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Royale Energy Has Raised A Record Amount Of Capital For The 2004 Drilling Projects

SAN DIEGO, December 29, 2004 – Royale Energy, Inc. (NASDAQ: ROYL) reports that strong sales of its limited offering projects in 2004 has exceeded all prior years. The Company expects to receive additional funding for its current project through December 31, 2004.

The 2004 capital funding will result in increased drilling activity in 2005.

Royale Energy is actively drilling 3D seismic prospects in California, Texas and the Rocky Mountains. A rig is on location and will begin drilling this week within the Company's 20,000 acre Moon Canyon area in the Uinta basin, Utah. Earlier this week, the Trull M-1 (2004B) in Calhoun County, Texas, reached total depth and has logged several productive natural gas-filled sand formations in the Frio. The Appling Deep prospect (2004B) project is drilling at 10,000 ft. and will reach a total depth of 14,000 ft. in January. Several additional Texas Gulf Coast wells will be drilled from 3D seismic surveys in 1st quarter 2005.

About the Company

Headquartered in San Diego, Royale Energy, Inc. is an independent energy company. The Company is focused on development, acquisition, exploration, and production of natural gas and oil in California, Texas and the Rocky Mountains. It has been a leading independent producer of oil and natural gas for nearly 20 years. The company's strength is continually reaffirmed by investors who participate in funding over 50% of the company's new projects. Additional information about Royale Energy, Inc. is available on its web site at www.royl.com.

Forward Looking Statements

In addition to historical information contained herein, this news release contains "forward-looking statements" within the meaning of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995, subject to various risks and uncertainties that could cause the company's actual results to differ materially from those in the "forward-looking" statements. While the company believes its forward looking statements are based upon reasonable assumptions, there are factors that are difficult to predict and that are influenced by economic and other conditions beyond the company's control. Investors are directed to consider such risks and other uncertainties discussed in documents filed by the company with the Securities and Exchange Commission.

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