



OIL BASINS LIMITED

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ASX Markets Announcements
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Dear Sirs

DERBY BLOCK (EP 487) AND SAT UPDATE

The Directors of Oil Basins Limited (**OBL** or the **Company**, ASX code **OBL**) wish to make the following ASX announcement to keep the market fully informed.

SAT Decision

During the 2HY2014, the Company made application to the WA State Administrative Tribunal (**SAT**) under the *Petroleum and Geothermal Energy Resources Act 1967* asking SAT to order rectification of the Petroleum Register and to order the removal of Backreef Oil Pty Limited (BOPL) from the title of EP 487 (Derby Block) – refer to Figure 1.

If successful, this would mean that only OBL would remain on the title.

- An initial SAT directions hearing was held on 21 July 2014, and the full SAT hearing was heard in front of the President of SAT, Justice Curthoys, on 18 September 2014.
- The Company was then asked by SAT to make possible further submissions on a very recent judgement delivered in the WA Court of Appeal on 14 November 2014, *Commissioner of State Revenue v Abbotts Exploration Pty Ltd* [2014] WASCA 211, which had apparent relevance.
- The Company made the supplementary submissions on 2 December 2014 saying the observations made by the Court of Appeal in Abbotts Case support Oil Basins' submission that BOPL was not 'the applicant' for the Permit within the meaning of sections 31 and 32 of the PGER Act due to the contractual rights purportedly granted by BOPL to Buru Energy Limited.

Timing of SAT Decision

Today the Company was formally advised that the timetable for decision and reasons in the matter has been further extended by the SAT President until 16 March 2015.

In addition, SAT have advised that all parties will be given notice as to the exact time and date when the judgment is ready to be handed down, which the Company only expects to be short notice.

Update on other legal actions against BOPL – Non-payment of Cash Calls

Magistrates Court Proceedings – the pre-trial conference of the proceedings was listed on 13 February 2015 and the Registrar gave orders that OBL's formal pleadings to be formally lodged by 6 March 2015 and BOPL's formal defence to be lodged by 20 March 2015 for a court hearing to be set down in April 2015.

District Court Proceedings – a confidential mediation conference of the proceedings was held on 19 February 2015. The OBL and BOPL bundles of documents being relied on are expected to be formally lodged on 20 March 2015 with then a further confidential mediation by 31 March 2015. A full hearing would be expected to commence in May 2015.

Yours faithfully

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Neil F. Doyle', with a stylized, cursive script.

Neil Doyle SPE
Director & CEO

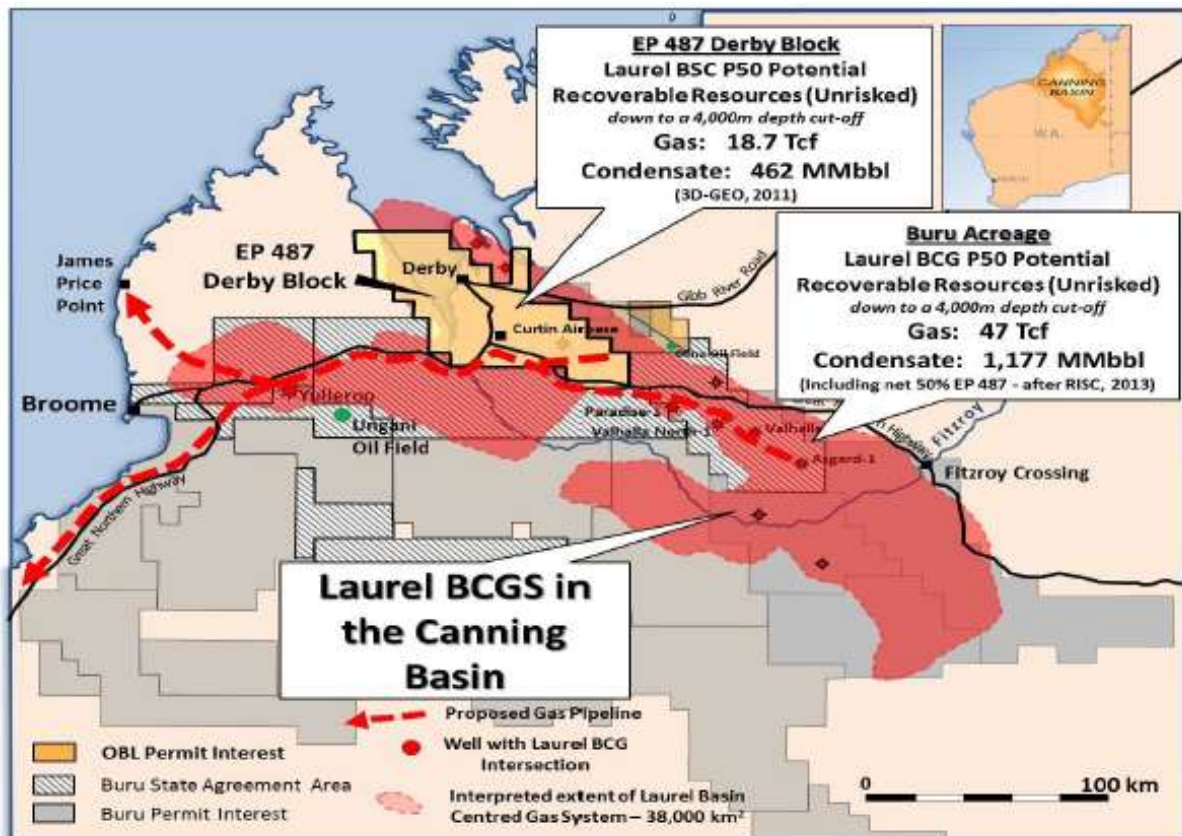


Figure 1
 EP 487 is a prospective hydrocarbon address for wet Laurel Basin Centred Gas