



The record section for line M9B EXP. (Time Invariant Deconvolution) compared to the normal production record section for line M9B (Time Variant Deconvolution) shows little significant difference in data quality. Time variant deconvolution was selected for production processing on the theoretical basis that whitening of data would be more nearly optimum by using time varying deconvolution operators.

3. Near Trace Gather

A near trace gather, (trace 23 and 24 of each vertically stacked input record) equivalent in coverage to 2 12-fold stacked records, was applied from shotpoint 795 to shotpoint 806 of line M6B. The water bottom was extremely rough and steeply sloping. All processing on the record section for line M6B experimental (near trace gather) was exactly the same as for the normal production record section of line M6B, excepting that the near trace gathers were substituted for 12-fold stack. A comparison of these sections shows an improvement of data quality and continuity on the near trace gather records. The results of this experiment indicate that over locations of extreme water bottom variations, the theoretical water replacement statics are inadequate for an optimum stack.

4. Synthetic Seismograms and Comparative Data Traces

All-multiple and multiple-free synthetic seismograms were generated from the constant velocity logs from the ESSO-BHP Gippsland Shelf No. 1 (Barracouta No. 1) and No. 4 (Marlin No. 1) wells. These synthetic seismograms were displayed on the production mode and scale with digital filters of 5-100 cps and 10-50 cps.