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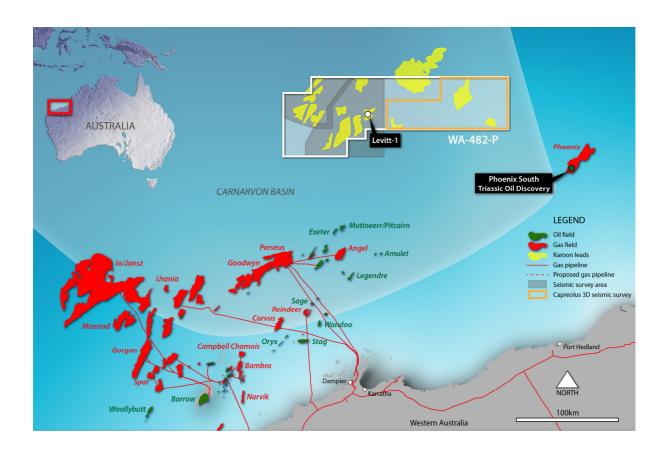
Levitt-1 Exploration Well Progress Report No 1

Karoon Gas Australia Ltd is pleased to announce the commencement of the high impact Levitt-1 exploration well in WA-482-P Carnarvon Basin, off-shore Western Australia.

Levitt-1 spudded at 1230 AEST on 4 July 2015. The shallow hole section has been drilled 73 metres, in a water depth of 1,163 metres to the current depth of 1,262 mRT and the conductor casing has been set. Preparations are underway to commence drilling in the 17-1/2" hole section later today.

The Ocean America semisubmersible drilling rig is being used to drill the well which is targeting a net unrisked prospective resource best estimate of 110mmbbls (gross 220mmbbls)¹. Total depth is expected to be reached during early August.

Levitt-1 is designed to test the presence of a working petroleum system generating from the Wigmore sub-basin. The sub-basin contains a significant thickness of Jurassic source rocks of the same age as those known to charge petroleum accumulations elsewhere in the Basin. The well is located to evaluate the deeper North Rankin and the shallower Legendre formations which are expected to receive hydrocarbons migrating from the oil mature source kitchen. A successful result would open up a new exploration play in the Carnarvon Basin.



¹ Refer to the Prospective Resource Statement on page 2

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Karoon has a material 50% equity interest in WA-482-P and is carried for 90% of the cost of the well. Joint venture partner, and operator Quadrant Energy Australia Ltd has the remaining 50% interest.

Prospective Resources Statement

WA-482-P prospective resource volume estimates disclosed in Karoon's 30 April 2014 ASX announcement and presented in the table below have been independently assessed by DeGolyer and MacNaughton on a probabilistic basis.

Net Unrisked Resource			Prospective Category		
Prospect / Permit	Interest	Туре	Low	Best	High
Levitt	50%	Oil (mmbbls)	36	110	275
WA-482-P	50%	Oil (mmbbls)	375	1,117	2,837

Karoon is not aware of any new information or data that materially affects the resource estimates and all 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 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. There is no certainty that any portion of the prospective resource estimated on behalf of Karoon will be discovered. If discovered, there is no certainty that it will be commercially viable to produce any portion of the prospective resources evaluated.

About Karoon Gas Australia Ltd

Karoon Gas Australia Ltd is an international oil and gas exploration company with projects in Australia, Brazil and Peru and a member of the S&P/ASX 200 Index.

Karoon looks for high equity interests in early stage exploration opportunities containing large potential targets in basins with proven Petroleum Systems. Karoon strives to create shareholder value through the geotechnical work-up of the acreage, leveraging its high equity interests to explore and appraise these opportunities to achieve commercialisation.

While the company's core strategy is identifying off-shore early stage exploration opportunities, Karoon's longer-term strategy is to retain residual equity interests in the assets as they go into production.

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