

# Late Cenozoic Stratigraphy of the Southern Terror Rift, Antarctica: Implications for Tectonic and Climatic Evolution

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## ABSTRACT

This thesis presents an integrated analysis of late Cenozoic (last 14 Ma) glacimarine stratigraphy within the Terror Rift in southern McMurdo Sound, Antarctica. The study area is located in the Windless Bight region of the McMurdo Ice Shelf (NW corner of the Ross Ice Shelf), which overlies a 600 to 1000 m-deep bathymetric moat surrounding Ross Island in the depocentral axis of the Victoria Land Basin (VLB). The VLB, one of a number of extensional sedimentary basins within the West Antarctic Rift System, comprises a 7-km-thick succession of syn- and post-rift glacimarine sediments that accumulated during the Oligocene and Miocene periods, respectively. Renewed rifting, known as the Terror Rift, in the centre of the VLB began between 17 to 14 Ma and has accommodated as much as one third of the entire Cenozoic basin-fill. The development of rift-related alkalic volcanoes associated with the Erebus Volcanic Province from c. 5 Ma has produced localised flexural basins/moats around Ross Island that have preserved a thick Pliocene-Pleistocene stratigraphic record.

A new stratigraphic architecture is presented for southern Terror Rift based on: (1) the acquisition, processing and interpretation of 73 kilometres of over-ice shelf multi-channel seismic reflection data; (2) correlation of seismic stratigraphy with the integrated chrono-, litho- and cyclostratigraphy of the 1285 m-deep ANDRILL McMurdo Ice Shelf (MIS) Project drill core (AND-1B) using a synthetic seismic-well tie, and time-depth data from a vertical seismic profile (VSP). Five seismic units bounded by regionally-mappable unconformities, which thicken into the centre of the basin, are identified and their relationship to the existing seismic stratigraphy of western VLB (Fielding et al. 2007) is established. In addition, a further 17 mappable seismic surfaces bounding higher-frequency depositional units are identified. The seismic units are interpreted on the basis of characteristic features, seismic facies, and correlations with the lithostratigraphy of the core.

1). Rg (light green) surface is the oldest regionally-mappable reflector. It directly overlies a redeposited volcanic unit sampled by the AND-1B core and yielded an age of ~13.8 Ma, dated using the  $^{40}\text{Ar}/^{39}\text{Ar}$  method. The unconformity is undulating, dislocated by normal faults, truncates underlying strata, and is characterised by stratal onlap above. The 500 m-thick interval of Late Miocene strata between surface Rg (1260 metres below sea floor (mbsf) in the AND-1B core) and surface Rh (760 mbsf) comprises seismic Unit M1. Within Unit M1 a prominent reflector Rg<sub>1</sub> (1100 mbsf) separates a subjacent, c. 160 m-thick interval of diamictite-dominated glacial-interglacial sedimentary cycles deposited from a proximal, predominantly-grounded, cold polar-style ice sheet, from an overlying c. 250 m-thick interval diamictite-mudstone-dominated cycles representing a warmer, wet-based more dynamic ice sheet in the western Ross Sea. The considerable thickness of Unit M1, its association with normal faulting, and correlation with the Rg surface in western VLB implies that this unit is associated with renewed rifting and initiation of the Terror Rift. However the unit may have a polyphase origin as the erosion associated with the Rg<sub>1</sub> unconformity and the overlying dry-based, polar glacial deposits also correspond to a major period of global cooling and inferred Antarctic ice sheet expansion at 13.8 Ma, in marine oxygen isotope records (the Mi-4 glaciation).

2). Rh (dark green) surface is also characterised by truncation of underlying strata and onlap by overlying strata, is also dislocated by normal faulting, and marks the base of a c. 150 m-thick unit of proximal sub-marine volcanic deposits. Within the study area, Rh (~770 mbsf) is correlated with the base of White Island basaltic deposits dated at c. 7 Ma. Unit M2 comprises in its lower interval the proximal volcanic material associated with the submarine apron of White Island volcano, which is overlain at the Rh<sub>1</sub> seismic reflector (600 mbsf), of alternating cycles of ice proximal diamictite and open marine diatomite and terrigenous mudstone. Unit M2 represents continued rift-related subsidence and sedimentation based on its association with syn-depositional normal-faulting and volcanism. The core stratigraphy implies that a wet-based margin of a dynamic Antarctic ice sheet oscillated across the study area during the Late Miocene (13.8-7 Ma).

3). Ri (red) surface is correlated with the “b-clino” surface in western VLB and marks regional subsidence possibly associated with marine transgression. In the study area the surface is correlated with the onset of load-induced sea-floor subsidence associated with the emplacement of Mt. Bird (e.g. 4.6 Ma). It is generally characterised as a downlap surface and mildly truncates underlying strata. The lower c. 80 m of the c. 180 m-thick, overlying seismic Unit M3 is dominated by seismically-homogenous diatomite representing up to 300 ka of open-marine deposition in western Ross Sea. The upper part of Unit M3 corresponds to cycles of diatomite and diamictite interpreted as successive glacial-interglacial advances and retreats of the grounding-line. Noteworthy is the coincidence of a dynamic ice margin and periodically open Ross Sea with global warmth of the Early and middle Pliocene period.

4). Rj (turquoise) surface is scoured and undulating, and is marked by underlying stratal truncation. Overlying Unit M4 (c. 300-150 mbsf) comprises five distinct Milankovitch-scale, glacial-interglacial diatomite-diamictite cycles that can be mapped across the entire study area and are coincident with Late Pliocene cooling and expansion of ice sheets: both on the Northern hemisphere and in the Ross Embayment. The Rj surface has an age c. 3 Ma and is coincident with expansion of grounding-lines elsewhere on the Antarctic margin onto the continental shelf. This surface is also correlated with the beginning of a phase of significant cone building on Ross Island that promoted the local creation of accommodation space and preservation of strata.

5). Rk (pink) surface represents an unconformity dated at c. 2 Ma. It is expressed by pronounced truncation of underlying strata and onlap by strata above. Overlying Unit M5 (c. 145-0 mbsf) is characterised by diamictite dominated cycles and a return to a cold, polar, dry-based ice sheet with conditions similar to today.



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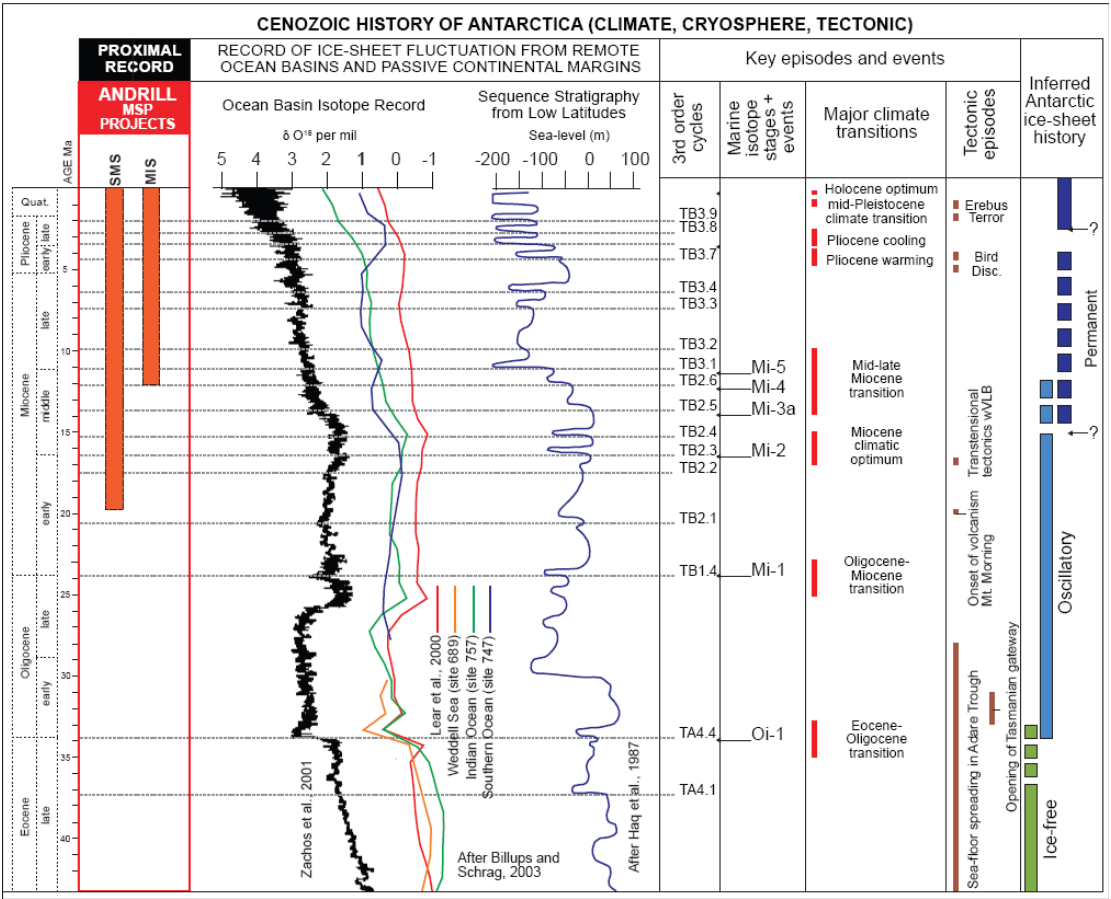
## 1. Introduction

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Antarctica plays a pivotal role in the global climate system and can be an extremely sensitive climate indicator. An understanding of ice volume variation and physical changes through time in and around Antarctica is essential to understand Antarctica's impact on other elements of the Earth system such as ocean, atmosphere, lithosphere and biosphere. Variations in the Earth's cryosphere can have very strong influences on: (a) global sea-level (b) the Earth's albedo (c) heat transport via the ocean and atmosphere and (d) the global ocean conveyor, by affecting the distribution of ice shelves and sea-ice which form the cold-bottom currents that drive the conveyor. The ocean conveyor, or more appropriately the thermohaline circulation, is the key distributor of heat in the ocean, as well as gases and nutrients.

Ice sheet and ice shelf response to Cenozoic glacial-interglacial climate variability remains poorly understood. The extent of our knowledge and understanding of continental glaciation is related to our ability to access the sedimentary record left behind by previous ice sheets that have occupied the Earth. The present geomorphic and geologic record on land provides an incomplete picture of Antarctic ice sheet history, as sedimentary products are veiled at the surface through burial, overprinting, and poor preservation. As a result, our understanding of Antarctica's climate history has had to rely heavily on inferences from low latitude climate proxy-records, such as deep-sea oxygen isotope records (Fig. 1) (Zachos et al., 2001b). However because these records are indirect and limited, due to erosion and reworking of sediments, they

do not provide physical evidence of past ice volume changes that are necessary to understand Antarctica’s role in the global climate system.



**Figure 1.** Antarctic Cenozoic history showing target records for the ANDRILL Program. Figure from ANDRILL Scientific Logistics Implementation Plan (Naish et al., 2006).

Increases in the level of CO<sub>2</sub> and other greenhouse gases from human activity are projected to increase mean global temperature, if greenhouse gas emissions are not reduced to 1990 levels (IPCC, 2001). The most recent review of projected temperature increase by the Intergovernmental Panel of Climate Change (IPCC) regards the best estimate range (the midpoint of the lowest emission scenario to the midpoint of the highest) to be between 1.8 to 4.0 degrees Celsius by the end of the century. Warming is expected to be most severe at high northern latitudes (IPCC,

2007). These predictions have brought Antarctica and its role as a sensitive climate indicator into focus and prompted significant co-ordinated studies into climate variability and its consequences.

The ice sheets of Greenland and Antarctica are the main reservoirs capable of affecting sea level; with an equivalent 7 m and 65 m rise, respectively (IPCC, 2007). Even a small change in mass balance of the ice sheets could have significant influence on future sea level, with likely climatic implications. Ice produced by continued snowfall eventually spreads under the influence of gravity towards the coast, where it melts or calves into the ocean to form icebergs. If the glaciers expand onto the seabed they may form marine-based ice-sheets. In coastal regions of Greenland and Antarctica, ice sheets are thinning (IPCC, 2007). Unfortunately, uncertainties regarding the basal conditions of the glaciers and how they interact with the surrounding ocean, limit the accuracy of the estimates for contribution to sea level (Vaughan & Arthern, 2007). In Antarctica this contribution would occur in two-stages, first from the marine-based quasi-stable West Antarctic Ice Sheet (WAIS), followed by the larger East Antarctic Ice Sheet (EAIS).

In order to predict correctly the future behaviour of the Antarctic ice sheets, knowledge of their dynamic variability during the past is required for periods when the Earth's atmospheric composition was similar to that of today. Based on warming scenarios for the Earth developed by the IPCC, a period of global warmth during the Early Pliocene (5-3 Ma) is now regarded as a window into our climate future. Thus more paleoclimatic data must be obtained from the geological record for the Pliocene and earlier in order to better constrain models of ice sheet variability in a warmer

world. An understanding of the tectonic evolution of sedimentary basins allows time-specific stratigraphic packages to be targeted, which may contain continuous geological records of climate history. The influence of tectonism is vital as a mechanism for developing accommodation space and providing a sink into which sediments can be deposited, preserved, and later examined. Understanding the role of tectonism from the stratigraphic record is critical in order to improve our existing interpretation of the climatic signature.

### **1.1 ANDRILL Overview and Objectives**

The ANtarctic DRILLing Program (ANDRILL) is a multinational research initiative with a key aim to recover stratigraphic core records for use in interpreting Antarctica's climatic, glacial and tectonic history over the past 50 million years and at varying scales of age resolution (1 to 100 000 years) (Harwood et al., 2002).

The ANDRILL Program recognizes that efforts to understand the role of Antarctic drivers on global climate variability require a fundamental knowledge of Antarctic cryospheric evolution, not only in recent times, but also for earlier periods when global temperature and atmospheric pCO<sub>2</sub> were similar to levels that might be reached by the end of this century (Naish et al., 2006).

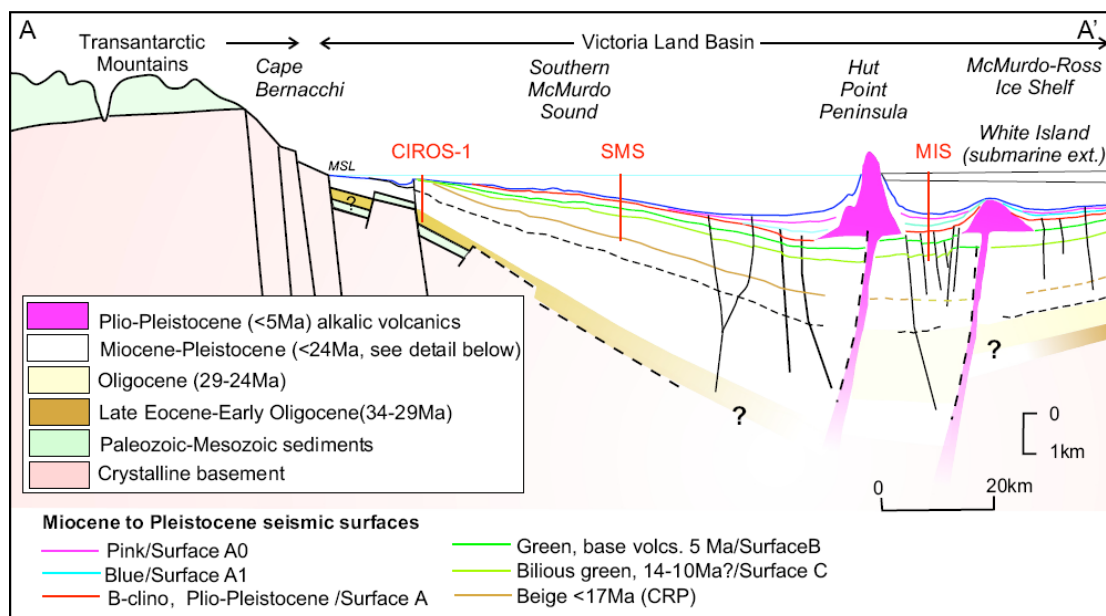
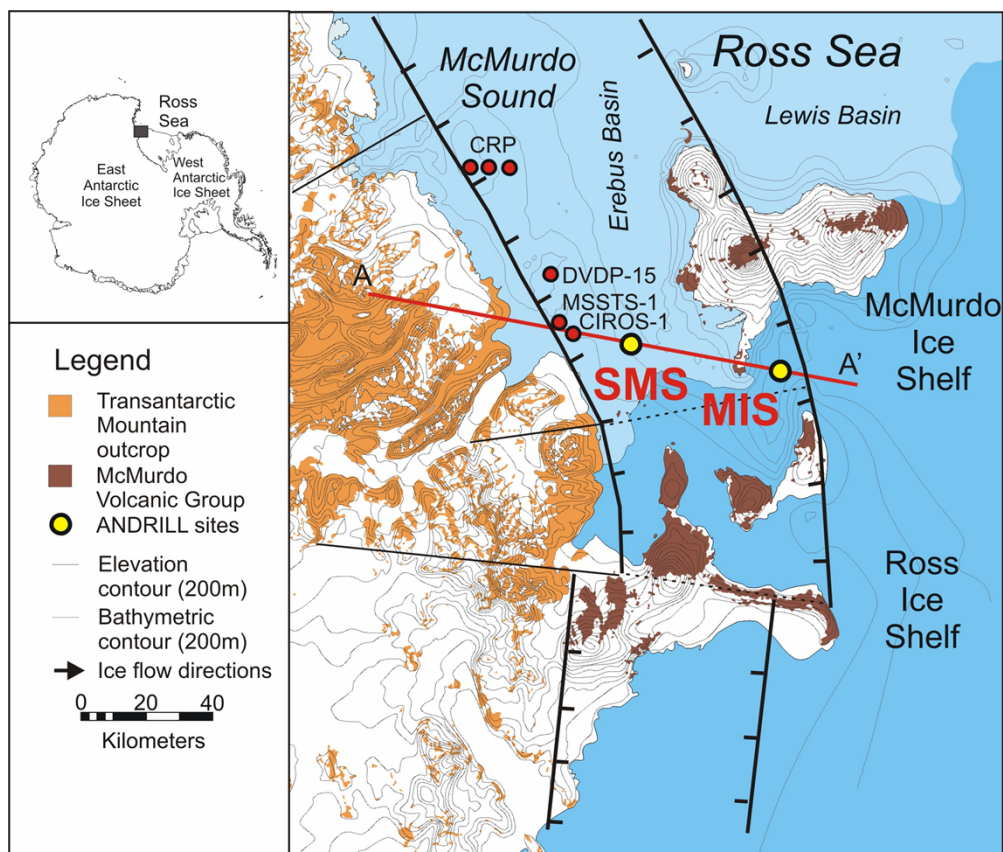
Initial focus of the ANDRILL program is on the McMurdo Sound region, and involves two drill sites; the McMurdo Ice Shelf (MIS) and Southern McMurdo Sound (SMS) projects (Fig. 2). The stratigraphic and tectonic framework here has been extensively studied through previous drilling projects; the Deep Sea Drilling Project (DSDP) (Hayes et al., 1975), Cenozoic Investigations in the Western Ross



Sea (CIROS)-1 (Barrett, 1989; Wilson et al., 1998) and the Cape Roberts Project (CRP)-1, 2/2A, 3 (Cape Roberts Science Team [CRST], 1998, 1999, 2000; Hambrey, et al., 1998; Barrett, et al., 2001). The area is also in a critical setting for sampling three significant components of the Antarctic cryospheric system: East Antarctic Ice Sheet (EAIS), Ross Ice Shelf (RIS)/West Antarctic Ice Sheet (WAIS), and Ross Embayment sea-ice. It is for this reason that McMurdo Sound has been the site of a number of other drilling projects (Fig. 2) over the past 30 years (DVDP-15, CIROS-1, MSSTS-1, CRP) attempting to provide data that can constrain the rate, magnitude and timing of ice-shelf/ice-sheet advance and retreat in the western Ross Sea.

A key objective of the ANDRILL program was to gain a fundamental understanding of RIS behaviour during the past glacial-interglacial climatic extremes, to address concerns over the future stability of the WAIS in a warming world. The Ross Ice Shelf, together with the Ronne Ice Shelf, provides a buttressing effect to the WAIS offering greater stability (Mercer, 1978). If the RIS were to diminish or recede entirely, it may affect the stability and dynamics of the WAIS (Rignot et al, 2004; Rignot, 2006). This would consequently leave the marine-based WAIS even more vulnerable to warming sea surface temperatures and probable ice sheet collapse. Results from the MIS project are contributing to our understanding of the behaviour of the RIS and WAIS as dynamic elements of the global climate system.

The ANDRILL MIS project took place between 29 October and 26 December 2006, with an aim to recover a continuous sediment core through approximately 1,200 m of late Neogene (0-3 Ma) sediment. The project successfully recovered a 1284.87 m-long succession of cyclic glacial-marine sediment from beneath the McMurdo Ice Shelf.



**Figure 2.** Location map and basin cross-section showing key geographical and tectonic features in southern McMurdo Sound, as well as previous drill sites. Figure from ANDRILL Scientific Logistics Implementation Plan (Naish et al., 2006).

Very few drill records of high resolution have been recovered due to the limitations of seasonal sea ice, and low core recovery from inadequate drilling techniques. The MIS drill core (AND-1B) however, represents the longest and most complete (98% recovery) geological record from the Antarctic continental margin to date. There are two key scientific objectives of the MIS project: (1) to provide an understanding of the behaviour and variability of the Ross Ice Shelf and the West Antarctic Ice Sheet, and their influence on global climate, sea-level and ocean circulation, and (2) to provide an understanding of Neogene tectonism in the West Antarctic Rift System (WARS), including the evolution of the Transantarctic Mountains (TAM) and the Victoria Land Basin (VLB).

## **1.2 Thesis Outline**

This thesis covers seismic reflection acquisition, processing, and interpretation for (1) locating the ANDRILL MIS drill hole (2) establishing the basin-scale stratigraphic architecture and (3) correlation with the drill hole data to facilitate regional interpretation of the Late Cenozoic strata. Therefore the specific aims of this thesis are to:

- Acquire multi-channel seismic reflection data from beneath the McMurdo Ice Shelf.
- Develop techniques used to process and interpret 2D seismic lines and a vertical seismic profile, from an ice shelf setting.
- Map reflectors within and between six 2D seismic lines and provide a detailed correlation to the AND-1B stratigraphic hole, thus allowing a refinement of

the existing regional seismic stratigraphy for the southern Victoria Land Basin.

- Identify the architecture and geometry of the Victoria Land Basin, so as to evaluate the tectonic and climatic evolution of the basin, and its features such as the Terror Rift and the Ross Island volcanic complex.

Chapter 2 describes the regional, tectonic, and climatic setting of the southern Terror Rift. It presents results from previous work in the area in order to highlight what is known, and more importantly what isn't, so that the relevance of this thesis is made clear. Accounts are given on: (1) The timing and extent of the multi-phase extensional rift history of the Ross Sea region of the West Antarctic Rift System (WARS), specifically the evolution of the VLB and the Terror Rift. (2) Implications of this rift history for the evolution of the Ross Island volcanic complex. (3) Identification of possible local and global climate events and processes within the basin. A description of the oceanic regime beneath Windless Bight, where the AND-1B drill hole was located, is also given.

Chapter 3 outlines the acquisition and processing methodology of three multi-channel 2D seismic profiles from the McMurdo Ice Shelf (MIS), over two field seasons. It describes both the 2D seismic data acquisition and processing parameters (2005 data), as well as the vertical seismic profile (VSP) acquisition conducted through the AND-1B drill hole and the processing that was undertaken on the 2006/2007 data. The VSP data was used to provide an accurate correlation of the seismic profiles to the AND-1B drill hole, and is explained in detail in chapter 5.

Chapter 4 presents an analysis of seismic units and surfaces interpreted within the MIS seismic grid. In addition to the previously recognised, regionally mappable reflectors, a number of finer-scale surfaces were identified beneath Windless Bight from the seismic profiles. Local regional extent of these surfaces within the grid offer insight into the nature and processes of ice sheet fluctuations in McMurdo Sound during the Neogene Period.

Chapter 5 describes the process of correlating surface seismic data from ANDRILL MIS site surveys, to the AND-1B core. A description of the core lithostratigraphy is provided, followed by an account of the physical properties data, which were used to derive a synthetic seismogram. This was then compared to the seismic profile at the core location. Travel times with depth into the Earth were extracted from vertical seismic profile (VSP) data to provide an accurate well-tie. Reflections were also matched between surface seismic data and VSP data. All of these components combine to produce a successful tie.

Chapter 6 discusses the integrated chronostratigraphic, seismic-stratigraphic, and lithostratigraphic framework for the southern Terror Rift during the Late Cenozoic. It assesses the role of tectonic and climatic controls on the stratigraphic architecture of the basin, and discusses implications for the evolution of this region of the Western Ross Sea.

Chapter 7 summarises the primary results of the study and outlines future/further research that could be undertaken to further the knowledge and understanding of the processes active in this region of Antarctica.

## 2: Background

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### 2.1 Climatic Setting

The Antarctic atmosphere-cryosphere-lithosphere system constantly changes, and so continuously influences the global system (e.g. Anderson, 1999). It is now widely accepted that Earth's climate over the last 65 million years has seen drastic shifts in both warming and cooling. The key components driving the climate system throughout this period were: (1) gradual trends driven by tectonic processes ( $10^5$ - $10^7$  years), (2) rhythmic climate cycles driven by variations in the Earth's orbital geometry ( $10^4$ - $10^6$  years), and (3) abrupt and extreme shifts which stand out above "normal" variations ( $10^3$ - $10^5$  years) (Zachos et al., 2001a). A major scientific goal of the ANDRILL program is to document the climatic evolution of Antarctica and the effect it has had on the Earth's climatic-oceanic system through to the present.

A significant factor affecting a region's climate is its latitude. It dictates how influences such as solar radiation affect the climate and ocean. The affect of latitude can be modified by one or more secondary aspects, including position relative to land and water masses, altitude, topography, prevailing winds, and ocean currents (Lamb, 1985; Herman and Goldberg, 1985). Ocean currents can have a very significant effect on climate and in Antarctica, this is clear due to the Antarctic occupying a polar position since the early Cretaceous (~120 Ma ago), but appearing not to have accumulated extensive ice until about 34 million years ago (Barrett, 1999). Following Gondwana break-up, the separation of the southern continents and influence of ocean circulation initiated the inception of the Antarctic Circumpolar Current (ACC).

Antarctica then became progressively isolated both geographically and thermally, which was one of the factors that led to the development of its ice sheets and present-day arid, polar climate (Kennett et al., 1974; Kennett, 1977).

As described by Barrett (1999), Antarctic glacial history can be divided into 4 broad time segments: (i) pre-glacial times 100-34 Ma, (ii) first phase of continental glaciation 34-15 Ma, (iii) persistent ice sheet on the Antarctic continent 15-2 Ma, and (iv) the present Antarctic glacial regime 2-0 Ma. An ice sheet is believed to have covered the entire continent for the present glacial regime, although some parts of it may have expanded and contracted periodically. Our ability to reconstruct a glacial history for Antarctica comes from: (i) information inferred from climate proxy records, namely deep-sea oxygen isotope records, and (ii) proximal evidence from cores along the continental margin. Both however also have their drawbacks.

Foraminiferal  $\delta^{18}\text{O}$  records from deep-sea marine sediments contain both global (ice volume) and local (temperature, salinity) components and so can be used as a proxy to understand past climate changes. Atmospheric oxygen isotopes exchange with marine oxygen isotopes through global photosynthesis and evaporation/precipitation processes. When ice sheets form on land, the lighter isotope  $^{16}\text{O}$  is preferentially incorporated into continental ice sheets. As a result, the heavier  $^{18}\text{O}$  isotopes remain in the ocean and, through enrichment or depletion in the ratio of  $^{18}\text{O}$  to  $^{16}\text{O}$ , indicate when the Earth experienced warm and cold periods. Enrichment in  $\delta^{18}\text{O}$  reflects glacial periods where a positive shift towards cooler conditions and increased ice volume is visible in the ocean oxygen isotope ratio, whilst enrichment in  $^{16}\text{O}$  during interglacial periods causes the ratio to become less positive (i.e. warmer conditions).

The long term  $\delta^{18}\text{O}$  record exhibits a number of steps and peaks that imply episodes of cooling and warming and ice sheet growth and decay (Fig. 3). It is important to note that proxy evidence is indirect and model dependent. Accurate interpretation of the oceanic  $\delta^{18}\text{O}$  record is complicated due to the additional influences of ocean temperature/salinity and vital effects on oxygen isotopic fractionation (Shackleton, 2000). Notwithstanding these issues, *estimates* of ice volume variations can still be made. However they cannot determine where these variations took place, e.g. Arctic or Antarctic (Barrett, 1999). Thus these inferences are ambiguous, and often in disagreement.

Onshore, the geological record of glaciation is sparsely distributed and inaccessible due to the long-term existence of the EAIS and WAIS. The ability to date the record is also difficult due to the erosional processes of the ice sheets over time. Offshore, particularly along the continental margin, the sedimentary record is thick, extensive and significantly more accessible. Erosional processes of the ice sheets provide a mechanism for offshore sedimentation. However, if a stable depocentre isn't available for preservation of the record, the effects of erosion, variations in sedimentation rates, and mixing of materials can lead to difficulties in determining accurate ages for sediments recovered from drill cores.

During the Cenozoic era, the most prominent trend in warming is visible from the mid-Paleocene (ca. 60 Ma) to the early Eocene (52 Ma). This trend terminates at the Eocene Climatic Optimum (ECO) between 51-50 Ma. The Early Eocene was ice-free and has been referred to as the “greenhouse world” (Miller et al., 1991), but it is unclear if ice sheets existed following the ECO, between 50 and 33 Ma, when a drift



to cooler temperatures occurred. This period is referred to as the “doubt house world” (Miller et al., 1991). The long-term post-ECO decline is believed to have promoted the expansion of the Antarctic ice sheet during the earliest Oligocene.

The initiation of Antarctic glacial history occurred at the Eocene/Oligocene boundary approximately 34 Ma (Zachos et al., 2001a; Barrett, 1996; DeConto & Pollard, 2003; etc.) where there is evidence of major cooling and the growth of an EAIS. This accumulation of extensive ice is referred to as the Oi-1 glaciation, for which evidence is available from both oxygen isotope information in marine records (e.g. Zachos et al., 1996; Shackleton & Kennett, 1975), as well as from direct evidence provided by glacial sedimentary records in the southern ocean, and along the East Antarctic margin (e.g. Barrett, 1989; Ehrmann & Mackensen, 1992; Zachos et al., 1992; Wilson et al., 1998). Oxygen isotope records reveal a  $<1.0\%$  rise in benthic  $\delta^{18}\text{O}$  that reflects gradual cooling from an Eocene “greenhouse” world to an Oligocene “ice house world” (Miller et al., 1991). Fossil assemblages containing Antarctic vegetation reported by Francis (1999) also support this transition. Evidence of ice sheets comes from unconformities seen in seismic profiles (Eittrheim et al., 1995) as well as glacial-marine sediment recovered from the CIROS-1 drilling project (Barrett, 1989; Wilson et al., 1998), Ocean Drilling Program from Prydz Bay (Hambrey et al., 1991), and Cape Roberts drilling project (Cape Roberts Science Team, 1999, 2000).

A coupled climate/ice-sheet model by DeConto and Pollard (2003) offers an alternative explanation to the Kennett et al. (1974) theory for rapid ice sheet formation in Antarctica, at the Eocene/Oligocene boundary. The model suggests that the commencement of Antarctic glaciation was due to a combination of long term changes in tectonic boundary conditions and the opening of ocean gateways, but

primarily the role of atmospheric CO<sub>2</sub>, orbital forcing, and feedbacks from ice-climate interactions.

A considerable decrease in  $\delta^{18}\text{O}$  values in the Late Oligocene has been widely observed in composite deep-sea records (e.g. Miller et al., 1987; Zachos et al., 2001a) and has been attributed to warming of the deep-sea and an associated decrease in Antarctic ice volume (Zachos et al., 2001a). On the contrary, results from the CIROS-1 and CRP drilling projects show a steady cooling in Antarctica during the Oligocene culminating in a peak cold period by the Early Miocene (e.g. Raine, 1998; Raine and Askin, 2001; Thorn, 2001; Roberts et al., 2003; Prebble et al., 2006). Indications from this proximal evidence are that Antarctica was sufficiently cold to support the existence of ice sheet calving at sea level (e.g. Barrett, 1989; Cape Roberts Science Team, 1998, 1999, 2000; Naish et al., 2001). Ice sheet grounding lines near Prydz Bay (Cooper et al., 1991; Bartek et al., 1997), as well as evidence for repeated sea-level lowering (Kominz and Pekar, 2001) during the late Oligocene further support this observation. Pekar et al. (2006) have put forth an explanation to this contradiction of low  $\delta^{18}\text{O}$  values in deep-sea records, coeval with proximal Antarctic records suggesting persistent cold temperatures and large-scale ice sheets on East Antarctica. They propose the existence of at least two deep-water masses; one near Antarctica to sustain glaciation, and a warmer second deepwater mass which possibly expanded into the world's ocean basins and created the large temperature gradient among deep-sea sites. Pekar and DeConto (2006) also proposed that, though ice volume may have fluctuated, Antarctica could have been mostly glaciated, by ~50% to 125% of the present-day EAIS, during most of the Early Miocene.

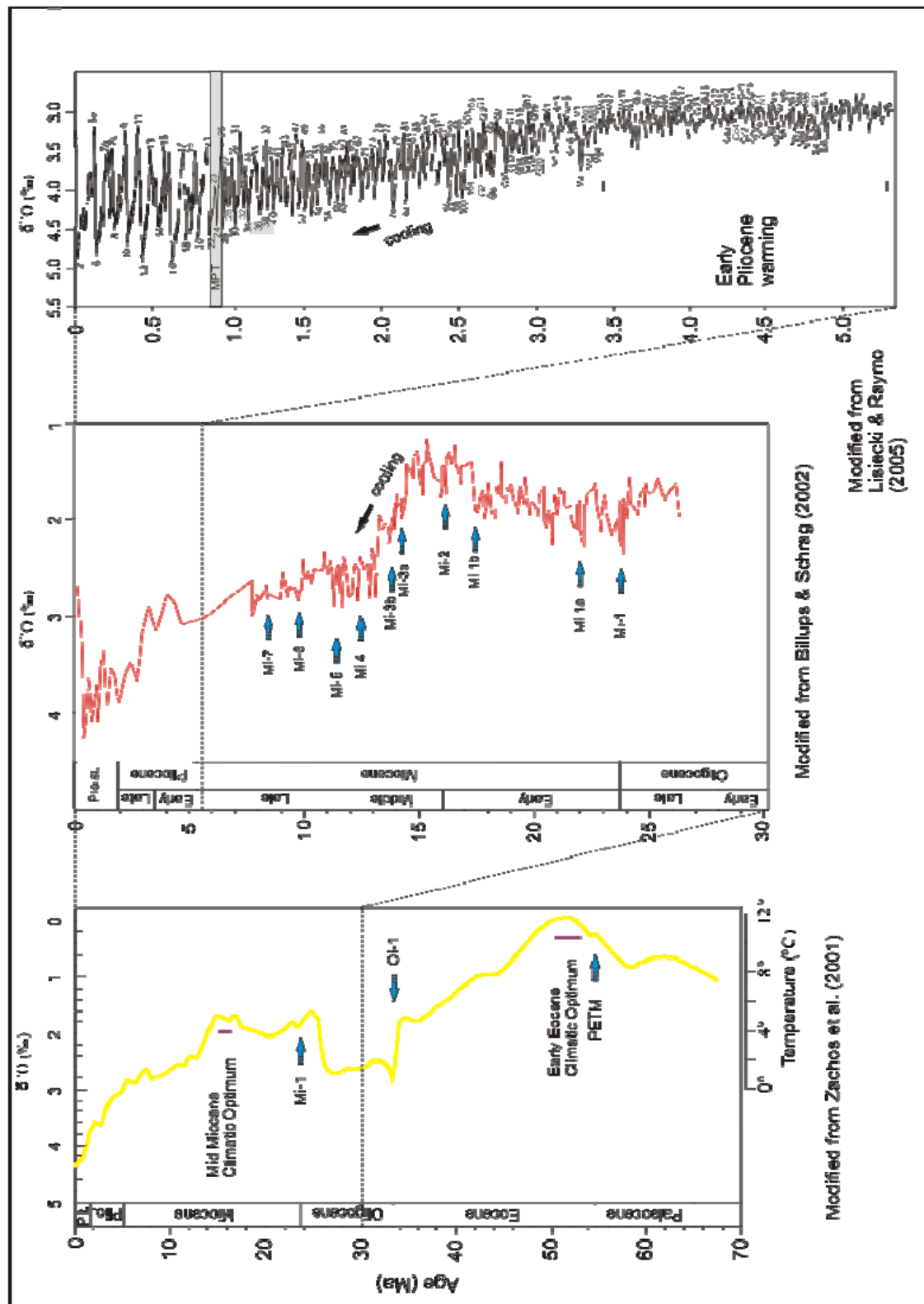


Figure 3. Global deep-sea oxygen isotope records for the Cenozoic.

The only exception to the pattern of low  $\delta^{18}\text{O}$  values from the late Oligocene to the middle Miocene (~15 Ma), are the Mi glaciations (Wright et al., 1992; Miller et al., 1991) (Fig. 3) of which Mi-1 at the Oligocene-Miocene boundary displayed the most significant cooling (Miller et al., 1991; Zachos et al., 1997). The Mi glaciations relate to waxing and waning of a dynamic Antarctic ice sheet during this period, which is believed to have led into the modern “ice house world” (Miller et al., 1991). The cooling marked by the Mi-1 glaciation has been shown by Naish et al. (2001) and Zachos et al. (2001b) to correspond to sensitivity in the Earth’s orbital oscillations.

A major unconformity in the CIROS-1 core, representing a 9 Myr gap, has been detected in regional seismic stratigraphy and extends out into the Ross Sea (Roberts et al., 2003). The presence of this unconformity has also been suggested as reflecting expansion of Antarctic ice during the Mi-1 glaciation. Evidence for warmer conditions between the Mi glaciations is offered through the presence of *Nothofagus* leaves and pollen in the early Miocene part of the CIROS-1 (Mildenhall, 1989). It implies that the present climatic regime in southern Victoria Land was not reached until after the Mi-1 glaciation.

The middle-Late Miocene marks one of the most important events in the global development of the cryosphere during the Cenozoic. At this time, a warm phase occurred which culminated with a climatic optimum between 17-15 Ma. This was followed by a gradual cooling that may have initiated the re-establishment of Antarctic ice sheets between 15 and 10 Ma (Flower and Kennett, 1995). The transition from relatively warm climates during the early Miocene to colder climates

in the late Miocene involved rapid cooling, significant growth of the EAIS, a drop in global sea level, and critical changes in ocean circulation (Flower and Kennett, 1995). The build up of ice from this cooling was accompanied by cooling of the deep ocean by as much as 3°C, inferred from benthic foraminiferal  $\delta^{18}\text{O}$  values in conjunction with Mg/Ca ratios from benthic foraminifera (Billups and Schrag, 2002). Changes in deepwater circulation have been attributed to variations in the EAIS (Flower and Kennett, 1995).  $\delta^{18}\text{O}$  values and vertical gradients in  $\delta^{13}\text{C}$  on benthic foraminifera from Deep Sea Drilling Program (DSDP) sites in the southwest Pacific allowed detailed examination of deepwater circulation from ~17.5 Ma to 12 Ma. The data indicate that circulation strength was at a maximum at this time, and was critical to major EAIS growth (Flower & Kennett, 1995).

Seismic stratigraphic analysis of the Ross Sea continental shelf by Chow and Bart (2003) suggests that there were at least five shelf-wide grounding events of the West Antarctic Ice Sheet (WAIS) during the middle Miocene. These events are consistent with  $\delta^{18}\text{O}$  enrichments and eustatic lowstands, and illustrate that the WAIS also comprised significant ice volume during the middle Miocene, at least in the Ross Sea area.

A dynamic Antarctic ice sheet may have existed during the Late Miocene. Grützner et al. (2005) use iron mass-accumulation rates as a proxy for sediment accumulation rates. Based on changes in these rates, as well as episodic patterns in ice-rafted debris which indicate deglaciations, they propose a dynamic and likely wet-based Late Miocene EAIS. This dynamic behaviour for the EAIS implies that a significant

proportion of the variability seen in oxygen isotope records of the late Miocene reflects Antarctic ice-volume changes (Grützner et al., 2005).

The Early Pliocene (5-3 Ma) is widely regarded as a period of global warmth (e.g. Dowsett et al., 1994; Crowley, 1996; Ravelo and Andreasen, 2000; Whitehead et al., 2001). The foraminiferal  $\delta^{18}\text{O}$  record supports this and exhibits a warming trend from the start of the Pliocene, which terminates in the mid-Pliocene Climatic Optimum (MPCO) ~3 Ma (Raymo et al., 2006). Proximal evidence from Antarctica for a warm early Pliocene is also available from diatoms in sediments within the Sørsdal Formation, Prydz Bay (Harwood et al., 2000; Whitehead et al., 2001). Comparisons between modern day diatoms in the region and those in the Sørsdal Formation indicate early Pliocene sea surface temperature (SST) of between 1.6°C and 3°C warmer than today (Whitehead et al., 2001). Further proximal evidence for warming is available from a study by Webb et al. (1984) examining sediments from the Transantarctic Mountains, displaying Pliocene aged marine microfossils that provide evidence for an ice-volume decrease. Despite such evidence for a period of global warmth in the Early Pliocene, data also exists to suggest that the Antarctic cryosphere remained stable during this warming, making this a highly debated topic.

Kennett and Hodell (1993) outlined evidence for stability which included: significant ice rafted debris (IRD) throughout the Pliocene indicating presence of ice sheets and, a lack of biocalcareous sediments with a dominance of biosiliceous sediments, which suggest conditions similar to present. They also proposed, based on oxygen isotopic values from Ocean Drilling Program (ODP) sites, that the marine transgression in the early Pliocene was marked by sea levels no higher than 25 m above present.

Sea surface temperature estimates inferred from the observed low oxygen isotopic values constrain the degree of warming for Antarctic surface waters to a maximum of 3°C (Hodell and Venz, 1992; Kennett and Hodell, 1993; Shackleton et al., 1995). This is believed to be too small to cause major deglaciation and therefore so supports the theory of relative EAIS stability. A warm Earth climate during the Early Pliocene that supports a relatively stable Antarctic cryosphere is of particular relevance to our climate future and requires further examination.

Analyses of marine and terrestrial records from the Early Pliocene have also been used as a basis for constraining palaeoclimate modelling. These simulations incorporate atmospheric general circulation models (GCM) to reconstruct parameters such as sea level, vegetation, land-ice distribution, sea-ice distribution, and sea surface temperature (SST). Results indicate that during the Early Pliocene: sea level was ~20-40 m higher (Dowsett and Cronin, 1990; Dowsett et al., 1994), SSTs were very similar to modern temperatures in tropical regions but were ~1.4 - 5°C warmer at higher latitudes (Chandler et al., 1994; Haywood et al., 2000), sea ice was reduced (Dowsett et al., 1994), wind-driven gyral circulation was enhanced, and variations in orbital parameters had an influence on seasonality (Haywood et al., 2002).

It is clear that the nature and magnitude of climatic variability witnessed during the Early Pliocene is not fully understood. Possible mechanisms to explain the warming include enhanced thermohaline circulation, and greater concentrations of atmospheric CO<sub>2</sub> (Haywood et al., 2000). The Early Pliocene represents the last sustained interval where a climate warmer than today's existed and spans the transition into the cooler climate of the Pleistocene. Stratigraphy from DSDP-ODP drilling, and correlation

with seismic stratigraphic information has been used by Rebesco et al. (2006) to discern changes to the Antarctic continental margin during the late Pliocene. The changes they observed agree with the global cooling trend from foraminiferal records leading into the Pleistocene and the onset of Northern Hemisphere glaciations between 2.8 and 2.5 Ma (Shackleton et al., 1984; Maslin et al., 1998).

Antarctica encountered a major event during the Neogene – a change from warm-based glaciations to cold-based glaciations. However debate continues as to when the warm, dynamic ice sheet was replaced by a cold, stable ice sheet. One view, the stabilist view, suggests that the switch occurred during the middle-late Miocene at 13.8 Ma, while the dynamicist view claims the warm inter-glacial regime lasted until the Late Pliocene. Valid arguments are presented for both scenarios; however there are inconsistencies (see Miller and Mabin, 1998 for review; Wilson, 1995; Sugden et al., 1993). The contention lies in analysis of glacial sediments in the Transantarctic Mountains known as the Sirius Group. The dynamicist view argues that the presence of reworked marine diatoms, of Pliocene age in the tills, provides evidence for a major deglaciation in Antarctica at this time (Webb and Harwood, 1991; Barrett et al., 1992).

The stabilist view argues that the EAIS remained relatively constant, experiencing only minor ice volume fluctuations including during the period of Pliocene warmth (Shackleton and Kennett, 1975; Kennett, 1977; Clapperton and Sugden, 1990; Rebesco et al., 2006). Due to convincing evidence for recycling of marine diatoms by wind (Burckle and Potter, 1996; Kellogg and Kellogg, 1996; Stroeven et al., 1996), the concept of large scale fluctuations and reworking by the EAIS is further in question. The fact that the Sirius Group deposits are of varying ages does not help the



controversy. Passchier (2001) used mineralogy to suggest that the reason for discrepancies in age is that the Sirius Group was deposited over a long time frame and was influenced by tectonic processes in the Transantarctic Mountains.

Suffice to say, a definitive resolution to this debate has not yet been found. The extreme stabilist view (e.g. Sugden et al., 1993) claims a cold polar ice sheet since 14 Ma: The extreme dynamicist view (e.g. Webb and Harwood, 1991) claims a large mid-Pliocene deglaciation of the EAIS based on diatom data. A consensus view is perhaps for a relatively stable ice sheet since 14 Ma exhibiting minor fluctuations, but with a dynamic Greenland and WAIS combining with a dynamic EAIS margin, to produce the sea level change of ~20 m evident during the Early Pliocene (Naish et al., 2007b).

The Earth's orbital geometry is one of the major factors driving the climate system. It is controlled by eccentricity, obliquity and precession, all of which are regarded as Milankovitch parameters. Because the changes to the Earth's orbital position relative to the sun are so periodic, these parameters provide a predictable model of long term climate variability. Differences in Milankovitch parameters have a considerable affect on proxy climate records from deep-sea sediments, as they control the distribution and amount of incident solar energy on the Earth (insolation). Eccentricity takes place over 400 kyr and 100 kyr year cycles and impacts on the seasonal solar energy budget, though also alters the amplitude of precession, which occurs over 19 kyr and 23 kyr year cycles. Obliquity affects the latitudinal distribution of insolation and takes place over 41 kyr cycles (Zachos et al., 2001a).

The cooling trend from Late Pliocene to present contains two periods of unexpected climate variation; the onset of Northern Hemisphere glaciation between 2.8 and 2.5 Ma (Shackleton et al., 1984; Maslin et al., 1998), and the mid-Pleistocene transition (MPT). Northern Hemisphere glaciation began in the Late Miocene with the accumulation of ice on Southern Greenland, but the Northern Hemisphere did not become fully glaciated until 3.0-2.5 Ma (Maslin et al., 1998) when much of northern Europe, Asia, North America and Northern Greenland were periodically ice-covered. A possible explanation for the beginning of this glaciation was offered by Maslin et al. (1998). They proposed that tectonic changes, such as uplift of the Himalayan and Tibetan Plateau, and opening of the Panama Seaway, brought the Earth to a critical threshold where orbital parameters subsequently drove glaciation.

The mid-Pleistocene transition describes a period in Earth history where a shift occurred from 41 kyr obliquity cycles, to 100 kyr eccentricity cycles. This variation in orbital parameters can be seen from a 1.0-1.5‰ change in benthic  $\delta^{18}\text{O}$  records between Marine Isotope Stages (MIS) 25-22 (Mudelsee and Schulz, 1997), which had a profound effect in the response of the Earth's climate system. Prior to the MPT, the growth and decay of polar ice sheets can be resolved as responding to 41 kyr obliquity cycles (Raymo et al., 1989; Zachos et al., 2001a). From the MPT to the present, however, a clear influence by the 100 kyr eccentricity cycles is evident much like the earlier Cenozoic periods of increased sensitivity to eccentricity which correspond closely to periods of extensive ice sheet development at the poles (Pälike et al., 2006; Holbourn et al., 2005; Zachos et al., 2001a; Naish et al., 2001; Mudelsee and Schulz, 1997). Positive feedback effects are needed to explain the large climatic responses to relatively weak eccentricity forcing (e.g. Imbrie et al., 1993).

These effects may have included the ocean-atmosphere circulation (Broecker and Denton, 1989), the carbon cycle (Shackleton, 2000; Medina-Elizalde and Lea, 2005), internal dynamics of ice sheets (Clark and Pollard, 1998), and obliquity pacing during the Late Pleistocene, when only every second or third obliquity cycle produced a glacial termination (Huybers and Wunsch, 2005). A large work effort continues in order to understand the previous climate responses to orbital forcing in Antarctica during the Plio-Pleistocene (Paillard and Parrenin, 2004; Huybers and Wunsch, 2005; Huybers, 2006, 2007; Raymo, 2006; Lisiecki and Raymo, 2007).

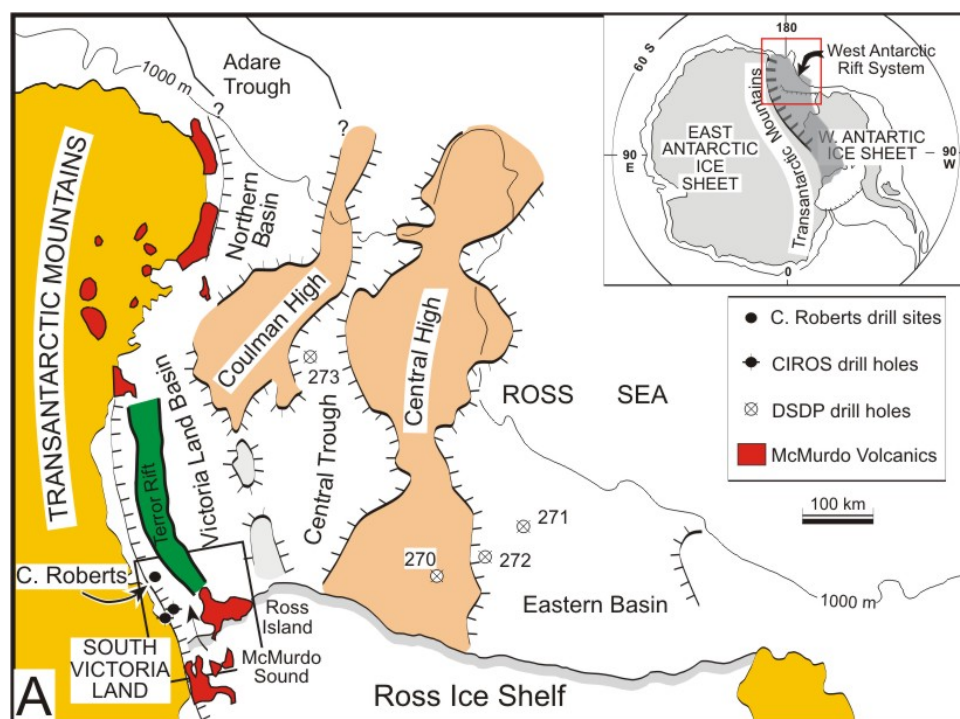
Shifts in climatic conditions can influence the advance and retreat of glaciers in Antarctica. In addition to this, variations in climate play a pivotal role in the production, transport and accumulation of sediments. This is particularly prevalent along the continental margin where the lasting effects of glacier variability are well preserved. Examination of seismic stratigraphy within the southern Terror Rift, together with core data from AND-1B, provides evidence for climatic variability. Core chronology constrains the timing of these events and can link them to the proximal stratigraphic record from Antarctica. Antarctica's climate history during the Neogene is poorly constrained however, the refinement to the existing stratigraphic framework, which this study aims to produce, will help our understanding of the climate evolution, at least for the VLB.

## 2.2 Geological and Tectonic Setting

Antarctica consists of two major regions: East Antarctica, a stable, Precambrian, Palaeozoic craton, and West Antarctica, a mountainous archipelago consisting of several smaller microplates that have moved relative to each other and to East Antarctica (Dalziel & Elliott, 1982; Cande & Stock, 2000). Running across the interior of the continent are the Transantarctic Mountains (TAM). At ~3000 km long, and with elevations up to 4500 m, they have a commanding presence on the Antarctic landscape. The TAM formed as an uplifted rift-flank in an extensional environment, during the Cenozoic (Fitzgerald et al., 1986; Stern & Ten Brink, 1989) and were strongly influenced by the interplay between tectonic and climatic changes during this time. In the past, the EAIS has grown to an extent larger than the TAM, significantly modifying the mountain front landscape (Huerta, 2006). Today the TAM serve as a barrier between East and West Antarctica and as a drainage passage for the EAIS.

Tectonic processes within Antarctica are complex. This is evinced no more aptly than by the active West Antarctic Rift System (WARS), a low-lying region which separates the East and West Antarctic domains (Behrendt, 1999; Huerta & Harry, 2007). The WARS represents one of the largest areas of crustal extension in the world (Rocchi et al., 2002). It is an asymmetrical rift-system bounded on its western side by the Transantarctic Mountains and on its eastern side by Marie Byrd Land (Behrendt, 1999). The WARS extends from the continental shelf of the Ross Sea, beneath the Ross Ice Shelf and the West Antarctic Ice Sheet (WAIS) (Fig. 4). The WARS is characterized by sparse exposures of alkaline volcanic rocks extending from northern Victoria Land throughout Marie Byrd Land. An alkaline pluton in northern Victoria

Land has been reported as having an age of 48 Ma (Tonarini et al., 1997). However, it is considered anomalous and most exposures range in age from 15 Ma to the present.



**Figure 4.** Map of Ross Sea region of WARS delineating major basins and geology of adjacent East Antarctica and Transantarctic Mountains (TAM). Inset shows Antarctic location map and West Antarctic Rift System. Figure from Henrys et al. (2007).

Aeromagnetic surveys indicate the presence of a large volume ( $> 10^6 \text{ km}^3$ ) of these volcanic rocks, which were likely to have been removed through glacial processes (Behrendt, 1999; Behrendt and Cooper, 1991). Volcanism within the WARS has previously been attributed to a mantle plume source (Behrendt et al., 1991). However, new evidence suggests that decompression melting of the mantle, related to transtension during Cretaceous anagmatic extensional rifting, (Rocchi et al., 2002, 2003, 2005), is the more likely explanation (Cooper et al., 2007).

This is enigmatic however, as most of the dated volcanics within the WARS are Late Cenozoic in age (e.g. LeMasurier and Thomson, 1990; Marchant et al., 1993, 1996; Behrendt, 1999). Following the progressive fragmentation of Gondwana, completed by  $\sim 85 \text{ Ma}$ , intraplate rifting and volcanism within the WARS continued in Cenozoic

time (Cooper and Davey, 1985; Behrendt et al., 1991; Davey and Brancolini, 1995), leaving the Antarctic continent presently surrounded by oceanic spreading centers.

Strata within the rift system have inadequate chronological constraints and this limits an understanding of rifting patterns. Nevertheless, tectonic investigations combining geophysical, geochemical, and core data have extended our understanding of the timing and nature of processes that shaped the WARS. The total amount of extension is difficult to determine, but estimates suggest several hundred kilometers of relative motion (e.g. Behrendt et al., 1991; Behrendt, 1999; Fitzgerald, 2002).

This amount of extension in the WARS is believed to have occurred essentially in two phases: (1) an early stage of broad extension during the Late Cretaceous, and (2) a later stage of more focused extension in the Ross Sea and Victoria Land Basin (VLB) during the Paleogene (Cooper and Davey, 1985; Behrendt et al., 1991; Davey and Brancolini, 1995; Wilson, 1995b; Cande et al., 2000; Hamilton et al., 2001; Karner et al., 2005). This proposed extensional history for the WARS is unusual compared to other continental rifts, such as the East African Rift, Rhine Graben, or Rio Grande Rift (Huerta and Harry, 2007). Initial regional deformation in a rift system occurs over relatively short periods, followed by progressive focused extension with time (Ruppel, 1995). The WARS, however, experienced broadly distributed extension for a prolonged period, before the transition to more focused extension (Huerta and Harry, 2007). Also unusual is the size of the area affected by extension (750 to 1000 km wide), which is much larger than in other rift systems such as the East African Rift or Baikal Rift where areas narrower than 150 km are affected (Huerta and Harry, 2007).

The WARS includes the Ross Sea region, a 1200-km-wide embayment where N–S striking sedimentary basins (Eastern Basin, Central Trough, and Victoria Land Basin) and basement highs (Coulman High and Central High) (Fig. 4) provide a record of extension and crustal thinning during the early Late Cretaceous and Paleogene Periods (Huerta & Harry, 2007). The crustal structure here has been explored through geophysical data collected from both marine and airborne surveys (Behrendt, 1999; Trey et al., 1999; Hamilton et al., 2001; Luyendyk et al., 2001; Studinger et al., 2002; Davey et al., 2006). These data indicate varying crustal thickness across the southern Ross Sea, with the thinnest crust located beneath the sedimentary basins and the thickest crust under the adjacent basement highs.

Lawrence et al. (2006) used seismic receiver functions, surface wave phase velocities, and airborne gravity measurements to investigate the structure of the TAM and adjacent regions of the Ross Sea and East Antarctica. Their results indicated a crustal thickness increase from  $20 \pm 2$  km in the Ross Sea to a maximum of  $40 \pm 2$  km beneath the crest of the TAM, at a distance of  $110 \pm 10$  km inland. Differences in crustal thickness suggested that between 200 km and 500 km of extension is accommodated in the Ross Sea sector of the WARS, initiating during the late Mesozoic (Trey et al., 1999; Fitzgerald et al., 1986).

In general, sedimentary basins are characterized by negative free-air and Bouguer gravity anomalies. However, the extensional basins of the Ross Sea are paradoxical in that positive gravity anomalies overlay the Northern Basin, Central Trough, Northern Central Trough, and northern extent of the VLB, while basement highs are associated with negative gravity anomalies (Karner et al., 2005).

Basement densities from DSDP cores indicate a normal density relationship between basement and sediment infill therefore another explanation is needed. Karner et al. (2005) demonstrated that this inconsistency to standard gravity observations within sedimentary basins is the consequence of a relatively low flexural strength of the lithosphere during rifting which is contrasted by higher flexural strengths later during sedimentation. Gravity values slowly become more positive over time as the difference between the rigidity of rifted lithosphere and the lithosphere undergoing sedimentation increases. It is for this reason that the southern extent of the VLB contains a negative gravity anomaly, as it is the zone of most recent extension and thus thinner crust. The timing of sedimentation following episodes of rifting appears to have a considerable effect on the presence of these abnormal gravity relations, and have also been observed elsewhere such as the western platform of New Zealand (Liu et al., 1982; Holt and Stern, 1991).

By ~65 Ma the majority of the extending WARS regions had become more rigid and extension was focused near the East Antarctic/West Antarctic boundary (Huerta & Harry, 2007), which allowed the formation of the VLB. The VLB is 140 km-wide and is broadly extended in a north-northwest direction. This is defined by major bounding faults and horsts. The western side of the basin has an east-northeast depositional dip direction, and an opposite sense towards the eastern side (Fielding et al., 2006).

Within the VLB is a sedimentary succession 12-14 km thick that was previously believed to be Cretaceous-Paleogene in age (Cooper & Davey, 1985; Fitzgerald et al., 1986; Trey et al., 1999, Davey et al., 2006). However, cores recovered from the CIROS-1 and CRP projects on the western margin of the VLB, have established that the sedimentary succession ranges in age from Latest Eocene (ca. 34 Ma) to late Early



Miocene (ca. 17 Ma) on its western margin. Latest Eocene sediments overlie Mesozoic Beacon Supergroup metasediments and fine upwards. This is interpreted to record the initial rifting of the VLB at 34 Ma and its subsequent subsidence (Davey et al., 2006). At Cape Roberts, the late Early Miocene sediments are unconformably overlain by a thin Plio-Pleistocene section.

A number of subsurface seismic reflectors were detected in the Cape Roberts area. These surfaces have been resolved in the CRP sedimentary section, and have been traced using marine seismic data from McMurdo Sound, into the VLB where a more complete sedimentary section is available (Fielding et al., 2006). The reflectors define boundaries between seismic stratigraphic units and have been used to develop a new model for the evolution of the VLB describing five phases of rift history (Wilson et al., unpublished). Phase 1 (pre-latest Eocene) involved a substantial degree of erosion and regional uplift of the TAM. CRP cores reveal that at the floor of the VLB, earliest Oligocene strata directly overlie Devonian sandstones, and that the boundary between the TAM and the VLB, known as the TAM Front, is a large-offset normal fault system (Wilson et al., unpublished). In order for this to have occurred, ~2000m of post-Devonian Beacon Supergroup and Jurassic dolerite intrusions and basaltic lavas were eroded away. Apatite fission track data from the TAM are interpreted to indicate uplift and denudation beginning at ~55-50 Ma (Fitzgerald, 1992), and it is probable that the erosion recorded in the CRP core began at this time.

Phase 2 (latest Eocene to Early Oligocene) was an early rift phase when deposition occurred in distributed grabens commencing around ~34 Ma. This rift phase lasted 5 Myr until ~29 Ma (Wilson et al., unpublished). Phase 3 (Early Oligocene to Early

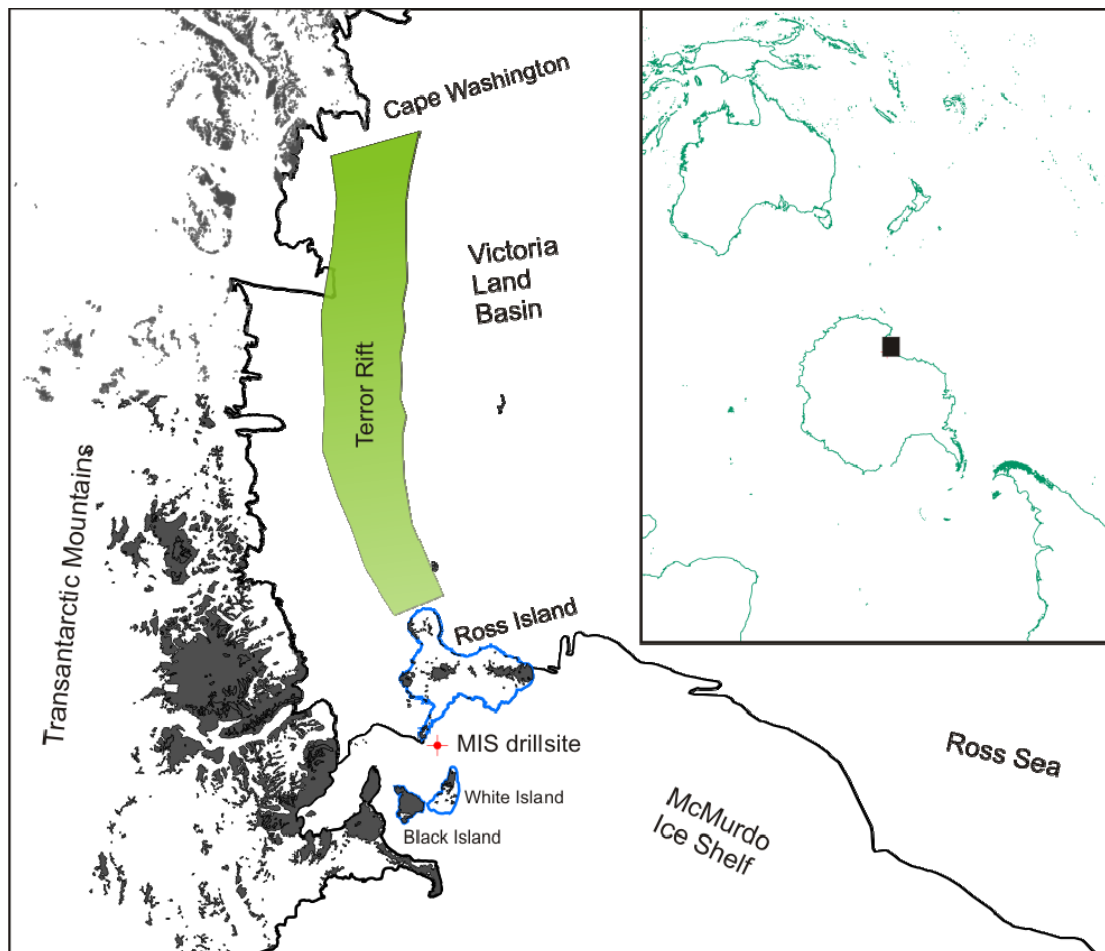
Miocene) consisted of a reorganization of the VLB rift during which sediment accumulation was no longer confined to grabens in the west, but rather formed an eastward-thickening wedge into the centre of the basin. This was the main rift phase. During Phase 4 (Early Miocene) broad thermal subsidence occurred over the entire basin. Sedimentation was substantial during this phase and widened the VLB. Phase 5 (post-Early Miocene) is associated with extensional fault reactivation in the western Ross Sea which resulted in the formation of the narrow linear basin, the Terror Rift, in the central VLB.

The Terror Rift is a 70 km wide axial rift zone (Cooper et al., 1987) which extends from Cape Washington at its northern extent, to beneath Ross Island ~4 km south south-east (Fig. 5). It is a zone of intraplate deformation within the Antarctic plate.

Regional seismic lines, including the USGS 403/404 line (Cooper et al., 1987), demonstrate stratal thickening from both west and east towards a central depocentre, where deformation is most prevalent and thus attenuates reflector amplitudes.

The Terror Rift comprises the down-faulted Discovery graben, and the adjacent Lee arch. The graben and arch deform some 50-70 km of the VLB, with intensity of deformation increasing southward along the rift (Cooper et al. 1987). Data from marine seismic surveys taken across the western Ross Sea reveal details of neotectonic rift geometry (Henry et al., 2006b). The presence of fault scarps on the seafloor, and young volcanism (Esser et al., 2004) at both the northern and southern extents of the Terror Rift indicate recent activity and suggest that it has experienced the most recent extension in the VLB. This superimposed transtensional faulting is thought to have formed the Terror Rift (Wilson et al., unpublished). Syn-extensional

weakening caused by mantle necking (where the ductile mantle deforms under tension forming a thin *neck*) has also been suggested as the catalyst to narrow-rift extension in the central VLB and thus the formation of the Terror Rift ~26 Ma (Huerta and Harry, 2007).



**Figure 5.** Location map outlining Terror Rift, which extends beneath Ross Island and MIS drill site.

The Neogene tectonic history of the VLB, Terror Rift, and thus the western margin of the WARS, is not fully understood. The ANDRILL MIS project offers a step forward as it samples the southern edge of the Terror Rift; the youngest episode of rifting in the WARS. This is significant because it can provide constraints on extension in the VLB, which is linked to extension in the Northern Basin, and is associated with

seafloor spreading at the Adare spreading axis (Davey et al., 2006). This is of particular importance because spreading in the Adare Trough has been used to constrain motion between East and West Antarctica (Cande et al., 2000). Uncertainties in this motion make it one of the least constrained components of the global plate circuit (Steinberger et al., 2004).

A regional seismic unconformity detected across the VLB, Eastern Basin and Central Trough, was used to date the onset of the Terror Rift episode of rifting. Previous works (Buseti, 1994; Salvini et al., 1997; Brancolini et al., 1995a) suggested that the age of this unconformity is older than 26 Ma, with a tentative age of 30 Ma. Results from CRP-1 and CRP-2/2A, however, reveal that within the VLB this unconformity is significantly younger ( $< 17$  Ma). The miscorrelation of this event across basement highs between Eastern Basin and the Northern and Victoria Land Basins, can be attributed to the difficulties presented by extensive erosion of sedimentary sections, as well as the influence of extensive tectonism present around the perimeter of the VLB (Brancolini et al., 1995a, 1995b; Salvini et al., 1997). Results from the ANDRILL MIS project and this study further constrains the age of this unconformity.

In contrast to the larger Ross Sea basins, the narrow width of the relatively young Terror Rift associates it with negative free air and Bouguer gravity anomalies (Karner et al., 2005). Cooper et al. (1987) proposed a “magmatically intruded Lee Arch” along the eastern margin of the Terror Rift. Seismic lines from the Drygalski Ice Tongue, in the north, to south of Ross Island show that the ‘arch’ is a structural feature not associated with magmatic intrusion or doming (Henrys et al., in press; Fielding et al., 2006; Wilson et al., unpublished data; Hall et al., 2007).

The structural geometry of the arch is obscured by extensive intrusion of Late Cenozoic volcanic rocks both north and south of Ross Island. Moving southward down the rift, the arch forms an eastern uplifted margin of a half graben that has accommodated approximately 3.5 km of Neogene sediment beneath Windless Bight (Henry et al., in press).

Progressive loading of the lithosphere occurs at the southern end of the Terror Rift due to the Ross Island volcanic complex, which is comprised of the basinite shield volcanoes Mt. Bird (4.6-3.8 Ma) and Mt. Terror (1.7-1.3 Ma), and the composite phonolitic volcano Mt. Erebus (1.0-0.0 Ma) (Moore and Kyle, 1990; Wright and Kyle, 1990a, 1990b). Volcanic activity in the Erebus Volcanic Province initiated at ~18-14 Ma, south west of Ross Island (Kyle, 1990a, 1990b; Rocchi et al., 2002). Around ~4 Ma, activity became more widespread and extended north eastwards towards Ross Island and into the Ross Sea (Kyle, 1990a, 1990b). This loading of Ross Island has depressed the crust by up to 1800 m centred on Mt. Erebus, forming a sub-circular flexural moat around the periphery of the south-eastern side of the island (Horgan et al., 2005). Subsidence such as this increases the preservation potential of ice-proximal records produced during glacial/interglacial cycles by protecting them from erosive events. Coupled with a high sediment supply rate from the TAM, this moat accommodates a well-stratified, regionally extensive sedimentary succession of at least 1.2 km below the seafloor in the deepest part of the depression between ca. 4.6 and 1.3 Ma (Horgan et al., 2005).

The sedimentary record under the deepest part of the depression contains sediments that record the advance and retreat history of the RIS-WAIS as well as phases of volcanism through time (Naish et al., 2007b).

Hence, the AND-1B drill hole was ideally situated within the depocentral and bathymetric axis of the moat region (Fig. 5) for recording and dating ice sheet oscillations, associated oceanic and climatic variations, and major tectonic episodes (Harwood et al., 2002).

The evolution of Antarctica has been heavily influenced by the interaction between climate and tectonism. Crustal spreading followed by initiation of the ACC, together with changes in atmospheric CO<sub>2</sub> and orbital forcing, effectively instigated Antarctic glaciation (Kennett et al., 1974; Barrett, 1989, 1999; Ehrmann & Mackensen, 1992; DeConto & Pollard, 2003 etc.). Rifting between East and West Antarctica, within the WARS, not only initiated the formation of the TAM, but also the Ross Sea and its associated basins and highs. These basins provide a sink for sediments being eroded off the TAM through glaciation. Rifting at a later stage, also promoted volcanism and the emplacement of the Ross Island volcanic complex. This provides a pinning point for the Ross Ice Shelf, and helped create further accommodation space for sediments delivered by outlet glaciers in the TAM, and ice streams from the WAIS (Harwood et al., 2002; Naish et al., 2007c). This sedimentary record has been preserved and can now be accessed to help unravel the history of Antarctica.

### **2.3 Local Setting**

AND-1B was located in the Windless Bight region of the MIS, adjacent to Ross Island. The present-day MIS forms the northwest part of the RIS, where it has been pinned by Ross Island for the last ~10 ka (McKay et al., 2008).

The MIS is nourished by ice sourced from both the WAIS, and the EAIS via several large outlet glaciers which flow through the southern TAM. Ocean current directions and ice flow directions strongly influence the sediment input to the MIS and in particular to Windless Bight. Current velocity, as measured using an Acoustic Doppler Current Profiler (ADCP), is affected by diurnal tidal cycles, with higher current speeds occurring on flood tides. During data collection in January 2006 (Carter et al., 2007) as part of the final phase of ANDRILL MIS site surveying, ice conditions caused flood tides to flow in an anti-clockwise direction around Hut Point Peninsula and into Windless Bight, whilst ebb tides flowed in the opposite direction at slower speeds. The resulting net flow was from McMurdo Sound into Windless Bight. This observation is consistent with the seafloor sediment composition which contains many diatom fragments, presumably advected under the ice shelf from the open water and seasonal sea ice cover in McMurdo Sound (Barrett et al., 2005).

### **3: Data Acquisition and Seismic Processing**

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Seismic reflection surveys measure the travel times of reflected arrivals from subsurface interfaces, between media of differing acoustic impedance. Differences in travel times are dependent on elastic physical properties and so provide detail of geological structures. Multi-channel reflection surveys, such as those carried out in this study, aim to record reflected pulses at many offset distances, from individual shot points. Seven reflection profiles were conducted on the McMurdo Ice Shelf (MIS) as part of ongoing site surveying for the ANDRILL MIS drill site location, three of which were towards this thesis.

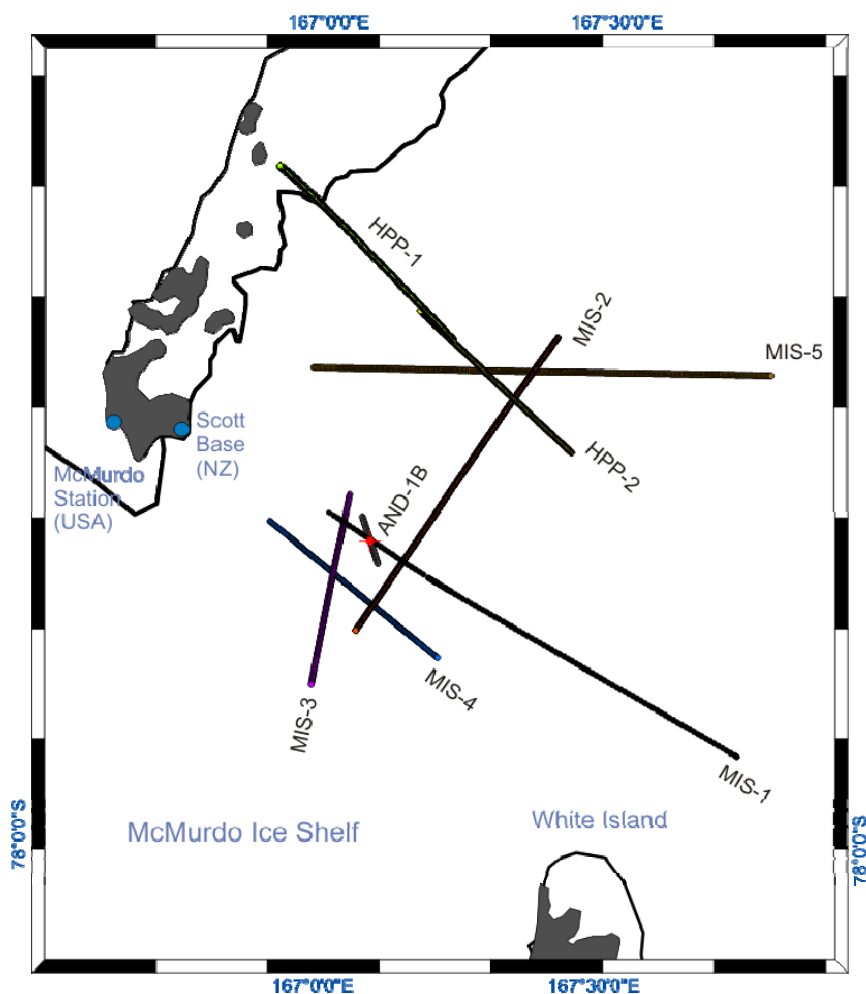
Processing of the acquired data aimed to suppress intra-ice and intra-water multiples, and increase the signal to noise ratio of the dataset. To complete the processing steps, GLOBE Claritas™ (Ravens, 1999), a seismic processing suite developed by GNS Science, New Zealand was used. Seismic data enable the drill core stratigraphy to be interpreted away from the well (see chapters 4 and 5). To aid in this task, it is necessary to obtain the best possible seismic image. In areas of ice cover, this involves paying careful attention to velocity analysis.

#### **3.1 2005 Data Acquisition**

The acquisition of the MIS-3, MIS-4, and MIS-5 seismic lines (Event K001S) took place during the austral summer of 2005 (refer to Henrys et al., 2006a for details). In total thirty-three kilometres of data were collected, which represent the fourth phase



of ANDRILL MIS site surveying. Compared to a refraction survey, reflection was a preferred option as it requires shorter line lengths, provides higher lateral resolution, and proves robust in the presence of low velocity zones and velocity inversions. Explosive sources in the form of primers (a tube containing a small amount of explosive ordinarily used to detonate a main explosive charge) were used for all of the surveys. Reflection surveying proved a better choice in this respect as it required smaller amounts of explosives than refraction surveying. The lines were specifically positioned to broaden the coverage of all earlier seismic reflection profiles: HPP-1 (Bannister, 1993; Melhuish et al., 1995), MIS-1 (Balfour, 2002; Bannister and Naish, 2002), HPP-2 and MIS-2 (Horgan et al., 2003) (Fig. 6) in order to investigate lateral continuity of key stratigraphic horizons.



**Figure 6.** Location basemap showing MIS on-ice seismic surveys.

Peg and shot hole locations defined the MIS-3, 4, and 5 surveys and were all surveyed using Global Positioning System (GPS) receivers, followed by processing in the field using the Post Processed Kinematic (PPK) method. A GPS base station at Scott Base was used as the reference receiver for surveying with the furthest receiver <25 km away from Scott Base. GPS-determined shot point and geophone locations are considered accurate to  $\pm 10$  cm (Clifford, 2006). Geophone locations were offset 2 m from the shots to prevent the generation of surface ‘noise’ in the event of disruption of cables during shooting. Shot holes were drilled and tamped using compressed snow and drill shavings, which significantly enhanced the quality of the seismic signal. 40-cm spikes replaced the standard geophone spikes to improve coupling in the poorly compacted surface snow. All survey positions were later integrated into the SEG-Y seismic trace headers.

**Table 1.** Summary of seismic lines recorded during the 2005/06 ANDRILL field season.

<b>LINE</b>	<b>FIRST Shot Point</b>	<b>LAST Shot Point</b>	<b>Number of shots</b>	<b>FIRST CDP</b>	<b>LAST CDP</b>	<b>Length (km)</b>	<b>Direction</b>
Mis3	102	164	62	100	386	6.89	North
Mis4	102	178	77	100	426	7.85	Southeast
Mis5	102	279	175	104	832	18.23	East

CDP – Common Depth Point

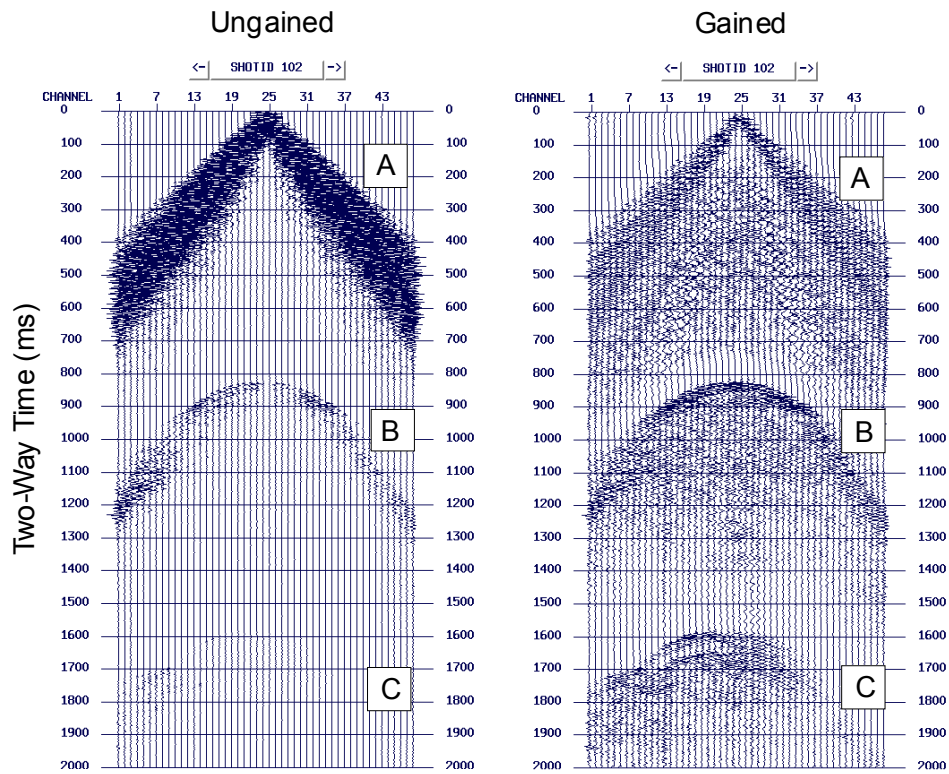
In order to image the targeted 1200 m thick body of accumulated sediment, the offset for the survey needed to be within the same range. Thus a 96 m shot spacing and 48 m receiver spacing was chosen for the 48 active channels of the survey. A split-spread survey geometry, which is commonly used for land seismic acquisition, was selected over a single-ended geometry as it provides important information regarding the dip of subsurface strata. Each of the three profile lines were designed specifically to extend the existing on-ice reflection database and provide continuity for correlating interpreted horizons into the area of more extensive marine seismic lines.

**Table 2.** Seismic Acquisition Parameters.

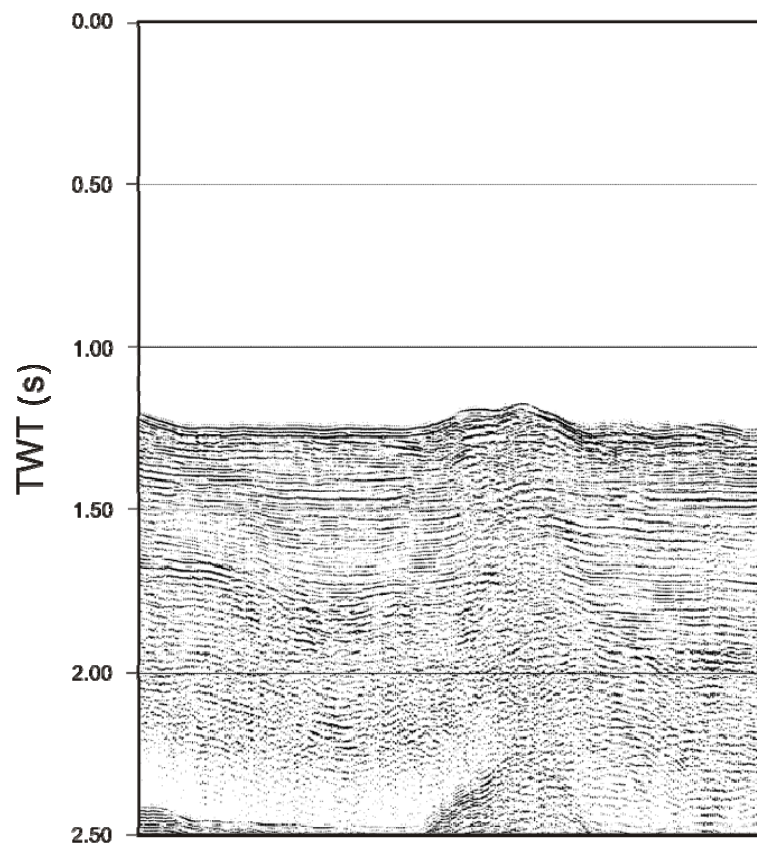
<b>Source Type</b>	Pentex primers 3.2-kg explosive with Redcord detonation cord. Electric, 30-m lead seismic detonators formed the primary explosive.
<b>Shot interval</b>	96 m
<b>Shot depth</b>	17-18 m
<b>Shot-receiver near offset</b>	24 m
<b>Shot-receiver far offset</b>	1128 m
<b>Geophone interval</b>	48 m
<b>Geophone offset</b>	2 m
<b>Geophone type</b>	single string 40-Hz vertical component with 40-cm spikes
<b>Survey geometry</b>	symmetrical split-spread (24:24), except for roll off at western end of each line
<b>Number of live channels</b>	48
<b>Roll capability</b>	96 channels
<b>CDP coverage</b>	12 fold
<b>Recording system</b>	Seistronix RAS-24 Exploration Seismograph
<b>File format</b>	SEG2
<b>Record length</b>	6 s
<b>Sampling rate</b>	1 ms
<b>Low-cut acquisition filter</b>	None
<b>High-cut acquisition filter</b>	None

### 3.2 2005 Seismic Data Processing

During acquisition, the seismograph was housed in the rear compartment of a Hägglund all terrain vehicle all terrain vehicle where a customised workbench and auxiliary equipment were installed. Heating inside the Hägglund ensured that all equipment remained within their respective operating temperature ranges. Data were recorded directly onto a laptop running the Linux operating system and were also recorded onto CD in the original SEG-2 format as a backup. The data were converted in the field from SEG-2 to SEG-Y format and preliminary pre-stack (Fig. 7) and post-stack (Fig. 8) processing was performed using GLOBE Claritas™ (Ravens, 1999; Henrys et al., 2006a). For each of the profiles, strong sea-floor multiples within the dataset compromise the quality. These multiples are caused by seismic reflections reverberating between the seafloor and ice shelf and proved to be a processing challenge.



**Figure 7.** Shot record from MIS-5 line showing surface generated linear noise (A), seabed and sub-seabed reflections (B-C), and early long path multiple (C). Figure from Henrys et al., 2006a.



**Figure 8.** On-ice post-stack processing of line MIS-3. Figure from Henrys et al., 2006a.

Upon returning to New Zealand, further processing of the three seismic lines was required in order to achieve the most detailed sub-surface image possible. Off-ice processing was undertaken at GNS Science, Avalon, Lower Hutt, using GLOBE Claritas™ on a Sun Microsystems™ machine. Each of the lines underwent essentially the same processing sequence, with the MIS-5 line serving as the test line. The processing sequence was divided into “jobs” with the same modules being applied to each line at each stage of processing. A basic outline of the jobs is shown in Table 3 and a more comprehensive description of processing stages and parameters can be found in Appendix A.

**Table 3.** Processing steps applied to MIS seismic lines.

<b>Job</b>	<b>Description</b>
01	Read in SEG Y data Resample
02	Apply trace edit Add geometry Apply spherical divergence correction Apply a band-pass filter
03	Gather shots into CDP's Apply static correction Apply surgical mute Re-order CDP's Apply normal moveout (NMO) correction Stack data Apply a band-pass filter Apply a deconvolution filter
04	Migrate data
05	Apply band-pass filter to remove low frequency noise introduced by deconvolution Apply surgical mute to remove ice and water above seafloor

The processing sequence used was designed to improve the quality of the field processed sections. Therefore, a great deal of time was spent on velocity analysis and testing different parameters in order to produce the best possible image. Velocity analysis was performed iteratively throughout the processing sequence to develop the

velocity field that enhanced reflector continuity. Accurate velocities are essential in order to develop accurate depth estimates, which are needed to determine sedimentary processes such as accumulation rates. Velocities were examined a number of times using a combination of Semblance spectra and the Claritas Velocity Analysis (CVA) tool. Semblance is a quantitative measure of the coherence of seismic data from multiple channels. The CVA tool allows velocities to be picked based on constant velocity stacks (CVS) and constant velocity gathers (CVG). All three velocity tools (Semblance, CVS, CVG) should be run simultaneously to achieve the best result. After each pass of velocity picking, the velocity field was examined for consistency. A normal move-out (NMO) correction was also applied to the data as part of the velocity analysis. Normal move-out is the amount by which seismic reflection time deviates from what it would be if the signal were reflected normally (i.e. at zero source-receiver offset). The normal move-out correction, as well as deconvolution filtering and stacking, proved to be the most efficient means to deal with sea floor multiples.

Parameter testing included frequency values, gap lengths and window lengths. The XVIEW module within Claritas allows multiple display of the seismic section side-by-side for comparison. The ability to switch between sections allows even minor differences to be detected. Each panel represents the different testing parameters and allows the processor to choose the best set for the needs of the processing. Additional processing modules including depth migration and a static correction were also applied in order to reposition reflections to their correct surface location and at a corrected reflection time, and to account for time differences introduced by near surface irregularities.

Further processing on the datasets did not significantly improve the overall quality of the seismic section though improvements are noticed in certain areas (refer to Appendix B).

### **3.3 2006/2007 Data Acquisition**

During the austral summer of 2006, further seismic acquisition was conducted in the form of two vertical seismic profiles (VSP) at the location of the MIS drill site (Fig. 9); a standard VSP (Fig. 10) as well as a walk-away VSP (Fig. 11). The purpose of the VSP was to allow a direct correlation between two-way reflection time (from surface seismic data) and actual sub-surface geology (as seen from the AND-1B core).

A VSP typically consists of recording a surface generated seismic signal at a uniformly spaced set of depths. Seismic receivers are lowered down the bore hole using a wire-line and allow the recording of both downgoing and upgoing seismic waves. This can potentially provide a higher resolution image than can be obtained from surface receivers which record only upgoing waves. The observed waveforms are functions of time which are subsequently plotted against depth to produce a time/depth curve. This is extremely valuable during drilling as it allows prediction of depths to target reflectors. A VSP ideally should complement surface seismic surveys, but can also offer further information on the locations of reflectors as well as *in-situ* properties such as wave speed and attenuation. Shot hole and peg locations for the walk-away VSP were surveyed using a Trimble 5700 GPS system. Each record comprised of a single stack. The triggering was a simple breaking of an electrical circuit performed at the shot box.



**Figure 9.** Overview map of Williams Field and ANDRILL MIS drill site. Figure courtesy of Jessica Walker of Raytheon Polar Services Company, United States Antarctic Program.

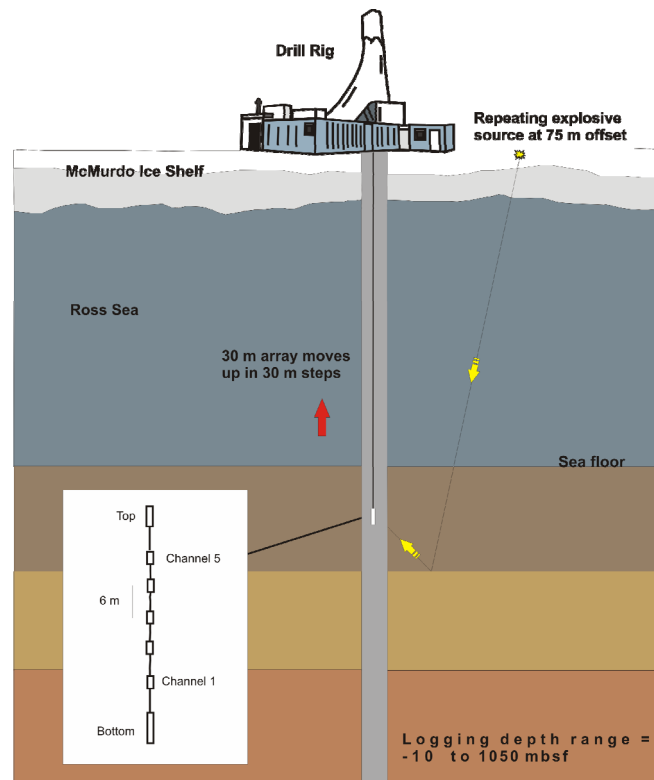


**Table 4. VSP recording parameters**

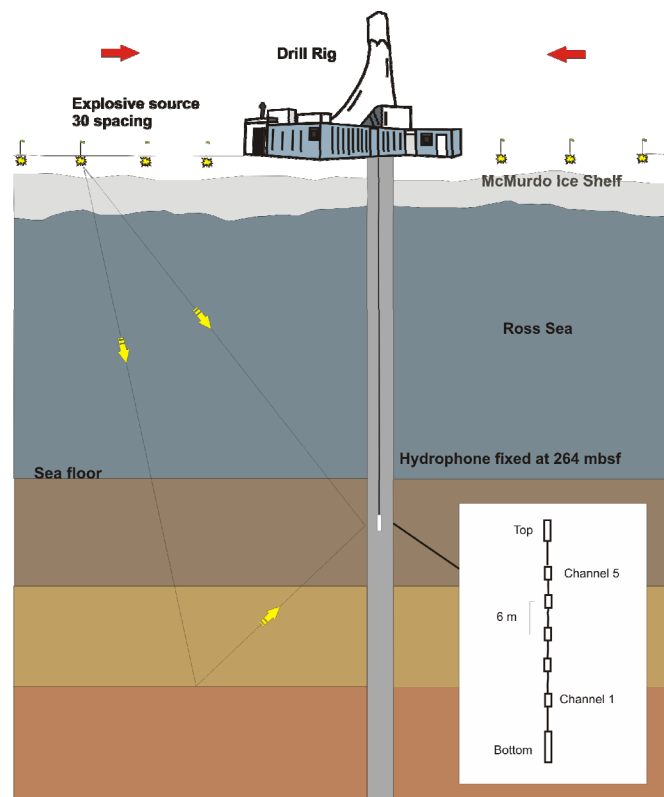
Source Type	Anzomex P boosters (395 g each). 8 boosters (walk-away), 1 to 4 boosters (standard)
Shot interval (walk-away)	30 m
Shot depth	17-18 m
Shot-receiver near offset (walk-away)	90 m
Shot-receiver far offset (walk-away)	1020 m
Source offset (standard)	75 m
Geophone type	Z-Seis 5-channel hydrophone (30 m length). Each channel (6 m apart) comprised of 8 individual hydrophones. The entire string comprised of: hydrophones, an automatic 22-dB pre-amplifier, a selectable post-amplifier, a temperature compensator for internal pressure, and a 9 kg sinker bar
Recording system	BISON 9048 Seismograph
File format	SEG2
Record length	5 s
Sampling rate	1 ms
Pre-amplification gain	0 dB (walk-away), 20 dB (standard)
Post-amplification gain	20 dB (walk-away), 40 dB (standard)
Real-time low-cut frequency filter	4 Hz
Real-time high-cut frequency filter	2000 Hz

The standard VSP was undertaken in two phases. In Phase I, at the end of AND-1B NQ pipe coring, a VSP was successfully completed from 1930 to 920 metres below rig floor (mbrf) (29 to 30 Dec 2006). The open-hole section ranged from the base of the HQ pipe (1612 mbrf) down to the maximum depth attainable with the wireline (1934 mbrf). Part of the VSP run in casing was found to be contaminated with noise and wave trains dominated by arrivals having velocity of the steel casing (~4000 m/s). During Phase II (8 Jan 2007), the VSP was repeated over the interval 1370 to 920 mbrf. By allowing the hydrophone cable to stand for approximately 15 minutes between steps, the amount of cable noise was reduced (Morin et al, 2007). The open hole available for Phase II was from 1270 to about 1164 mbrf (about 106 m).

Data from the walk-away VSP is not included in this study but will be the focus of future work.



**Figure 10.** Standard VSP stepping up the well at 30 m intervals with a 5-channel Z-Seis 30 m hydrophone array and one explosive source (75 m from the well head) recorded at each depth.



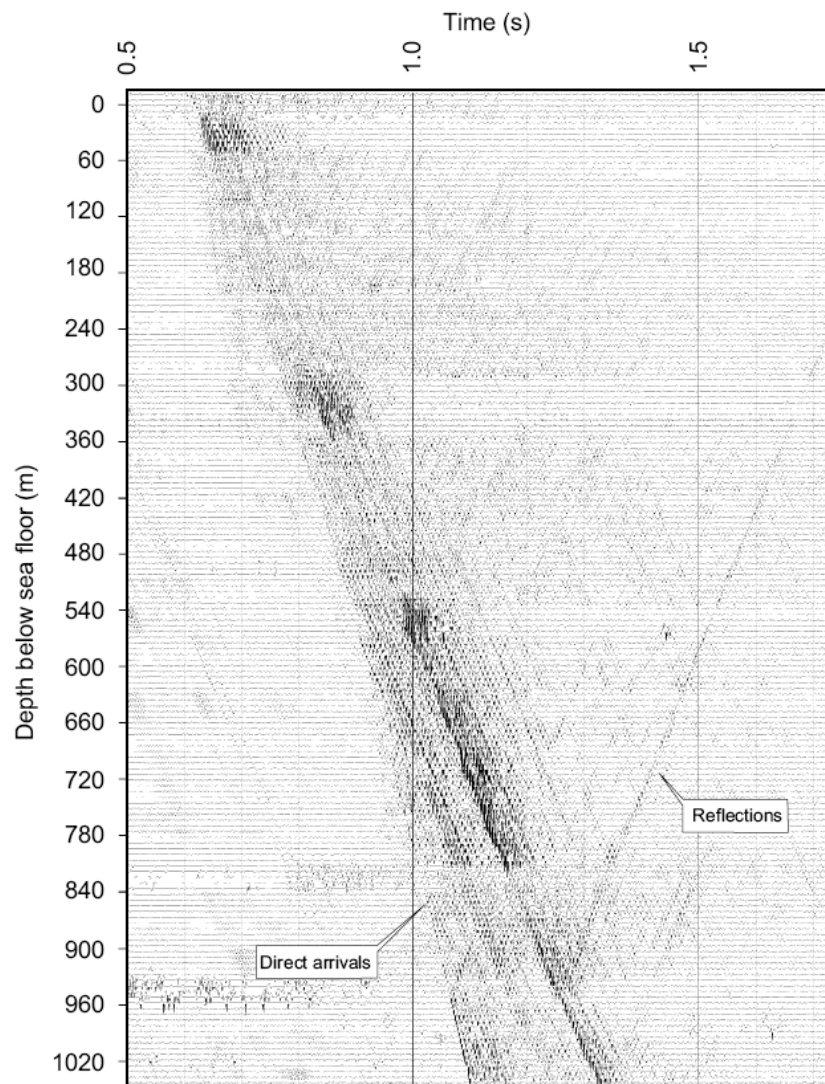
**Figure 11.** Walk-away VSP stepping towards the well (30 m steps) with shots recorded in a fixed receiver array, located approximately 1192 m below the rig floor (mbrf), or 264 m below sea floor (mbsf).

### 3.4 2006/2007 Seismic Data Processing

VSP data processing presents a number of challenges. The dominant downgoing wavefield obscures the upgoing primary reflections and makes any interpretation very difficult. In addition to this, both random and coherent noises cause contamination, and multiples can be quite common in the dataset. Even though both a standard and a walk-away VSP were conducted, only the standard VSP data has been used for this study.

During processing, upgoing and downgoing waves need to be distinguished from one another. By analysing the difference between direct wave arrivals (downgoing) and reflections (upgoing), a separation between them can be achieved (Schmitt et al., 2007; Henrys et al., 2000; Burton & Lines, 1996). Adding direct arrival times together emphasizes upward-travelling waves, while subtracting direct arrival times aligns the travel times of the downgoing waves horizontally making them easier to interpret (Hardage, 2000). The separation is aided by reflections having a slope opposite to the first breaks on the seismic record (Fig. 12). One of the most effective means of achieving this separation is through  $f-k$  filtering. In the time-depth domain, the upgoing and downgoing events obstruct one another; however in the frequency-wavenumber ( $f-k$ ) domain the two wavefields will ideally be clearly separate. This allows either the upgoing or the downgoing waves to easily be removed (Hardage, 2000). Processing of the VSP data within GLOBE Claritas™ was non-standard and required specific tailoring of processing modules, with a primary focus on separation of the wavefields. The total number of seismic traces represented in the VSP was considered as a single shot gather for the purposes of seismic processing.

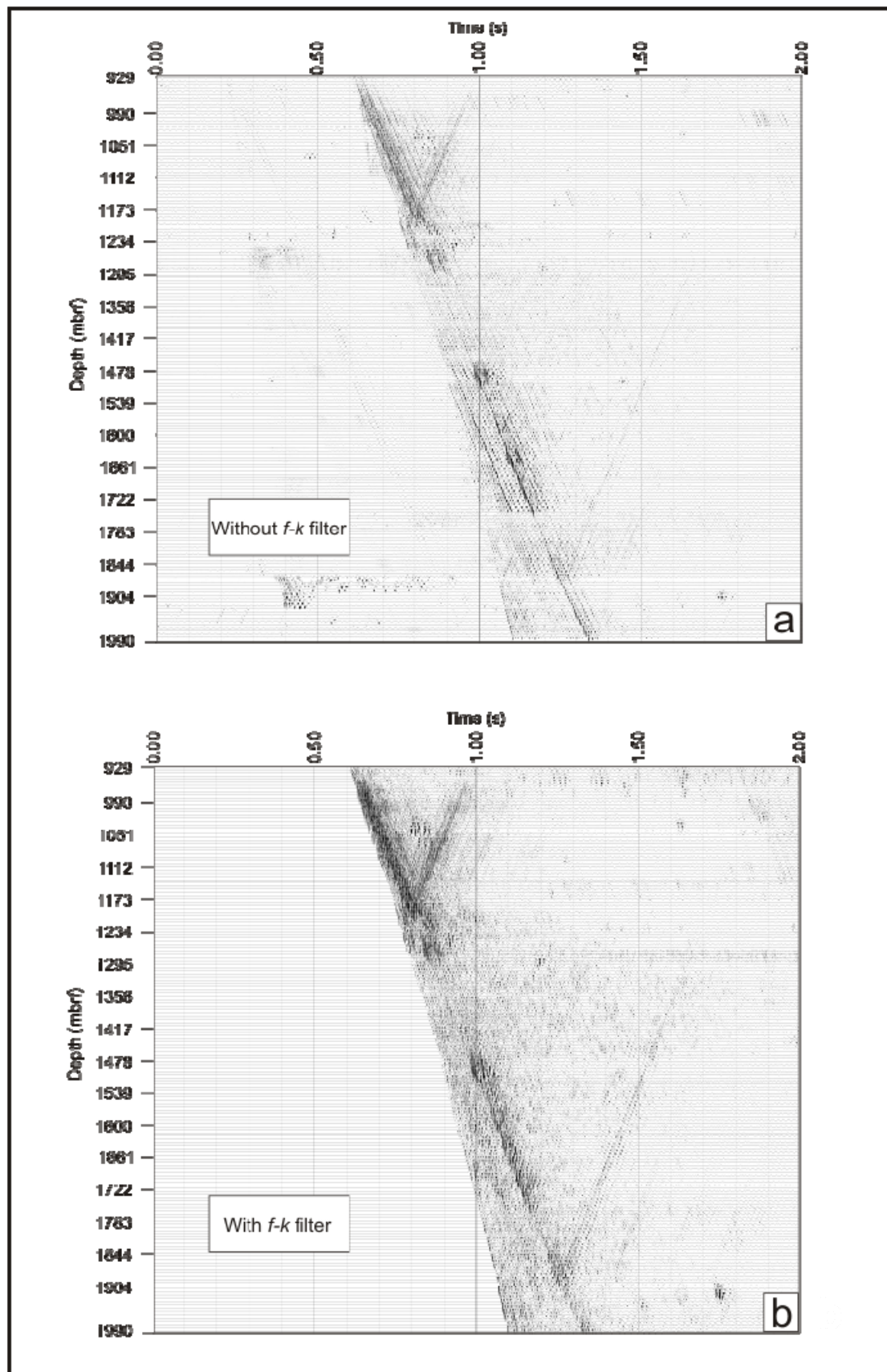
Once the raw SEG-Y data was loaded, the auxiliary traces were removed before the survey geometry was added. The data were then sorted by offset, which corresponded to depth down the hole. The GLOBE Claritas™ seismic quality control (SQC) application was used to pick first breaks on the shot gather. In order to develop the most accurate time/depth curve possible, picks were refined and tested a number of times before being added to the trace headers of the data.



**Figure 12.** Raw seismogram from the Standard VSP experiment completed during Phase 2 of the downhole logging programme. Clear direct arrivals and reflections are observed in the raw data.

Unwanted signal (or noise) can cause degradation to the primary-reflection section of VSP datasets. One such source of noise, which is prevalent on VSP data, is the multimode energy. It refers to any energy that has been converted from P-wave energy to S-wave energy *on transmission* through an interface (Stewart, 1998). S-wave conversions travel down the array with a slower wave speed than P-waves. As a result this energy is aliased. Aliasing refers to a distortion of the frequency and when this occurs, signals on adjacent traces are exactly anti-phase, making the dip polarity of the event impossible to determine.

Because the dip is frequency dependent, spatially aliased components were seen to clearly “wrap around” from positive to negative dip on  $f-k$  spectra, making  $f-k$  filtering impossible. As  $f-k$  filtering is the means by which the upgoing and downgoing waves are separated, the presence of P to S conversions and the aliasing it introduced posed a problem. To help this and aid in the identification of reflectors, a suite of synthetic VSP’s were developed (refer to chapter 5) to help design an appropriate  $f-k$  filter which was then applied to the observed data (Fig. 13) (Fig. 13). Lastly, a high-pass filter was applied to the data to remove low frequency bursts/spikes of noise before a static shift was applied, whereby the data was time-shifted down by values outlined in the first arrival picks, in order to ‘flatten’ the reflections.



**Figure 13.** Processed observed VSP section showing effect of  $f$ - $k$  filtering. (a) non  $f$ - $k$  filtered (b)  $f$ - $k$  filtered.

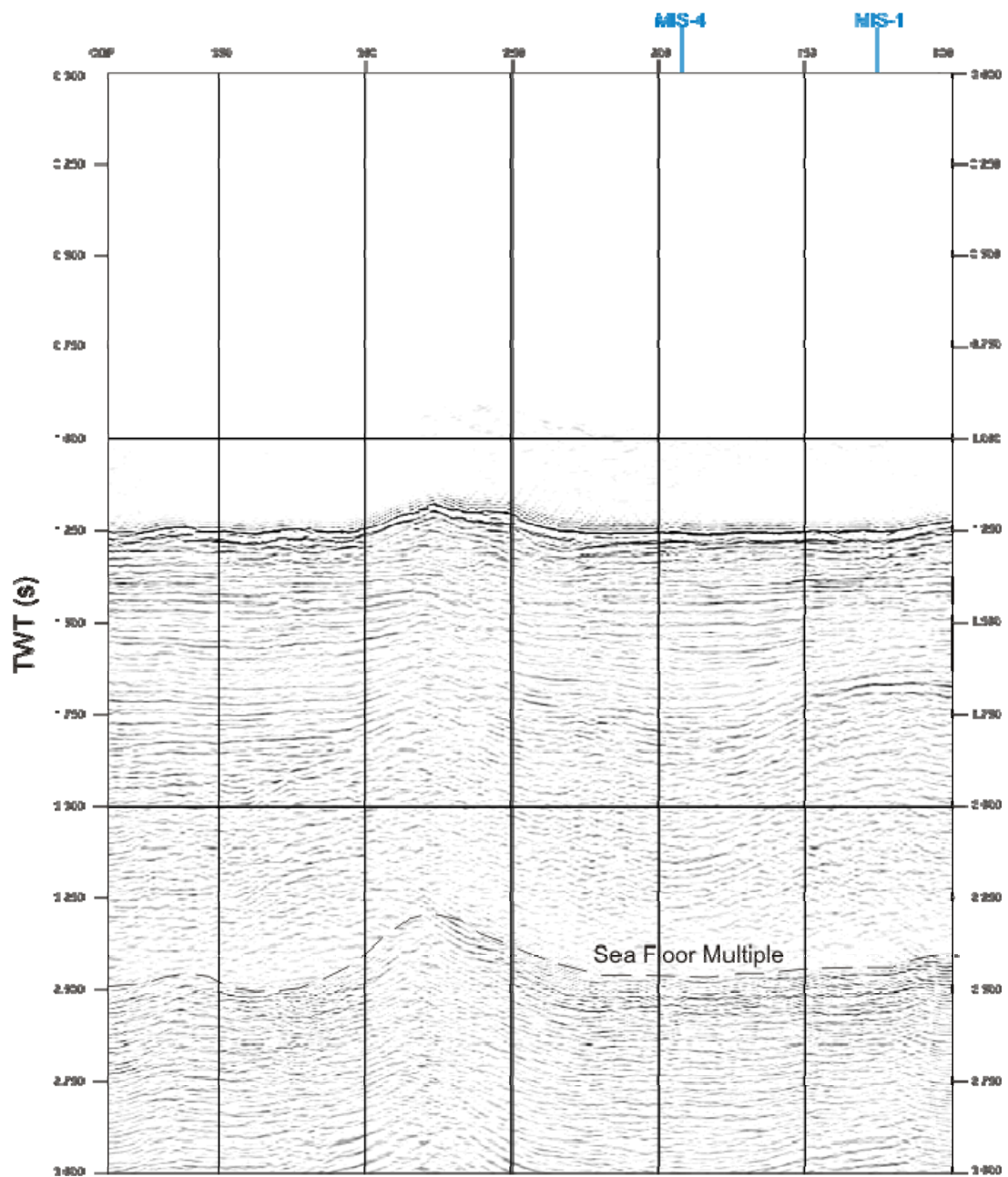
### 3.5 Results

Horizontal sampling is equal to half the detector spacing, thus based on the shot-receiver near offset (Table. 2), the horizontal resolution for the data is  $\sim 12.5$  m. The vertical resolution is a measure of the ability to recognise individual reflectors at depth. Based on the dominant frequency of the data ( $\sim 70$  Hz), and the velocity at which seismic waves penetrate the subsurface strata ( $\sim 2000$  ms<sup>-1</sup>), the vertical resolution is likely to be between 7-10 m ( $1/4\lambda$  – Keary et al., 2002).

An analysis of the processed datasets provides useful geological and geophysical information. For example, the shot record from the MIS-5 line (Fig. 7) indicates that the depth to the seafloor is  $\sim 0.82$  s (two-way travel time), which corresponds to approximately 600 m. Two-way travel time can be used to calculate depth ( $z$ ) using the formula  $z = v t/2$ , where ( $v$ ) equals 1500 ms<sup>-1</sup> (wave velocity in water) and ( $t$ ) equals  $0.82/2$ . The affect of ocean temperature and salinity on wave travel times were considered negligible. The tail end of the first surface waves that are detected comprise of direct arrivals, at approximately ice velocity (typically 3500 ms<sup>-1</sup>), water velocity (typically 1500 ms<sup>-1</sup>), and slow surface waves (typically 440 ms<sup>-1</sup>). Imaging of sub-seafloor reflections occurs within a window of roughly 800 ms, before the arrival of long-path seafloor multiples. Despite presenting difficulty during processing, the apparent early arrival of long-path multiples can indicate the thickness of the ice shelf. The difference between the expected arrival time (twice the seafloor arrival time = 1.63 s) and the actual arrival time (1.58 s), provides an estimate of the thickness of the ice shelf in two-way-travel-time (0.05 s or  $\sim 90$  m) using the aforementioned formula with ( $v$ ) being the wave velocity in ice.



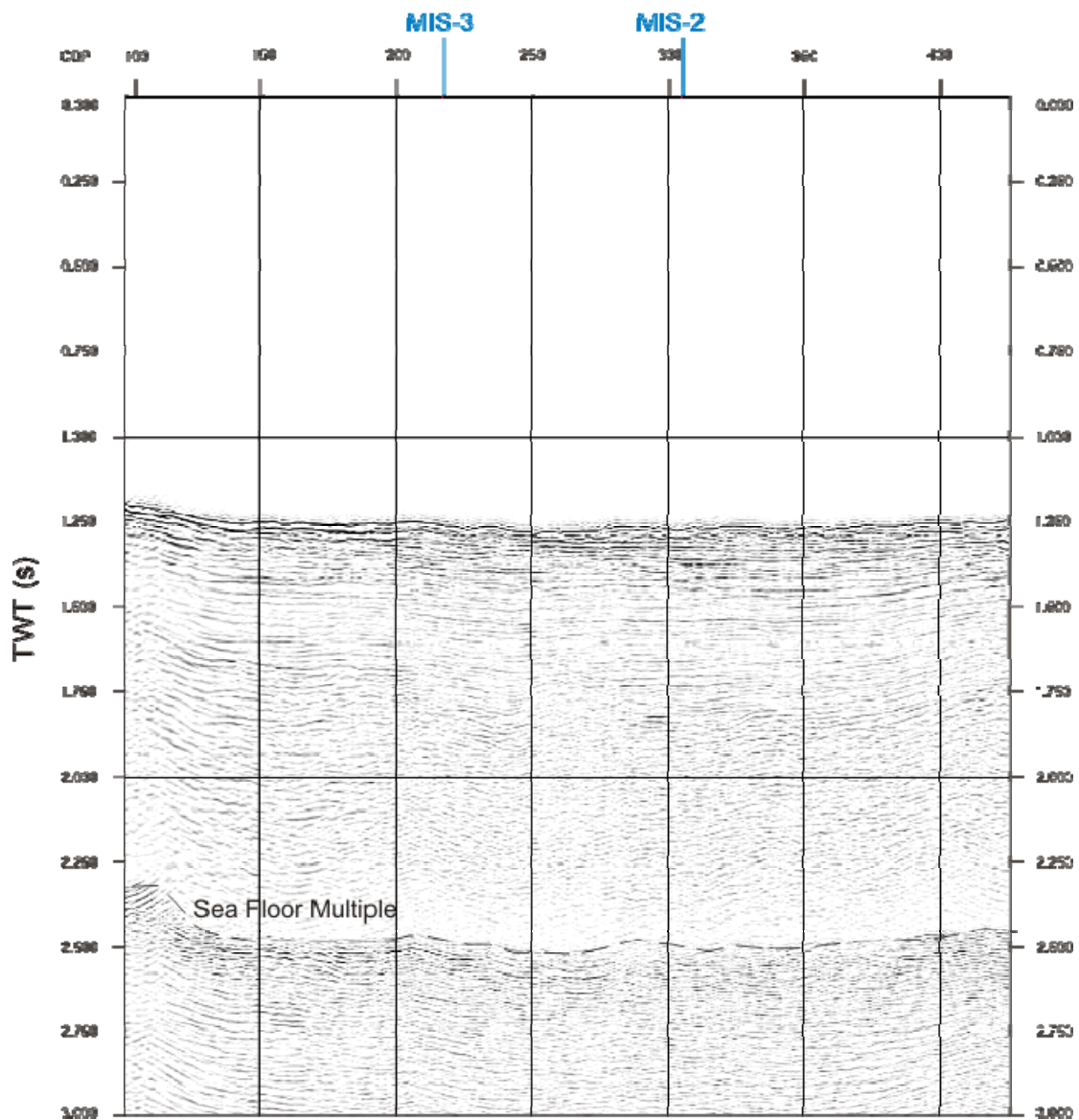
The stacked section of MIS-3 (Fig. 14) shows the seabed at  $\sim 1.25$  s ( $\sim 900$  m) along most of the profile and rising to  $\sim 1.20$  s ( $\sim 850$  m) near the middle. Prominent high amplitude events are observed along the whole section to depths greater than 2.0 s ( $>1000$  m of strata). The small topographic high observed on the sea floor may be a thin, seismically high-velocity, volcanic flow that has not disrupted the sedimentary section.



**Figure 14.** Processed MIS-3 line displaying points of intersection with MIS-1 and MIS-4 seismic lines.



MIS-4 (Fig. 15) crosses MIS-3 and also displays seabed at ~1.25 s (~900 m) along most of the profile. High amplitude events are again observed along the section, almost to the seafloor multiple (2.50 s), and correspond to at least 1500 m of sub seafloor strata. A major unconformity, between 1.60 s and 1.80 s, is observed on both profiles and separates more coherent horizons above from discontinuous strata below.



**Figure 15.** Processed MIS-4 line displaying points of intersection with MIS-2 and MIS-3 seismic lines.

MIS-5 (Fig. 16) runs east-west across the southern edge of the Terror Rift, and places the drill-hole stratigraphy into the wider basin structure. Previous marine seismic reflection data (Fielding et al., 2006; Whittaker, 2005; Wilson et al., 2004)

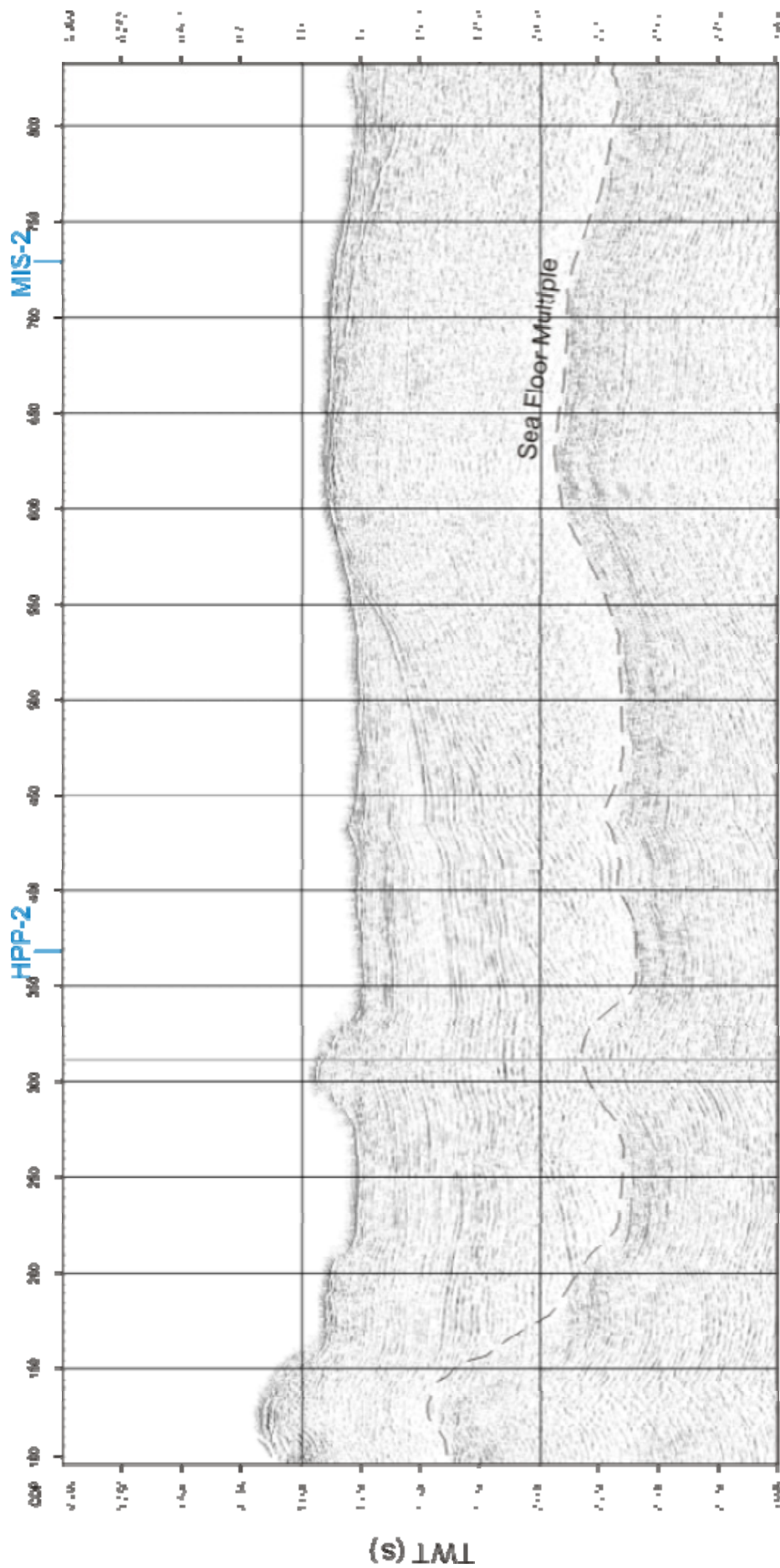


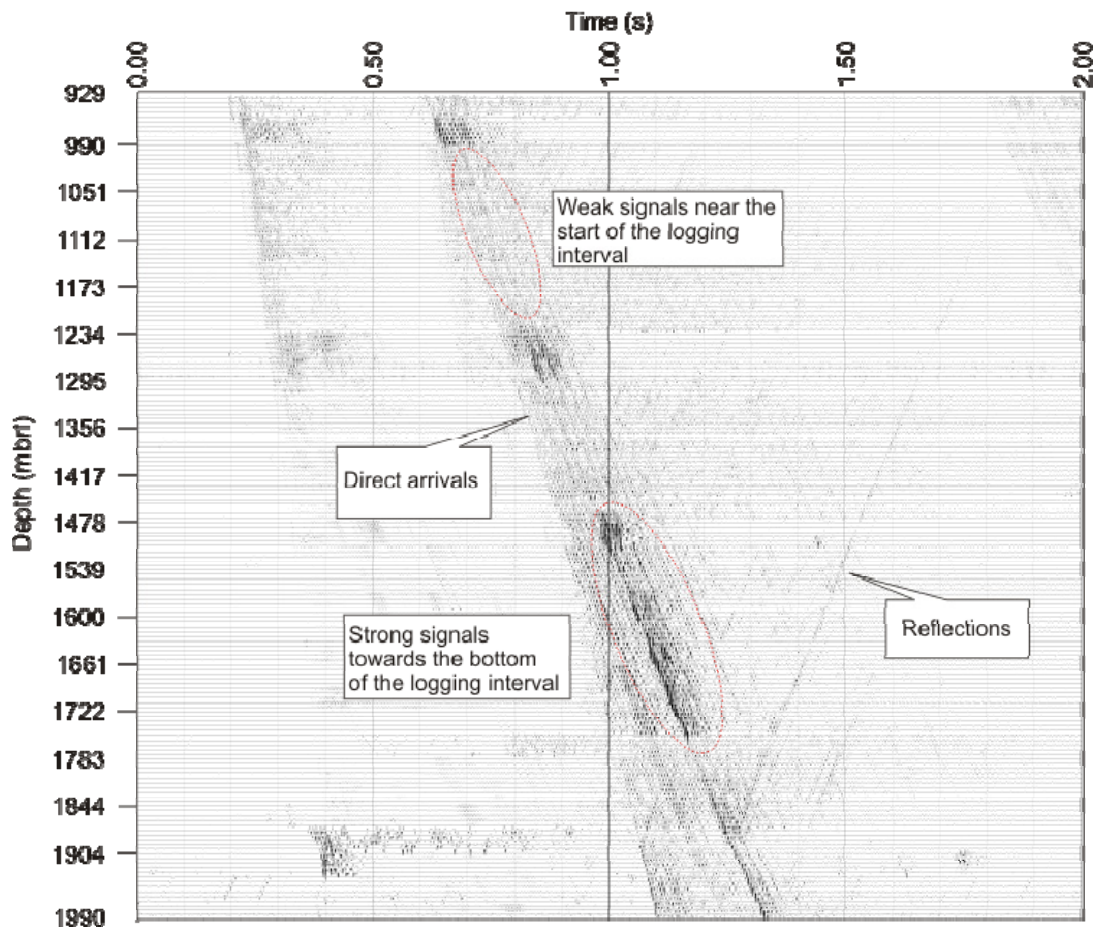
Figure 16. Processed MIS-5 line displaying points of intersection with MIS-2 and HPP-2 seismic lines

in the vicinity, reveals normal faults that offset young ( $<17$  Ma) strata and extend in some places to the seafloor. MIS-5 displays an irregular seabed from  $\sim 1200$  ms ( $\sim 860$  m) in the east to  $\sim 800$  ms ( $\sim 575$  m). A 200 ms (140 m) mound is present towards the western side of the line that is likely the flank of a volcanic cone which is visible on aeromagnetic data (Wilson et al., 2007). Below the seafloor, strata are observed to dip in a westerly direction. Reflectors are clearly visible at the western half of the line within the Erebus Moat, and appear to on-lap the extension of the White Island volcanic massif on the east side of the line.

Between the western reflectors and the seafloor multiple at  $\sim 2.30$  s, approximately 1400 m of sub-seafloor strata have accumulated in the Erebus Moat. The seismic image in the eastern half of the line is less clear and marked by discontinuous westerly dipping reflectors. The stratigraphic succession in the western half of the line is similar to that seen in MIS-1 (refer to chapter 4), while the structural high on the eastern half is also similar as both lines encounter the White Island volcanic massif.

### **3.5.1 Vertical Seismic Profile Results**

The main advantage of the VSP data to this study, and the ANDRILL MIS project, was the accurate time/depth information that it provided. This allowed prediction of depths to target reflectors, and also provided an estimate of velocities downhole that were independent of whole-core measurements (refer to chapter 5).

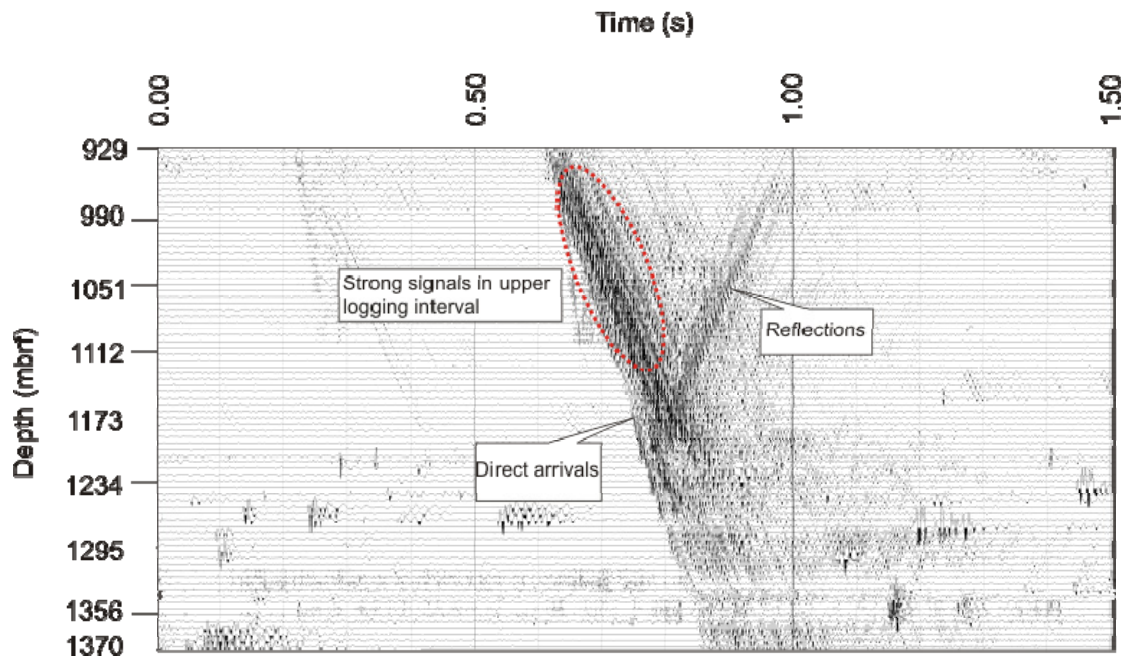


**Figure 17.** VSP from Phase I highlighting problems experienced during acquisition.

Figures 17 and 18 illustrate the significant improvement in data quality achieved by allowing time between shots for the hydrophone receiver to settle. Direct arrivals from Phase I are clearly visible between 0.60 s and 1.10 s TWT over the depth range. A strong reflection occurs at ~1874 m depth (1.30 s TWT).

Phase II displays direct arrivals between 0.60 s and 1.00 s TWT over a shorter depth range than Phase I (929-1370 m). A clear reflection is visible in the upper section at ~1170 m depth (0.80 s TWT). In order to produce a suitable and complete vertical seismic profile, Phase I and II were merged together (Fig. 18).

This essentially resolved the upper section of the depth range sampled by downhole logging where weak low quality data was recorded. Seismic processing was carried out on the merged VSP data in order to produce the final section.



**Figure 18.** VSP from the shorter Phase II acquisition which re-sampled the upper logging interval.

The presence of dominant P to S conversions (Fig. 20) and coherent noise within the VSP dataset prohibits any direct correlations to be made with the borehole stratigraphy, without further comprehensive data processing. For the purpose of this study, the aim of all data acquisition and processing was to develop detailed images to facilitate accurate seismic interpretation of the stratigraphy in the vicinity of the drill site.

Figure 20 identifies P-S conversions, which correspond to the clear reflections evident from both Phase I and Phase II. A narrow window of P-wave energy lies between 0.60 s and 1.30 s TWT, between the P- and S-wave arrivals. Only S-wave energy is present at times greater than the S-wave arrival. Overall the VSP data was of most use for time/depth information. Reflections provided minimal knowledge due to the overwhelming presence of P-S conversions.



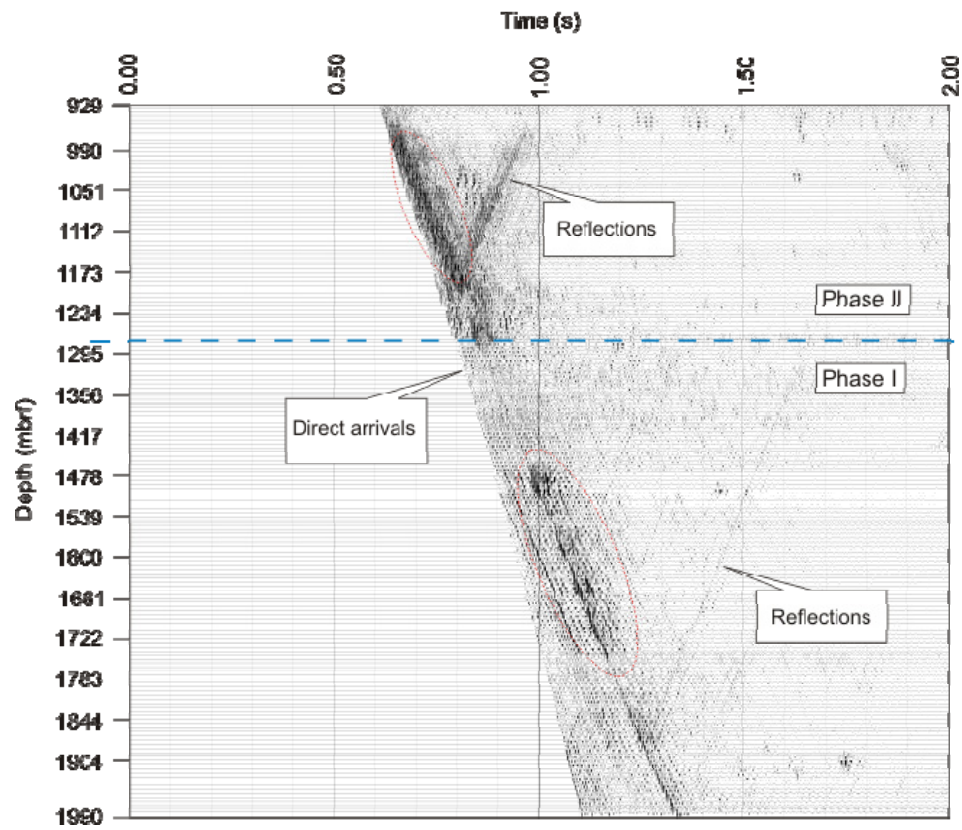


Figure 19. Merged VSP highlighting the contributions of both phases of data.

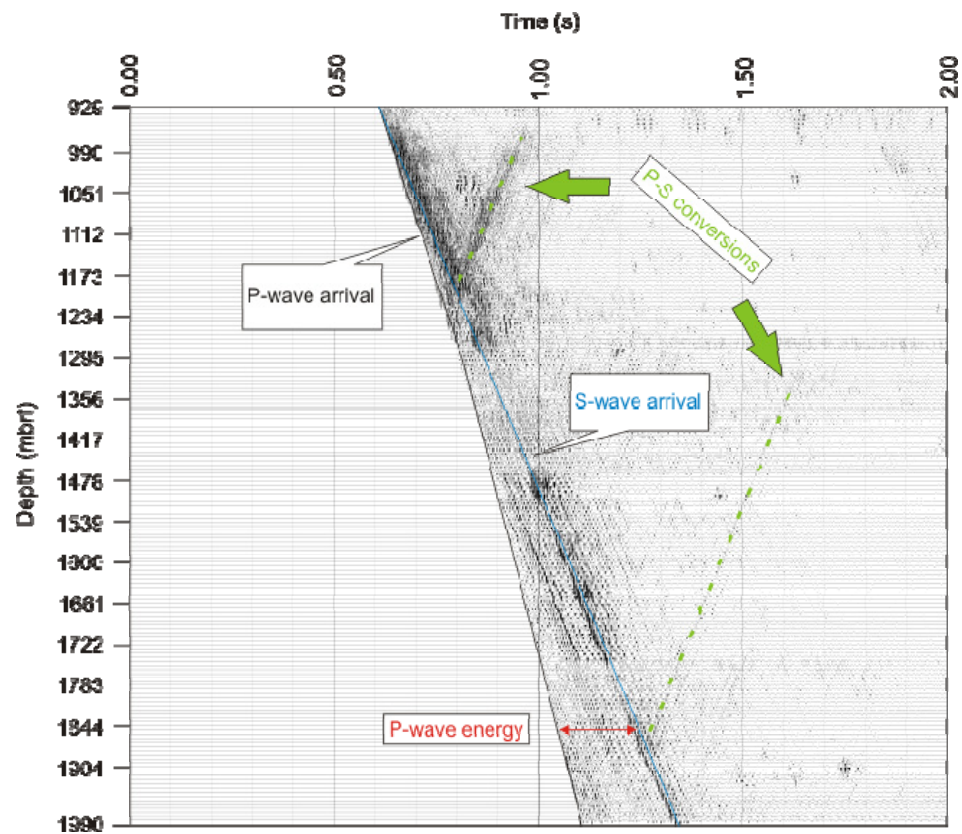


Figure 20. P-wave and S-wave reflection wavefields, and P to S conversions.

## 4: Seismic Stratigraphic Interpretation

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An extensive network of seismic data now exists in the southern VLB, from which the most comprehensive review of the stratigraphic framework has been presented by Fielding et al. (20078). It incorporates all available seismic reflection data from the McMurdo Sound region, and includes drill-hole data from MSSTS-1 and CIROS-1.

This thesis presents a significant contribution to the seismic stratigraphy of the VLB (Table. 5) through analyses of the on-ice MIS seismic grid that broadens the stratigraphic architecture to the east and centre of the basin. Correlation with the AND-1B drill hole (refer to chapter 5) allows regional sequence and lithostratigraphic interpretation, with a chronostratigraphic framework. Twenty-two sub-seafloor horizons have been interpreted across the entire grid of seismic lines. Five can be correlated into the scheme of Fielding et al. (20078) using a seismic well-tie, and seventeen horizons are new to the stratigraphic network. These new horizons are located within seismic units and bound thinner packages of sediment. Five seismic facies have been interpreted (Table. 6) and are described in this chapter.

The correlation with the AND-1B record allows the 3-D architecture of the VLB, and its development, to be evaluated in terms of known climatic and tectonic influences during the Late Cenozoic (refer to chapter 6).

**Table 5.** Seismic stratigraphic framework for this study showing correlation to previous seismic stratigraphic schemes.

Cooper et al., 1987	Anderson & Bartek, 1992	Brancolini et al., 1995	Bartek et al., 1996	Horgan et al., 2005	Fielding et al., 2006	Rift Phase	This Study	Unit
V1			A-B	Unit IA	Rk		Rk	M5
	3/27	RSU 1?	C-D?	Surface A2	Rj		Rj	
			A-H	Unit IB			Rk	
	5/6	RSU 2	E-F	Surface A1	Rv		Rk	
		RSS 5-6 (MIDDLE MIOCENE IN DSOP 273) RSU4 (LOWER MIOCENE IN DSOP 273) RSS4	G-H	Unit II			Rj	M4
							Rj	
							Rj	
							Rj	
	9/10	RSU 4a		Surface B	Rh		Rh	M3
V2		RSS 3		Unit III			Rh	
							Rh	
							Rh	
	10/11	RSU 5	L-M	Surface C	Rg		Rh	M2
		RSS 2					Rh	
V3		RSU 6	P-Q		Rf		Rh	
			R-S				Rh	
V4					Re		Rg	M1
					Rd	3	Rg	
					Rc			
V5		RSS 1	T		Rb	2		
					Ra			
V6						1		
V7								

An analysis of seismic facies and their boundary surfaces aims to define the differences between sedimentary units based solely on their seismic characteristics. These characteristics include: reflector amplitude, vertical reflector frequency, reflector polarity, interval velocity, lateral continuity of reflectors, abundance of reflectors, and facies geometry (Roksandic, 1978). Seismic facies can be used to infer geological parameters of units, such as lithology, but also allow preliminary (pre-drilling) interpretations of the depositional processes and environments that may be represented by the units. This interpretation was critical to the siting of the AND-1B drill hole.








Key criteria for this were to find a location with: (1) the thickest late Cenozoic record (2) limited structural complications such as faults (3) no primary volcanic features (4) the least unconformities and (5) the most distal marine deposits from the ice margin.

Lithologic facies allow a stratigraphic unit to be divided up and made distinguishable from other parts of a sequence, based on characteristics such as: mineralogy, sedimentary source, fossil content, sedimentary structures and texture. In a similar way, seismic facies divide units based on the seismic parameters specific to that unit. The more geological verification there is, the better the interpretation. If a determination of facies is to be carried out on a seismic section (i.e. a seismic facies analysis), it is essential that the acquisition and processing methodology, and all limitations that result from it, be accounted for. These limitations can include migration effects, the presence of multiples, as well as gain and filtering effects. It is important to remember that the resolution provided from seismic data will limit the resolution of facies subdivision and data collected from floating ice is additionally affected by the presence of intra-ice and intra-water multiples.

Notwithstanding this, the information seismic data provide can only offer a very cursory indication of actual geological units and facies (Roksandic, 1978). Secondary processes, such as the presence of gas, compaction, and diagenesis, for example, may also affect seismic parameters. It is for these reasons that seismic facies do not always correspond to lithologic facies.

**Table 6.** Characteristics used to distinguish seismic facies in Windless Bight.

	Facies Name	Occurrence	Vertical Reflector Frequency	Lateral Reflector Continuity	Reflector Geometry	Amplitude	Inferred Lithology
	MSF-1	Most common	High	High	Flat-lying, Parallel	High	Coarse-grained glaciogenic and fine-grained marine sediments
	MSF-2	Common	Moderate to low	Moderate	N/A	Low	Fine-grained homogenous sandstone/mudstone
	MSF-3	Rare	Moderate	Moderate	Chaotic	Moderate	Volcanic sandstone
	MSF-4	Common	Moderate to high	Moderate to high	Clinoformic, Semi-parallel	Moderate to high	Coarse-grained sandstone
	MSF-5	Common	Low	Low	Semi-chaotic	Moderate	Coarse-grained glaciogenic sediments

#### 4.1 Seismic Surfaces and Units

The six seismic lines that comprise the MIS seismic grid (Fig. 222 to Fig. 277) provide a stratigraphic architecture for Windless Bight, and the succession of sediments accumulated beneath it. Five continuous unconformity-bounded sequences, or seismic units, were mapped across the MIS seismic grid. The units are labelled M5 to M1 (top to bottom) and are separated by five seismic surfaces labelled Rk to Rg (top to bottom), as per the naming scheme established by Fielding et al. (20078). These previously recognised, regionally-extensive, unconformities are marked by either stratal truncation below and/or onlap above. Onlap of strata onto the seismic surfaces possibly indicates transgression and thus a receding shoreline, but could also represent the effect of differential subsidence due to loading of the lithosphere caused

by sediments, volcanoes, or faulting. This study identifies 17 additional reflectors throughout the seismic grid, labelled  $Rk_5$  to  $Rg_1$  (top to bottom) (Fig. 211). These surfaces bound higher frequency sedimentary packages interpreted as glacial-marine cycles (refer to chapter 5). Prior to drilling, these high resolution units were speculated to be cycles of glacial advance and retreat of possible Milankovitch duration.

All six seismic lines that comprise the MIS seismic grid were imported into Schlumberger's GeoFrame™ interpretation software. The lines were first interpreted individually, and then viewed as both a composite path and vertical foldout at tie-points (i.e. where one line intersected another). Interpretation began with MIS-1 so as to trace reflectors away from the bore hole. Paper prints of individual lines were also interpreted independently to serve as a quality control mechanism. For each line, the interpretation was carried out from the seafloor down. Particular attention was given to matching the lines at the tie points in order to develop the most accurate and coherent grid of data possible. The presence of seafloor multiples, due to seismic waves ringing between the ice shelf and the seafloor, limited the range of data in which to interpret. Amplitude data were not normalised across all the surveys. Nevertheless, the data retain information on the relative reflection geometry.

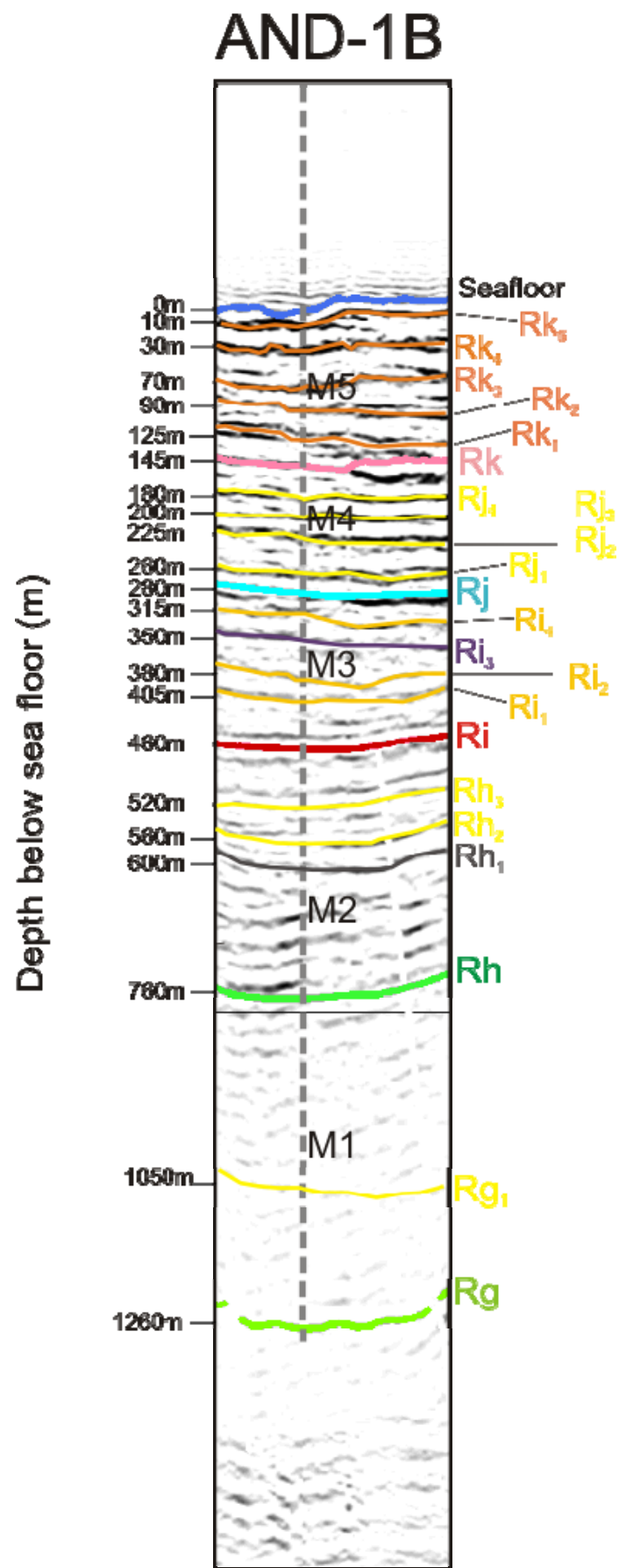
It is important to note that the lines were not processed in exactly the same way or by the same processor. MIS-1 was processed by Balfour (2002); HPP-2 and MIS-2 were processed by Horgan (2005) with MIS-3, MIS-4 and MIS-5 processed in this study. Due to the strong influence of magmatism in the area, some sections of the seismic profiles are partially obscured by volcanic intrusions. Reflectivity across MIS-1 (Fig.

22) and MIS-5 (Fig. 26) is significantly reduced towards the eastern edge of the profiles where the White Island submarine volcanic ridge is encountered. Geometric and acoustic relationships were used to aid interpretation of sequence boundaries across these disrupted areas.

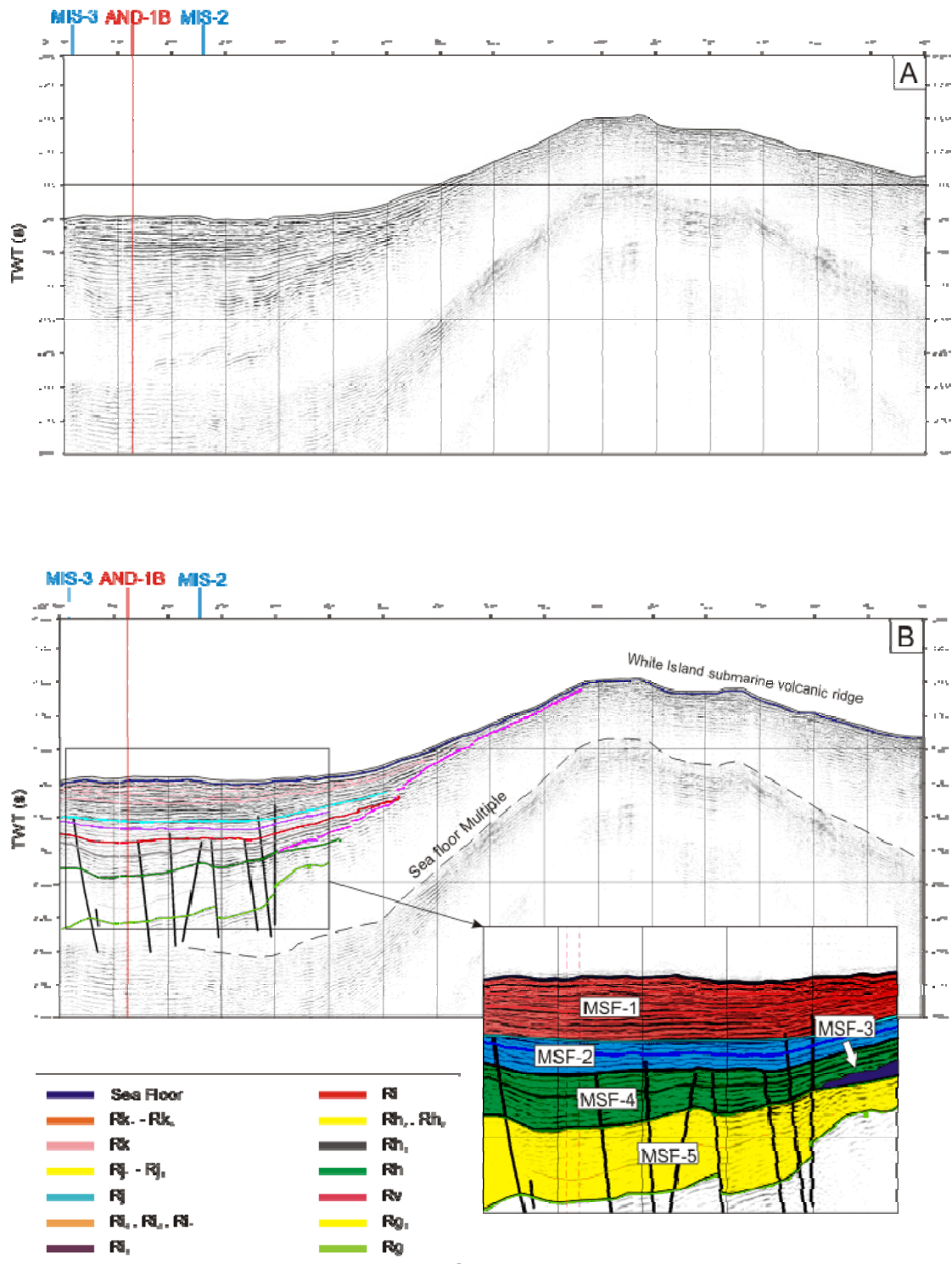
### **Rg surface (*light green*) and Unit M1**

Rg is the deepest and least discernible reflector within the MIS seismic grid. Along MIS-1, the surface is disturbed by normal faulting which has caused dislocation and tilting. Rg is not easily identifiable along MIS-2 (Fig. 23) due to diminished seismic reflectivity. This is attributed by Horgan et al., (2005) to N-S trending normal faults that intersect the line at an acute angle. Rg is however quite well imaged along MIS-5, but is again disrupted by normal faulting. It is least visible along the MIS-3 (Fig. 24) and MIS-4 (Fig. 25) lines.

The M1 unit is bounded at its base by Rg and above by Rh. It is characterized by regional onlap of moderate to high amplitude reflections, onto Rg. M1 is dominated by facies MSF-5 and has low reflector continuity. The dip of the facies is attributed to the faulting. Time/depth information from the seismic profiles suggests that the unit is approximately 200 m to 500 m thick throughout the grid. Along the MIS-1 line through the well-site it is ~500 m thick but moving north along MIS-2 the unit thins to ~200 m thick, although interpretation is limited by poor reflectivity at depth along MIS-2. One reflector, Rg<sub>1</sub>, has been identified within unit M1. It is a smooth, broadly undulating surface but is not laterally continuous throughout the grid and is only weakly visible along MIS-1 and MIS-2.



**Figure 21.** Identification and depth to seismic surfaces through AND-1B.



**Figure 22.** MIS-1 seismic line both non-interpreted (A) and interpreted (B). Inset of B identifies seismic facies. Larger figure can be found in Appendix F.

## Interpretation

The Rg reflector is one of many well-defined unconformities across the MIS seismic grid marked by truncation of underlying strata and onlap of overlying strata. The M1 unit is interpreted as alterations of alterations of coarse-grained glacial and fine-grained marine sediments, as they produce moderate amplitude alternating reflectors.

The presence of faulting above the Rg surface is one reason to suggest that it marks the onset of an episode of rifting; the Terror Rift rifting phase (Cooper et al., 1987; Wilson, 1995; Salvini et al., 1997; Fielding et al., 2007; Henrys et al., in press).

Seismically, the M1 unit thickens toward the Erebus moat region. The similarity in geometry between the marine seismic profiles from the McMurdo Sound (e.g. Henrys et al., in press) and the sequences within the MIS seismic grid, suggests that M1 represents a continuation of the Early Miocene sedimentation above the 17 Ma unconformity in the CRP cores. This further supports that the Rg surface is associated with renewed rifting. It is likely, based on the amount that has accumulated that the section records sediments of Middle Late Miocene age and has had substantial influence by glacial advance and retreat (Fielding et al., 2007). Cross-sections across the Victoria Land Basin reveal that the sediments deposited above Rg thicken for several hundred metres towards the centre, and taper at both the eastern and western margins; creating a steep head rifting geometry. Furthermore in chapter 5 an age of 13.8 Ma is established for the Rg reflector which also corresponds to a period of widespread cooling and Antarctic ice sheet expansion.

### **Rh surface (*dark green*) and Unit M2**

Rh is characterized by truncation of the underlying discontinuous to continuous, moderate-amplitude reflections of unit M1, and regional onlap of high amplitude reflections (unit M2) above. It occurs at a depth of ~760 mbsf along MIS-1. Rh is also influenced by N-S trending normal faults, but not to the same degree as Rg. Regionally, Rh is moderately smooth and undulating, and correlates with the base of volcanic bodies (Rv) in the VLB (Fielding et al., 2007) (e.g. White Island).

Unit M2 ranges in thickness from ~230 m to ~450 m. It has a greater thickness along the southern profiles (MIS-1, MIS-2, MIS-3), but thins significantly moving northward along MIS-2, and on MIS-5. Unit M2 is bound at its lower limit by Rh and at its upper limit by Ri, and is dominated by seismic facies MSF-4. Within the upper part of M2 are three reflectors, namely Rh<sub>1</sub>, Rh<sub>2</sub>, and Rh<sub>3</sub>. These horizons are moderately smooth and parallel throughout the area. Towards the eastern end of MIS-1, and along the northern half of MIS-2, the Rh<sub>3</sub> reflector is truncated over a small section by the Ri surface.

### **Interpretation**

Volcanic rocks that comprise a submarine volcanic ridge extending from beneath White Island have been mapped above Rh, along MIS-1 and MIS-5. An age of  $7.65 \pm 0.69$  Ma for White Island has been presented by Cooper et al. (2007) therefore allowing a reasonable inference of the same age for Rh. The relationship between Rh, volcanic deposits, and significant thickening of the section above, strongly suggests that the formation of Rh and the overlying M2 unit was to some extent due to tectonic processes and is associated with a phase of volcanism. This association with normal



faulting and volcanism is interpreted by Fielding et al. (2007) as the onset of renewed rifting in the VLB linked to the initiation of the Terror Rift.

### **Ri surface (*red*) and Unit M3**

Ri is marked above by onlap of low-amplitude reflections, onto the high-amplitude reflections in unit M2. The presence of this low-amplitude, seismically opaque interval (unit M3) superjacent to Ri, makes it the most easily detectable unconformity across the region. The surface displays minimal truncation of subjacent strata, is smooth, and is considered a conformable boundary. Ri is located at a depth of ~460 mbsf. It is marked above by clinoform downlap and near volcanoes by onlap.

Unit M3 as a whole has a thickness of between ~180 m and ~270 m, however in the immediate vicinity of the drill site, it is comprised chiefly of the ~110 m-thick seismically opaque unit in its upper section. Despite this, four horizons (Ri<sub>1</sub> to Ri<sub>4</sub>) can be mapped, albeit weakly, through the unit. These horizons are mainly parallel and moderately smooth, with minor irregularities seen along MIS-2. M3 maintains a consistent thickness across all profile lines except MIS-3 and MIS-4 where it thickens. M3 corresponds well to facies MSF-2.

### **Interpretation**

Based on its low amplitude seismically opaque character, unit M3 is likely to be a homogenous interval of sandstone/mudstone. Fielding et al. (2007) correlate Ri to the base of prograding clinoforms north of Ross Island, and associate the surface with the beginning of flexural subsidence linked to the onset of volcanic loading on Ross Island. Clinoform geometries indicate progradation broadly eastward from the TAM into the VLB, north of Ross Island (Fielding et al., 2007). In cross-section across the

VLB, as seen best on MIS-5 and HPP-2 (Fig. 27), M3 is observed as an eastward thickening wedge of sediments. Ri has been attributed an age of 4.6-4.0 Ma based on its correlation to the litho- and biostratigraphy of the MSSTS-1 core (Fielding et al., 2006), where Ri is located in close proximity to a sample of microfossils of Pliocene age.

### **Rj surface (*turquoise*) and Unit M4**

Rj constitutes a young broadly undulating unconformity separated by alternating high and low-amplitude reflections above (M4), and moderate-amplitude reflections below (M3). It is laterally continuous across the entire grid of seismic data.

Unit M4 is ~70 m to 170 m thick and contains within it strongly alternating high- and low-amplitude reflections (Rj<sub>1</sub> to Rj<sub>4</sub>). At the location of the drill site, M4 is ~135 m thick. It retains a uniform thickness throughout most of the lines, only thinning at the northern end of MIS-2, and thickening slightly along MIS-3. Along MIS-4, unit M4 is thickest, at the western end, and thins considerably towards the east.

### **Interpretation**

The high- and low-amplitude reflections in unit M4 (Rj<sub>1</sub> to Rj<sub>4</sub>) are interpreted to represent cyclicity between coarse and fine-grained lithologies, caused by repetitive advances and retreats of the ice terminus in Western Ross Sea. High-amplitude reflectors are interpreted as conglomerates or diamictites associated with grounding line proximal environments. Low amplitude reflectors are interpreted to represent intervening periods of open marine sedimentation. Assuming Rj was influenced by flexural loading of the Ross Island volcanic edifices, a reasonable age estimate prior to drilling is 2 Ma, as this was when the main phase of Mt. Terror and Mt. Erebus

cone building began producing  $\sim 2000 \text{ km}^3$  (Kyle, 1990b; Esser et al., 2004) of sediment. With this assumption, Rj can be correlated into the Erebus Moat region where it represents the oldest stratigraphic horizon influenced by flexural loading.

### **Rk surface (*pink*) and Unit M5**

The Rk seismic surface represents the youngest unconformity visible in the dataset. It is a smooth, mainly uniform surface with only minor irregularities. A significant proportion of Rk is truncated along the MIS-2 line, by a lens-like structure likely to comprise of overlying volcanic rocks and sediments.

Unit M5 overlies Rk and is the youngest part of the sedimentary succession. It is characterised by alternating high- and low-amplitude reflectors similar to those in unit M4. Unit M5 is flat-lying and parallel, and consists of four horizons (Rk<sub>1</sub> to Rk<sub>4</sub>), all of which are clearly distinguishable throughout the grid. As the youngest unit, M5 is directly subjacent to the, quite variable, seafloor. Nevertheless, it has a thickness of  $\sim 140 \text{ m}$  and is relatively uniform along all profiles except MIS-2 where the influence of the volcanic lens causes it to thin significantly, obscuring Rk<sub>1</sub> to Rk<sub>3</sub> for  $\sim 6.0 \text{ km}$  of the  $\sim 14 \text{ km}$  long line. M5 is dominated by the MSF-1 seismic facies.

### **Interpretation**

Along a profile further north of Ross Island which has a very similar orientation to MIS-5, the sedimentary section above Rk (equivalent to M5) has been attributed to a large-scale clinoform set which downlaps in an eastward direction onto Rk (Fielding et al., 2007). It is possible that this same set extends down to the Windless Bight area. The stratal characteristics of M5 suggest that it is comprised of glacimarine

sediments, possibly diamictite/mud cycles produced as a result of recent glaciation. There is also evidence for erosion within the unit.

### **Seafloor**

Exploratory measurements carried out in January 2003 recovered sediments down to 60 cm beneath the seafloor (Barrett et al., 2005). The recovered cores consist of a diamicton (a sandy terrigenous mud with scattered pebbles) which grades up into sandy mud with a large amount of biogenic silica and diatom assemblages (Barrett et al., 2005). A high amplitude seafloor reflection is visible on all profiles, and is taken to represent the velocity and density contrast between seawater and this diamicton layer (Horgan et al., 2005).

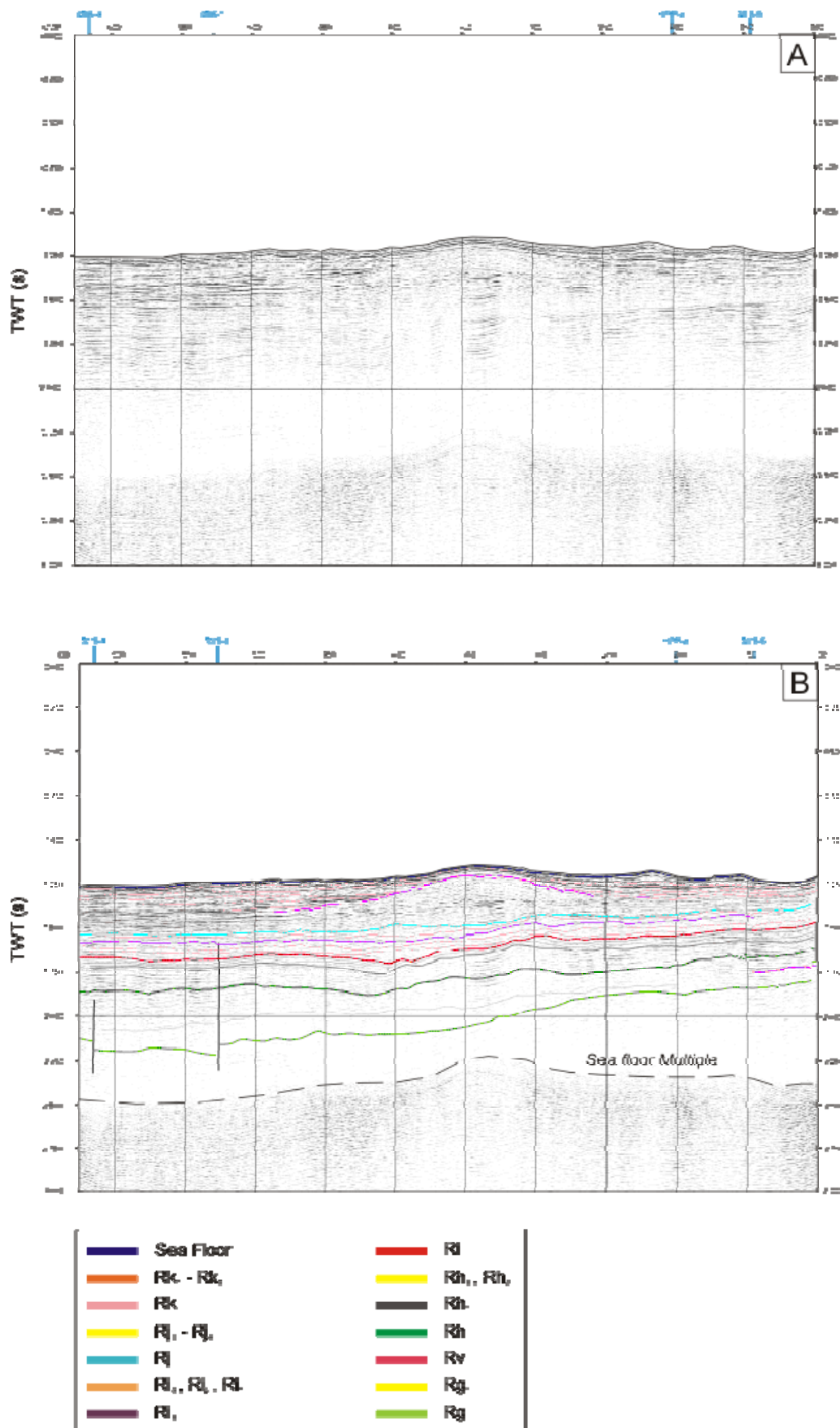
### **Summary of Interpretations**

The interpretation of seismic surfaces and units described in this chapter are based on the reflectivity, lateral continuity, and internal geometry of the strata, within the context of the environment in which they were deposited. A seismic facies interpretation, coupled with the existing knowledge of the region, provides an indication of the types of lithologies within the seismic units (Table. 5). In general, units of low seismic amplitude have been interpreted as fine-grained marine sediments, such as hemipelagic mudstone and/or diatomite. The effect of rapid subsidence and bathymetric deepening, as a result of rift extension and volcanic crustal loading, are interpreted to be responsible for providing accommodation space for the accumulation and preservation of the sequences.

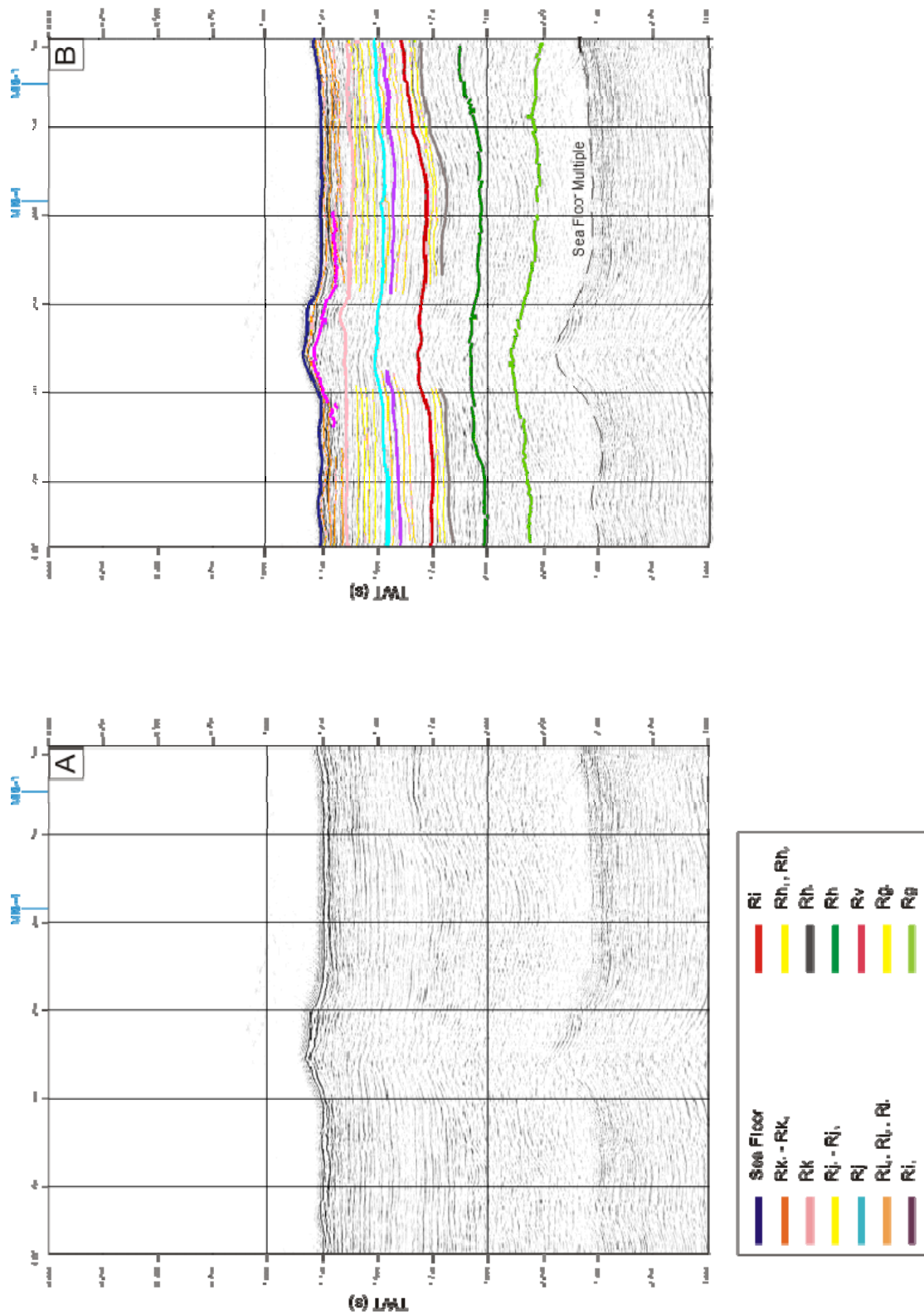
Sequences displaying high amplitudes have been interpreted as more coarse-grained, sediments such as sandstones, conglomerates, diamictites or volcanic deposits. The geometry of the seismic units M1 to M5 is described in terms of sediment deposition into accommodation space created by both extensional subsidence and progressive loading of the lithosphere by volcanoes. Based on the eruptive history of Ross Island, Kyle (1990b) proposed that there have been three phases of volcanism and so three phases of load induced subsidence, which has produced the flexural moat. Mt. Bird loading occurred between 4.6 and 3.8 Ma (Wright and Kyle, 1990a), Mt. Terror loading occurred between 1.7 and 1.3 Ma (Wright and Kyle, 1990b), and Mt. Erebus loading occurred between 1 Ma and today (Moore and Kyle, 1990). Despite the clear influence of glaciation in southern VLB, analysis of individual sequences and seismic facies reveal that tectonics, specifically subsidence patterns, are the primary factor characterizing the stratigraphy.

The connection between unconformities (seismic surfaces) and evidence for a widespread change in the environment however, strongly suggest that a combination of both tectonic and climatic factors control the stratigraphy.

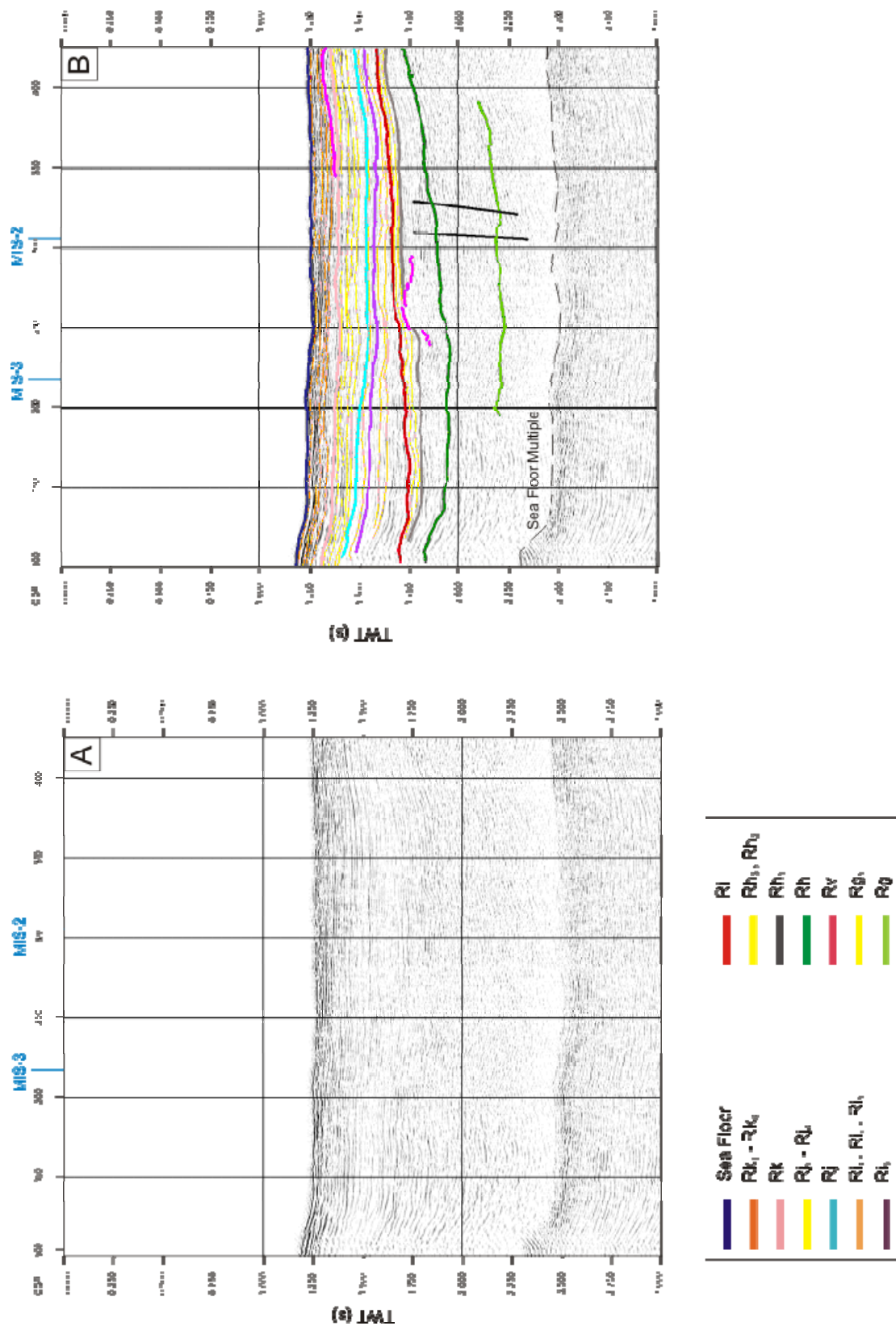
Now that seismic stratigraphic interpretations have been made on the existing network of on-ice seismic reflection data, a correlation to the AND-1B well can be made and this can be used to test the validity of the interpretations (refer to chapter 5). The interpretations can then be used to evaluate the relative roles of both tectonic and glacial/climatic variations on the evolution of this part of the Western Ross Sea (refer to chapter 6).



**Figure 23.** MIS-2 seismic line both non-interpreted (A) and interpreted (B). Larger figure can be found in Appendix F.

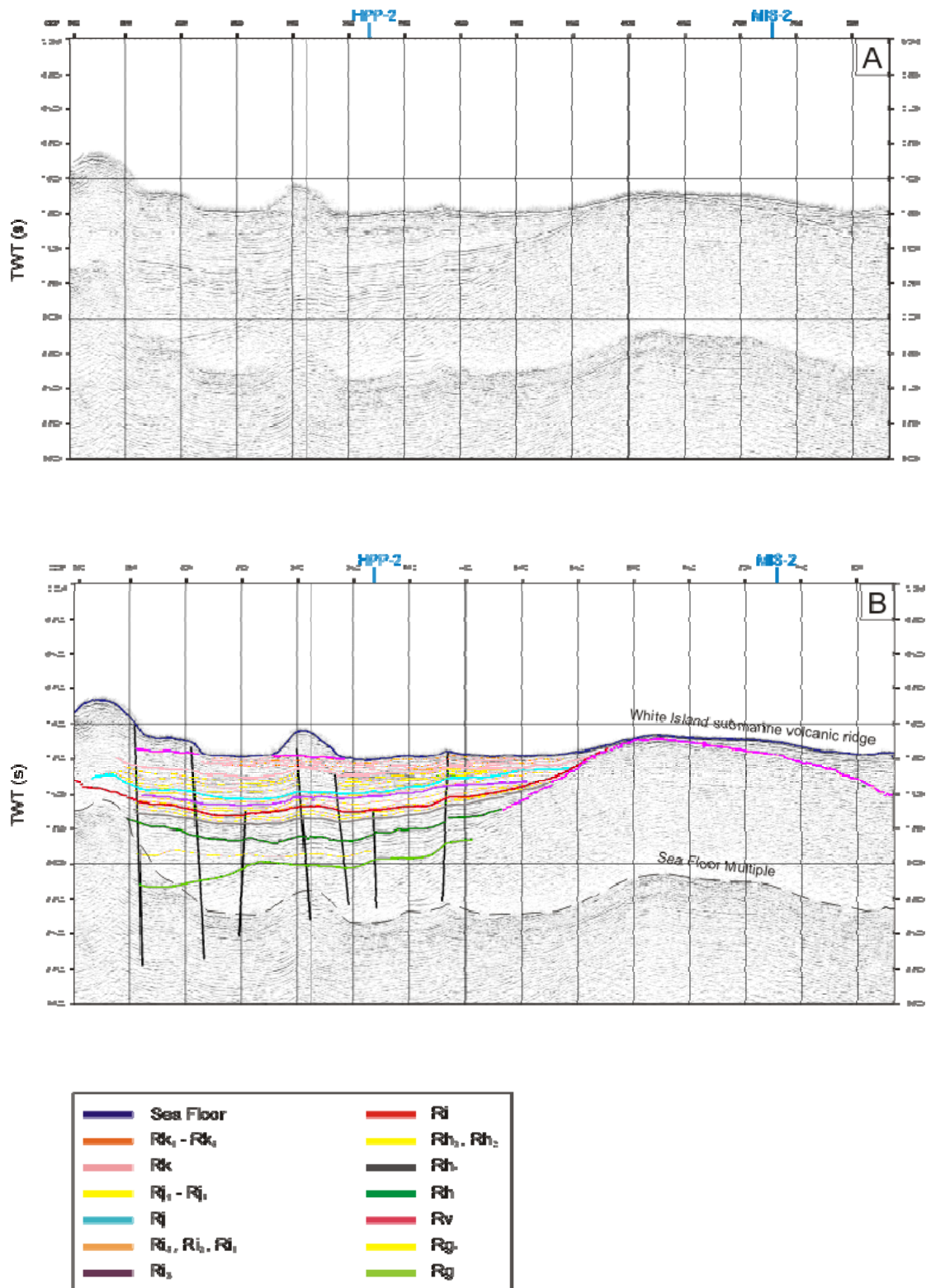


**Figure 24.** MIS-3 seismic line both non-interpreted (A) and interpreted (B). Larger figure can be found in Appendix F.

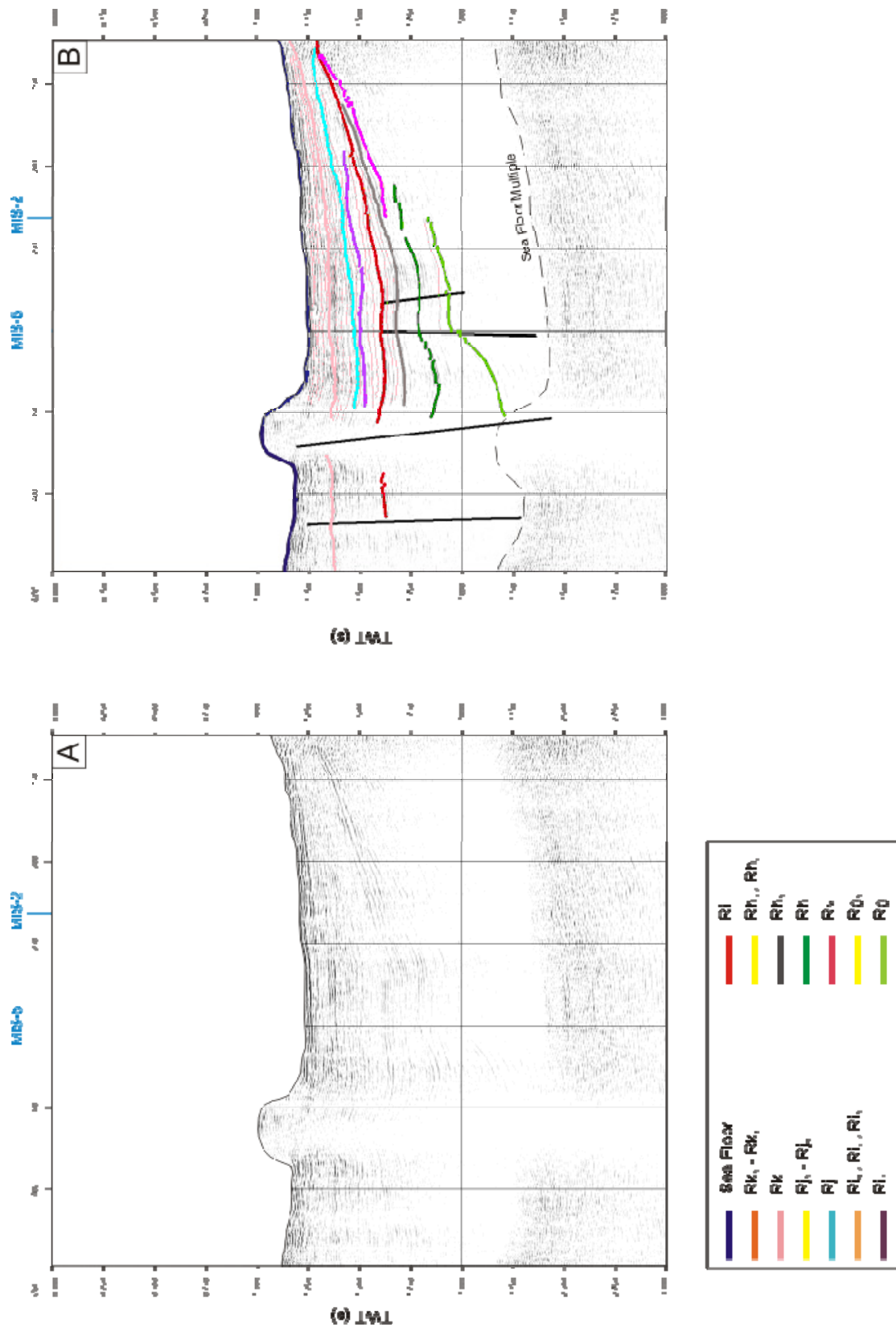


**Figure 25.** MIS-4 seismic line both non-interpreted (A) and interpreted (B). Larger figure can be found in Appendix F.

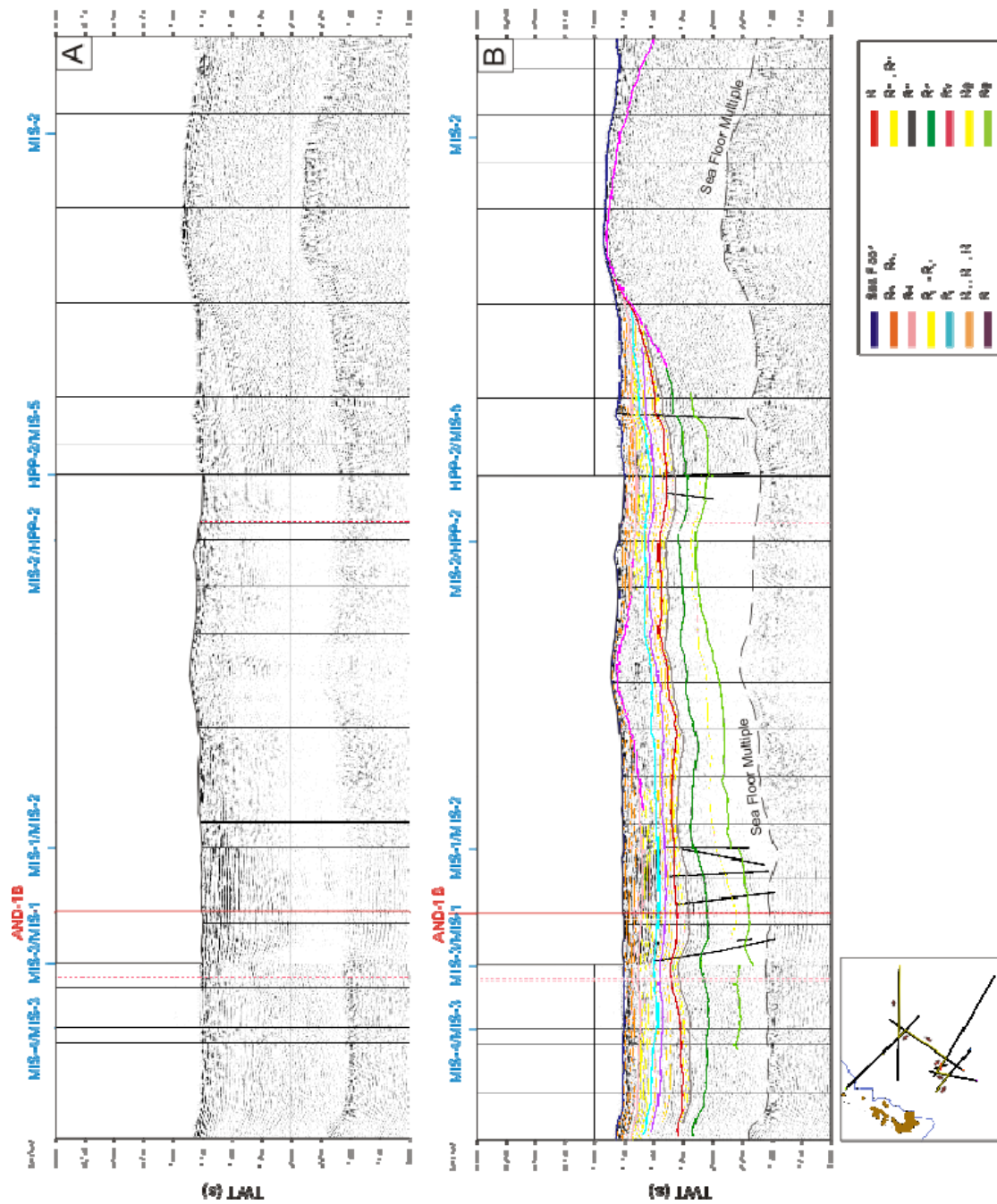




**Figure 26.** MIS-5 seismic line both non-interpreted (A) and interpreted (B). Larger figure can be found in Appendix F.



**Figure 27.** HPP-2 seismic line both non-interpreted (A) and interpreted (B). Larger figure can be found in Appendix F.



**Figure 28.** Non-interpreted (A) and interpreted (B) composite path across entire MIS seismic grid.

Inset shows path direction. Larger figure can be found in Appendix F.

## Chapter 5: AND-1B Seismic-Well-Correlation

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In the previous chapter, seismic sequence stratigraphic interpretations of the MIS seismic grid are presented independently of the AND-1B core and borehole data. In this chapter, a seismic-well correlation is established between the MIS seismic sections and the AND-1B core and borehole data, so that the stratigraphy can be extended away from the borehole. This is to provide a regional understanding of the depositional processes and controls interpreted for the borehole and core data (e.g. Naish et al., 2007aa). To achieve this, lithologic and physical properties data for the core and seismic data are integrated so that a correlation can be made between stratigraphic data (in depth) and seismic data (in two-way travel time).

For a conventional well-to-seismic tie all that is required is the development of a synthetic seismogram using borehole data, which can then be compared with surface seismic data. In order to develop a synthetic seismogram, sonic and density log data are required. Sonic data are a measure of travel times of seismic waves over a unit distance, and so are the reciprocal of P-wave velocity. These data can be acquired directly using a downhole sonic tool, but are also obtained from a check-shot survey. Check-shot surveys are a type of borehole survey designed to measure the seismic travel time from the surface to a known depth, and are used as a means to calibrate the sonic log data. Another way to do this is by conducting a vertical seismic profile (VSP), which is in essence a densely sampled check-shot survey. Using the best possible travel time data and downhole density measurements will produce a high-quality synthetic seismogram.

The well-correlation carried out for this study however was somewhat unconventional. Due to unstable borehole conditions, a density log was not run and due to a failure of the data acquisition system used to run the sonic tool, a sonic log was not run either (Morin et al., 2007). As a result, the synthetic seismogram was developed using whole-core physical properties measurements of P-wave velocity and wet bulk density. As the measurements were made on the recovered core, they are not an *in-situ* indication of density and velocity. Nevertheless they produced a very reasonable synthetic seismogram (Fig. 322) when compared to surface seismic data (i.e. the MIS-1 line) which provided the well correlation.

Due to the failure in acquiring a sonic log, the VSP was not used to calibrate sonic data. The travel time data it provided did however allow for the development of a time/depth curve. Further to this a suite of synthetic VSP's were also developed using whole-core density and velocity values. These VSP models served as a means to test for deviation in the well, and also aided in processing of the observed VSP dataset.

## **5.1 Lithostratigraphy**

The AND-1B core represents a 1285 m-long succession of cyclic glacial-marine sediment from the continental margin of Antarctica. It contains a range of lithologies, including both siliciclastic and volcanic diamictites, sandstones and mudstones; diatomites and biosiliceous bearing mudstones; and volcanic ash/tuff, with one phonolitic lava flow (Krissek et al., 2007). The primary lithologies within the core are diamictites, diatomites, and volcanic sediments and rocks. A lithostratigraphic description was developed based on differences in characteristics such as: abundance,

mineral content, biosiliceous content, colour, and texture/grain size. Accordingly, the cored sequence was subdivided into 8 lithostratigraphic units and 25 subunits to highlight these features (Fig. 299). Subunits were outlined based on smaller-scale lithologic differences observed during core description (Krissek et al., 2007) (Krissek et al., 2007).

Lithostratigraphic Unit (LSU) 1 is dominated by diamictites. LSU 2 is dominated by siliciclastic facies but contains a variety of lithologies, including volcanic sandstones and mudstones, volcanic ash/tuff, and mudstone-rich diatomaceous ooze. For this reason, LSU 2 is subdivided into three subunits. LSU 3 is a ~230 m thick unit dominated by alternating diatomites and diamictites. It is subdivided into six subunits. LSU 4 comprises a variety of lithologies, including diatomite, diamictite, mudstone, and volcanic diamictite; it is subdivided into four subunits. LSU 4 contains a ~80 m thick diatomite layer which records an extended period of open water marine conditions with little or no influence of glacial ice alternating with ice-proximal and sub-glacial deposits. LSU 5 is dominated by volcanic sediments (volcanic diamictite, volcanic sandstone, and volcanic mudstone), and includes a phonolitic lava flow ~2.8 m thick; this LSU is subdivided into four subunits. LSU 6 is dominated by siliciclastic diamictites and mudstones, which are separated into three subunits. LSU 7 is composed of volcanic sandstones and volcanic mudstones, whereas siliciclastic diamictite forms LSU 8 (For detailed description, see Krissek et al., 2007).



### 5.1.1 Lithofacies

Lithofacies describe rock units in order to differentiate one from another, but also indicate the type of environment in which the unit was likely to have originated. AND-1B contains eleven lithofacies that range from open marine diatomites and mudstones, to turbidites, to ice-proximal massive and stratified diamictites (Krissek et al., 2007). Bed contacts, sedimentary structures and bed thickness, are also examined to distinguish lithofacies. The facies assemblage as a whole illustrates a progression from marine to sub-glacial environments of deposition. Facies 1 records the most distal (least influenced by ice) environment, ascending through to Facies 10 which records the most proximal (most ice influenced) environment. Facies 11 covers the range of volcanic rocks that are within the core and offers little information regarding glacial proximity (Krissek et al., 2007).

Facies 1 is a diatomite that is interpreted to record sedimentation in an open marine environment. Facies 2 is primarily a massive mudstone that is interpreted to record hemipelagic environments where suspension settling of sediments plays a significant role. Ice rafting is inferred from the poorly sorted sands and lonestone clasts. Facies 3 is an interstratified mudstone and sandstone, similar to Facies 2. However it contains inter-bedding that is interpreted to record hemipelagic sedimentation and distal to proximal sediment gravity flows, which could be due to grounding line processes or volcanic/tectonic activity. Facies 4 is a mudstone with dispersed clasts. It is interpreted to record an environment much like that of Facies 2, but with increased clasts sourced from floating ice. Facies 5 is interpreted to record a quiet-water setting. It is an interlaminated mudstone/siltstone/sandstone, with a distinct rhythmic nature



that may reflect interactions with tidal currents. Facies 6 is a sandstone but contains a clear volcanic influence and includes well-stratified sandstones and inter-bedded siltstones. Based on sedimentary structures and fining upwards beds, it is interpreted to be the deposits of turbidity currents. Facies 7 is a conglomerate and is unusual in the core. It is interpreted to be the product of submarine sediment re-deposition. Deformation of mudstone intraclasts within facies 7 suggests an interaction with grounded ice.

Facies 8 is a breccia also interpreted to have resulted from sediment re-deposition. The prominence of volcanic clasts and/or mudstone intraclasts in Facies 8, suggests a volcanic source. Facies 9 is a stratified diamictite and hence is interpreted to record a range of depositional environments including: ice rafting or debris flow deposition, rainout of basal glacial debris, or deposition beneath grounded ice. Facies 10 is a massive diamictite thought to have originated through sub-glacial deposition, though rainout from floating ice and deposition by mass flow are also possibilities. Facies 11 considers the volcanic rocks and sediments and includes volcanic diamictites, lapilli tuffs, and the singular phonolitic lava flow.

Sixty unconformity-bounded glacialmarine sedimentary cycles have been identified, representing repeated advances and retreats of an ice sheet across the drill site during the Late Neogene (Krissek et al., 2007). Glacial surfaces of erosion (GSE's) mark disruptions between facies. Those facies immediately below a GSE display a range of deformation features, including physical mixing of lithologies, clastic intrusions, and faulting. Facies above these surfaces are typically diamictites and conglomerates, and are interpreted as subglacial tillites or near grounding-line glacialmarine deposits. In

many cycles, the facies succession reflects retreat of the grounding line through ice shelf into open-ocean environments, followed by ice re-advance characterized by progressively more glacially-influenced facies in the upper parts culminating in a glacial surface of erosion (GSE) at the glacial maximum (Naish et al., 2007a).

On the basis of facies characteristics, three types of vertical facies successions or “sequence-motifs” have been identified (McKay, 2008). Each motif represents a distinct style of glacial-interglacial cycle which are being linked to major changes in ice sheet thermal regimes and climate (McKay, 2008; Naish et al., 2009).

(1) Sequence Motif 1 is dominated by massive, matrix-supported diamictite of sub-glacial origin which passes upwards into a thin, non-fossiliferous mudstone deposited under an ice shelf. The sequence contains no evidence of significant sub-glacial melt-water or erosion. They do however provide a stratigraphic signature of WAIS advance and retreat under cold, polar conditions.

(2) Sequence Motif 2 is characterized by a basal interval of sub-glacial to glacimarine diamictite that passes upwards through a relatively thin pro-glacial-marine interval into a diatom-bearing mudstone or diatomite deposited under open-marine conditions with little to no terrigenous input. The dynamic fluctuations between ice-grounded and open-marine environments offer a stratigraphic signature of ice advance and retreat under conditions warmer than present perhaps similar to west Greenland today.

(3) Sequence Motif 3 displays a retreat succession from sub-glacial diamictite upwards into a 5 to 10m-thick pro-glacial succession of stratified diamictite, graded-conglomerate and sandstone, turbidite, and/or rhythmically-stratified mudstone. These facies imply increased subglacial melt-water and terrigenous sediment supply by the WAIS, and/or the EAIS margin. Motif 3 is characteristic of higher melt-water

production during grounding line retreat, and from nearby terrestrial sources during interglacial times, than occurred during deposition of Motif 2.

A chronostratigraphic framework for the AND-1B core has been developed through sub-division into nine chronostratigraphic intervals; on the basis of the facies cycles (refer to Wilson et al., 2007 and Naish et al., 2007b). Interval 1 is a Late Miocene volcanic sandstone (1275.24-1220.15 mbsf), part of LSU 7. Interval 2 comprises Late Miocene diamictite-dominated sedimentary cycles (1220.15-1069.2 mbsf) which are part of LSU 6.4. Late Miocene, diamictite/mudstone and sandstone sedimentary cycles (1069.2-759.32 mbsf) define Interval 3. These cycles are part of LSU 6.1-6.3. Interval 4 contains a Late Miocene-Early Pliocene lapilli tuff, lava flow, and volcanic sandstone and mudstone (759.32-586.45 mbsf) that are also in LSU 5. Interval 5 contains Early Pliocene diamictite/diatomite sedimentary cycles (586.45-459.24 mbsf) also contained in LSU 4.2-4.4. Interval 6 is an Early Pliocene diatomite (459.24-382.98mbsf) also in LSU 4.1. Interval 7 comprises Late Pliocene diamictite/diatomite sedimentary cycles (586.45-146.79 mbsf), contained in LSU 3. Interval 8 is similar to Interval 7 and contains Late Pliocene-Early Pleistocene diamictite/volcanic mudstone and sandstone cycles (146.79-82.72 mbsf) that are in LSU 2. Finally, Interval 9 represents Middle-Late Pleistocene, diamictite-dominated sedimentary cycles (82.72-0mbsf) that are a part of LSU 1.

A preliminary age model derived from chronostratigraphic data is presently only available for the upper 700 m of the core. The data used for the model include diatom biostratigraphy, magnetostratigraphy,  $^{40}\text{Ar}/^{39}\text{Ar}$  ages on volcanic material,  $^{87}\text{Sr}/^{86}\text{Sr}$  ages on calcareous fossil material, and surfaces of erosion identified from physical

appearance and facies relationships (Wilson et al., 2007). As demonstrated above, a substantial degree of variability in lithologies is evident from the core. This is reflected in the broad range of values presented by physical properties data.

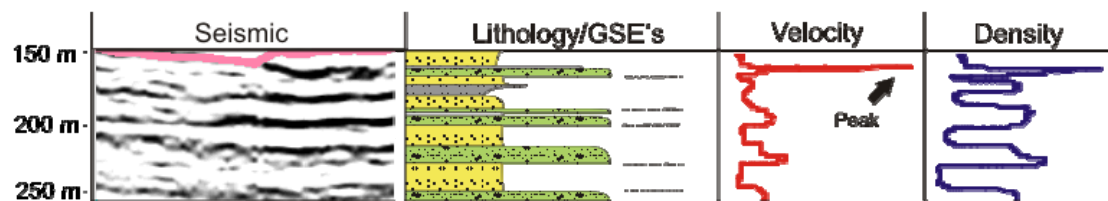
## **5.2 Physical Properties**

The physical properties of rocks penetrated by a borehole provide important information for a geological understanding of reflectors in seismic sections and their patterns and variations (McQuillin et al., 1984). Whole-core physical properties including wet bulk density (WBD), P-wave velocity ( $V_p$ ), and magnetic susceptibility (MS), were determined on-site during the drilling of AND-1B using a GEOTEK MSCL (Multi-Sensor-Core-Logger). On-site determination was necessary to characterize the core and correlate it with seismic modelling in order to predict target-reflector depths. The effects of cementation and the general down-core gradients as a result of sediment compaction can be identified from physical properties data. WBD and in particular  $V_p$  identify these effects, while magnetic susceptibility can be used to identify evidence of volcanism (Niessen et al., 2007).

P-wave velocities range from  $1460\text{ms}^{-1}$  in unconsolidated mud at the top of the core to more than  $7000\text{ms}^{-1}$  in large single clasts (Niessen et al., 2007). The distribution of  $V_p$  is bimodal and to some extent, biased towards higher values based on measurements made on individual clasts. This is due to anomalously high P-wave velocities, measured in clasts of core size or larger. Some high velocities may also be related to cementation and diagenetic alteration. The source of bimodality in the core relates to the cyclic behavior of the core, between lower velocity mudstones and

diatomites, and higher velocities diamictites and the rest of the core. There is an overall linear down-core gradient in  $V_p$  from  $1791\text{ms}^{-1}$  at the top to  $3188\text{ms}^{-1}$  at the bottom of the core. WBD ranges from  $1.4\text{gcm}^{-3}$  and less in mudstones, diatomites and pumice, to up to about  $3.7\text{gcm}^{-3}$  in large clasts. The distribution is bimodal for similar reasons to bimodality in  $V_p$ .

At the boundaries of the major stratigraphic units, a corresponding change in the physical properties can also be observed (Fig. 30). In general, the lower velocity/density characteristics of the diatomite layers, and higher velocity characteristics of the diamictite and volcanic layers are clearly represented. Significant changes in the physical properties are visible between LSU 2 and 3, from the diatomite/diamictite alternations within LSU 3, between LSU 4 and LSU 5, and within the thick volcanic sediments of LSU 5. For the diatomite/diamictite couplets within LSU 3, the increase in velocity and density is visible at the top of the diatomite/base of the diamictite layer. Variability within and between LSU's 6, 7 and 8 is less discernable.



**Figure 30.** Upper section of LSU 2 displaying cyclicity between diamictite (green)/diatomite (yellow) versus depth in core and seismic. Seismic velocity and density variations occur synchronously with lithological changes. Peaks in both curves are seen at the base of the diamictite layers, which correspond to high-amplitude reflections in the seismic data. Diatomite sections correspond to troughs, and transitions to peak values in the curves.

For the purposes of the well-to-seismic correlation, the most significant physical properties were P-wave velocities and wet bulk density.  $V_p$  were converted to vertical acoustic travel times and used with wet bulk density data to produce the synthetic seismogram. Travel times were calculated by dividing the thickness (i.e. depth) of sections of core by the measured corresponding velocity measurement, and then multiplied by two. The accumulated travel times from core velocity measurements were also plotted against core depth to produce a time/depth curve (Fig. 31). Used in conjunction with the MIS seismic profile, the time/depth curves provide depth estimates to reflectors. The physical properties data proved essential in achieving a well-tie. They provided firm constraints on the interpretation of stratigraphic patterns, and allowed the construction of synthetic seismograms and validation of arrivals observed in vertical seismic profiles.

### **5.3 Synthetic Seismogram**

A synthetic seismogram is an artificial reflection profile generated by passing a source wave through an assumed model of reflection points. Bulk density is mass per unit volume and is governed by the amount of water (porosity) in the *in situ* sediment. Velocity (m/s) is the speed a sound wave travels through the sediment. Core and downhole logging measurements such as magnetic susceptibility broadly agree with one another. This instilled some confidence in using core velocity and density measurements to develop the synthetic seismogram.

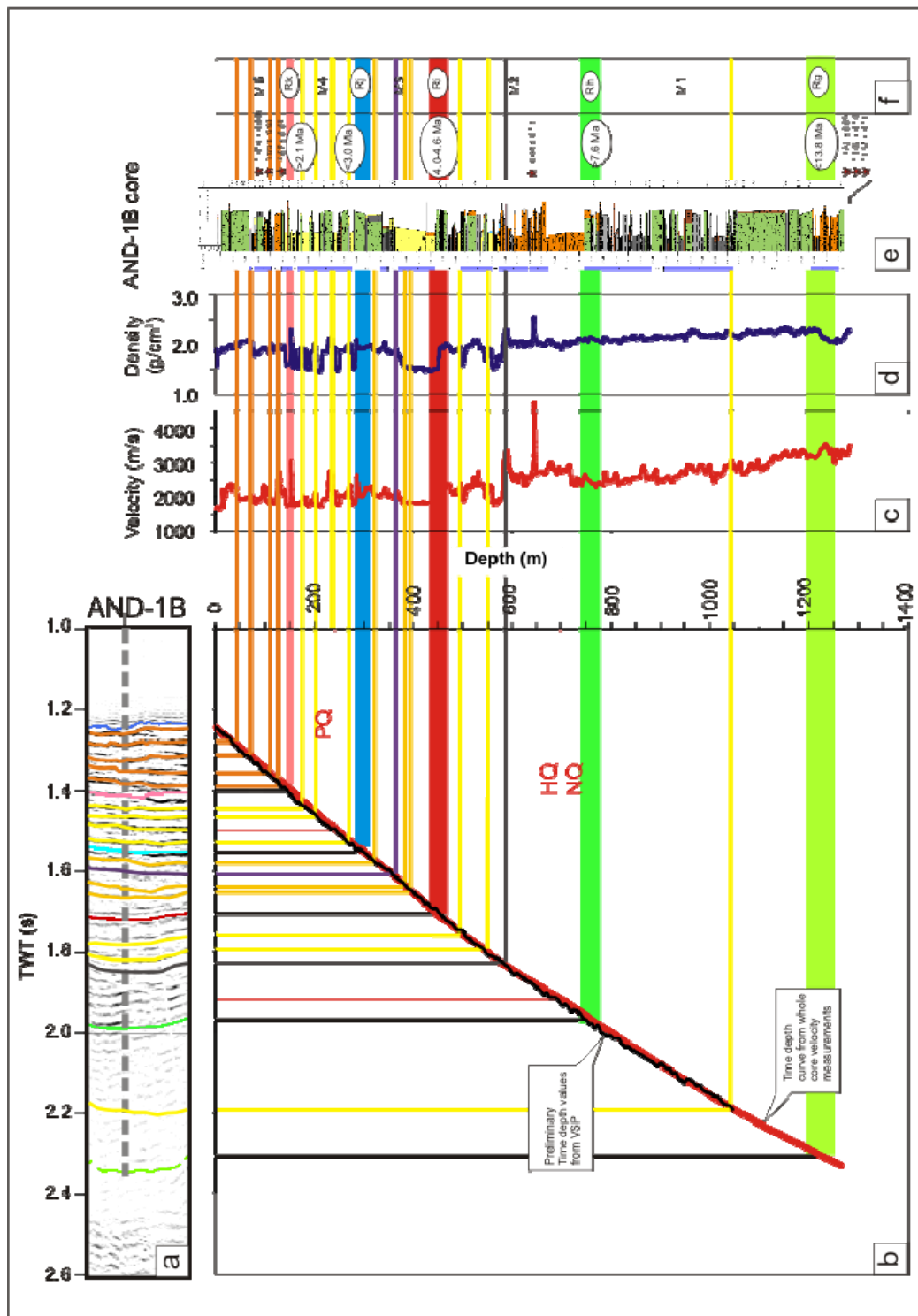
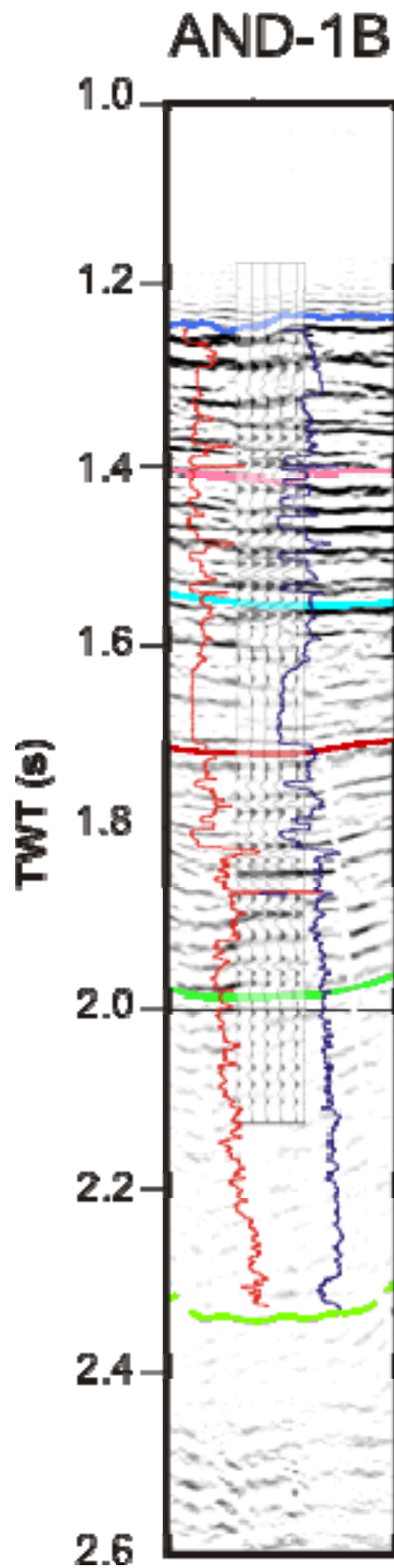


Figure 31. Integrated well-correlation diagram. Whole-core velocity (c) used to derive a time-depth conversion curve (b) to map the seismic reflection section (a) to depth. Core density data (d), lithological logs (e), and identified seismic stratigraphic units (f) are also shown.

Density and velocity data were imported into Schlumberger's GeoFrame™ software, which was used to create the synthetic seismogram (Fig. 32). An impedance profile (I) was calculated by multiplying P-wave velocity (v) by density (ρ)  $\rightarrow I = \rho v$ . By comparing impedance values downcore, the reflection coefficient (R.C.) was computed. This was subsequently convolved with a source wavelet taken from the seismic data to derive a synthetic seismogram.

A number of different wavelets with different parameters were developed and tested, before choosing the optimal wavelet. A 30 Hz zero-phase normal polarity Ricker wavelet was originally used however this was unsuitable due to the frequency content of the data being much higher. The source wavelet was changed from being statistically derived to being deterministically derived as this extracts a wavelet using both the reflection coefficients and the source seismic data. The calculated synthetic seismogram was superimposed onto the MIS-1 seismic section at the location of the borehole where horizons were matched to seismic reflections. The amplitude of the synthetic seismogram corresponded closely with the variations in amplitude of the seismic reflection data. The reflection amplitudes were observed at the unconformity boundaries (or seismic surfaces) between sequences. The synthetic seismogram has only been calculated to a depth of ~850 mbsf, and not for the entire core.





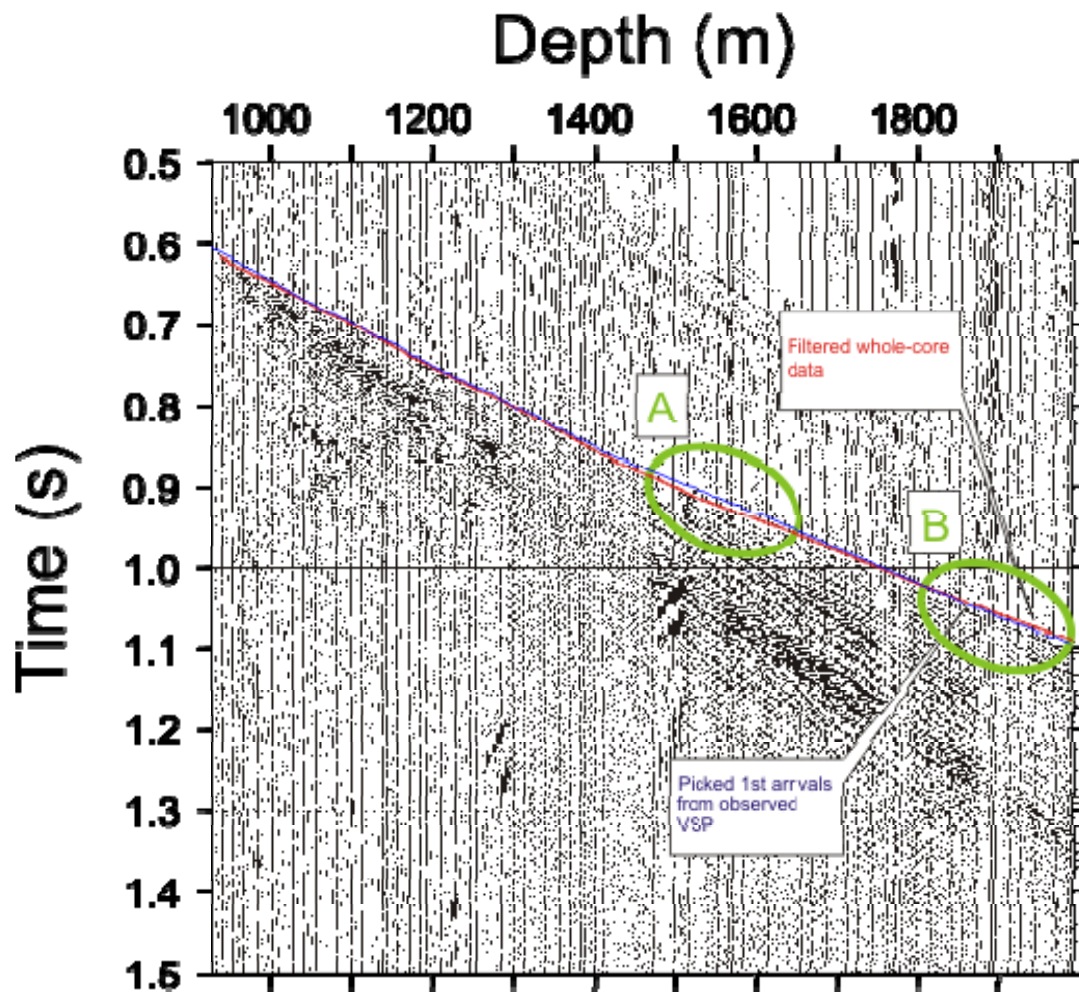
**Figure 32.** Synthetic seismogram, developed from physical properties measurements, and overlaid on MIS-1 at location of borehole. The red curve denotes velocity and is in time (s); the blue curve denotes density and is in  $\text{g/cm}^3$ .

## 5.4 Vertical Seismic Profile (VSP)

A VSP provides a level of resolution that lies between surface seismic data and well logging tools. It allows a direct correlation between two-way travel time and core depth. Vertical seismic profiles are useful because they provide an alternative travel time dataset compared to core velocity data, and can be used to validate the seismic tie with the well. This is important for comparisons with surface seismic data because of the need to correlate the borehole stratigraphy regionally. For this study, travel times from the VSP data were compared to the whole-core derived travel times and synthetic VSP's were calculated and are compared to observed data.

Picked first arrivals from the VSP provide an *in-situ* measurement of travel time with depth into the earth (Lizarralde and Swift, 1999). Because the core comprises of rocks that have been brought up from depth to the surface, the properties they exhibit are not strictly a representation of the true properties. Expansion of material due to differences in pressure and temperature can affect physical properties such as rock porosity, which influences velocity. A VSP time to depth estimate based on direct arrival observations has the significant benefit of being *in-situ*, looking at whole-rock volume from top to bottom, thus offering in some respects a more accurate velocity profile through the sub-surface. Due to the failure in acquiring a sonic log, for this study it was decided not to compute a velocity derived from VSP data but instead compare the time/depth curve from the whole-core samples, directly with the first arrival times. For a fair comparison to be made, the core data was tested for any bias towards higher velocities. Since the velocity data from the core were created from actual measurements, there was the possibility that the velocities were biased towards

higher values based on measurements made on clasts (refer to section 5.2). To account for this, the core data was re-sampled and median filtered at 5 m increments, before comparison with the VSP picks time/depth curve. The two curves match very closely (Fig. 333) apart from two areas (sections A and B) which are explored by comparing the observed data with a synthetic VSP. First arrival picks have an error estimate of  $\pm 10$  ms and an RMS error value of 0.02547.



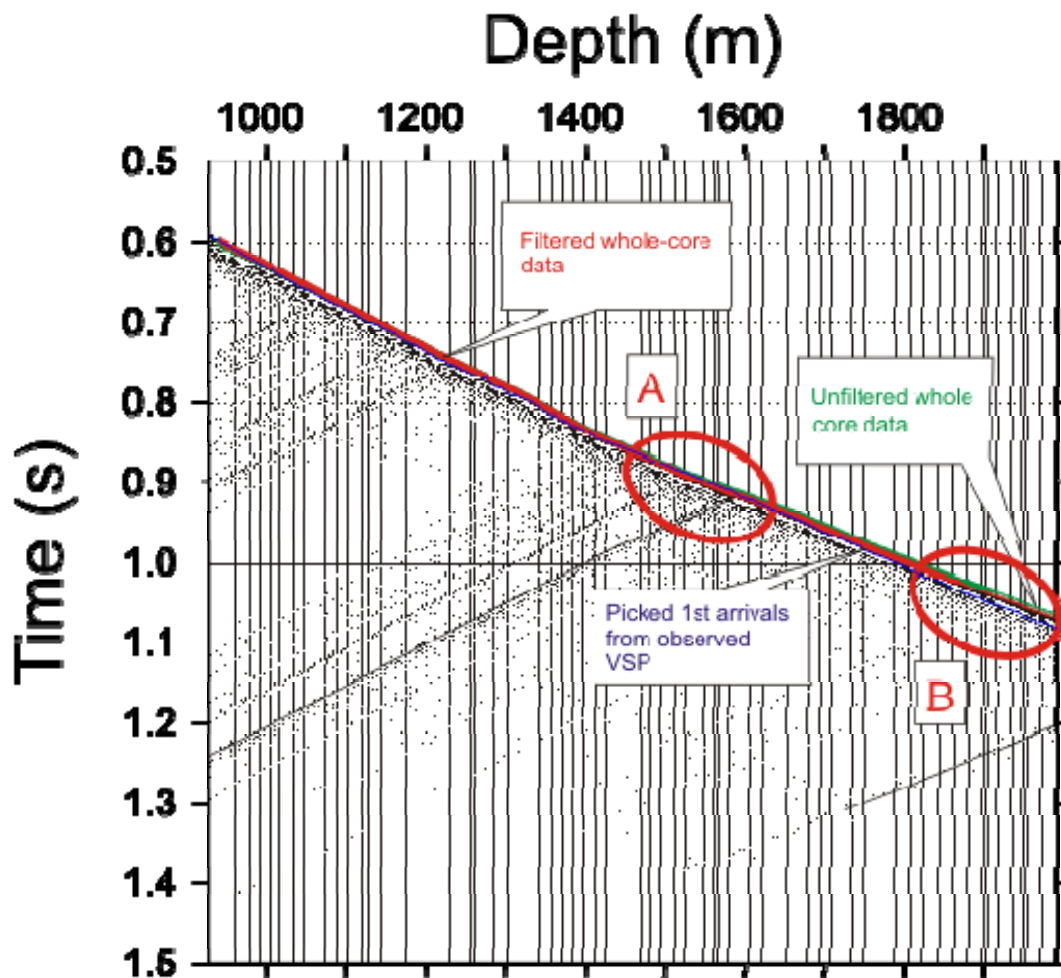
**Figure 33.** Comparison of time/depth curves between filtered whole-core velocities and observed picked first arrivals. A and B identify areas of mismatch between the curves.

To identify the source of events in the observed VSP section (refer to chapter 3), a suit of synthetic VSP's were employed.

### 5.4.1 Synthetic Vertical Seismic Profile

The main advantage of a synthetic profile is its ability to allow comparison of observed data and help to identify the source of arrivals in observed coda. This study has employed Fortran code based on a finite difference representation of the acoustic wave equation (Levander, 1989). The wave equation is a second-order linear partial differential equation that describes the propagation of waves with speed. A finite-difference approach based on the elastic wave equation takes into account the relative amplitudes of the different arrivals, and also includes the effects of converted waves, Rayleigh waves, diffractions and head waves. For this study however, the finite-difference approach was based on the much simpler acoustic wave equation; that is, only the P-wave and density values. Calculation of the synthetic seismograms required a velocity/density grid created as plane layers using whole-core P-wave velocities and averaged layers with a 1 m thickness. The extent of the model was 2 km long and 2.5 km deep. An ice layer 80 m thick and a 900 m deep water layer were introduced into the top of this subsurface model. The grid spacing adopted was 1 m, in order to avoid “grid dispersion”. If the grid is too coarse, “grid-dispersion” occurs whereby the signals computed by the finite-difference method become strongly dispersed (Alford et al., 1974).

In addition, the synthetic VSP's helped in designing further processing steps (e.g.  $f$ - $k$  filtering) for applying to the observed data. Thirteen models (Table. 7) were developed and these were designed to test the effect of well deviation, layer dips and for the presence of converted waves. Although the code was acoustic, we could simulate the presence of direct S-waves by assuming Poisson's ratio ( $V_s = \sqrt[3]{V_p}$ ).



**Figure 34.** Comparison of time/depth curves from whole-core velocities (both filtered and unfiltered), and observed picked first arrivals. A and B identify areas of mismatch between the curves.

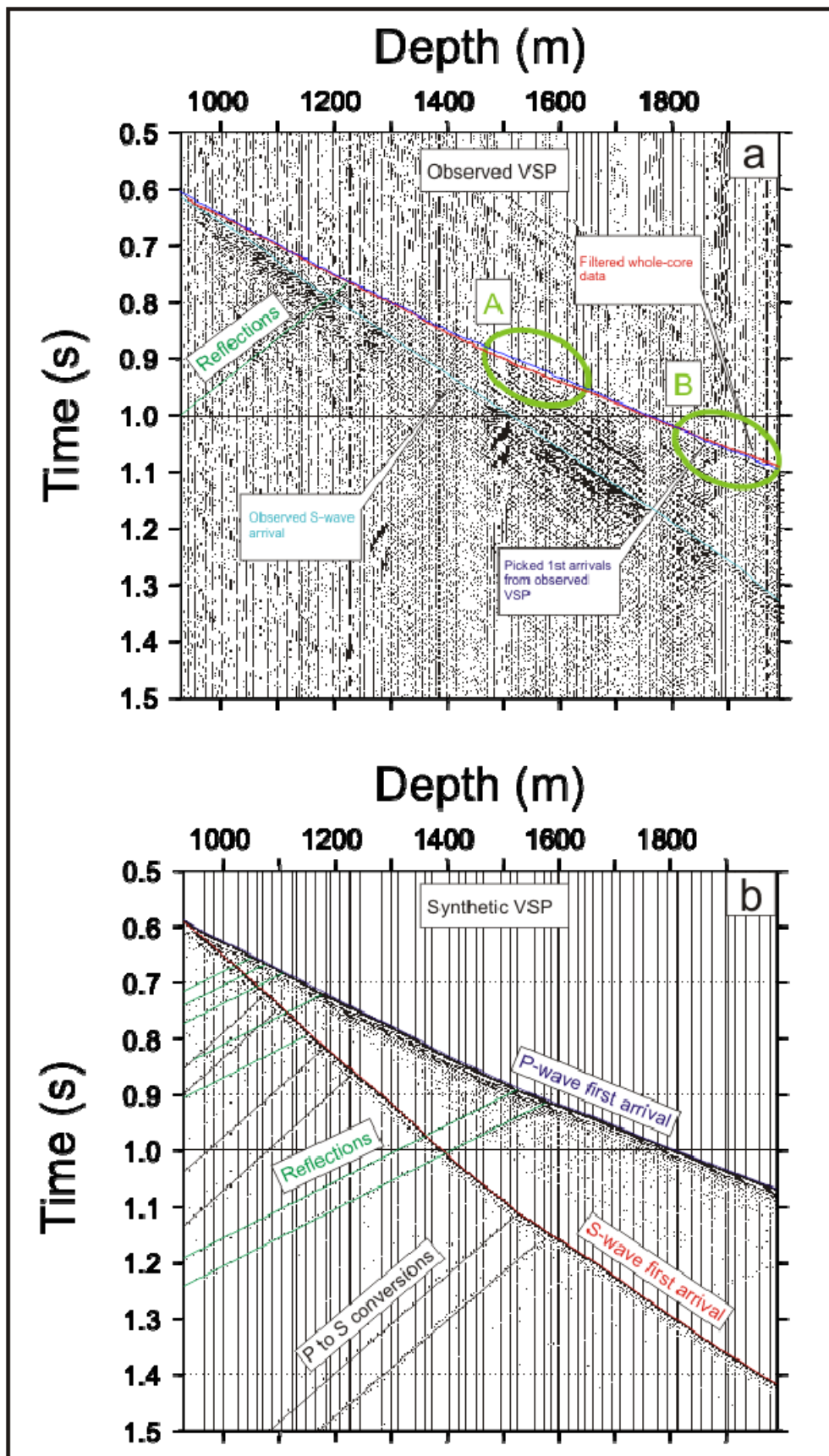
Figure 34 shows the standard P-wave synthetic superimposed with whole-core values (both filtered and unfiltered) and picked first arrivals from the observed data. A reasonable match exists between the observed and synthetic data but two areas of mismatch are identified (refer to Fig. 33). It is important to note that direct comparison of whole-core velocities to those measured from the VSP data is difficult due to frequency dependent dispersion resulting from both scale and rock property dependent effects (Sams et al., 1997). The first mismatch (A) is due to poor data quality over the depth range ca. 600 mbsf and thus poor quality picks of the first arrivals, while the second mismatch area (B) towards the bottom of the well suggests that it may be deviated.

**Table 7.** Summary of parameters used to develop modelled synthetic VSPs.

<b>Model</b>	<b>Parameters</b>	<b>Comments</b>
Standard P-wave	No well deviation, P-wave only, no dipping layers at depth, non-tilted strata, ~80 m offset	Original data, no alteration of or additional parameters
Zero-offset	No well deviation, P-wave only, no dipping layers at depth, non-tilted strata, zero-offset	Source simulated directly over borehole
Dip 1	No well deviation, P-wave only, bottom layer dipping, zero-offset	One layer at 1283 mbsf dipping west at 18°
Dip 2	No well deviation, P-wave only, bottom layer dipping, zero-offset	One layer at 1283 mbsf dipping east at 18°
Deviation 1	5° well deviation, P-wave only, no dipping layers at depth, non-tilted strata, ~80 m offset	Entire well deviated by 5° from surface
Deviation 2	15° well deviation, P-wave only, no dipping layers at depth, non-tilted strata, ~80 m offset	Entire well deviated by 15° from surface
Tilt 1	5° well deviation, P-wave only, no dipping layers at depth, tilted strata, ~80 m offset	Strata tilted west at 10°
Tilt 2	5° well deviation, P-wave only, no dipping layers at depth, tilted strata, ~80 m offset	Strata tilted east at 10°
Tilt 3	No well deviation, P-wave only, no dipping layers at depth, tilted strata, ~80 m offset	Strata tilted west at 10°
Tilt 4	No well deviation, P-wave only, no dipping layers at depth, tilted strata, ~80 m offset	Strata tilted east at 10°
Tilt 5	No well deviation, P-wave only, no dipping layers at depth, tilted strata, zero offset	Strata tilted west at 10°
Standard S-wave	No well deviation, S-wave only, no dipping layers at depth, non-tilted strata, ~80 m offset	P-wave velocities converted to S-wave velocities
Standard P- and S-wave	Combined standard P-wave model and standard S-wave model	Displays area of P- to S-wave conversion

Down-hole logging over the depth range from 692 to 1018 mbsf indeed documented a deviation in the well of ~2.2° in a west-northwest direction (Morin et al., 2007). Synthetic modelling of a 5° deviation improves the match between the observed and synthetic time/depth curves (Fig. 355) and broadly agrees with the deviation from logging data. Other models, using larger values of deviation (up to 15°), were tested but did not improve the fit to the observed data. The effect of tilted strata (not shown) was also found to be insignificant.

Figure 35 fold-out



**Figure 36.** (a) Observed VSP outlining P- and S-wave first arrivals, and reflections. Travel time curves for whole-core and P-wave first arrival picks are also shown (b) synthetic P-wave time/depth curve overlaid on synthetic S-wave time/depth curve.



A final synthetic VSP was made using S-wave velocities instead of P-wave velocities. The time/depth curve for this model, overlaid on the curve for the P-wave model, clearly highlighted the P- to S-wave conversions that are dominant in the data (Fig. 36). Figure 36 shows both the observed and synthetic VSP's. It outlines the time/depth curves derived from P-wave first arrivals, but also indicates the S-wave arrival. Reflections from P-wave data are shown as well as the area of P- to S-wave conversions below the S-wave arrival. A high amplitude wavetrain can be observed following the direct arrival; these are the P-S conversions.

## **5.5 Well-correlation**

A successful correlation of the AND-1B stratigraphy to the MIS-1 seismic line allows a 3-D regional understanding of the stratal geometries within the broader Ross Sea region to be established. This will help refine the stratigraphic framework for the VLB, especially via the ability to calibrate seismic data with actual lithological and age information. This correlation can also serve as a critical link to both previous and future sedimentary record investigations in Antarctica.

The Rg surface is correlated with the top of a m thick interval of Late Miocene volcanic sandstone, and the base of a thick diamictite interval (Fig. 31). This surface was the deepest distinguishable on the seismic sections, and was used as a final depth target during the drilling of AND-1B.  $^{40}\text{Ar}/^{39}\text{Ar}$  ages on the volcanic interval indicate an age of between 13.5 Ma and 13.8 Ma for the Rg surface (Wilson et al., 2007b). Rg<sub>1</sub>, despite only being traceable through MIS-1 and a section of MIS-2, can be correlated to the top of a ~150 m thick diamictite layer which marks cooler conditions

and polar style glaciation at the base of the core. This corresponds to LSU 6.4. Rh is correlated with the base of a ~180 m thick interval of pyrite-cemented, volcanic sandstone and mudstone. The Rh<sub>1</sub> horizon, located above Rh and within seismic unit M2, corresponds to the top of this volcanic interval. As Rh<sub>1</sub> can be traced through the entire MIS seismic grid, it represents a localised regional 'volcanic apron' perhaps associated with White Island volcanic eruptions. The Ri surface correlates in the core to the base of the ~90 m thick diatomite unit within LSU 4. The purple Ri<sub>3</sub> horizon within seismic unit M3 indicates the top of this diatomite section. Both surfaces can be clearly distinguished throughout the seismic grid. Based on the opaque homogenous character of this seismic interval (between Ri and Ri<sub>3</sub>), it is interpreted that the diatomite interval is regionally extensive in the study area.

Rj correlates to the base of seismic unit M4, within which four high amplitude reflectors are visible (Rj<sub>1</sub> to Rj<sub>4</sub>). These reflectors correlate closely to regular alternations between diatomite and diamictite in the AND-1B core. Variations in density and velocity measurements (Fig. 30) complement the observed diatomite/diamictite couplets. The Rk seismic surface marks the top of the diatomite-diamictite cycles of LSU 3, but also correlates to the base of seismic unit M5, within which four high amplitude reflectors have been interpreted (Rk<sub>1</sub> to Rk<sub>4</sub>). Correlating these to the core, the layers relate to the diamictites of LSU 1 and the variety of lithologies, including volcanic sandstones and mudstones that comprise LSU 2.

With the confirmation of reasonable seismic stratigraphic interpretations provided by the well-correlation, a discussion can now be made of the implications this has on the tectonic and climatic evolution of the southern Terror Rift.

## 6: Discussion and Conclusions

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An interpretation of seismic stratigraphic architecture within the southern Terror Rift requires an understanding of fundamental aspects of both the tectonic and climatic influences on their deposition. Firstly, tectonism in the form of active rifting in the WARS has led to the formation of the VLB. This is the first order control on subsidence and the production of accommodation for sediment accumulation. Over time the architecture of the accumulating sediments is influenced by higher-order tectonic processes such as volcanism and intra-basinal faulting, together with climatic processes such as the advance and retreat of grounded ice sheets across the seabed and changing global sea level. As a result, the sediments contain a complex signature of both tectonism and climate.

In this chapter, seismic stratigraphy is reassessed within the context of temporal and geological control provided by the AND-1B core. This allows an evaluation of the spatial extent and geometry of the strata within a robust temporal framework provided by an integrated chronostratigraphy (e.g. Wilson et al., 2007). In doing so this chapter provides a synthesis that contributes to the evolving tectonic model of the Terror Rift (e.g. Fielding et al., 2008), and also identifies climatic events related to the Late Cenozoic evolution of the Antarctic ice sheets. Figure 37 summarises the controls on the Late Cenozoic stratigraphy described in this thesis.

## 6.1 Tectonic Implications

The entire Late Cenozoic section ( $< 13.8$  Ma) overlying the Rg reflector tapers to the eastern and western margins of the VLB, but thickens into a central depocentre where it is intruded by magmatic rocks related to the McMurdo Volcanic Group (Fig. 2). Based on this geometry, as well as the presence of young faults offsetting strata within the overlying succession, Rg has been interpreted to represent the onset of renewed rifting in the VLB (Fig. 37); the Terror Rift phase (Cooper and Davey, 1985). Dating of volcanic clasts at the depth of the Rg reflector in the core, indicates a maximum age of between 13.5 Ma and 13.8 Ma (Wilson et al., 2007b). This provides the first robust constraint for the reflector and dates the onset of Late Cenozoic rifting in VLB following a period of thermal subsidence. Based on correlations of VLB seismic horizons with the dated Cape Roberts Project core, previous age estimates of the Rg reflector have been ‘less than 17 Ma’, but older than about 5 Ma (Fielding et al., 2008 and Naish et al., 2006).

In the core, Rh is correlated with the base of a ~180 m thick interval of pyrite-cemented, volcanic sandstone and mudstone. It is locally associated with products of the White Island volcanic massif and is overlain by a thick accumulation of Plio-Pleistocene glacimarine and volcanic sediments. This strongly suggests its formation was in some part due to the initiation of the Terror Rift. Rh has an estimated age of 7.65 Ma, based on the age of White Island (Cooper et al., 2007). In regional seismic data, substantial changes in both cross-sectional geometry and internal seismic facies are evident at the Rh surface and in the overlying M2 seismic unit.

Regionally it records relative uplift along the western margin of the VLB and possibly represents a major rift-related subsidence event. This interpretation is based on similarities with a study presented by Japsen et al. (2006). Rift flank uplift and subsequent erosion often result in higher volumes of sediment being deposited in adjacent basins. These sediments can be recognised in seismic facies as prograding sequences, with well-developed off-lapping clinoform geometry. Given the evidence of uplift on the western margin of the VLB (Wrenn and Webb, 1982), substantial sediment input from erosion at the TAM Front, and the resulting prograding sequence between the Rh and Ri reflectors observed in the cross-sectional geometry of the central VLB, the process described by Japsen et al. (2006) is considered plausible. Tied to this explanation is the knowledge that warmer conditions existed post-Rh, which suggests that the higher volumes of sediment were also due to climatic influences.

The Ri reflector marks a major basin-wide disconformity and is interpreted to be a regional deepening event (Fielding et al., 2008; Henrys et al., in press). Locally, it is coincident with the onset of loading of the crust by Mt. Bird as part of the Ross Island volcanic pile (Fig. 37) (Horgan et al., 2005). Ri has an attributed age of 4.63131 Ma (Wilson et al., 2007b). The Ri to Rj interval (unit M3) is regionally interpreted by Fielding et al. (2008) to reflect further clastic sediment input to the basin, especially north of Ross Island in the McKay Glacier region. Sediment packages are observed to thicken eastward across the basin, which is consistent with a western basin margin sediment source. This accumulation formed a broad, flat shelf which extends ~25 km eastward across the western slope of the basin (Fielding et al., 2008).

In the vicinity of the drill site, the region was once dominated by the accumulation of a thick pelagic diatomite. This is incongruous when compared to the northern Terror Rift where the diatomite is not present, but may simply be a reflection of the position of the drill site east of the Dry Valleys. Sugden and Denton (2004) have shown that little change occurred to the landscape in the Convoy Range to Mackay Glacier area of the TAM since 13.6 Ma. This suggests that sediment was not actively being produced and thus deposited into the western Ross Sea, which could explain how the drill site location in the southern Terror Rift was able to accumulate such a thick diatomite interval, while coeval terrigenous sediments prograded eastwards into the basin to the north.

Following substantial depression of the crust over ~1 million years, the Rj reflector represents the horizon most influenced by Ross Island flexural loading. Dating from the AND-1B core, constrained by biostratigraphy, places the age of this reflector at approximately 3.0 Ma. This supports the age for the Kaena paleomagnetic Subchron (Wilson et al., 2007b). The results from dating core samples greatly improve the age estimates for seismic units inferred by Horgan et al. (2005) prior to drilling. Above the Rj surface there is a distinct lack of tectonic signatures, and the progradational geometries from the west are no longer present. Any hint of progradation above Rj, appears to be from the south (basin axial). Furthermore, a reduction in sedimentation is also evident above Rj.

## 6.2 Climatic Implications

Unconformity bound stratigraphic sequences identified from previous drilling projects in the McMurdo Sound region, offer evidence for continental scale glacial advance and retreat during the late Paleogene and early Neogene (Barrett, 1989; Cape Roberts Project, 1998, 1999, 2000; Naish et al., 2001). The AND-1B core reveals these fluctuations at high resolution with more than 60 glacial-interglacial cycles visible within the 14-0 Ma record (Naish et al., 2007a). These are interpreted as the result of fluctuations in the marine-based grounding lines of the Antarctic ice sheets, particularly the WAIS, and imply a dynamic nature in the western Ross Sea during the Late Cenozoic.

Every cycle consists of a Glacial Surface of Erosion (GSE) at its base caused by erosion of the sea-bed by the advancing ice sheet, and many cycles display a succession whereby the GSE is overlain by coarse, ice proximal sediments which fine upwards into deposits reflecting warmer, and often open-water marine conditions when the grounding line had retreated from the Ross Sea. In some cycles the facies succession continues by passing into deposits that reflect pro-glacial grounding-line environments during ice re-advance. However, these pro-glacial deposits are often removed by the ice sheet leaving another GSE. This description of the cycles indicates a retreat of the grounding line and is based on vertical stacking patterns of facies observed in the core (Krissek et al., 2007).

For intervals in AND-1B where diamictite is interpreted as sub-glacial till, grounded ice occupied the MIS drill site location. Although clast provenance indicates that this

ice is sourced from the EAIS (Pompilio et al., 2007) via outlet glaciers to the south of Minna Bluff, glaciological reconstructions (Denton and Hughes, 2000) require an expanded WAIS to act as a buttress in order to divert EAIS ice to the drill site location. For this reason the drill site location, and thus the AND-1B core, is believed to record fluctuations in the WAIS.

While the resolution of seismic data is low compared to core observations, our core/borehole to seismic correlations (refer to chapter 5) allow correlation of a number of surfaces distinguished within the core into the seismic data and their local 3-D architecture to be evaluated. While we have invoked a tectonic origin for a number of the horizons, all of the seismic surfaces identified by this study (Rg<sub>1</sub> to Rk<sub>5</sub>) correlate with known global and local climatic events (Fig. 37) during the past ~14 Ma, except for the Rh<sub>1</sub> surface which simply marks the top of a volcanic section within the core.

The AND-1B core has been divided into essentially five climatically distinctive sections, with each section representing a unique interval of paleoenvironments. These paleoenvironments characterise the condition and behaviour of the WAIS in the western Ross Embayment (Naish et al., 2007a). The sections chronologically correspond to: (i) a Late Miocene interval (14-9 Ma); (ii) a latest Late Miocene interval (9-5 Ma); (iii) an Early Pliocene (5-3.6 Ma) interval; (iv) a Late Pliocene interval (3.6-1.8 Ma) and (v) a Middle-Late Pleistocene interval. Glacimarine cycles dominated by diamictite in the Late Miocene and Pleistocene sections of the core are similar in appearance and in the conditions that they represent namely, a cold polar,



grounded ice sheet whose glacial phases are interrupted by interglacial periods that produce proximal grounding lines and ice shelf conditions.

The association of cold-based glaciation and ice sheet expansion with cycles in the stratigraphic interval directly overlying the Rg reflector suggests a glacial/climatic influence in addition to subsidence associated with renewed rifting. Glacial erosion of the sea-bed at this time (~14 Ma) is also consistent with evidence for scour, incision and truncation of underlying strata. This interval corresponds to a major positive shift in the oceanic  $\delta^{18}\text{O}$  records inferred as significant Antarctic cooling and expansion of the EAIS (Flower and Kennett, 1995; Billups & Schrag, 2002). Moreover it marks the transition from wet-based to dry-based tills in the Dry Valleys (e.g. Marchant et al., 1993).

The Late Miocene and Early Pliocene intervals have glacial cycles with dramatic oscillations between sub-glacial and open marine environments with significant quantities of terrigenous sediment interpreted as a dynamic and wet-based grounding line in the western Ross Sea. The inference of a warm, wet-based ice sheet during the latest Miocene is consistent with observations of age-equivalent sediment cores from the Prydz Bay region by Grützner et al. (2003), which provides evidence for a dynamic and likely wet-based late Miocene EAIS margin that underwent size variations at orbital time scales. The seismic data from this study do not show a major surface that is mappable through the entire grid separating cold-based glacial cycles from warm-based glacial cycles, however the Rg<sub>1</sub> seismic surface which is only weakly visible along MIS-1 does coincide with the separation between a thick diamictite layer and the onset of the warm wet-based Late Miocene glacial cycles.



The Ri surface has been tectonically interpreted as a regional subsidence event. From a climatic perspective it represents a transition to an extended period of open-water in western Ross Sea that spanned up to 300 000 years implying reduced ice on West Antarctica and a local terrestrial ice margin along the Victoria Land coast. Evidence for this comes from the thick diatomite deposit that directly overlies Ri, which represents a regional retreat of the ice sheet grounding line at the location of the drill site, warmer ocean conditions, and increased planktonic production. The deposition of such a thick unit requires a sustained period of open-water conditions which span at least six obliquity cycles (~250 kyr).

The Late Pliocene glacial-interglacial cycles identified in this study (Rj<sub>1</sub> to Rk<sub>4</sub>) offer dramatic evidence relating to the climatic and ice sheet variability of the region around the drill site. Chronology and core stratigraphy indicate that these surfaces are Milankovitch cycles representing retreat and advance of the WAIS in the western Ross Embayment. A reduced terrigenous sediment input at the transition into pelagic interglacial units supports a cooling thermal regime of the ice sheet, coincident with the onset of major Northern Hemisphere continental glaciation. The Rj seismic surface (~3.0 Ma) may also represent this major cooling and the transition from a polythermal, cyclic ice sheet to the modern polar ice sheet. A lower sedimentation rate above Rj as well as the loss of the distinctive westerly progradation patterns (clinoforms) observed pre- Rj, support a cooling and stabilisation of the ice sheets as they expanded onto the continental shelf (Rebesco et al., 2006).

Lastly, those surfaces above the Rk surface (Rk<sub>1</sub> to Rk<sub>4</sub>) are indicative of an established stabilized ice sheet through the high-amplitude reflections from seismic

data, and their correlation to polar diamictite dominated sequences within the AND-1B core. The expression of these lithological cycles in density and velocity data as well as seismic data, and their lateral continuity is consistent with a continuous advancing and retreating ice margin.

### **6.3 Further Work**

The full dataset used for this study can provide insights to further investigations such as the intricate relationship between tectonism and climate and its influence on the geological and glaciological evolution of the western Ross Sea, Antarctica. This includes determining the origins of discontinuities and their relationship to Ross Island volcanism and subsidence in the vicinity of the drill site. These data can also be used to help understand the Neogene rifting in the VLB and the implications this has for East-West Antarctic plate motion.

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## APPENDIX A – Seismic Processing Parameters (2005 Data)

MIS-3 Line

### # Mis3Job01.job

- 2). Read in SEG Y data (mis3\_100.csgy)
- 3). Resample data from 1 ms to 2 ms
- 4). Write to disc file (Mis3.dsc)

### # Mis3Job02.job

- 2). Read disc file (Mis3.dsc)
- 3). Apply trace edit using edit file (Mis3.tre)
- 4). Add geometry (mis3.geom)
- 5). Apply spherical divergence correction using velocities from file Mis3\_brute.nmo  
--> done iteratively, as velocity fields evolved
- 7). Apply band-pass filter (8-12-100-140 Hz)  
--> values ranging from 0 to 200 Hz was tested, these values were most effective
- 8). Write to shots file (Mis3.shots)

### # Mis3Job02\_view.job

- 2). Read in shots file (Mis3.shots)
- 4). View shots (using XVIEW)

### # Mis3Job03.job

- 2). Read in shots file (Mis3.shots) using DISCGATH module → outputs CDP's
- 3). Apply static correction using STATIC module to time-shift data up and change trace length from 6000 ms to 5500 ms  
--> this was done to remove the distorting effects from the bottom of the record, that were affecting data higher up in the section
- 4). Apply surgical mute from mute file (mis3.smu)
- 5). Reorder CDP's into CDP order, based on geometry (mis3.geom)
- 6). Apply NMO correction using velocity file (Mis3\_brute.nmo)  
--> done iteratively, as velocity fields evolved
- 7). Write to CDP file (Mis3.cdp)
- 8). Stack data to produce a stacked section
- 9). Apply band-pass filter (8-12-100-140 Hz)
- 10). Apply deconvolution filter using file (Mis3\_decon.sde)  
--> this file created based on deconvolution filter testing. Zero cross-over time observed (10 ms) and filter created around this. Varying gap and operator lengths tested, with one being held constant and the other varying, and vice-versa. Chosen length = 200, chosen gap = 12.
- 11). to 15). Test SCDECON which was unsuccessful. DECONW seemed to work suitably

16). to 18). Write to stacked section using JCS (Mis3.stack, Mis3\_decon.stack, Mis3\_scdecon.stack)

### # Mis3Job03\_view.job

- 2). Read in stacked sections from list file (decon\_compare3.lis)
- 3). Apply surgical mute (cutoff3.smu) to remove ice and water above seafloor
- 5). View each section in separate panels

### # Mis3Job04.job

- 2). Read in stack with DECONW applied to it (Mis3\_decon.stack)
- 3). to 5). Migrate data using FDMIG (finite difference migration)
  - > DX (distance between traces) = 24 [half the geophone spacing]
  - WINDSIZ kept constant at 20
  - THETA kept constant at 0.8
  - VELFILE = Mis3\_brute\_interval.nmo (interval velocities created in isovels)
  - SCALAR value taken to be 0.8
- 6). Write to migrated stacked section (Mis3\_deconwmig.stack)

### # Mis3Job04\_view.job

- 2). Read in stacked sections from list file (mig\_compare.lis) for comparison
  - > regular, decon applied, decon and migrated (Mis3.stack, Mis3\_decon.stack, Mis3\_deconwmig.stack)
- 3). Apply surgical mute (cutoff3.smu) to remove ice and water above seafloor
- 4). to 7). Apply BALANCE and AGC (automatic gain control)
- 8). View all sections in separate panels

### # Mis3Job05.job

--> The same job flow as Mis3Job04.job, but using JCS to create 7 jobs each testing different SCALAR values in the FDMIG module. Values varied between 0.5 and 1.15. Chosen value = 0.8 as it produced the best section

### # Mis3Job05\_view.job

- 2). Read in migrated section (Mis3\_deconwmig.stack)
- 3). to 5). 'If loop' testing different values for a band-pass filter, to remove low frequency noise introduced after deconvolution
  - > frequencies (Hz) tested = F1      F2      F3      F4
  - 0-0    10-70   100-180   200-350
- 6). Chosen band-pass filter = (0-40-110-220 Hz)
- 7). Apply surgical mute (cutoff3.smu) to remove ice and water above seafloor
- 8). to 11). Apply BALANCE and AGC (automatic gain control)
- 12). View FINAL section

## MIS-4 Line

### # Mis4Job01.job

- 2). Read in SEG Y data (mis4\_100.csgy) --> shots 102:178 (refer to observers logs)
- 3). Resample data from 1 ms to 2 ms
- 6). Write to disc file (Mis4.dsc)

### # Mis4Job02.job

- 2). Read in disc file (Mis4.dsc)
- 3). Apply trace edit from file Mis4.tre
- 6). Add geometry (mis4\_june.geom)
- 7). Apply spherical divergence correction using velocities from velocity file (Mis4\_brute.nmo)  
--> done iteratively, as velocity fields evolved
- 8). Apply BALANCE → scales individual traces by a slowly varying or constant scalar, so that the average power (or average amplitude) of the output trace is constant for all traces output from this process
- 9). Apply band-pass filter (8-12-100-140 Hz)  
--> values ranging from 0 to 200 Hz was tested
- 10). Write to shots file (Mis4.shots)

### # Mis4Job02\_view.job

- 2). Read in shots file (Mis4.shots)
- 3). Apply BALANCE
- 4). View shot data

### # Mis4Job03.job

- 2). Read in shots file (Mis4.shots) using DISGATH
- 3). Apply static correction using STATIC module to time-shift data up and change trace length from 6000 ms to 5500 ms
- 4). Apply surgical mute using mute file (mis4.smu)
- 5). Reorder CDP's based on geometry (mis4\_june.geom) using CDPSORT
- 6). Apply NMO correction based on velocity file (Mis4\_brute.nmo)  
--> done iteratively, as velocity fields evolved
- 7). Write to CDP file (Mis4.cdp)
- 8). Stack data (48 fold)
- 9). Apply band-pass filter (8-12-100-140 Hz)
- 10). Apply deconvolution filter using file (Mis4\_decon.sde)  
--> file created based on deconvolution filter testing. Zero cross-over time observed (10 ms) and filter created around this. Varying gap and operator lengths tested, with one being held constant and the other varying, and vice-versa. Chosen length = 200, chosen gap = 12.
- 11). to 15). Tested SCDECON (shot-consistent) but it was unsuccessful. DECONW seemed to work suitably
- 16). to 18). Write to stacked section (Mis4.stack, Mis4\_decon.stack, Mis4\_scdecon.stack)

### # Mis4Job03\_view.job

- 2). Read in stacked sections from list file (decon\_compare4.lis)
- 3). Apply surgical mute (cutoff4.smu) to remove ice and water above seafloor
- 5). View each section in separate panels

### # Mis4Job04.job

- 2). Read in stack with DECONW applied to it (Mis4\_decon.stack)
- 3). to 5). Migrate data using FDMIG (finite difference migration)
  - > DX (distance between traces) = 24 [half the geophone spacing]
  - WINDSIZ kept constant at 20
  - THETA kept constant at 0.8
  - VELFILE = Mis3\_brute\_interval.nmo (interval velocities created in isovels)
  - SCALAR value taken to be 0.8
- 6). Write to migrated stacked section (Mis4\_deconwmig.stack)

### # Mis4Job04\_view.job

- 2). Read in stacked sections from list file (mig\_compare.lis) for comparison
  - > regular, decon applied, decon and migrated (Mis4.stack, Mis4\_decon.stack, Mis4\_deconwmig.stack)
- 3). Apply surgical mute (cutoff4.smu) to remove ice and water above seafloor
- 4). to 7). Apply BALANCE and AGC (automatic gain control)
- 8). View all sections in separate panels

### # Mis4Job05.job

--> The same processing flow as Mis4Job04.job, but uses JCS to create 7 jobs each testing different SCALAR values in the FDMIG module. Values varied between 0.5 and 1.15. Chosen value = 0.8 as it produced the best section

### # Mis4Job05\_view.job

- 2). Read in migrated section (Mis4\_deconwmig.stack)
- 3). to 5). 'If loop' testing different values for a band-pass filter, to remove low frequency noise introduced after deconvolution
  - > frequencies (Hz) tested =

F1	F2	F3	F4
0-0	10-70	100-180	200-350
- 6). Chosen band-pass filter = (0-40-110-220 Hz)
- 7). Apply surgical mute (cutoff4.smu) to remove ice and water above seafloor
- 8). to 11). Apply BALANCE and AGC (automatic gain control)
- 12). view FINAL section



MIS-5 Line

### # Mis5Job01.job

- 2). Read in SEG Y data (mis5\_100.csgy)
- 3). Reset trace headers using SETHEADER  
→ SPARE1=SHOTID CHANNEL=FTRACE
- 4). Reset trace headers using SETHEADER  
→ SHOTID=RECORDNUM
- 5). Reset primary and secondary keys using SETKEY  
→ PKEY=SHOTID SKEY=CHANNEL
- 6). Write to disc file (Mis5.dsc)

### # Mis5Job02.job

- 2). Read in disc file (Mis5.dsc) shots 101:279
- 3). Use CHECKHDR to identify possible problem areas in the trace headers
- 4). Use CHECKTR to print a message if a trace contains samples which exceed the specified value
- 5). Resample data from 1 ms to 2 ms
- 6). Add geometry (mis5\_stuart.geom)
- 7). Apply trace edit from file Mis5\_frontmuted.tre (i.e. zeroes traces)
- 8). Apply spherical divergence correction using velocities from velocity file (recover.nmo)  
--> done iteratively, as velocity fields evolved
- 9). Apply BALANCE
- 10). Apply band-pass filter (8-12-100-140 Hz)  
--> values ranging from 0 to 200 Hz was tested, these values were most effective
- 11). Write to shots file (mis5.shots)

### # Mis5Job02\_view.job

- 2). Read in shots file (mis5\_june.shots)
- 3). Apply BALANCE
- 4). View shots

### # Mis5Job03.job

- 2). Read in shots file (mis5\_june.shots) using DISGATH
- 3). Apply static correction to shift data up and changes trace length from 6000 ms to 5500 ms
- 4). Apply surgical mute from mute file (mis5.smu)
- 5). Reorder CDP's based on geometry (mis5\_stuart.geom) using CDPSORT
- 6). Apply NMO correction based on velocity file (recover.nmo)  
--> done iteratively, as velocity fields evolved
- 7). Writes to CDP file (mis5.cdp)
- 8). Stack data (48 fold)
- 9). Apply band-pass filter (8-12-100-140 Hz)

- 10). Apply deconvolution filter from file (mis5\_decon.sde)  
 --> file created based on deconvolution filter testing. Zero cross-over time observed (10 ms) and filter created around this. varying gap and operator lengths tested, with one being held constant and the other varying, and vice-versa. Chosen length = 200, chosen gap = 12.
- 11). to 15). Tested SCDECON (shot-consistent) but proved unsuccessful. DECONW seemed to work suitably
- 16). to 18). Write to stacked section (mis5\_june.stack, mis5\_decon\_june.stack, mis5\_scdecon\_june.stack)

#### **# Mis5Job03\_view.job**

- 2). Read in stacked sections from list file (mig\_compare.lis) for comparison  
 --> regular, decon applied, decon and migrated (Mis5\_june.stack, Mis5\_decon\_june.stack, Mis5\_deconwmig\_june.stack)
- 3). Apply surgical mute (cutoff.smu) to remove ice and water above seafloor
- 5). View stacked section

#### **# Mis5Job04.job**

- 2). Read in stack with DECONW applied to it (Mis5\_decon\_june.stack)
- 3). to 5). Migrates data using FDMIG (finite difference migration)  
 --> DX (distance between traces) = 24 [half the geophone spacing]  
 WINDSIZ kept constant at 20  
 THETA kept constant at 0.8  
 VELFILE = Mis5\_brute\_interval.nmo (interval velocities created in isovels)  
 SCALAR value taken to be 0.8
- 6). Write to migrated stacked section (Mis5\_deconwmig\_june.stack)

#### **# Mis5Job04\_view.job**

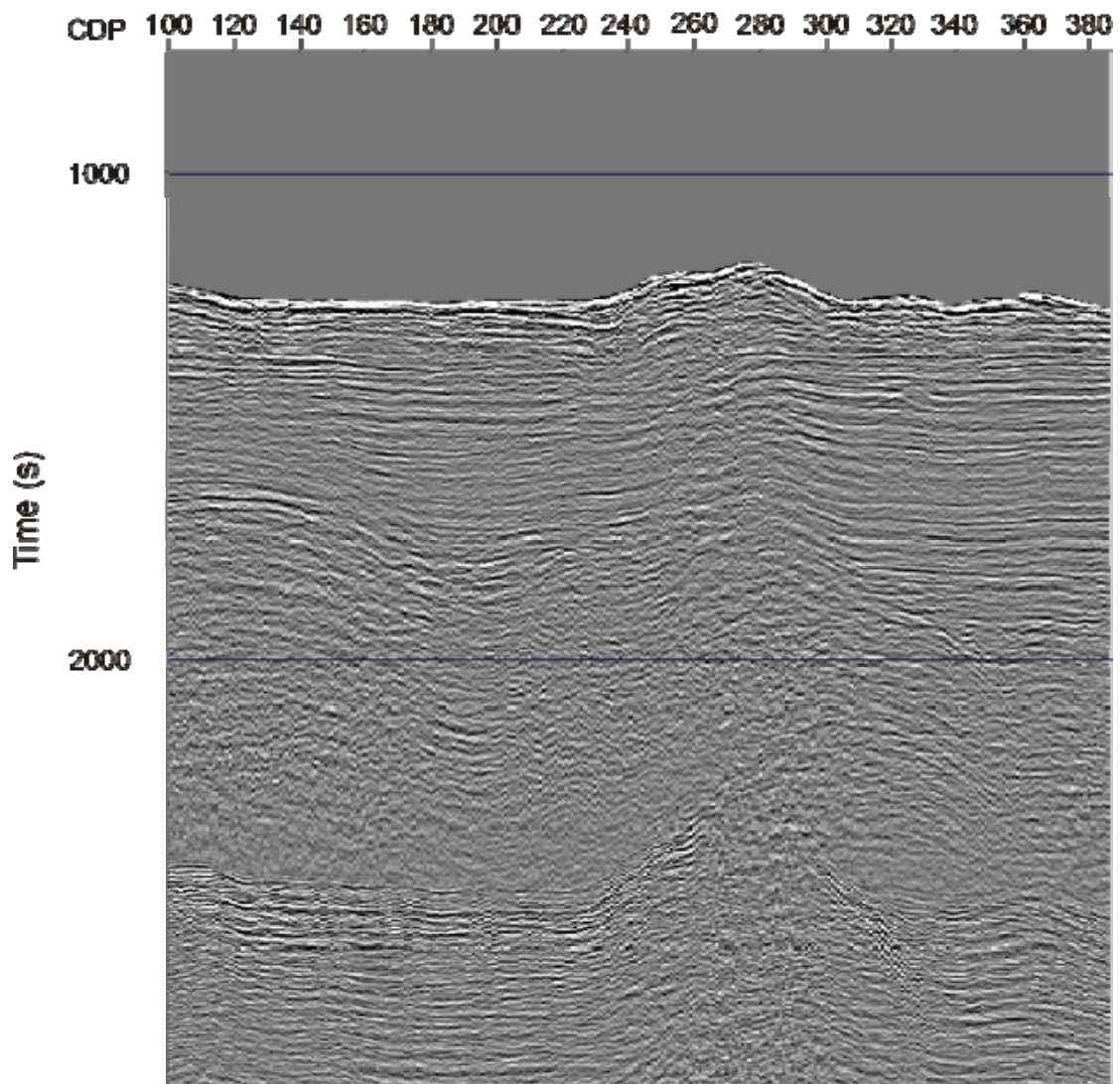
- 2). Read in stacked sections from list file (mig\_compare.lis) for comparison  
 --> regular, decon applied, decon and migrated (Mis5\_june.stack, Mis5\_decon\_june.stack, Mis5\_deconwmig\_june.stack)
- 3). Apply band-pass filter (0-50-110-300 Hz)
- 4). Apply surgical mute (cutoff.smu) to remove ice and water above seafloor
- 5). to 8). Apply BALANCE and AGC (automatic gain control)
- 9). View all sections in separate panels

#### **# Mis5Job05.job**

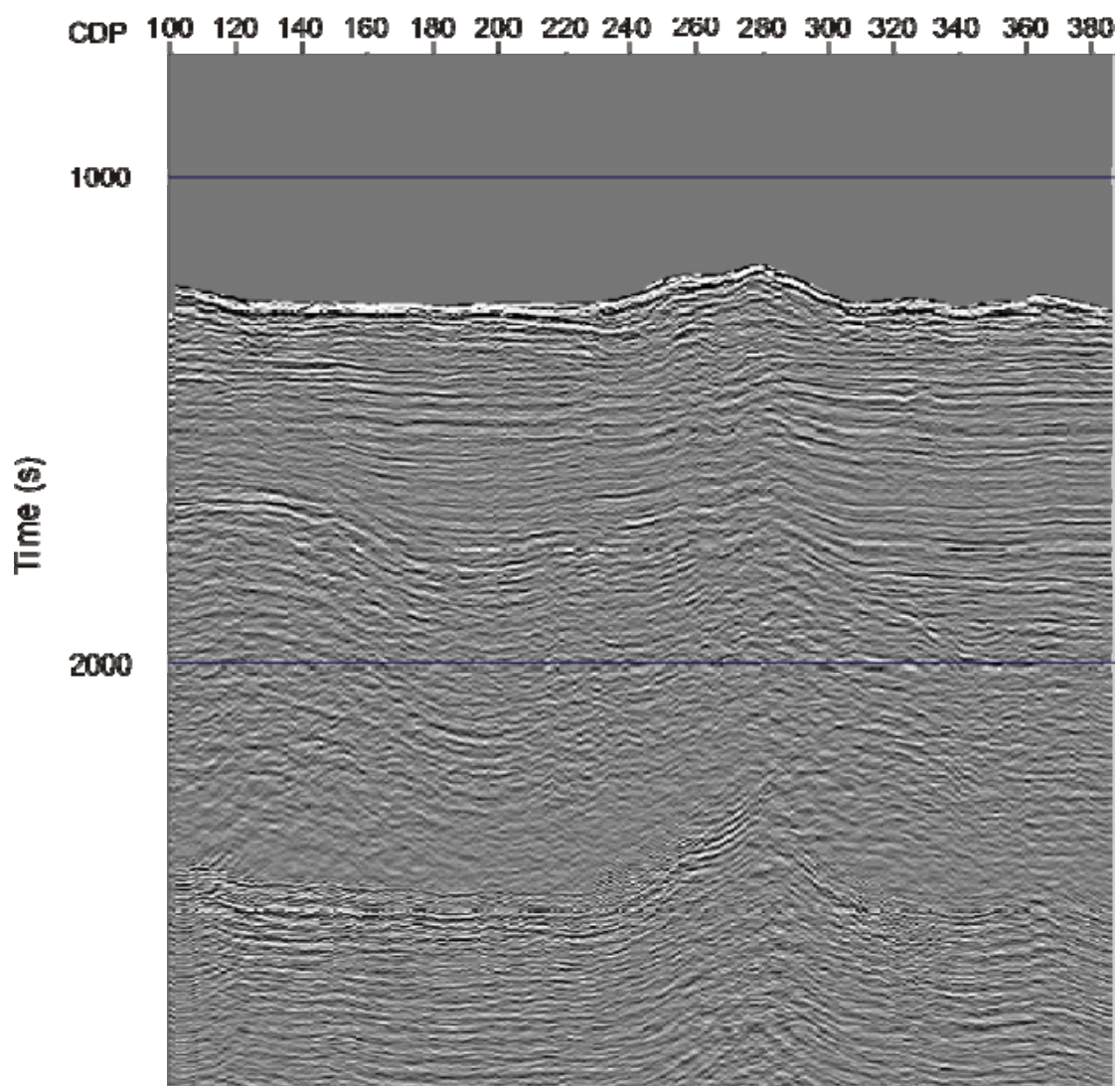
--> The same processing flow as Mis5Job04.job, but uses JCS to create 7 jobs each testing different SCALAR values in the FDMIG module. Values varied between 0.5 and 1.15. Chosen value = 0.8 as it produced the best section

# **# Mis5Job05\_view.job**

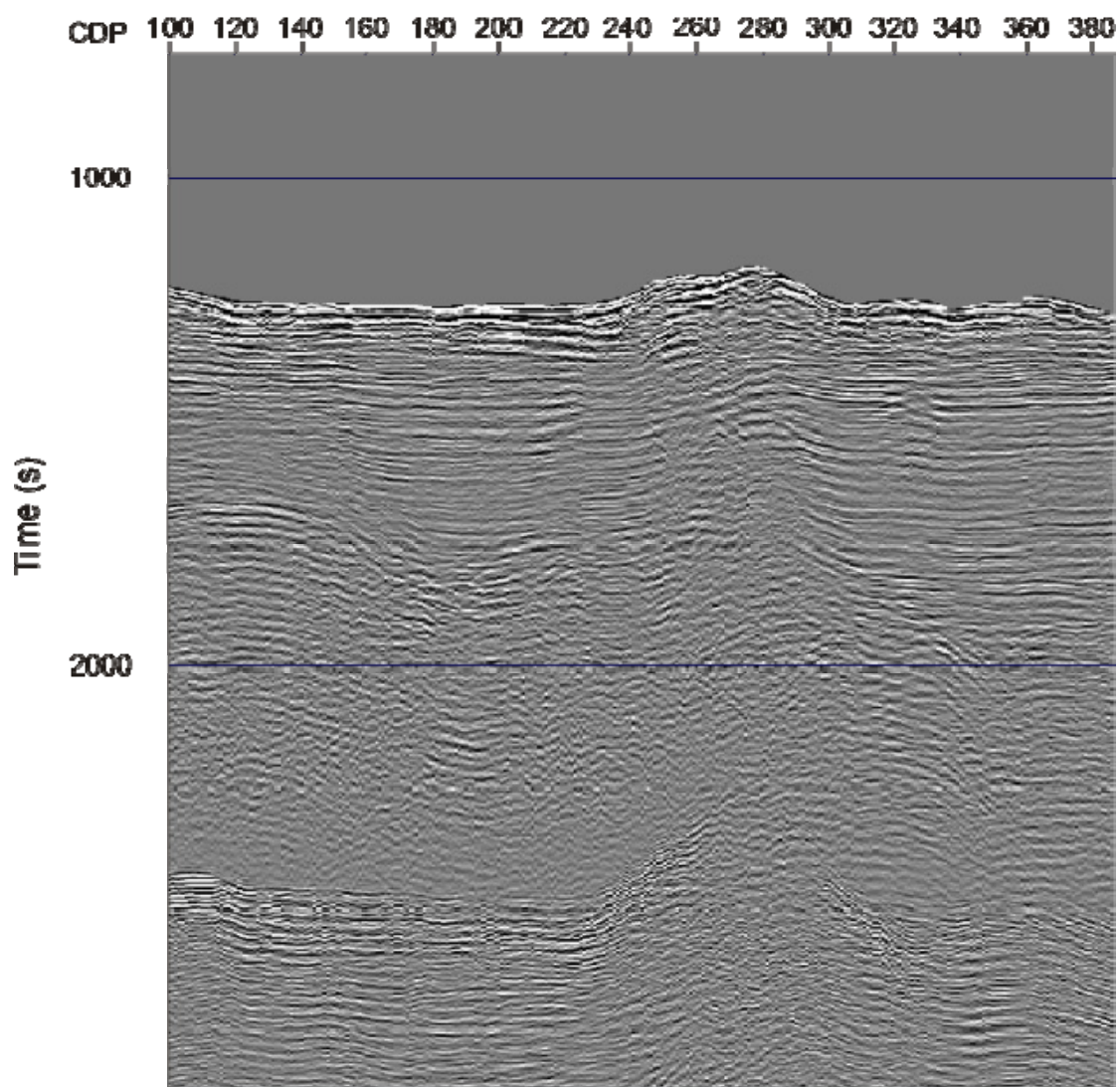
- 2). Read in migrated section (Mis5\_deconwmig.stack)
- 3). to 8). 'If loop' testing different values for a band-pass filter, to remove low frequency noise introduced after deconvolution
  - > frequencies (Hz) tested = F1      F2      F3      F4
  - 0-0    10-70   100-180   200-350
  - from file (Mis5\_filters.fdf)
- 9). chosen band-pass filter =
  - 0-15-110-200 (time on 0ms, time off 1000ms)
  - 0-50-100-120 (time on 1200ms, time off 1400ms)
  - 0-50-90-110 (time on 1500ms, time off 5500ms)
  - from file (Mis5\_BPfilt.filt)
- 11). Apply surgical mute (cutoff.smu) to remove ice and water above seafloor
- 12). to 15). Apply BALANCE and AGC (automatic gain control)
- 16). View FINAL section

**APPENDIX B – Seismic Processing (2005 Data)**

**Figure A1.** MIS-3 stacked section with spherical divergence, band-pass filtering, NMO correction and deconvolution applied.

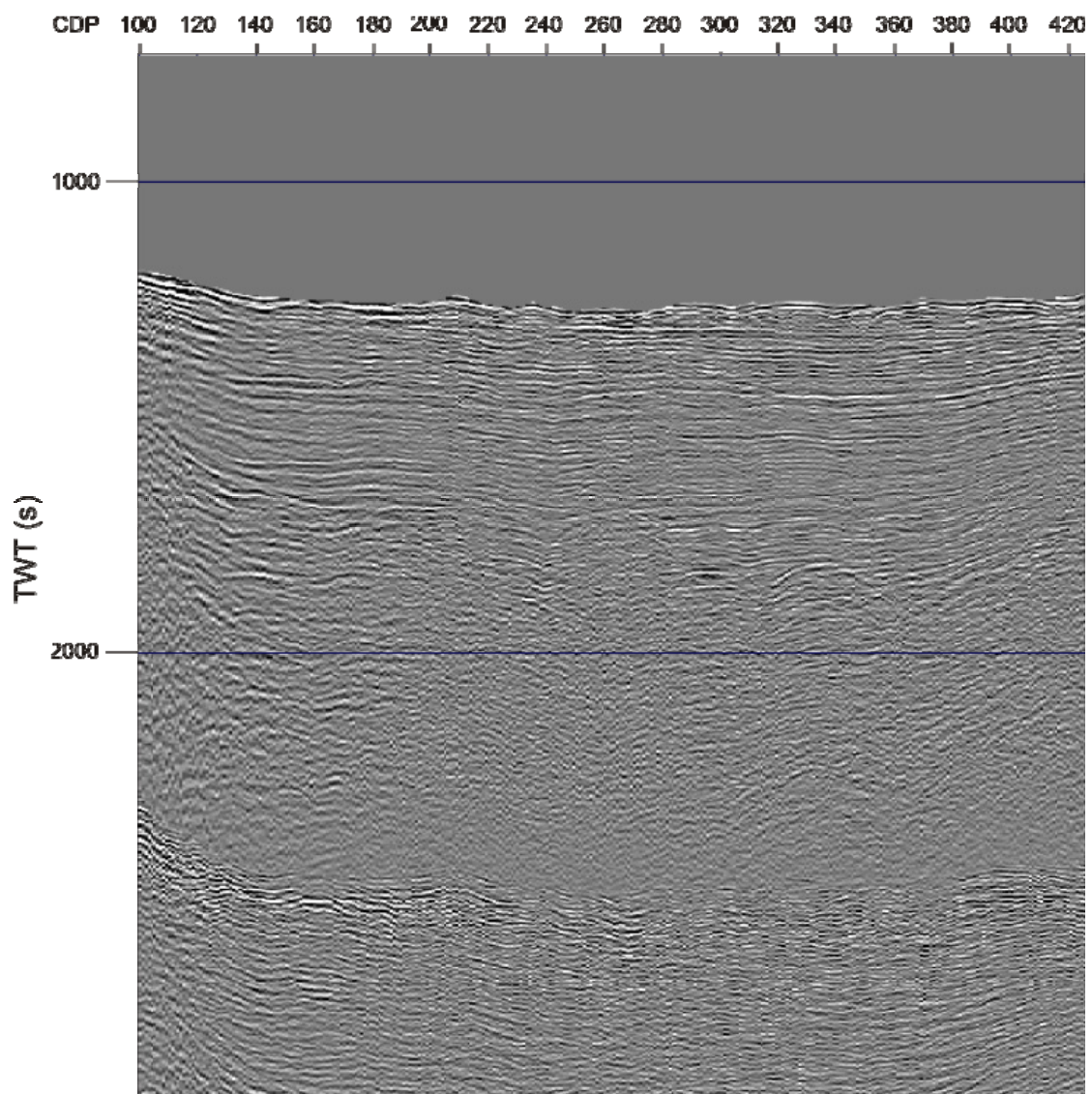


**Figure A2.** MIS-3 stacked section with spherical divergence, band-pass filtering, NMO correction and migration applied.

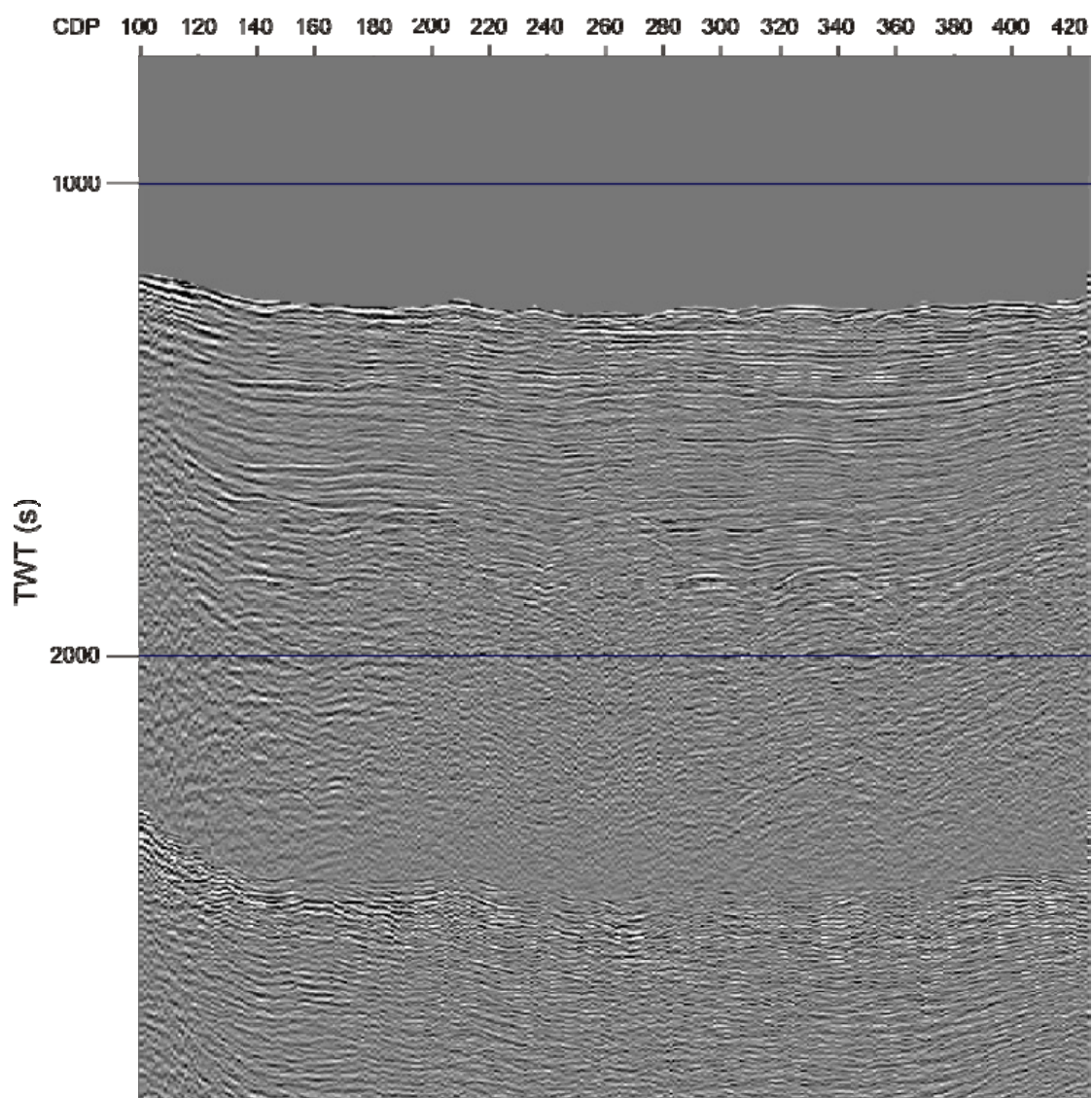


**Figure A3.** MIS-3 final processed section.



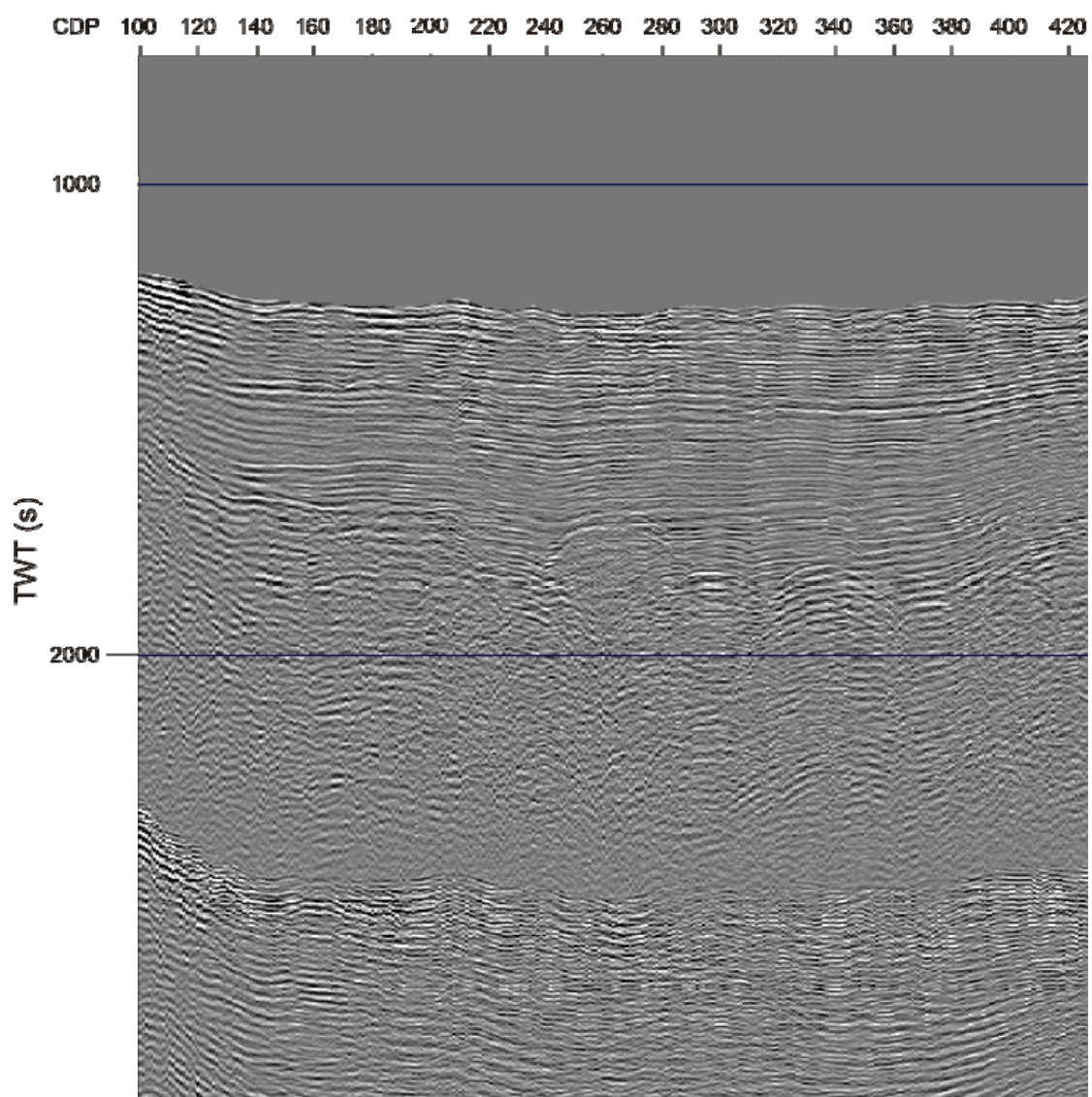


**Figure A4.** MIS-4 stacked section with spherical divergence, band-pass filtering, NMO correction and deconvolution applied.

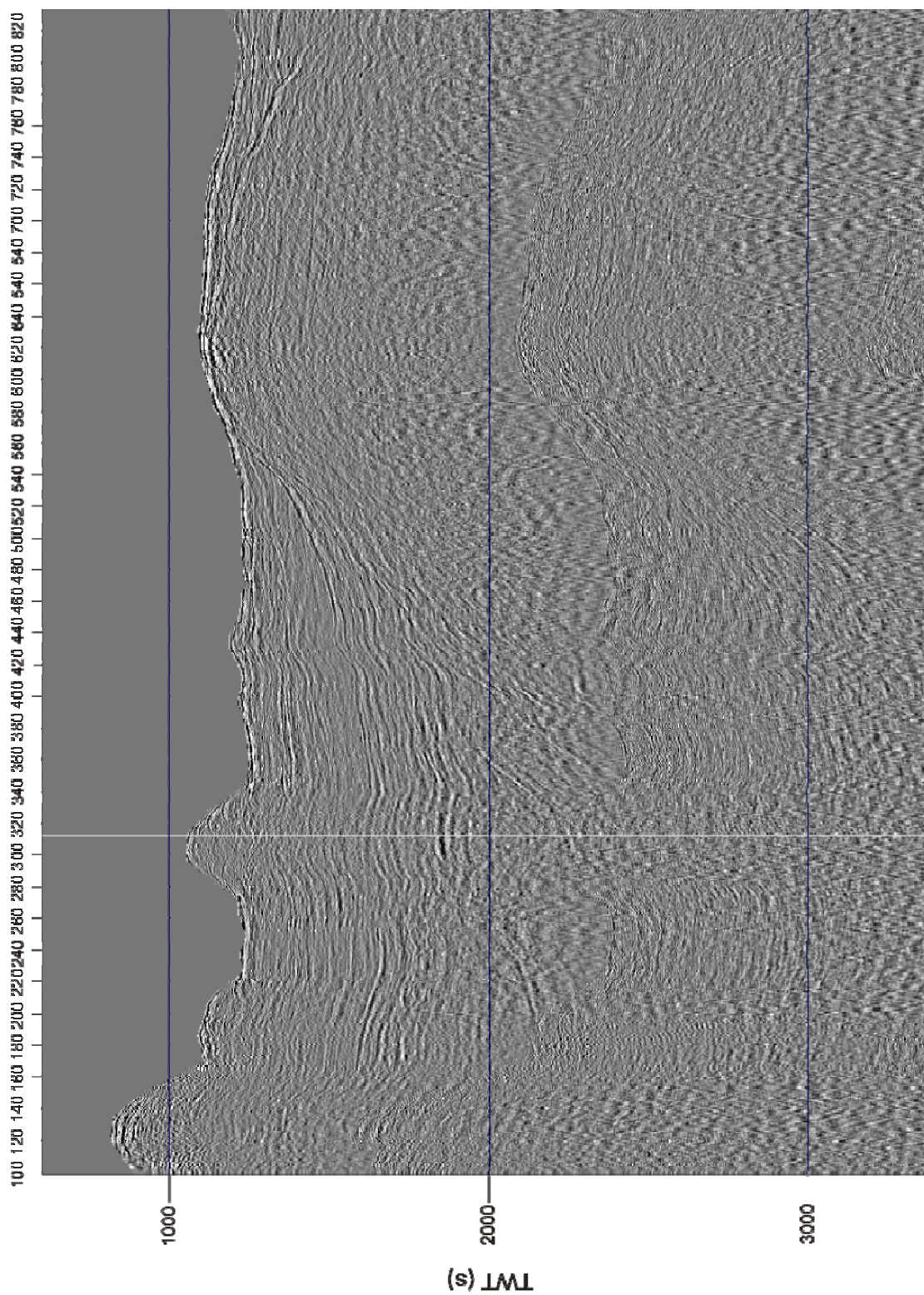


**Figure A5.** MIS-4 stacked section with spherical divergence, band-pass filtering, NMO correction and migration applied.



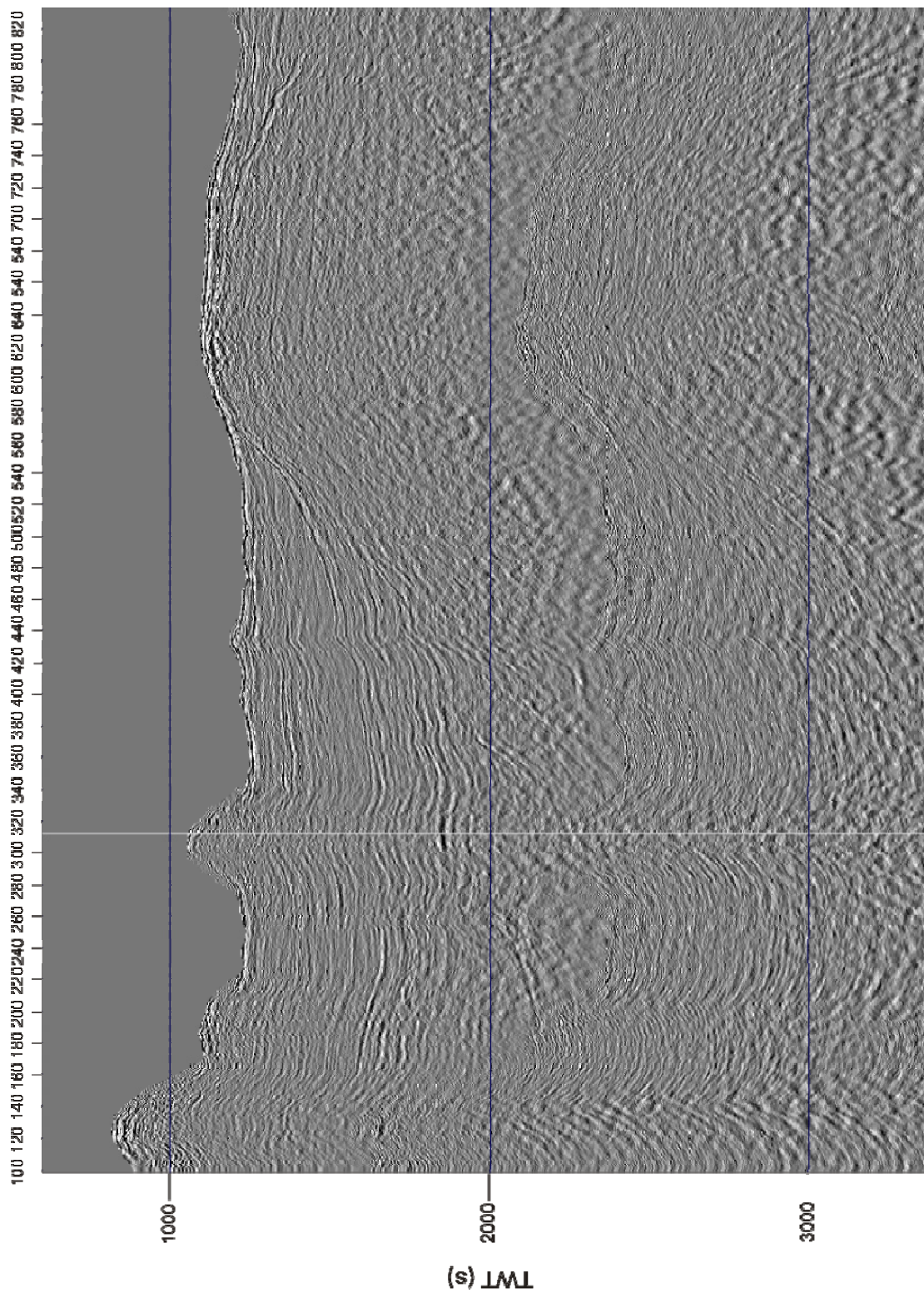


**Figure A6.** MIS-4 final processed section.

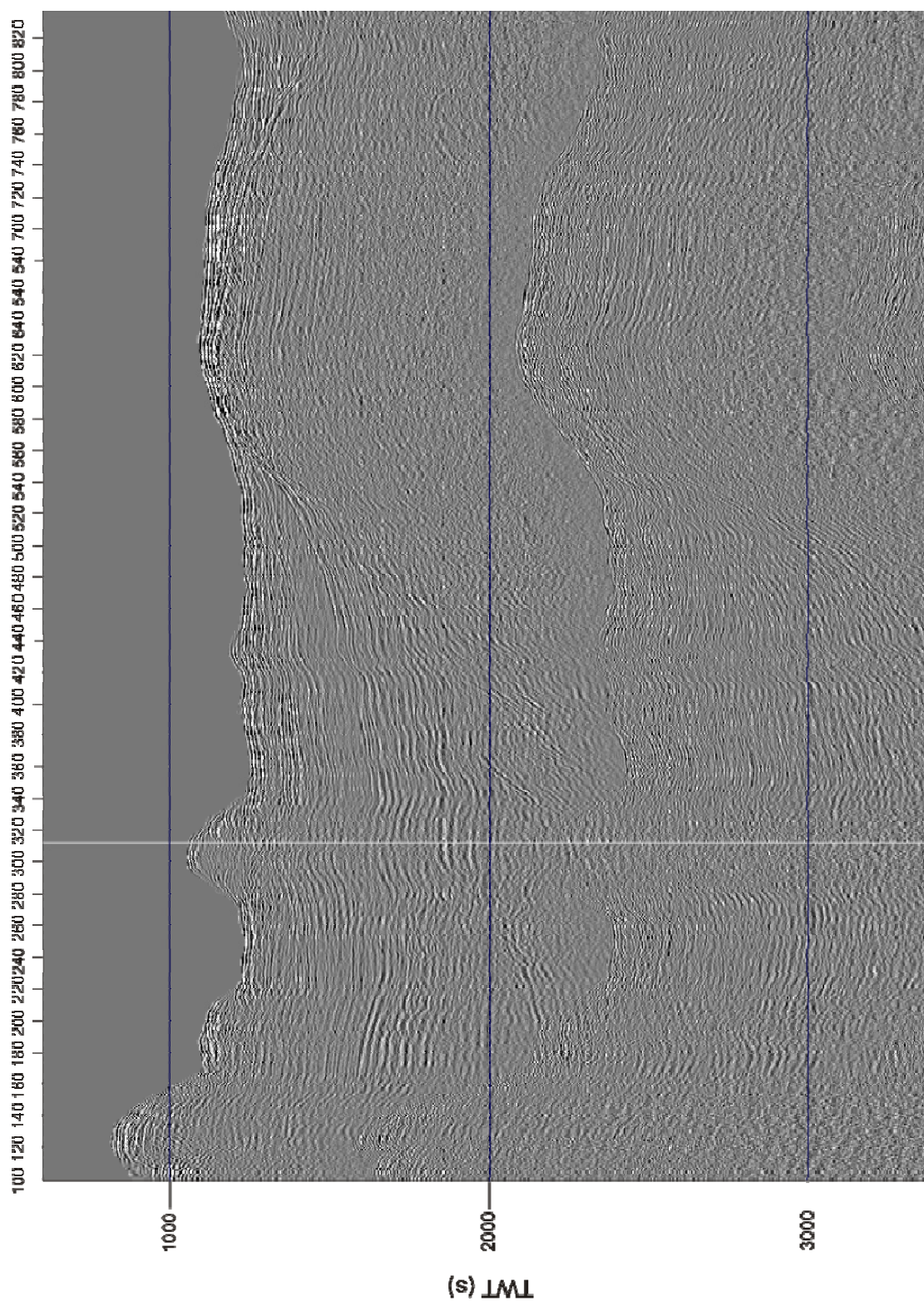


**Figure A7.** MIS-5 stacked section with spherical divergence, band-pass filtering, NMO correction and deconvolution applied.





**Figure A8.** MIS-4 stacked section with spherical divergence, band-pass filtering, NMO correction and migration applied.



**Figure A9.** MIS-5 final processed section.



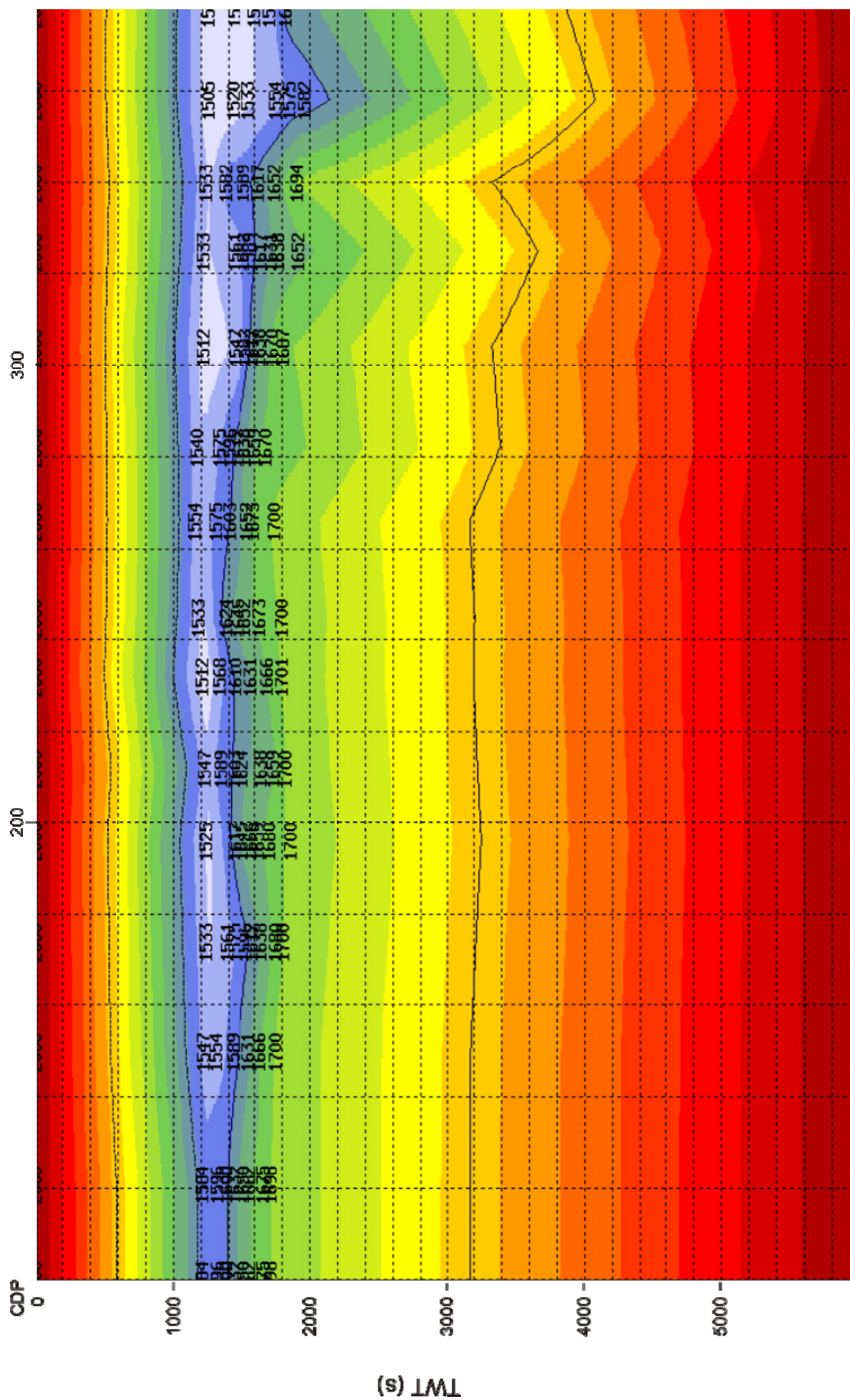


Figure A10. MIS-3 velocity field.

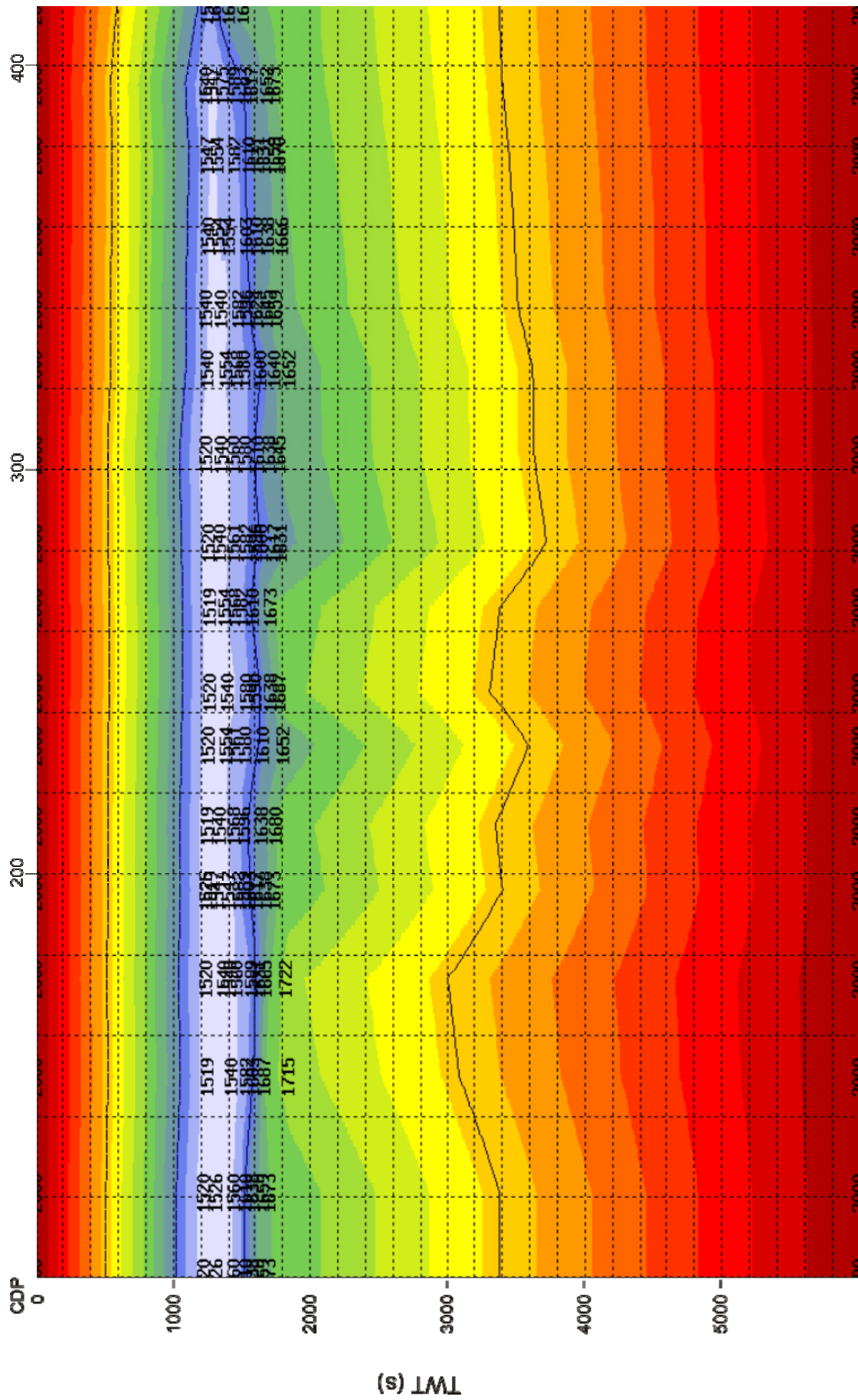


Figure A11. MIS-4 velocity field.

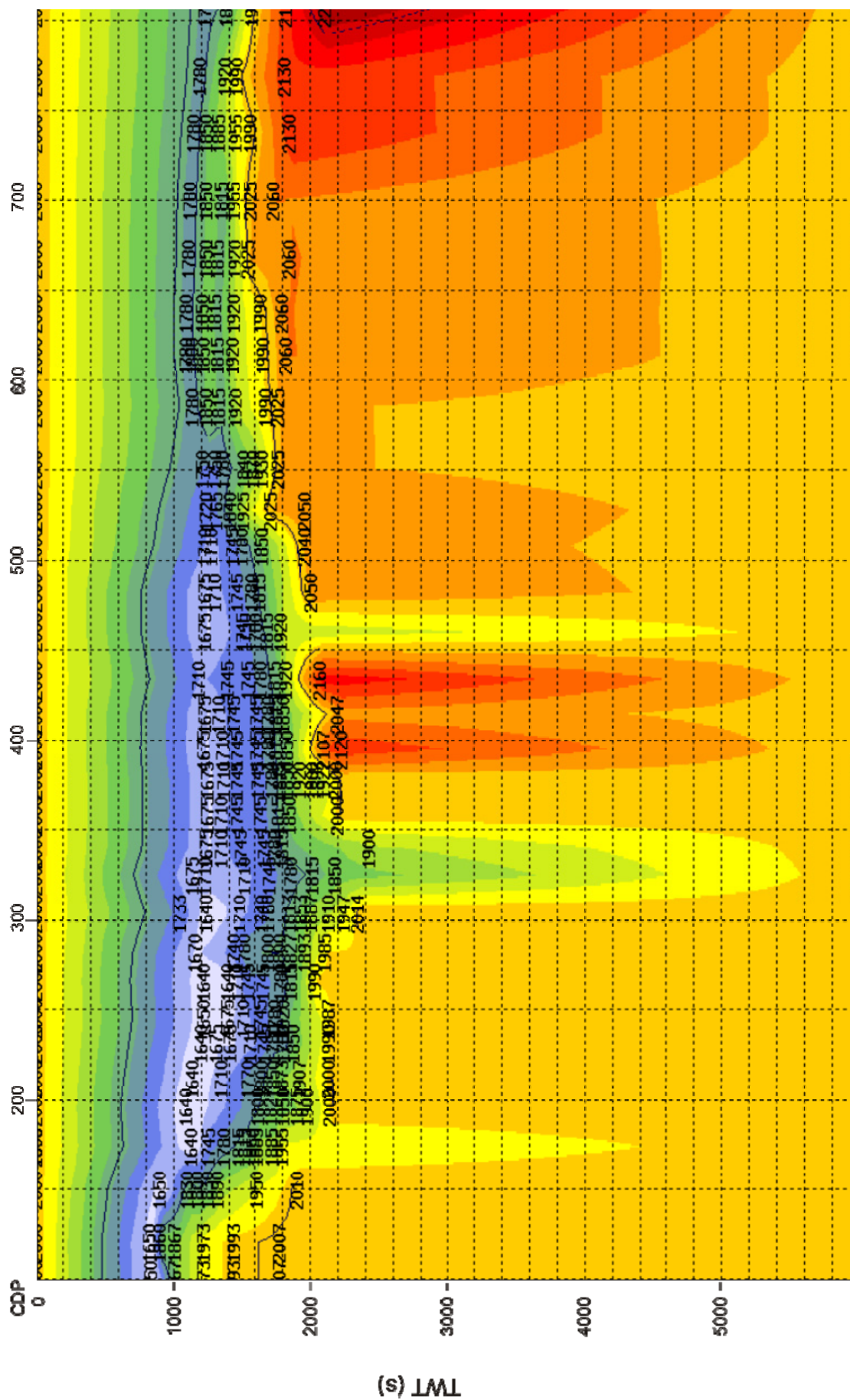


Figure A12. MIS-5 velocity field.



## APPENDIX C – VSP (Phase I and II) Seismic Processing Parameters

### # read\_AND-1.job

- 2). Read in SEGY data (AND-1.sgy)
- 3). View data

### # geom\_AND-1.job

- 2). Read in SEGY data (AND-1.sgy)
- 3, 4, 5). Remove traces 6 to 24
- 6). Set last trace to SHOTID
- 7). Add geometry (MIS1.geom)
- 8). Write to shot file (AND-1\_geom.sht)
- 9). View data

### # gath\_AND-1.job

- 2). Read in shot file (AND-1\_2\_geom.sht) using DISCSORT
- 4). View the data

### # disp\_AND-1.job

- 2). Read in shot file (AND-1\_2\_geom.sht) using DISCSORT
- 4). Apply high pass filter (0-200 Hz)
- 5). Apply BALANCE
- 6). Reset trace header using SETHEADER --> SHOTID = SPARE1, CHANNEL = SPARE2, FTRACE = SPARE3
- 7). Reset trace header using SETHEADER --> SHOTID into SHOT\_PEG, and FTRACE = 0
- 8). Renumber secondary key to CHANNEL
- 9). Set last trace to SHOT\_PEG
- 10). Write to shot file (AND-1\_2\_offsort.sht) → this allows the entire gather, offset ordered but not into each of the 5 channels, to be brought into SV for first-break picking

### # offset\_sort.job

- 2). Read in shot file (AND-1\_2\_geom.sht)
- 6). Reset trace header --> SPARE1 = SHOTID
- 7). Reset trace header --> SPARE2 = CHANNEL
- 8). Use GENSORT to sort by FTRACE (primary) and OFFSET (secondary)
- 9). Reset trace header --> SHOTID = FTRACE
- 10). Renumber secondary key to CHANNEL
- 11). Set last trace to SHOTID
- 15). Write shots file (Mis1.shots)

### # addpick\_AND-1.job



- 2). Read in shots file (Mis1.shots)
- 3). Add first-breaks picks from pic file to SOURCE\_STATIC trace header  
→ first-breaks were picked using SQC and saved as pic files
- 4). Write to shots file (Mis1\_picks.shots)

#### **# static\_AND-1.job**

- 2). Read in shots file (Mis1\_picks.shots).
- 3). Apply high-pass filter (20-35 Hz)
- 4). Apply band-stop filter (48, 49, 51, 52 Hz)
- 5). Apply static shift, from header SOURCE\_STATIC
- 7). View data

#### **# MIS1\_extract.job**

- 2). Read in shots file (AND-1\_2\_offsort.sht)
- 3 to 5). Apply IFNOT loop with TREMOVE to remove all offsets that are not between 12530 and the end of the file.  
→ this extracts only the lower section of the data where quality is higher
- 6). Set last trace to SHOTID
- 7). Reset trace header --> SPARE4 = 2
- 8). Write shots file (AND-1\_2\_partial.sht)

#### **# MIS1\_3\_merge.job**

- 2). Read in shots file (AND-1\_2\_partial.sht)
- 3 to 7). Apply IFNOT loop with TREMOVE to remove all offsets that are not between 1 and 12460 and the end of the file.  
→ this extracts only the upper section of the data where quality is higher
- 8). Set last trace to SHOTID
- 9). Write shots file (MIS1\_3\_merge.sht)

### # FKfilt\_AND-1.job

- 2). Read in shots file (Mis\_mergepicks.shots)
- 4). Apply static shift UP, using values in SOURCE\_STATIC trace header
- 5 to 9). Apply ZEROMUTE before applying FKMUTE using mute file (synth\_fkmute.mut). Polygon mute was created using FKspectrum zoom within XVIEW.
- 10). Apply static shift DOWN (after FK muting), using values in SOURCE\_STATIC trace header
- 12). View the data

### # Final\_VSP.job

- 2). Read in shots file (Mis1\_join\_3\_picks.shots)
- 3). Apply high-pass filter using FDFILT (25 Hz – 75 Hz)
- 4). Apply static shift UP, using values in SOURCE\_STATIC trace header
- 5 to 7). Apply ZEROMUTE before applying FKMUTE using mute file (tmp2.mut). Polygon mute was created using FKspectrum zoom within XVIEW.
- 9). Apply static shift DOWN (after FK muting), using values in SOURCE\_STATIC trace header
- 10). Apply static shift DOWN (after FK muting), using values in SOURCE\_STATIC trace header
- 12). Write shots file (Final\_VSP\_flat.shots)

# APPENDIX D – Survey Data (2005)

## MIS-3 Line

Flag Number	N	E	Height (masl)	Latitude [S]	Longitude [E]	WGS84 elevation (m)
misiii0077	1355008.374	548114.881	19.137	-77.87257710	167.0519887	-36.217
misiii0078	1354961.289	548103.383	19.051	-77.87300234	167.0515690	-36.303
misiii0079	1354915.240	548092.308	19.127	-77.87341819	167.0511658	-36.227
misiii0080	1354868.271	548080.995	18.925	-77.87384233	167.0507537	-36.429
misiii0081	1354822.111	548069.448	18.889	-77.87425931	167.0503305	-36.464
misiii0082	1354774.993	548058.110	18.920	-77.87468481	167.0499176	-36.434
misiii0083	1354728.357	548046.677	18.848	-77.87510602	167.0494998	-36.506
misiii0084	1354681.173	548035.198	18.724	-77.87553214	167.0490809	-36.630
misiii0085	1354634.935	548023.967	18.707	-77.87594972	167.0486711	-36.647
misiii0086	1354587.822	548012.595	18.681	-77.87637518	167.0482566	-36.673
misiii0087	1354541.985	548001.768	18.552	-77.87678904	167.0478634	-36.802
misiii0088	1354495.076	547990.298	18.535	-77.87721270	167.0474444	-36.819
misiii0089	1354448.874	547979.498	18.441	-77.87762981	167.0470528	-36.913
misiii0090	1354401.787	547968.163	18.460	-77.87805502	167.0466398	-36.894
misiii0091	1354355.461	547957.245	18.338	-77.87847328	167.0462433	-37.016
misiii0092	1354308.236	547946.214	18.476	-77.87889964	167.0458433	-36.878
misiii0093	1354261.916	547935.182	18.248	-77.87931788	167.0454420	-37.106
misiii0094	1354214.714	547924.136	18.300	-77.87974402	167.0450413	-37.054
misiii0095	1354168.032	547913.187	18.229	-77.88016548	167.0446439	-37.125
misiii0096	1354120.794	547902.059	18.115	-77.88059198	167.0442397	-37.239
misiii0097	1354074.052	547890.984	18.029	-77.88101402	167.0438370	-37.325
misiii0098	1354026.680	547879.919	18.095	-77.88144169	167.0434356	-37.259
misiii0099	1353979.816	547868.897	17.972	-77.88186479	167.0430353	-37.382
misiii0100	1353932.548	547857.634	17.874	-77.88229160	167.0426253	-37.480
misiii0100.5	1353908.970	547851.970	17.661	-77.88250451	167.0424188	-37.693
misiii0101	1353886.007	547846.834	17.827	-77.88271174	167.0422339	-37.527
misiii0102	1353838.785	547835.698	17.728	-77.88313809	167.0418292	-37.626
misiii0102.5	1353815.345	547830.153	17.432	-77.88334973	167.0416276	-37.922
misiii0103	1353792.476	547824.641	17.593	-77.88355624	167.0414265	-37.761
misiii0104	1353745.054	547813.513	17.631	-77.88398438	167.0410223	-37.723
misiii0104.5	1353721.439	547808.239	17.378	-77.88419749	167.0408325	-37.976
misiii0105	1353698.642	547802.492	17.553	-77.88440343	167.0406212	-37.801
misiii0106	1353651.385	547791.344	17.461	-77.88483009	167.0402159	-37.893
misiii0106.5	1353627.595	547786.298	17.174	-77.88504471	167.0400360	-38.180
misiii0107	1353604.781	547780.655	17.369	-77.88525077	167.0398292	-37.985
misiii0108	1353557.398	547769.532	17.346	-77.88567856	167.0394251	-38.008
misiii0108.5	1353533.711	547763.753	17.088	-77.88589247	167.0392138	-38.266
misiii0109	1353511.257	547758.149	17.210	-77.88609530	167.0390080	-38.144
misiii0110	1353463.800	547746.886	17.223	-77.88652378	167.0385980	-38.131
misiii0110.5	1353440.105	547741.056	17.032	-77.88673779	167.0383845	-38.322
misiii0111	1353417.211	547735.914	17.108	-77.88694441	167.0381991	-38.246
misiii0112	1353370.097	547724.798	17.109	-77.88736977	167.0377948	-38.245
misiii0112.5	1353346.151	547719.337	16.993	-77.88758591	167.0375974	-38.361
misiii0113	1353323.298	547713.795	17.048	-77.88779229	167.0373948	-38.306
misiii0114	1353275.992	547702.699	16.986	-77.88821937	167.0369916	-38.368
misiii0114.5	1353252.381	547697.163	16.716	-77.88843254	167.0367904	-38.638

Flag Number	N	E	Height (masl)	Latitude [S]	Longitude [E]	WGS84 elevation (m)
misiii0115	1353229.536	547691.692	16.881	-77.88863882	167.0365909	-38.473
misiii0116	1353182.361	547680.293	16.851	-77.88906482	167.0361744	-38.503
misiii0116.5	1353158.536	547674.969	16.672	-77.88927983	167.0359826	-38.682
misiii0117	1353135.659	547669.377	16.743	-77.88948643	167.0357779	-38.611
misiii0118	1353088.327	547658.359	16.750	-77.88991372	167.0353779	-38.603
misiii0118.5	1353064.706	547652.604	16.575	-77.89012704	167.0351674	-38.779
misiii0119	1353041.779	547647.268	16.677	-77.89033401	167.0349737	-38.677
misiii0120	1352994.559	547636.074	16.649	-77.89076035	167.0345660	-38.705
misiii0120.5	1352970.856	547630.553	16.526	-77.89097433	167.0343655	-38.828
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misv0441	1359690.957	564427.457	34.584	-77.82468293	167.7374597	-20.77
misv0442	1359689.407	564477.076	34.509	-77.82467605	167.739568	-20.845
misv0443	1359687.724	564525.587	34.571	-77.82467079	167.7416294	-20.782
misv0444	1359686.114	564575.232	34.406	-77.82466439	167.7437389	-20.948
misv0445	1359684.332	564623.945	34.351	-77.82465991	167.7458091	-21.002
misv0446	1359682.686	564673.504	34.429	-77.82465384	167.7479149	-20.925
misv0447	1359681.198	564722.492	34.391	-77.82464658	167.7499962	-20.962
misv0448	1359679.59	564772.089	34.397	-77.82464012	167.7521036	-20.957
misv0449	1359677.946	564821.163	34.301	-77.82463418	167.7541889	-21.052
misv0450	1359676.058	564870.692	34.296	-77.82463023	167.7562939	-21.058
misv0451	1359674.22	564919.009	34.312	-77.82462632	167.7583475	-21.042
misv0452	1359672.531	564968.485	34.323	-77.82462057	167.7604498	-21.03
misv0453	1359670.732	565016.717	34.401	-77.82461632	167.7624997	-20.953



<b>Flag Number</b>	<b>N</b>	<b>E</b>	<b>Height (masl)</b>	<b>Latitude [S]</b>	<b>Longitude [E]</b>	<b>WGS84 elevation (m)</b>
misv0454	1359668.792	565066.275	34.466	-77.82461276	167.7646061	-20.887
misv0455	1359667.111	565114.675	34.425	-77.82460735	167.7666628	-20.928
misv0456	1359665.258	565164.196	34.447	-77.82460299	167.7687674	-20.907
misv0457	1359663.416	565212.747	34.349	-77.82459892	167.7708309	-21.004
misv0458	1359661.672	565262.35	34.411	-77.82459352	167.7729388	-20.943
misv0459	1359659.829	565311.237	34.352	-77.82458929	167.7750164	-21.002
misv0460	1359658.249	565360.746	34.388	-77.82458243	167.77712	-20.965
misv0461	1359656.577	565410.007	34.228	-77.82457648	167.7792133	-21.126
misv0462	1359654.843	565459.621	34.217	-77.82457092	167.7813216	-21.136
misv0463	1359653.178	565508.162	34.099	-77.82456518	167.7833842	-21.254
misv0464	1359651.219	565557.741	34.067	-77.82456162	167.7854915	-21.286

# APPENDIX E – Survey Data (2006/2007)

Peg #	LAT	LONG	E_UTM58S	N_UTM58S
Andrill	-77.8888	167.0891	548920.244	1353168.232
S100	-77.8981	167.1026	549199.009	1352119.686
S101	-77.8978	167.1022	549190.854	1352153.481
S102	-77.8976	167.1018	549182.298	1352176.123
S103	-77.8973	167.1014	549174.143	1352209.918
S104	-77.8971	167.101	549165.586	1352232.560
S105	-77.8968	167.1006	549157.430	1352266.355
S106	-77.8966	167.1002	549148.873	1352288.997
S107	-77.8963	167.0997	549138.376	1352322.875
S108	-77.8961	167.0993	549129.818	1352345.517
S109	-77.8958	167.0989	549121.660	1352379.312
S110	-77.8956	167.0985	549113.102	1352401.953
S111	-77.8953	167.0981	549104.942	1352435.748
S112	-77.895	167.0977	549096.783	1352469.543
S113	-77.8948	167.0973	549088.223	1352492.184
S114	-77.8945	167.0969	549080.063	1352525.979
S115	-77.8943	167.0965	549071.502	1352548.620
S116	-77.894	167.096	549061.001	1352582.498
S117	-77.8938	167.0956	549052.440	1352605.139
S118	-77.8935	167.0952	549044.278	1352638.934
S119	-77.8933	167.0948	549035.717	1352661.575
S120	-77.893	167.0944	549027.554	1352695.369
S121	-77.8928	167.094	549018.991	1352718.010
S122	-77.8925	167.0936	549010.827	1352751.804
S123	-77.8922	167.0932	549002.663	1352785.598
S124	-77.892	167.0927	548991.759	1352808.322
S125	-77.8917	167.0923	548983.594	1352842.116
S126	-77.8915	167.0919	548975.030	1352864.757
S127	-77.8912	167.0915	548966.864	1352898.551
S128	-77.891	167.0911	548958.299	1352921.191
S129	-77.8907	167.0907	548950.132	1352954.985
S130	-77.8905	167.0903	548941.567	1352977.626
S131	-77.8902	167.0899	548933.399	1353011.419
N200	-77.8806	167.074	548599.173	1354095.363
N201	-77.8808	167.0744	548607.752	1354072.724
N202	-77.8811	167.0748	548615.936	1354038.933
N203	-77.8814	167.0752	548624.119	1354005.141
N204	-77.8816	167.0757	548635.040	1353982.420
N205	-77.8819	167.0761	548643.223	1353948.628
N206	-77.8821	167.0765	548651.800	1353925.989
N207	-77.8824	167.0769	548659.982	1353892.197
N208	-77.8826	167.0773	548668.559	1353869.558
N209	-77.8829	167.0777	548676.740	1353835.766
N210	-77.8831	167.0781	548685.316	1353813.127
N211	-77.8834	167.0785	548693.496	1353779.335
N212	-77.8836	167.079	548704.413	1353756.613
N213	-77.8839	167.0794	548712.592	1353722.821
N214	-77.8841	167.0798	548721.167	1353700.182
N215	-77.8844	167.0802	548729.345	1353666.390

N216	-77.8847	167.0807	548739.865	1353632.514
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N219	-77.8854	167.0819	548765.188	1353553.443
N220	-77.8857	167.0823	548773.364	1353519.650
N221	-77.8859	167.0827	548781.937	1353497.011
N222	-77.8862	167.0831	548790.112	1353463.218
N223	-77.8864	167.0836	548801.025	1353440.495
N224	-77.8867	167.084	548809.199	1353406.702
N225	-77.8869	167.0844	548817.770	1353384.063
N226	-77.8872	167.0848	548825.943	1353350.270
N227	-77.8874	167.0852	548834.513	1353327.630
N228	-77.8877	167.0857	548845.027	1353293.754
N229	-77.888	167.0861	548853.199	1353259.961
N230	-77.8882	167.0865	548861.768	1353237.321
N231	-77.8885	167.0869	548869.940	1353203.527

**APPENDIX F – CD (Figures 22 to 28)**