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## NRCAN Commits \$600,000 for Synodon Technology Development

**Edmonton, Alberta – June 2, 2004** – Synodon announced today that it has received approval for \$600,000 in funding from Natural Resources Canada’s *Industrial Energy Research Development* fund. This fund invests in the commercialization of projects that increase the efficiency of Canada’s energy industries.

The funds will be used by Synodon for the final design and manufacturing of the **realSens™** system, a method of detecting leaks from natural gas pipelines with an instrument attached to an aircraft. By making it fast and inexpensive to find even small leaks, pipeline owners can minimize the escape of natural gas, saving the cost of lost gas and reducing the chance of damage to the environment and the public.

Synodon CEO Adrian Banica said, “The **realSens™** system will give pipeline owners a fast, inexpensive and extremely accurate method of detecting leaks. This should result in efficiencies that benefit both industry and the public.”

This funding is in addition to the \$650,000 funding from Sustainable Development Technologies Canada also announced today, and brings to nearly \$2 million the financing announced by Synodon in the last month.

### **About Synodon Inc.**

Synodon Inc ([www.synodon.com](http://www.synodon.com)), a private Edmonton based technology company, is developing an advanced natural gas pipeline leak detection system called **realSens™** which is based on correlation spectroscopy technologies developed under the Canadian Space Program and by Synodon scientists. Synodon's initial market is the owner’s of the world's 4.8 million kilometer natural gas pipeline network - stretching the equivalent of 120 times around the globe. Synodon's technology is able to detect minute quantities of a wide variety of gases and can be applied in fields as diverse as search and rescue, mineral exploration and atmospheric pollution monitoring.

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