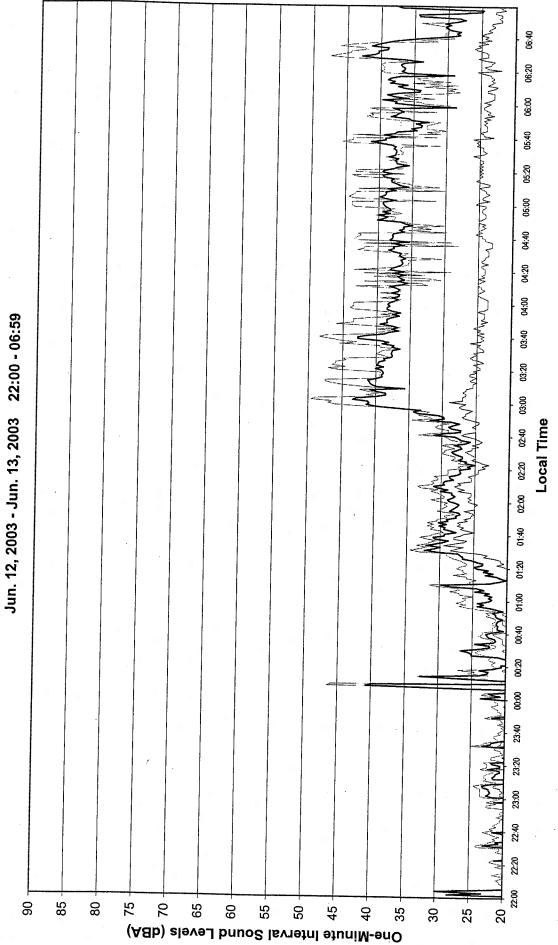
Local Time

Cameron Site 1A Isolated.xls/D 1(2) isolated

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Figure 1.3
Paramount Cameron Hills

1.5 km northwest of Satellite
Jun. 12, 2003 - Jun. 13, 2003 22:00 - 06:59

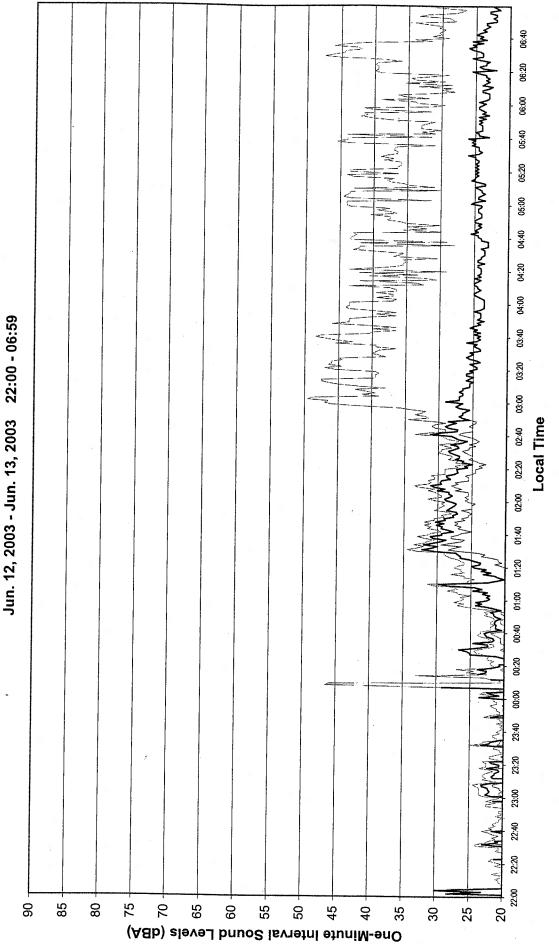


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-L10 --- L90

Figure 1.3 - Isolated Paramount Cameron Hills

1.5 km northwest of Satellite

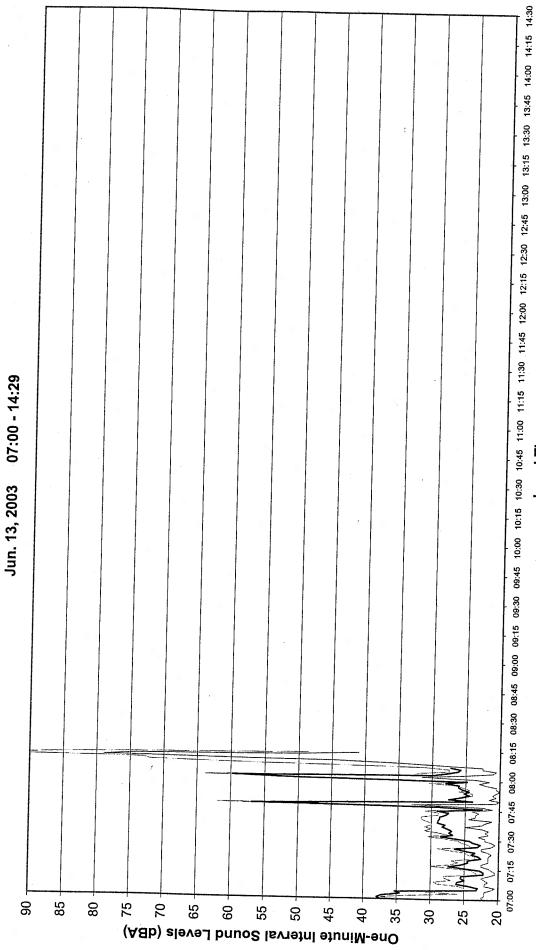


Cameron Site 1A Isolated.xls/N 1 isolated

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Figure 1.4
Paramount Cameron Hills

1.5 km northwest of Satellite Jun. 13, 2003 07:00 - 14:29

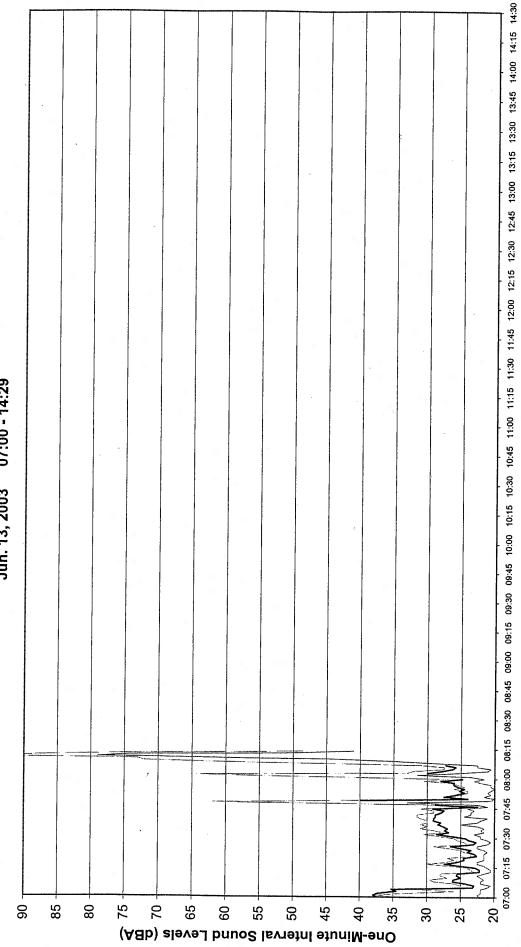


Local Time

Cameron Site 1A Isolated.xls/D 2(1)

Figure 1.4 - Isolated Paramount Cameron Hills

1.5 km northwest of Satellite Jun. 13, 2003 07:00 - 14:29



Local Time

___L10 ___L90 ___Leq

Consultants in Acoustics, Noise Control and Vibrations

Table 2.1 Paramount Cameron Hills 1.3 km South of Gas Plant Daily Leq Values

Date	Time -	Measured		Residual	
		Leq	Hours	Lea	Hours
Jun. 12, 2003 Jun. 12, 2003 - Jun. 13, 2003 Jun. 13, 2003 Jun 13, 2003 - Jun 14, 2003 Jun. 14, 2003	07:00 - 21:59 22:00 - 06:59 07:00 - 21:59 22:00 - 06:59 07:00 - 21:59	37.8 28.4 29.7	7.1 9.0 1.6	32.5 28.4 29.7	6.8 9.0 1.6
Overall Leq		34.6	17.7	30.6	17.4

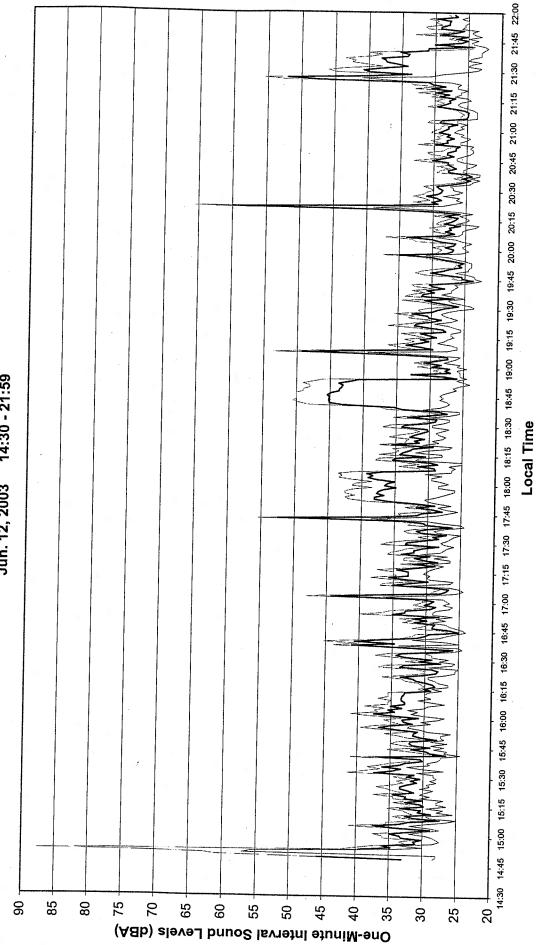
Consultants in Acoustics, Noise Control and Vibrations

Table 2.2 Paramount Cameron Hills 1.3 km South of Gas Plant Hourly Leq Values

Date		ın-03	13-Ju	in-03	14-Jun-03	
Start Time	Comprehensive Sound Level (dBA Leq)	Residual Sound Level (dBA Leq)	Comprehensive Sound Level (dBA Leq)	Residual Sound Level (dBA Leq)	Comprehensive Sound Level (dBA Leq)	Residual Sound Level (dBA Leq)
00:00			29.9	29.9		(
01:00			25.4	25.4		
02:00			24.9	24.9		
03:00			26.0	26.0		
04:00			25.0	25.0		
05:00			29.7	29.7		
06:00			25.8	25.8		
07:00			29.0	29.0		
08:00			30.5	30.5		
09:00			-			
10:00						
11:00						
12:00					,	
13:00	20.0	24.5				
14:00 15:00	38.8	34.8				·
	32.8	32.8				
16:00 17:00	33.1	33.1				
18:00	37.3	33.0				
19:00	38.9	34.5				
20:00	34.0 42.4	30.4	`	·		
21:00	37.3	29.1 32.5				
22:00	30.7	32.5 30.7				
23:00	31.5	30.7 31.5				
20.00	31.0	31.5				

Figure 2.1
Paramount Cameron Hills

1.3 km South of Gas Plant Jun. 12, 2003 14:30 - 21:59

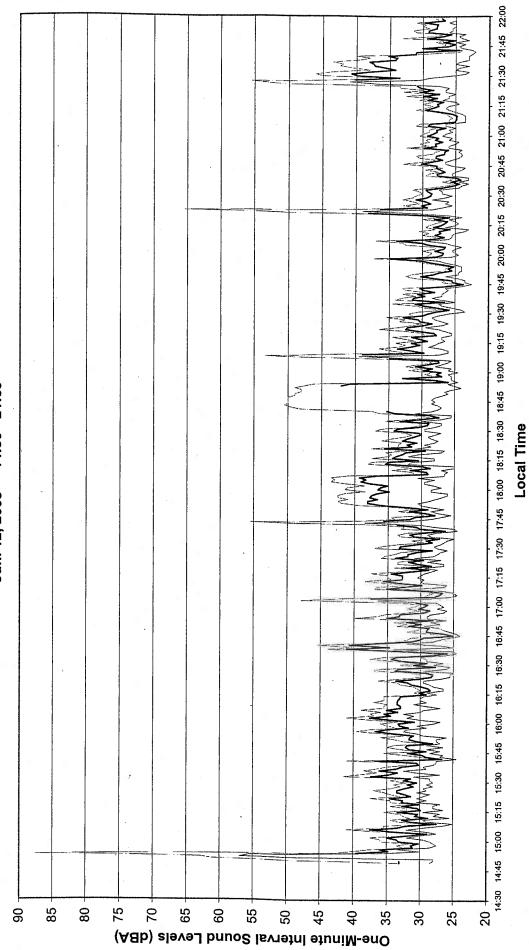


Cameron Site 2A b.xls/D 1(2)

__L10 ___L90 ___Leq

Figure 2.1
Paramount Cameron Hills

1.3 km South of Gas Plant Jun. 12, 2003 14:30 - 21:59



Cameron Site 2A b.xls/D 1 isolated

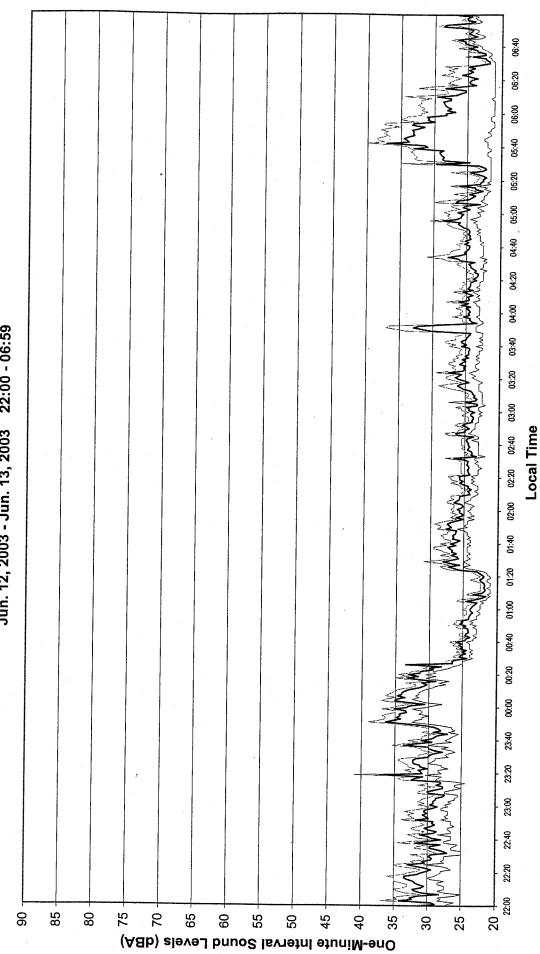
P L90

- L10

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Paramount Cameron Hills 1.3 km South of Gas Plant Figure 2.2

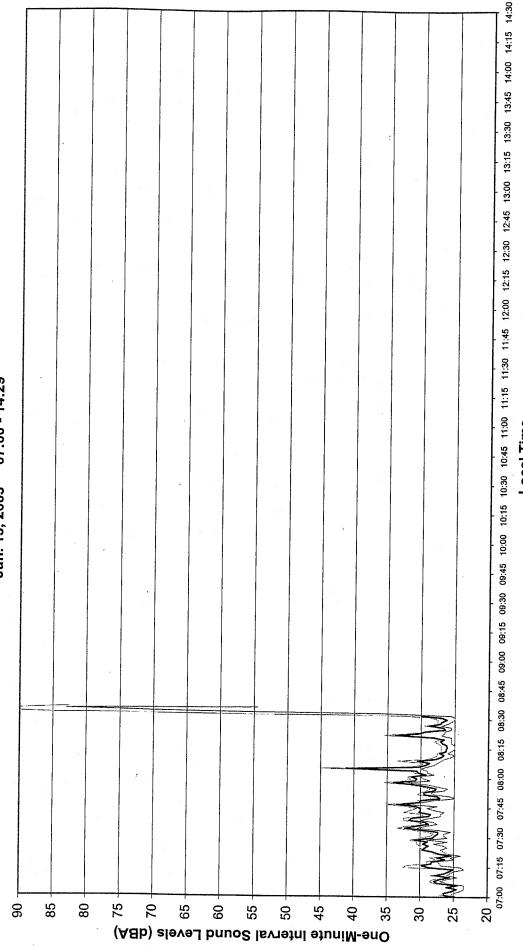
22:00 - 06:59 Jun. 12, 2003 - Jun. 13, 2003



Cameron Site 2A b.xls/N 1

Figure 2.3
Paramount Cameron Hills

1.3 km South of Gas Plant Jun. 13, 2003 07:00 - 14:29



Local Time

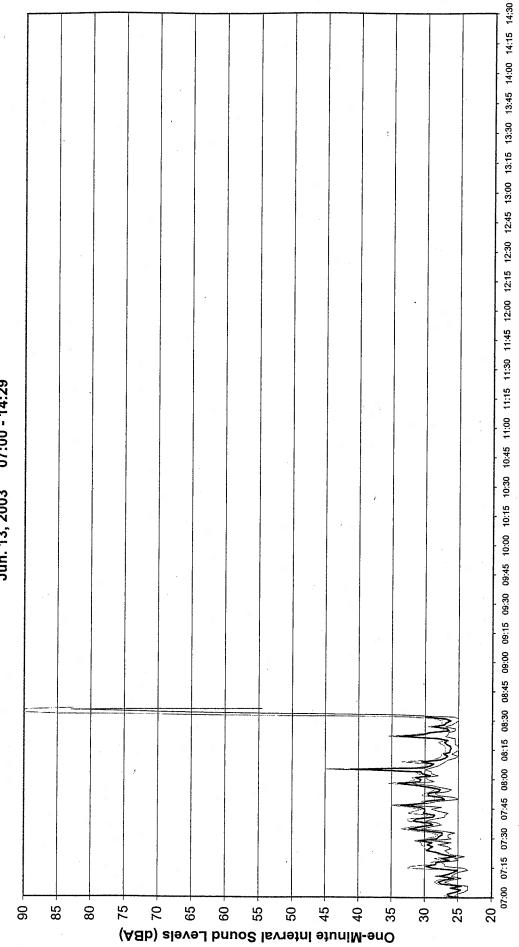
— L10 —— L90 —— Leq

Cameron Site 2A b.xls/D 2(1)

Figure 2.3

Paramount Cameron Hills





Local Time