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**SHININGBANK ENERGY ANNOUNCES 2003 RESERVE INFORMATION**

Shiningbank Energy Income Fund (the "Fund" or "Shiningbank"), today announced the results of its December 31, 2003 independent reserves evaluation. The evaluation was conducted by Paddock Lindstrom & Associates ("PLA") effective December 31, 2003 and prepared in accordance with National Instrument 51-101 ("NI 51-101").

**2003 HIGHLIGHTS**

- Increased proved plus probable reserves by 22% through acquisition and development in 2003, including positive revisions of 3%;
- Proved reserves increased by 2% after negative revisions of 9.6% related primarily to changes in reserve definitions resulting from new regulations included in NI 51-101;
- Proved producing reserves constitute 87% of total proved reserves and total proved reserves equate to 72% of total proved plus probable reserves;
- Shiningbank replaced 283% of 2003 production with new reserves acquired or developed in the year, bringing cumulative replacement to 276% of production over the life of the Fund;
- On the basis of proved plus probable reserves:
  - New reserves were acquired at an average cost of \$11.70 per barrel of oil equivalent ("boe");
  - Development costs for the year aggregated \$6.16 per boe;
  - Total acquisition and development costs, including the change in future development costs from 2002, aggregated \$11.07 per boe;
  - The recycle ratio for 2003, based on an operating netback of \$24.19 per boe, was 2.2 to 1, indicating extremely cost effective reserve additions.
  - Reserve Life Index ("RLI") improved to 10.1 years.

The following tables summarize Shiningbank's reserve estimates and value at December 31, 2003:

## Summary of Oil and Gas Reserves - Forecast Prices and Costs

	Reserves (Company Interest)				
	Oil (mdbl)	Natural Gas (mmcf)	NGL (mdbl)	2003	2002
				Oil Equivalent (mboe)	Oil Equivalent (mboe)
Proved					
Developed Producing	4,234.1	159,078.6	5,104.9	35,852.1	34,775.5
Developed Non-Producing	120.1	14,253.3	350.4	2,846.1	4,084.3
Undeveloped	218.6	9,530.4	546.4	2,353.4	1,540.0
Total Proved	4,572.8	182,862.3	6,001.7	41,051.6	40,399.8
Probable	2,213.8	70,091.2	2,448.0	16,343.6	6,491.5
Total Proved plus Probable	6,786.6	252,953.5	8,449.7	57,395.2	46,891.3

	Reserves (Net Interest)				
	Oil (mdbl)	Natural Gas (mmcf)	NGL (mdbl)	2003	2002
				Oil Equivalent (mboe)	Oil Equivalent (mboe)
Proved					
Developed Producing	3,788.1	128,432.4	3,678.8	28,872.3	28,408.2
Developed Non-Producing	110.3	11,259.5	254.5	2,241.4	3,215.2
Undeveloped	195.1	7,406.6	396.3	1,825.8	1,261.7
Total Proved	4,093.5	147,098.5	4,329.6	32,939.5	32,885.1
Probable	1,936.9	55,718.0	1,762.5	12,985.8	10,392.6
Total Proved plus Probable	6,030.4	202,816.5	6,092.1	45,925.3	43,277.7

## Value of Reserves using Forecast Prices and Costs

(000s)	Discount factor				
	0%	5%	10%	12%	15%
Present value of reserves					
Proved Developed Producing	\$ 622,244	\$ 484,248	\$ 404,954	\$ 381,660	\$ 352,505
Proved Developed Non-Producing	46,111	35,451	28,686	26,635	24,041
Proved Undeveloped	31,701	20,764	14,379	12,539	10,287
Total Proved	700,056	540,463	448,019	420,834	386,833
Probable	270,205	149,541	98,131	85,303	70,632
Total Proved plus Probable	\$ 970,261	\$ 690,004	\$ 546,150	\$ 506,137	\$ 457,465

## Reserves Reconciliation

	Reserves (Company Interest)			
	Oil (mdbl)	Natural Gas (mmcf)	NGL (mdbl)	2003 Oil Equivalent (mboe)
<b>Proved Developed Producing</b>				
Opening	4,928.1	155,902.2	3,863.8	34,775.5
Discoveries	28.4	5,651.1	316.9	1,287.1
Acquisitions	302.5	35,613.7	2,007.0	8,245.1
Divestitures	(211.7)	(889.3)	(36.6)	(396.5)
Revisions and Transfers	(71.2)	(9,648.2)	(231.2)	(1,910.3)
Production	(742.0)	(27,550.9)	(815.0)	(6,148.8)
Closing	4,234.1	159,078.6	5,104.9	35,852.1
<b>Total Proved</b>				
Opening	5,732.7	181,313.8	4,448.2	40,399.8
Discoveries	82.3	9,521.8	561.3	2,230.6
Acquisitions	302.5	38,445.7	2,149.8	8,859.9
Divestitures	(218.2)	(1,078.0)	(39.0)	(436.9)
Revisions and Transfers	(584.5)	(17,790.1)	(303.6)	(3,853.0)
Production	(742.0)	(27,550.9)	(815.0)	(6,148.8)
Closing	4,572.8	182,862.3	6,001.7	41,051.6
<b>Probable</b>				
Opening (note 3)	1,074.3	28,676.2	637.8	6,491.5
Discoveries	8.6	6,658.4	371.6	1,489.9
Acquisitions	43.6	14,297.7	833.6	3,260.2
Divestitures	(57.2)	(810.9)	(6.5)	(198.7)
Revisions and Transfers	1,144.5	21,269.8	611.5	5,300.7
Production	-	-	-	-
Closing	2,213.8	70,091.2	2,448.0	16,343.6
<b>Total Proved plus Probable</b>				
Opening (note 4)	6,807.0	209,990.0	5,086.0	46,891.3
Discoveries	91.0	16,180.2	932.9	3,720.6
Acquisitions	346.1	52,743.3	2,983.5	12,120.1
Divestitures	(275.4)	(1,888.9)	(45.5)	(635.7)
Revisions and Transfers	559.9	3,479.8	307.8	1,447.7
Production	(742.0)	(27,550.9)	(815.0)	(6,148.8)
Closing	6,786.6	252,953.5	8,449.7	57,395.2

Notes to tables:

1. Barrels of oil equivalent assume that 6 mcf of natural gas = 1 barrel of oil equivalent (boe).
2. Company interest includes working interest plus royalty interests attributable to the Fund. Net interest includes working interest plus royalty interest less royalties payable by the Fund.
3. Opening probable reserves have been risked at 50%.
4. Opening proved plus probable reserves are established. Established reserves are 100% of proved reserves plus 50% of probable reserves.
5. The present worth of reserves is net of estimated future capital expenditures, royalty burdens, operating costs and abandonment costs, but prior to any provision for general and administrative expenses. It should not be assumed that present worth is representative of the fair market value of the assets. Present worth values are based on PLA's escalated price forecast as of January 1, 2004, which assumes a base 2004 oil price of US\$29.00/bbl and an Alberta natural gas reference price of C\$5.70/mcf.

Shiningbank Energy Income Fund is a conventional oil and gas royalty trust and its units are listed on The Toronto Stock Exchange under the symbol "SHN.UN".

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