

# Quarterly Activities Report

For the three months ended 31 December 2023

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#### **CORPORATE ACTIVITIES:**

# **Financial Summary**

- During the quarter \$137k was expended on operating activities, including \$97k on exploration.
- Closing cash was \$465k.
- \$33k was paid to Directors during the quarter.

#### **Rawson Oil & Gas Limited**

 Lakes Blue Energy has continued to advance funds to Rawson Oil & Gas Limited as necessary for activities in South Australia and Papua New Guinea.

# **Victorian Onshore Exploration**

- The Company is progressing work toward securing approvals for drilling of conventional wells onshore within both Gippsland and the Otway Basin.
- The immediate focus is on the Enterprise North-1 well, located within Petroleum Exploration Permit 169.

#### **Victorian Rehabilitation Bonds**

- The Company has five live and two cased and suspended petroleum wells in the Gippsland region held by its wholly owned subsidiary, Petro Tech Pty Ltd.
- In June 2021, following a review of rehabilitation bond requirements, the Victorian Department
  of Energy, Environment and Climate Action (DEECA), estimated that the costs of rehabilitation
  of these wells totalled \$26.9m.
- Following detailed submissions by Petro Tech, in May 2022, DEECA reduced its rehabilitation
  cost estimate to \$14.6m. In preparing its submissions, the Company had regard for cost
  estimates provided by companies that would be contracted to carry out the rehabilitation work.
- In June 2022, Petro Tech provided two separate, independent expert's estimates of the costs of rehabilitating all wells. The independent estimates totalled \$1.4m and \$1.6m respectively.
- In March 2023, without further consultation with the Company, DEECA issued a final determination, requiring lodgement of bonds totalling \$7.9m by the Company. DEECA advised it had solicited a separate expert's report.
- After requests by the Company's legal advisors, DEECA withdrew its rehabilitation bond request and provided a copy of its expert's report. The DEECA report estimated rehabilitation costs to be \$6.9m, still significantly greater than the Company's own advice and experience.
- The Company secured further expert advice that was presented to DEECA in July 2023. No response has yet been received.

# **Research and Development Claim**

The Company is repaying the grant originally received in respect of 2013/14 activities, including
general interest charges to date and shortfall penalty assessment, at the rate of \$20,000 per
month and is also investigating other repayment options.

# **Receivership of Armour Energy Limited**

- As announced on 13 November 2023, Receivers and Managers and Voluntary Administrators were appointed to Armour Energy Limited (Armour) and its subsidiaries including Armour Energy Victoria Pty Ltd (AEV).
- AEV is Lakes' Joint Venture Partner in Petroleum Exploration Permit 169 (PEP 169) in Victoria.
   PEP 169 contains the Enterprise North Prospect, drilling of which (Enterprise North-1 well) is

now targeted for mid 2024. AEP holds 51% ownership of PEP 169, with the balance presently held by Lakes' wholly owned subsidiary, Mirboo Ridge Pty Ltd (**Mirboo**). Although AEV is registered as Operator of PEP 169, operating responsibilities were historically delegated by AEV to Mirboo. Upon appointment of Administrators, AEV was with immediate effect removed as Operator, to be replaced by Mirboo. Mirboo will continue to operate PEP 169.

 AEV owed some funds to Mirboo for its share of costs recently billed in respect of PEPs 169 and 166. The amount in respect of PEP 169 were paid by the Administrator. The amount in respect of PEP 166 are guaranteed in accordance with the provisions of a Joint Operating Agreement between AEV and Mirboo.

# **Corporate and Funding**

- The Company held its Annual General Meeting in Sydney on 30 November 2023. All resolutions were passed.
- Following the AGM, the Company's share capital was consolidated on a 1,000 to 1 basis.
- The Company has 58,637,575 fully paid Ordinary Shares on issue.
- Trading of the Company's shares remains in suspension at direction of the Australian Stock Exchange (ASX). Discussions with the ASX are ongoing. The Company anticipates that share trading will be allowed to resume following completion of arrangements with Cooper Energy Limited (details of which are provided herein).
- The Company has extended to 31 January 2027 the expiry date of its At-the-Market Subscription Agreement (previously referred to as a Controlled Placement Agreement) with Acuity Capital. No fees or costs were incurred in extending the facility which, to date, has not been utilised.

#### **EXPLORATION ACTIVITIES:**

#### **Onshore Victoria**

PEPs 163, 167 and 175, Otway Basin (Lakes: Operator, 100% interest)

PEP 169, Otway Basin (Lakes: 49% interest)

PRL 2, Gippsland Basin (Lakes: Operator, varying interest across permit)

PRL 3, Gippsland Basin (Lakes: Operator, 100% interest)
PEP 166, Gippsland Basin (Lakes: Operator; 75% interest)

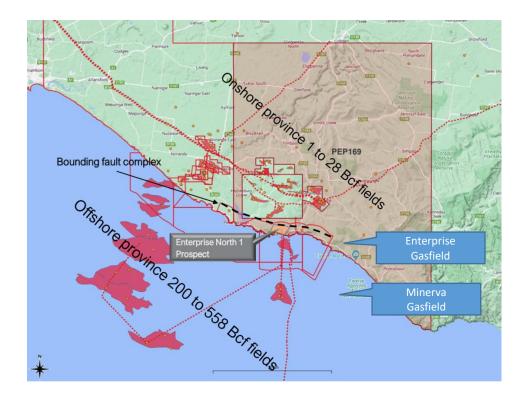
- The Company is presently conducting stakeholder engagement programs in respect of proposed drilling activity at several onshore locations in Victoria.
- Key components of the Company's proposed Victorian exploration activity are as follows:
  - Petroleum Exploration Permit 169 (PEP 169)

PEP 169 is 49% owned by the Company and 51% owned by Armour Energy Limited (**Armour**). There are presently two drilling opportunities of key interest within the permit area, namely Enterprise North-1 and Otway-1.

# Enterprise North-1

The Enterprise North prospect is in close proximity to the Otway and Athena gas processing facilities and the Iona gas storage facility, and is "on-trend" with the large Enterprise (Beach Energy Ltd) and Minerva (Cooper Energy Limited) gas fields.

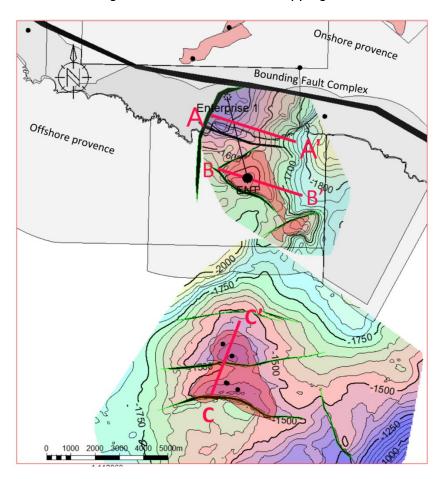
Figure 1: Location of Enterprise North Prospect



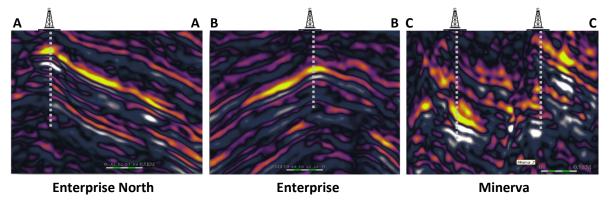
The reservoir rock at Enterprise North is Waarre Sandstone, which is known to have high porosity (19-25%) and high permeability (1 to 10 Darcy). Waarre Sandstone is capable of flowing gas at high rates, with 61 million cubic feet per day (MMscfd) achieved during testing of the nearby Enterprise-1 well, and with rates of up to 80 MMscfd expected once the gasfield is developed (Source: Beach Energy Ltd, ASX Release dated 15 February 2021).

Seismic data from the Enterprise North Prospect has been correlated with that from known gasfields (Enterprise and Minerva) to reduce subsurface risk. Gas charged sands interpreted in seismic studies carried out over the Enterprise North Prospect cause a bright amplitude anomaly on the seismic. This is illustrated in Figure 2, below, along with comparisons between Enterprise North, Enterprise and Minerva.

Figure 2: Seismic Contour Mapping



Figures 2a, 2b & 2c: Comparison of Seismic Cross-Sections



The Enterprise North Prospect covers an area of up to 1,170 acres. The prognosed thickness of the Waarre Sandstone at Enterprise North is 115 metres, similar to that encountered by Beach Energy at the Enterprise gasfield (*Source: Beach Energy Ltd, ASX Release dated 15 February 2021*).

The Company is working with joint venture partner, Armour, toward securing requisite approvals for drilling of the conventional, deviated Enterprise North-1 well.

The Company has also continued to advance discussions with Cooper Energy Limited Cooper Energy's involvement in the Enterprise North-1 well. In October 2023 binding terms were agreed for farmout to Cooper Energy of an interest in PEP 169. Among other things the farmout terms involved Cooper making a \$1.2 million up-front payment to Lakes and funding Lakes' share of the cost of drilling the Enterprise North-1 well (up to an agreed maximum A\$1.25 million cap).

During the course of discussions, it became apparent that Armour would exercise a contractual pre-emptive right to takeover the farmin arrangement and, in doing so, secure 76.1% ownership of PEP 169. Lakes did not consider this outcome to be in the interests

of its shareholders. The Company is now working with Cooper on an alternative relationship, details of which are presently commercially confidential but will be released as soon as finalised.

### Otway-1

The Otway-1 gas well is a conventional, vertical well targeting the Waarre Sandstone, the Eumeralla Formation and the Pebble Point Sandstone. The well will be located about 400 metres from the existing Otway gas plant and lona gas storage field and associated facilities, as shown in Figure 3. The well was first proposed in 2013, at which time all regulatory and access requirements were fully satisfied (as advised in writing by the Victorian Department of Economic Development, Jobs, Transport and Resources).

Waarre Sandstone is very productive, with gas flow rates up to 50 TJ/d having previously been achieved at other nearby locations. Waarre Sandstone is the basis of historic gas production at the lona gas field which is now utilised as a gas storage reservoir.

The Eumeralla Formation is known to contain gas and has previously, at the Skull Creek-1 well location (nearby to Otway-1), flowed gas at a rate of 7.5 TJ/d.

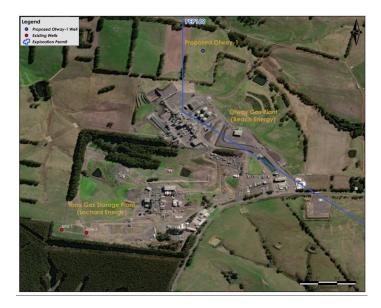
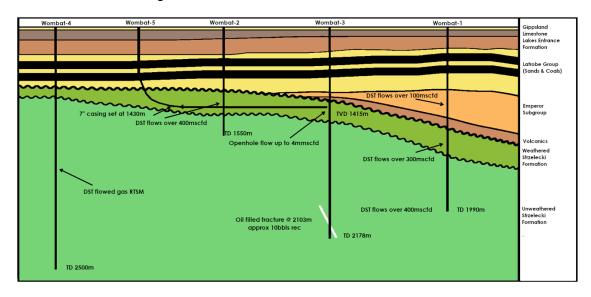


Figure 3: Location of Otway-1 Gas Well

Wombat-5 Gas Well (Petroleum Retention Lease 2)

The Wombat-5 well is a conventional, lateral well that will target the upper, permeable section of the Strzelecki Formation. The well, which will cost around \$5m, has an independently estimated gas production potential of around 10 TJ/d. The well was first proposed in 2013, at which time all regulatory and access requirements were fully satisfied (as advised in writing by the Victorian Department of Economic Development, Jobs, Transport and Resources).

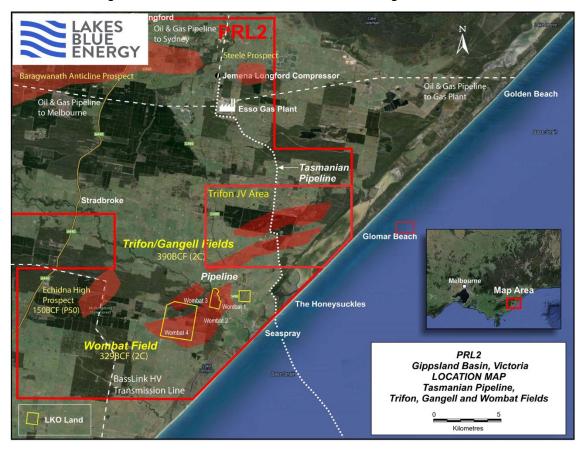
Figure 4: Cross-section of Wombat-5 Gas Well



The independently estimated contingent recoverable gas resources of the Wombat and adjoining Trifon-Gangell gas fields are 329 PJ and 390 PJ, respectively, at the 50% probability level. (Source of estimate: Gafney, Cline and Associates, as reproduced on pages 24-25 of "Independent Specialist Report on the petroleum assets of Navgas Pty Ltd and Lakes Oil NL", SRK Consulting (Australasia) Pty Ltd, made public in December 2016. The Company is not aware of any new information or data that materially affects the information included in the relevant market announcement and confirms that all the material assumptions and technical parameters underpinning the estimates in the relevant market announcement continue to apply and have not materially changed. The estimated quantities of petroleum that may potentially be recovered by the application of a future development project(s) relate to undiscovered accumulations. These estimates have both an associated risk of discovery and a risk of development. Further exploration appraisal and evaluation is required to determine the existence of a significant quantity of potentially moveable hydrocarbons).

The Company envisages an integrated approach to development of the Wombat and Trifon-Gangell gas fields. Sales gas production would initially be from the Wombat gas field with the Trifon-Gangell gas field developed to support steady gas sales over a 20-year period. On this basis, the estimated conventional sales gas potential of the fields is at least 20 PJ/a.

Figure 5: Location of Wombat and Trifon-Gangell Gas Fields



Portland Energy Project (Petroleum Exploration Permit 175)

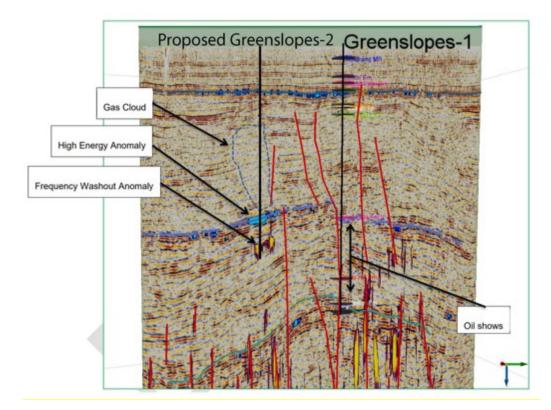
The proposed Greenslopes-2 and Portland Energy-1 gas wells are proof-of-concept wells, deigned to confirm the conventional gas production potential of the Eumeralla Formation and the underlying Crayfish Subgroup within a 'Focus Area' on the southwestern corner of Petroleum Exploration Permit 175, as depicted in Figure 10.

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Figure 6: Location of Focus Area Within PEP 175

Figure 7: Cross-section through proposed Greenslopes-2 Well (showing seismic attributes)



To date, 14 wells have been historically drilled without incident in the Focus Area region and, without exception, the Eumeralla Formation was shown to contain gas. Historically, this gas was of no interest since the search at the time was for oil. There was no market for gas, nor was there infrastructure through which it could be delivered.

An indication of the significant potential of the Focus Area can be gleaned from work undertaken by SRK Consulting on behalf of Lakes Oil. In May 2015, SRK used available information (essentially historic well logs and seismic data) to estimate the recoverable resources of gas within the Focus Area. SRK concluded (at a 50% confidence level) that there may be 8.3 Tcf of gas recoverable from the Eumeralla Formation and 3.2 Tcf recoverable from deeper Formations. (Source of estimate: SRK Consulting (Australasia) Pty Ltd, as reproduced on page 29 of "Independent Specialist Report on the petroleum assets of Navgas Pty Ltd and Lakes Oil NL", SRK Consulting (Australasia) Pty Ltd, made public in December 2016. The Company is not aware of any new information or data that materially affects the information included in the relevant market announcement and confirms that all the material assumptions and technical parameters underpinning the estimates in the relevant market announcement continue to apply and have not materially changed. The estimated quantities of petroleum that may potentially be recovered by the application of a future development project(s) relate to undiscovered accumulations. These estimates have both an associated risk of discovery and a risk of development. Further exploration appraisal and evaluation is required to determine the existence of a significant quantity of potentially moveable hydrocarbons).

Petroleum Exploration Permit 163

The Company has decided to relinquish Petroleum Exploration Permit 163. They are assessed to have limited petroleum potential.

#### Papua New Guinea

PPL 560 (Lakes: Operator, 100% interest)

 The Company has control of a portfolio of highly prospective exploration acreage in Papua New Guinea. One key tenement is Petroleum Prospecting Licence (PPL) 560, which contains the multi-trillion cubic feet Buna prospect.

Figure 8: PNG Interests

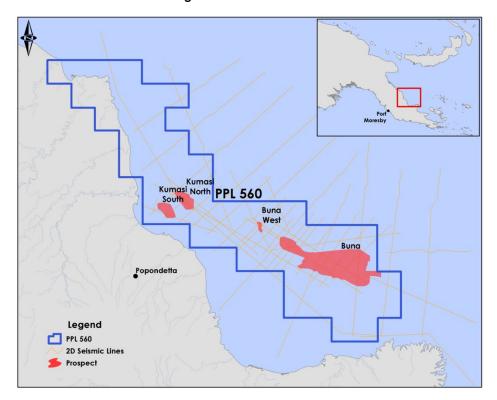
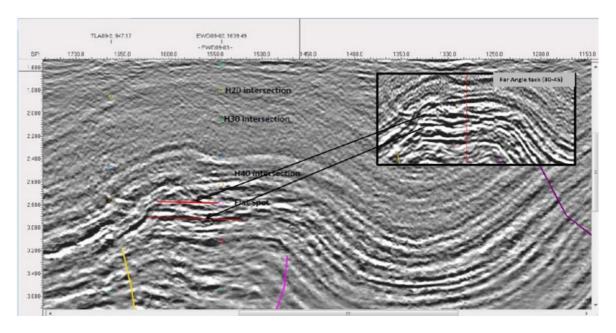
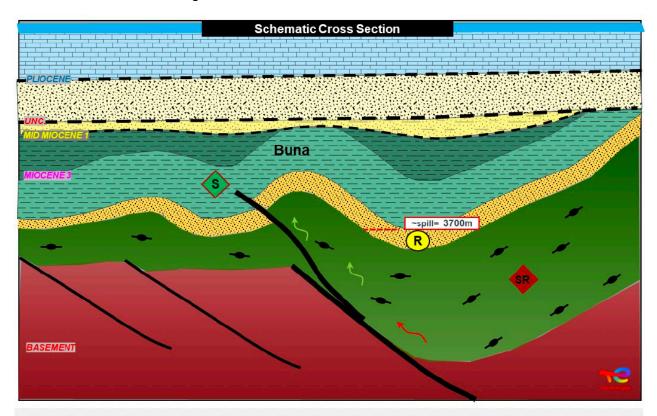


Figure 9: Buna Prospect Seismic Cross-section



Under the terms of a Technical Cooperation Agreement ('TCA') with TotalEnergies EP PNG
Limited (TotalEnergies), a subsidiary of French supermajor TotalEnergies SE, TotalEnergies
carried out at its cost a technical work program involving analysis of the rock and fluid samples,
and comprehensive geological and geophysical studies. TotalEnergies confirmed the
prognosed size of the Buna prospect but considered the prospect may be oil, rather than gas,
prone. Extracts from TotalEnergies' findings are presented below.

Figure 10a: Illustrative Buna Cross-section



- 4-way dip closure clearly defined in shallow water context.

Unrisked Gross recoverable UMR ~ **590 Mboe** Main risks: SR Presence and Reservoir Quality

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Figure 10b: Seismic Mapping of Buna Prospect

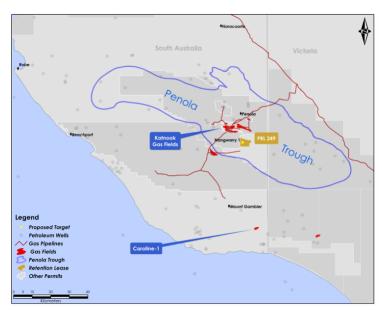
- TotalEnergies had an option, which it did not exercise, to proceed with acquisition of 3D seismic over the Buna Prospect.
- The Company is investigating options for progressing exploration activity at Buna.

# **South Australia**

PRL 249, Nangwarry Carbon Dioxide Project (Lakes Oil: 50% interest)

- The Company, with joint venture partner Vintage Energy Pty Ltd, is continuing investigations of
  options for development of the Nangwarry-1 well to produce carbon dioxide for industrial,
  medical and food use.
- The Nangwarry-1 well is presently completed and suspended pending any development decision. Site rehabilitation and monitoring have been successfully completed, with no environmental impacts detected.

Figure 11: Location of Nangwarry-1 Gas Well



The certified carbon dioxide sales gas resource of the Nangwarry project is as tabulated below:

Table 2: Carbon Dioxide Sales Gas Resource

CO <sub>2</sub> Gross Sales Gas Estimate		Gross Natural Gas Contingent Resource			
Low	Best	High	1C	2C	3C
9.0 Bscf	25.9 Bscf	64.4 Bscf	0.5 Bscf	1.6 Bscf	4.1 Bscf

CO <sub>2</sub> Net Sales Gas Estimate		Net Natural	<b>Gas Continge</b>	nt Resource	
Low	Best	High	1C	2C	3C
4.5 Bscf	12.9 Bscf	32.2 Bscf	0.3 Bscf	0.8 Bscf	2.0 Bscf

#### Notes:

- 1. Gross volumes represent a 100% total of estimated recoverable volumes within PRL 249.
- 2. Working interest volumes for Otway Energy Ltd's and Vintage Energy Ltd's share of the Gross recoverable volumes can be calculated by applying their working interest in PRL 249, which is 50% each.
- 3. Sales gas stream for Nangwarry is CO2 gas.
- 4. Gross Contingent Resource represents a 100% total of estimated recoverable hydrocarbon gas volumes within PRL 249.
- These are unrisked Contingent Resources that have not been risked for Chance of Development and are sub-classified as Development Unclarified.

The independent estimate was prepared by ERC Equipoise Pte Ltd (**ERCE**) using a probabilistic methodology. Under the June 2018 Society of Engineers Petroleum Resources Management System, (**PRMS**), volumes of non-hydrocarbon by-products cannot be included in any Reserves or Resources classification. However, the method used by ERCE is consistent with that prescribed by the PRMS.

ERCE is an independent consultancy specialising in geoscience evaluation, engineering and economic assessment. ERCE has the relevant and appropriate qualifications, experience and technical knowledge to appraise professionally and independently the assets.

ERCE's work was supervised by Mr Adam Becis, Principal Reservoir Engineer at ERCE, who has over 14 years of experience in the oil and gas industry. He is a member of the Society of Petroleum Engineers and also a member of the Society of Petroleum Evaluation Engineers. Mr Becis has consented to the form and context in which the estimate of carbon dioxide sales gas is presented.

# **Queensland, Roma Shelf Project**

ATP 1183 (Lakes: Operator, 100% interest)

• ATP 1183 is highly prospective for oil, gas and condensate discoveries, and is within close proximity of established production facilities and infrastructure.

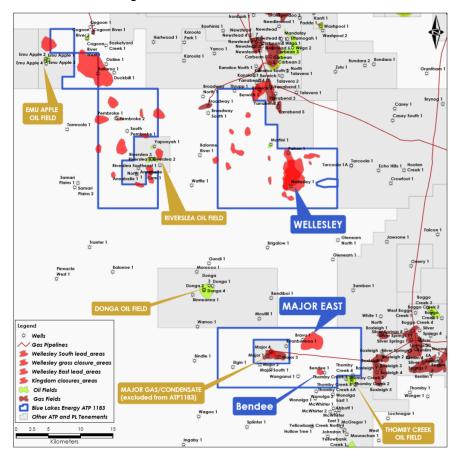


Figure 12: ATP 1183, Queensland

ATP 1183 contains multiple exploration targets, as illustrated above and summarised in Table
 prospects of key interest to the Company are:

Prospect (Economic Ultimately Recoverable)

Emu Apple 1.3 MMBbl oil

Riverslea Updip 7.5 MMBbl oil across 17 targets

Major 8.5 Bcf gas across 5 targets

Bendee 0.2 MMBbl oil

Wellesley 85 - 112 Bcf gas across 18 targets

Table 3: ATP 1183 Resource Potential

The estimates set out in Table 4 are best estimates prepared on a deterministic basis by Mr Peter Bubendorfer, Geotechnical Assessor, Armour Energy Limited. Mr Bubendorfer holds a BSc in Geology, is a member of AAPG, and has over 22 years of relevant experience in hydrocarbon exploration and production. He has consented to the use of the estimate in the form and context in which it appears in this report.

# **Near-shore Victoria (Gippsland Basin)**

VIC/P43(V) and VIC/P44(V) (Lakes: Operator, 100% interest)

- The Company intends to relinquish these permits.
- While these permits could contain some extension of the onshore resources of PRL2, it would be premature to incur exploration expenditure to investigate their potential. It is prudent to first confirm the commerciality of the certified contingent resources of PRL2, work which was delayed by some 10 years following the Victorian onshore exploration ban.

# South Australia, Pirie Torrens Oil & Gas Project

PELAs (Lakes: Operator, 100% interest)

- The Pirie Torrens Oil and Gas Project incorporates six Petroleum Exploration Licence Applications (PELAs) located in South Australia and covering approximately 53,000km² as outlined in Figure 9. Petroleum exploration activities in the general area first commenced in 1956, when Santos was established to drill for oil at Wilkatana. This work, and subsequent drilling by other companies, historically confirmed the presence of oil and gas across the area of interest.
- As announced on 1 June 2023, the Company has entered into an arrangement with Gehyra Flux Pty Ltd (Gehyra) pursuant to which:
  - Lakes will transfer to Gehyra a fifty percent (50%) interest in six Petroleum Exploration Licence Applications (PELAs) that Lakes holds, through the Company's wholly owned subsidiary NavGas Pty Ltd, in the Arrowie Basin, South Australia (Figure 1).
  - Gehyra will, at its cost, carry out work that is a necessary prerequisite for the PELAs to be granted as Petroleum Exploration Licences (PELs). This includes negotiation of native title matters and agreements.
  - Gehyra will have exclusive 100% rights to explore for and produce natural hydrogen from within the area of the PELs. Lakes will retain exclusive 100% rights to explore for and produce petroleum from within the area of the PELs.
  - Recognising the similarity between hydrogen and petroleum exploration techniques, Lakes and Gehyra have the opportunity to coordinate their exploration efforts and share technical information.
  - In the event discoveries are made, Gehyra will pay to Lakes a two percent (2%) royalty on the value of any hydrogen produced and Lakes will pay to Gehyra a two percent (2%) royalty on the value of any petroleum produced.
- In addition to the potential for discovery and development of a natural hydrogen resource, of particular near-term interest to the Company are:
  - the potential for oil production to the north of Wilkatana (in an area of closure, associated with the Torrens Hinge Zone, that can be identified on modern seismic data but which has not yet been drilled); and
  - the potential for production of gas from the Tindelpina Shale, which has been demonstrated to contain gas, but has not been explored using modern techniques.

romanga Arckaringa Basin Officer Basin **PELA 579** 30° S PFI A 63 **PELA 601** Arrowie **PELA 602** LEGEND **PELA 578** NAVGAS Tenement Gas Pipeline Oil Pipeline Major Power Line Power Station Shale Bearing Basins ADELAIDE Permian Neo Proterozoic - Early Palaeozoic N 200 400km

Figure 13: South Australian Licence Application Areas

# **Eagle Prospect, Onshore California, USA**

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(Lakes: 17.97% interest. Operator: Strata –X Inc.)

- The Eagle Prospect contains the Mary Bellochi-1 well, which was drilled in 1986 by Lakes and its joint venture partners, and flowed oil to surface for several weeks before withering out. Indications at the time were that failure of the well was the result of a mechanical problem, rather than oil ceasing to be present.
- The Company is seeking to dispose of its Eagle Prospect interest.

This announcement is authorised for release to the market by the Board of Directors of Lakes Blue Energy NL.

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# Lakes Blue Energy NL Tenement holding summary

Below is a listing of the tenements held by Lakes Blue Energy NL as at 31 December 2023:

Joint operation or Permit name	Location (basin name)	Interest owned %	Interest % acquired/farmin during the quarter	Interest % disposed/farmout during the quarter
PEP 163	Otway	100	-	-
PEP 167	Otway	100	-	=
PEP 169	Otway	49	-	-
PEP 175	Otway	100	-	-
PRL 2-Overall Permit	Gippsland	100	-	-
PRL 2 - Trifon Field	Gippsland	57.50	-	-
PRL 3	Gippsland	100	-	-
PEP 166	Gippsland	75	-	-
VIC/P43(V)	Gippsland	100	-	-
VIC/P44(V)	Gippsland	100	-	-
ATP 1183	Surat/Bowen	100	-	-
Eagle Prospect	California USA	17.97	-	-
PELA 577*	Pirie Torrens, SA	100	-	-
PELA 578*	Pirie Torrens, SA	100	-	-
PELA 579*	Pirie Torrens, SA	100	-	-
PELA 601*	Pirie Torrens, SA	100	-	-
PELA 602*	Pirie Torrens, SA	100	-	-
PELA 631*	Pirie Torrens, SA	100	-	-
EL 6606	Pirie Torrens, SA	0	-	100
PRL 249	Otway	50	-	-
PPL 549	PNG	100	-	-
PPL 560	PNG	100	-	-
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APPL 594 *	PNG	100	-	-

<sup>\*</sup>Tenements in application phase only, remain subject to government approvals.

# **Cautionary statement**

The Company is not aware of any new information or data that materially affects the information included in the relevant market announcement and confirms that all the material assumptions and technical parameters underpinning the estimates in the relevant market announcement continue to apply and have not materially changed. The estimated quantities of petroleum that may potentially be recovered by the application of a future development project(s) relate to undiscovered accumulations. These estimates have both an associated risk of discovery and a risk of development. Further exploration appraisal and evaluation is required to determine the existence of a significant quantity of potentially moveable hydrocarbons).

# Appendix 5B

# Mining exploration entity or oil and gas exploration entity quarterly cash flow report

Name of entity

LAKES BLUE ENERGY NL				
ABN Quarter ended ("current quarter")				
62 004 247 214	31 December 2023			

Con	solidated statement of cash flows	Current quarter \$A'000	Year to date (6 months) \$A'000
1.	Cash flows from operating activities		
1.1	Receipts from customers	-	-
1.2	Payments for		
	(a) exploration & evaluation	(97)	(315)
	(b) development	-	-
	(c) production	-	-
	(d) staff costs	(50)	(93)
	(e) administration and corporate costs	(267)	(546)
1.3	Dividends received (see note 3)	-	-
1.4	Interest received	4	11
1.5	Interest and other costs of finance paid	-	-
1.6	Income taxes paid	-	-
1.7	Government grants and tax incentives	-	-
1.8	Other Receipts (sale of equipment, reimbursement of costs)	273	317
1.9	Net cash from / (used in) operating activities	(137)	(626)

2. Ca	sh flows from investing activities
2.1 Pa	yments to acquire or for:
(a)	entities
(b)	tenements
(c)	property, plant and equipment
(d)	exploration & evaluation
(e)	investments
(f)	other non-current assets

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Con	solidated statement of cash flows	Current quarter \$A'000	Year to date (6 months) \$A'000
2.2	Proceeds from the disposal of:		
	(a) entities	-	-
	(b) tenements	-	-
	(c) property, plant and equipment	-	-
	(d) investments	-	-
	(e) other non-current assets	-	-
2.3	Cash flows from loans to other entities	-	-
2.4	Dividends received (see note 3)	-	-
2.5	Other (refund of deposits)	-	-
2.6	Net cash from / (used in) investing activities	-	-

3.	Cash flows from financing activities		
3.1	Proceeds from issues of equity securities (excluding convertible debt securities)	377	-
3.2	Proceeds from issue of convertible debt securities	-	-
3.3	Proceeds from exercise of options	-	-
3.4	Transaction costs related to issues of equity securities or convertible debt securities	(44)	-
3.5	Proceeds from borrowings	-	-
3.6	Repayment of borrowings	-	-
3.7	Transaction costs related to loans and borrowings	-	-
3.8	Dividends paid	-	-
3.9	Other (Funds held for securities yet to be issued)	-	-
3.10	Net cash from / (used in) financing activities	333	-

4.	Net increase / (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents for the period		
4.1	Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of period	269	758
4.2	Net cash from / (used in) operating activities (item 1.9 above)	(137)	(626)
4.3	Net cash from / (used in) investing activities (item 2.6 above)	-	-
4.4	Net cash from / (used in) financing activities (item 3.10 above)	333	333

Con	solidated statement of cash flows	Current quarter \$A'000	Year to date (6 months) \$A'000
4.5	Effect of movement in exchange rates on cash held	-	-
4.6	Cash and cash equivalents at end of period	465	465

5.	Reconciliation of cash and cash equivalents at the end of the quarter (as shown in the consolidated statement of cash flows) to the related items in the accounts	Current quarter \$A'000	Previous quarter \$A'000
5.1	Bank balances	394	198
5.2	Call deposits	71	71
5.3	Bank overdrafts	-	-
5.4	Other (restricted or funds held in escrow)	-	-
5.5	Cash and cash equivalents at end of quarter (should equal item 4.6 above)	465	269

6.	Payments to related parties of the entity and their associates	Current quarter \$A'000
6.1	Aggregate amount of payments to related parties and their associates included in item 1	33
6.2	Aggregate amount of payments to related parties and their associates included in item 2	-
Note: i	if any amounts are shown in items 6.1 or 6.2, your quarterly activity report must inclu	de a description of, and an

explanation for, such payments.

7.	Financing facilities  Note: the term "facility' includes all forms of financing arrangements available to the entity.  Add notes as necessary for an understanding of the sources of finance available to the entity.	Total facility amount at quarter end \$A'000	Amount drawn at quarter end \$A'000	
7.1	Loan facilities	-	-	
7.2	Credit standby arrangements	-	-	
7.3	Other (loan from related party and unrelated entity)	-	-	
7.4	Total financing facilities	-	-	
7.5	Unused financing facilities available at quarter end		-	
7.6	Include in the box below a description of each facility above, including the lender, interest rate, maturity date and whether it is secured or unsecured. If any additional financing facilities have been entered into or are proposed to be entered into after quarter end, include a note providing details of those facilities as well.			
	N/A			

8.	Estimated cash available for future operation	ng activities \$A'000	
8.1	Net cash from / (used in) operating activities (item	1.9) (137)	
8.2	Payments for exploration & evaluation classified as investing activities (item 2.1(d))		
8.3	Total relevant outgoings (item 8.1 + item 8.2)	(137)	
8.4	Cash and cash equivalents at quarter end (item 4.6)		
8.5	Unused finance facilities available at quarter end (item 7.5)		
8.6	Total available funding (item 8.4 + item 8.5)	465	
8.7	Estimated quarters of funding available (item 8. item 8.3)	.6 divided by 3.39	
	Note: if the entity has reported positive relevant outgoings (ie a net cash inflow) in item 8.3, answer item 8.7 as "N/A". Otherwise, a figure for the estimated quarters of funding available must be included in item 8.7.		
8.8	If item 8.7 is less than 2 quarters, please provide answers to the following questions:		
	8.8.1 Does the entity expect that it will continue to have the current level of net operating cash flows for the time being and, if not, why not?		
	Answer: N/A		
	8.8.2 Has the entity taken any steps, or does it propose to take any steps, to raise further cash to fund its operations and, if so, what are those steps and how likely does it believe that they will be successful?		
	Answer:		
N/A			

8.8.3 Does the entity expect to be able to continue its operations and to meet its business objectives and, if so, on what basis?

Answer:
N/A

Note: where item 8.7 is less than 2 quarters, all of questions 8.8.1, 8.8.2 and 8.8.3 above must be answered.

# **Compliance statement**

- This statement has been prepared in accordance with accounting standards and policies which comply with Listing Rule 19.11A.
- 2 This statement gives a true and fair view of the matters disclosed.

Date: 30 January 2024

Authorised by: The Board of Directors

#### **Notes**

- 1. This quarterly cash flow report and the accompanying activity report provide a basis for informing the market about the entity's activities for the past quarter, how they have been financed and the effect this has had on its cash position. An entity that wishes to disclose additional information over and above the minimum required under the Listing Rules is encouraged to do so.
- If this quarterly cash flow report has been prepared in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards, the definitions in, and provisions of, AASB 6: Exploration for and Evaluation of Mineral Resources and AASB 107: Statement of Cash Flows apply to this report. If this quarterly cash flow report has been prepared in accordance with other accounting standards agreed by ASX pursuant to Listing Rule 19.11A, the corresponding equivalent standards apply to this report.
- 3. Dividends received may be classified either as cash flows from operating activities or cash flows from investing activities, depending on the accounting policy of the entity.
- 4. If this report has been authorised for release to the market by your board of directors, you can insert here: "By the board". If it has been authorised for release to the market by a committee of your board of directors, you can insert here: "By the [name of board committee eg Audit and Risk Committee]". If it has been authorised for release to the market by a disclosure committee, you can insert here: "By the Disclosure Committee".
- 5. If this report has been authorised for release to the market by your board of directors and you wish to hold yourself out as complying with recommendation 4.2 of the ASX Corporate Governance Council's *Corporate Governance Principles and Recommendations*, the board should have received a declaration from its CEO and CFO that, in their opinion, the financial records of the entity have been properly maintained, that this report complies with the appropriate accounting standards and gives a true and fair view of the cash flows of the entity, and that their opinion has been formed on the basis of a sound system of risk management and internal control which is operating effectively.