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**FIRST GAS SUPPLIED TO ENERTRADE FROM  
MORANBAH GAS PROJECT**

CH4 Gas Limited (“CH4”) and BHP Billiton as 50:50 joint venture partners in the Moranbah Gas Project (“MGP”) are pleased to announce the supply of first commissioning gas under their Gas Sales Agreement with Enertrade.

First gas was supplied to the Moranbah gas processing plant on Wednesday 1 September 2004 and was subsequently introduced into the Moranbah to Townsville Pipeline on the morning of Wednesday 8 September 2004. The commissioning process will continue during the period until February 2005 when contract sales are scheduled to commence.

Commenting today, CH4 Chief Executive Officer Louis Rozman said “This represents yet another significant and important milestone for CH4, for the Moranbah Gas Project, and for the coal seam gas sector as a whole. This represents the culmination of much hard work on the part of our employees, contractors, and alliance partners”.

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## Background on CH4 Gas Limited

The CH4 Group holds a number of exploration and production leases in Queensland covering approximately 7,500km<sup>2</sup>, centered around the Northern Bowen Basin coalfields.

The Company's first significant development and construction project, the Moranbah Gas Project, a 50:50 joint venture with BHP Billiton, holds a 15 year contract to supply up to 290 PJ of gas to Enertrade, a Queensland Government power corporation.

Enertrade is constructing a 391 kilometre pipeline to transport gas from the Moranbah Gas Project to Townsville, where it will be used for electricity generation at Transfield's 220MW Townsville Power Station and by other industrial customers.

The Moranbah Gas Project is currently under construction and due to deliver contracted gas sales to Townsville in February 2005, initially to Transfield's Townsville Power Station at Yabulu.

When production commences, the Moranbah Gas Project - with CH4 acting as operator and marketer for the project - is expected to be the only significant supplier of natural gas to the Townsville market.

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