### TAKING THE INITIATIVE

Our strategy of building a portfolio of assets with diversity of product and geography provides us with a level of resilience and flexibility to manage change in volatile markets.

Bruce Clement Managing Director



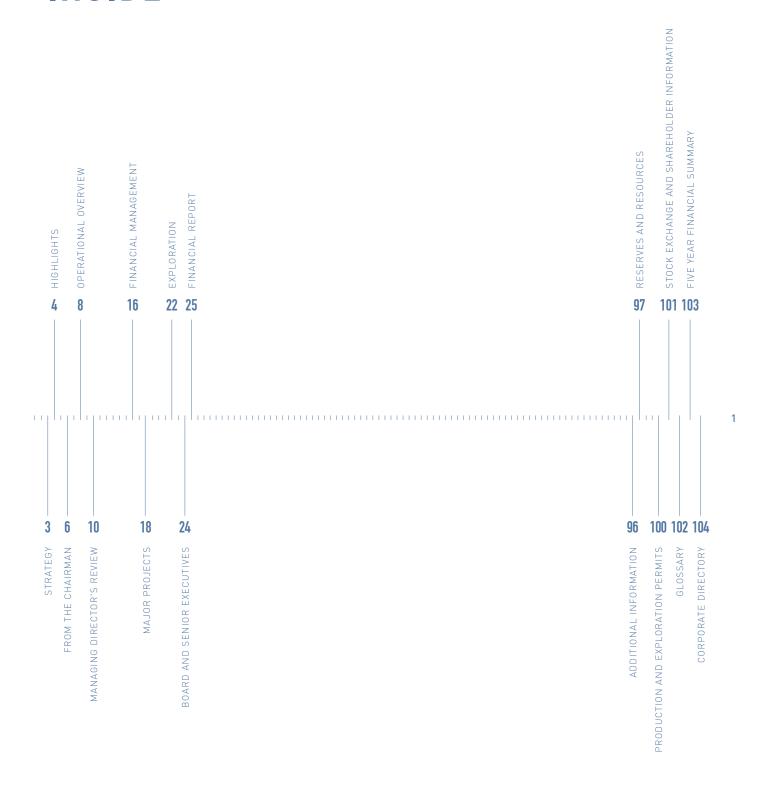
# ABOUT AWE

AWE is a dynamic Australian energy company focused on upstream oil and gas opportunities. Its diverse portfolio of exploration, development and production assets in Australia, New Zealand, Indonesia, China and the USA provides a solid production base with good cash flows and significant growth opportunities.

Established in 1997 and listed on the Australian Securities Exchange (ASX), the company has its head office in Sydney and project offices in Perth and New Plymouth. The company's substantial portfolio of 2P Reserves includes a range of projects that, when fully developed, will see company's annual production base exceed 10 million BOE.

With strong technical foundations and disciplined financial management, AWE remains focused on delivering controlled growth that will generate long-term shareholder value.

# **INSIDE**





# **STRATEGY**

AWE's strategy of diversity and flexibility has it well positioned to adapt to a lower oil price environment:

#### **3 Core Products**

To manage price volatility and optimise margins, AWE is targeting High Value Gas, Oil, and Unconventional Liquids and Gas.

#### **Geographic Diversity**

AWE's portfolio of exploration, development and production assets — located in Australia, New Zealand, Indonesia, China and the USA — is focused on proven petroleum basins.

#### Lifecycle Exposure

AWE's asset portfolio spans the full upstream lifecycle: Exploration, Appraisal, Development and Production. The company is an active manager of assets and aims to ensure that AWE's equity interest reflects the appropriate balance between risk and reward at every stage of an asset's lifecycle. AWE prefers to have involvement at early stages in projects where it can add substantial value.

#### **Financial Strength**

A sound balance sheet and good operating cash flows allow the company to stay in control of its exploration and development agenda and deliver growth.





59% increase in 2C Resources to 122 mmhoe

\$143M Field EBITDA

5.1 MMB0E

\$284M Sales revenue

**54%** increase in Sugarloaf production

484 Bcf gross comprises 178 Bcf 2P Reserves and 306 Bcf 2C Resources

\$400M 4-year debt facility in place



# FROM THE CHAIRMAN

#### Fellow AWE shareholders

A year ago, at the Annual General Meeting (AGM), I spoke about the remarkable success of the US shale gas and liquids sector and the powerful forces it had unleashed within the international energy community.

Those same forces which drove rapid growth in the US economy — a resurgence in manufacturing, falling unemployment and strong GDP growth driven by low gas prices — have also had other, dramatic side effects.

The forces that lifted US oil production to record levels last year also unleashed a powerful response from Middle East oil producers, which has driven oil prices to decade lows.

Few forecasted the severity and duration of the oil price decline in the past year and this clearly has affected markets and changed the world in which your company operates.

Despite the challenges, AWE has continued to deliver on its objectives and hit its production, development and exploration targets while also delivering a revenue result that was only 2 per cent below our full year guidance — a remarkable effort given the severity of the fall in oil prices.

However, now we are forced to confront an oil industry outlook in which prices may remain at low levels for much longer than most people expected.

I am pleased to report that AWE has responded well to this challenge by reshaping our business to operate in the new world order. We are doing that by reducing costs, including operating expenses and corporate overheads, reprioritising our development projects, looking at asset divestments, and realigning our corporate resources to match.

For example we are closing our office in Jakarta, reducing and reassigning headcount, and we have significantly reduced development and exploration spending in the current financial year.

AWE is still targeting growth — albeit in a tightly controlled and disciplined manner.

Your company is in the enviable position of having an excellent book of high quality, project-ready growth opportunities such as the Ande Ande Lumut (AAL) oil project and the Lengo gas project in Indonesia, and the Waitsia gas project in Western Australia's Perth Basin.

But in the current environment it would be unwise to develop all these projects at once. Our short-term priority will be pursuit of the development of the Waitsia gas field where we expect growing demand and elevated gas prices over the medium term.

# "AWE HAS RESPONDED WELL TO THIS CHALLENGE BY RESHAPING OUR BUSINESS."





Last year I suggested that shareholders should watch activity on this project with keen interest. Since our last AGM, shareholders have benefited from excellent production test results, successful follow-up appraisal drilling, and booking of substantial 2P Reserves and 2C Resources. Waitsia looks like delivering on its potential to be the biggest conventional gas field discovery onshore Australia since the mid 1980s, with gas production from stage one of the development due by the middle of 2016.

Irrespective of such success, in response to the low oil price environment we need to manage our capital and maintain a strong balance sheet.

The company has a solid production base which generates substantial cash flows, even at reduced crude oil prices, underpinned by long-term CPI-linked gas contracts in southeastern Australia.

AWE remains focused on growing the company, in line with our long-term strategy, albeit at a necessarily slower pace in line with current market conditions.

We have four high quality growth assets in BassGas, Sugarloaf, Waitsia and Ande Ande Lumut as well as other pre-development projects, such as the Lengo and Trefoil gas fields, along with numerous exploration assets.

Within all these projects and opportunities, AWE retains substantial flexibility and optionality in terms of managing scheduling and development costs, from a corporate balance sheet perspective and within the assets themselves. These diverse assets also offer AWE a good mix of both oil and gas reserves and production.

Our goal to double annual production to 10 mmboe from current reserves remains achievable, but of course the speed and timing of reaching that target is heavily leveraged to global oil prices.

While working to realise these growth ambitions, AWE will continue to maintain very strict financial and operational discipline. In the past year, AWE increased the amount and extended the term of its bank debt facility to A\$400 million over four years. Where prudent, the board will also consider hedging future production to underpin cash flow

In summary, AWE remains well positioned to navigate these troubled waters thanks to a diverse suite of high quality assets, a solid production base and prudent management through what has been, and will continue to be, a very challenging period.

The company's board and management remain focused on delivering controlled growth with a strong emphasis on financial discipline while maintaining a safe and sustainable business.

I would like to acknowledge the strong contribution made by Dr Vijoleta Braach-Maksvytis, a non-executive director since 2010, who is retiring at this year's AGM to pursue her growing business interests. Her insights in the area of innovation and her commitment, as chair of the People Committee, to the development of leadership skills and mentoring within AWE have been invaluable.

On behalf of shareholders I thank my colleagues on the board, along with Bruce Clement and his management team for their hard work over the past, very challenging year.

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Bruce Phillips Chairman

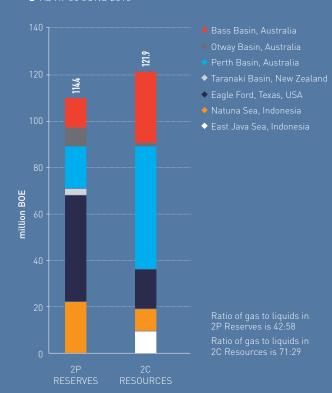


# OPERATIONAL OVERVIEW

Region And Assets	FY2014-15 Production	Percentage of total
	'000 B0E	%
Australia		
Bass Basin (BassGas)	1,093	21.5%
Otway Basin (Casino)	1,072	21.0%
Perth Basin (Cliff Head, onshore*)	766	15.0%
New Zealand		
Taranaki Basin (Tui*)	836	16.4%
USA		
Eagle Ford, Texas (Sugarloaf)	1,327	26.1%
Total production	5,094	

<sup>\*</sup>Denotes Operatorship (not all Perth Basin assets Operated by AWE)

#### NET 2P RESERVES AND 2C RESOURCES AS AT 30 JUNE 2015







#### BASS BASIN, AUSTRALIA BassGas Project (AWE 35%

**13.4 MMB0E** 2P RESERVES

**30.8 MMB0E** 2C RESOURCES



#### OTWAY BASIN, AUSTRALIA

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**8.2 MMB0E** 2P RESERVES

1.3 MMB0E 2C RESOURCES



#### PERTH BASIN, AUSTRALIA

Uuff Head Uil Project (AWE 57:5%) Waitsia Gas Project (AWE 50%, Operator Onshore Perth Basin (AWE 33-100%, some Operated)

**19 MMB0E** 2P RESERVES

**53.6 MMB0E** 2C RESOURCES



#### TARANKI BASIN, NEW ZEALAND

Tui Oil Project (AWE 57.5%, Operator)

3 MMB0E 2P RESERVES



#### EAGLE FORD, TEXAS, USA

Sugarloaf AMI (~10% working interest, ~7.5% net revenue interest)

**47.8 MMB0E** 2P RESERVES

**17.1 MMB0E** 2C RESOURCES



#### NATUNA SEA, INDONESIA

Ande Ande Lumut Oil Project (AWE 50%)

**23 MMB0E** 2P RESERVES

9.6 MMB0E 2C RESOURCES



#### EAST JAVA SEA, INDONESIA

Lengo Gas Project (AWE 42.5%)

9.5 MMB0E

2C RESOURCES



#### BOHAI BAY BASIN, CHINA

Block 09 / 05 (AWE 40%)

### MANAGING DIRECTOR'S REVIEW

The 2014-15 financial year proved to be extremely challenging for the oil and gas industry, as companies, commodity markets and investors were required to adjust to significantly lower oil prices.

From an operational perspective AWE achieved a number of major successes during the year, including a significant gas discovery in the Perth Basin and substantial Reserves growth, which further enhanced the company's future prospects.

However, AWE was not immune to market forces and our financial results were negatively impacted by lower oil prices, reduced revenues, and asset impairments.

Full year production of 5.1 mmboe was at the top end of our forecast range, while sales revenue of \$284 million was down due to the lower realised average oil price during the year. The company reported a statutory net loss after tax of \$230 million, including non-cash impairments after tax of \$158 million, and an underlying net loss after tax of \$52 million.

2014-15 was a peak year for AWE's development and exploration activity, with drilling operations undertaken at BassGas, Sugarloaf, Tui, onshore Perth Basin and China. Development and exploration expenditure is forecast to reduce significantly in 2015-16 and again in 2016-17.

#### Operating Highlights

By far the biggest highlight of the year for AWE was the exploration and appraisal success in the Perth Basin, where AWE now estimates more than 700 Bcf gross recoverable gas can be developed with further upside potential. The Waitsia field is believed to be the biggest onshore conventional gas discovery in Australia in 30 years and Australia's fourth largest onshore gas field based on remaining conventional 2P Reserves.

The Sugarloaf project in the US performed very well - production increased 54% to 1.3 mmboe, drilling costs reduced further and 2P Reserves were doubled. Sugarloaf is a substantial project with combined 2P Reserves and 2C Resources of 65 mmboe net to AWE and up to a decade of drilling remaining before peak production is achieved.

At BassGas we drilled two development wells, Yolla-5 and Yolla-6, which were brought online in July bringing field production to around 64 TJ/day gross. The new wells provide the BassGas project with increased stable longer term production capability and a greater level of well redundancy.

The Pateke-4H well was tied-in to the Tui oil field in April. Early production was better than anticipated and contributed to a significant increase in fourth quarter production and revenues.

In Indonesia, the Lengo gas project made rapid progress following government approval of the Plan of Development. The project is now well advanced with FEED work for the offshore facilities and pipeline completed in September 2015 and gas sales negotiations well advanced.

#### Reserves and Resources

The value of AWE lies in our Reserves and Resources, which at year end had increased to 236 mmboe. Net 2P Reserves increased by 25% to 114 mmboe, which equates to 22 years of production at current rates, and net 2C Resources were up 59% to 122 mmboe.

During the year there were two significant increases in 2P Reserves. Sugarloaf Reserves increased by 100% to 47.8 mmboe following an independent review and further drilling, and the onshore Perth Basin Reserves increased by more than 700% to 17.4 mmboe after a successful exploration and appraisal drilling program. Partially offsetting this, BassGas Reserves decreased by 48% to 13.4 mmboe after the sale of an 11.25% interest in the project and a 5.5 mmboe reduction in net 2P Reserves following the drilling of two development wells.

Sugarloaf and the onshore Perth Basin also generated substantial increases in 2C Resources during the year. We see significant opportunity over the next few years to transfer over two thirds of our 2C Resources into 2P Reserves through appraisal and development, which would further strengthen the company's long-term production base.

#### Taking the Initiative

AWE is well positioned to transition to the new, low oil price environment. We continue to benefit from our underlying strategy of asset diversity, which creates considerable flexibility within our portfolio.

This strategy gives us the capacity to respond to the oil price challenge by prioritising production growth while at the same time minimising the impact on the company's financial position.



"BY FAR THE BIGGEST HIGHLIGHT OF THE YEAR WAS THE EXPLORATION AND APPRAISAL SUCCESS IN THE PERTH BASIN."

Our production base generates good revenue and cash flow, even at today's reduced crude oil prices, and we have an excellent portfolio of high quality, project-ready assets such as AAL and Lengo in Indonesia and Waitsia in Western Australia.

But we won't over-commit the company's balance sheet.

In August 2015 we announced a number of initiatives, including:

- + divesting non-core assets
- + prioritising new projects and exercising discretion on development costs where required
- + reducing exploration and development spend by between 37% and 47%
- reducing other discretionary expenditure, overheads and operating costs by more than 20%
- + ensuring an efficient, lean and focused operating structure
- + hedging production where appropriate.

By the end of September 2015 we had made good progress on many of these initiatives. We commenced sale processes for a number of non-core assets and we are also pursuing farm outs for exploration and development assets with high equity interests.

We have reprioritised our development portfolio to fast track the Waitsia gas project in the Perth Basin. With easy access to existing pipeline infrastructure and proximity to markets, Waitsia will be the low cost producer in the west coast gas market.

One of the benefits of current market conditions is the ability to negotiate reduced construction and drilling contract rates across our portfolio. All production and development projects, whether operated or non-operated, are being reviewed with the aim of reducing costs.

Our total development and exploration spend is forecast to reduce by between 37% and 47% in 2015-16 with exploration capped at \$25 million. Looking further ahead to 2016-17, our development commitments will be reduced further and our exploration commitments are minimal.

Consistent with this approach, we are focused on further reducing operating costs and overheads and ensuring our structure remains aligned with the reprioritised project pipeline.

This year we will close our Indonesian office, reduce staffing levels across our Sydney and New Plymouth offices by approximately 30%, and focus the business on our higher value core assets such as the Waitsia project.

We will also consider hedging production to underpin certainty of cash flow.



# "WE HAVE REPRIORITISED OUR DEVELOPMENT PORTFOLIO TO FAST TRACK THE WAITSIA GAS PROJECT IN THE PERTH BASIN."

#### Rising to the Challenge

A controlled and disciplined approach to project development and financial management is absolutely fundamental to AWE's plans for growth.

Our strategy of building a portfolio of assets with diversity of product and geography provides us with a level of resilience and flexibility to manage change in volatile markets. We are reducing the complexity of our organisation and scheduling our projects to avoid over exposure to near-term development and exploration costs.

Our long-term goal of achieving annual production of 10 mmboe from our current base of 2P Reserves remains achievable, but the timing will be dependent on improvements in global oil prices.

Our operations continue to perform well. Production remains economic for all assets at current commodity prices and we have a good balance of liquids and gas. Lower oil and condensate revenues will be offset over time by new gas projects, such as Waitsia and Lengo, in markets with long-term pricing upside.

Industry experts are forecasting domestic gas prices will rise over the next five to 10 years. The majority of AWE's Australian 2P gas reserves are uncontracted post 2018 and 100% of AWE's Australian 2C gas resources are exposed to this higher gas price environment. The east coast markets, in particular, have strengthened and we are anticipating a much higher price for our gas beyond 2018.

#### | <mark>FIELD EBITDAX</mark> | FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDING 30 JUNE



# "THE VALUE OF AWE LIES IN OUR RESERVES AND RESOURCES, WHICH AT YEAR END HAD INCREASED TO 236 MMBOE."

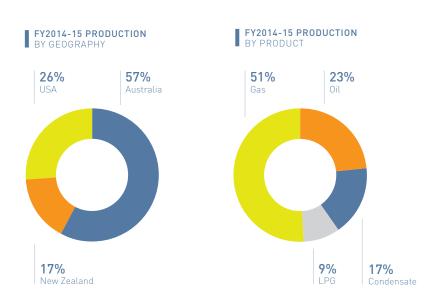
In the Perth Basin we are targeting low-cost, early-stage production of approximately 10 TJ/day (gross) from the Waitsia gas field by mid-2016. At the same time, we are looking to implement sales agreements that will underpin a much larger development of up to 20 wells that could produce up to 100 TJ/day (gross) and significantly enhance AWE's production, revenue and cash flow base from 2018-19 onwards. Additional appraisal drilling is also planned for 2016, targeting the south-eastern extent of the Waitsia field which, if successful, would be the catalyst to transfer a significant portion of 2C Resources into 2P Reserves.

Drilling will continue at Sugarloaf and we anticipate that the operator will spud approximately 85 wells this financial year. Drilling and completion costs per well have reduced from US\$7-\$8 million to US\$6-\$7 million and we expect that this will reduce further to below US\$6 million per well in the coming year.

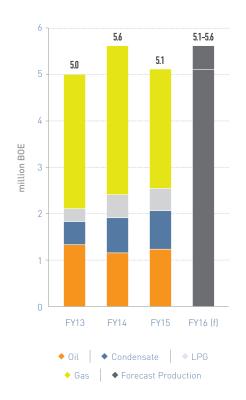
At BassGas, production from the three wells is expected to remain close to 60 TJ/day for the financial year. Work to hook-up the gas compression and condensate pumping modules will commence and continue for approximately 18 months using on-platform resources. We are also engaging with the Operator to accelerate feasibility studies for the Trefoil gas/condensate field, a 17 mmboe (net to AWE) resource located nearby.

In Indonesia, work on the AAL oil project and the Lengo gas project will continue. Both non-operated projects are moving towards FID and are not incurring significant costs. AWE's equity positions in both projects are relatively high, at 50% and 42.5% respectively, and we will consider selling down our exposure at the appropriate time.

In the current economic climate, we are keeping a tight rein on exploration costs. Planned drilling in the coming year will be limited to an offshore exploration well in China. Beyond this financial year, we will aim to further reduce exploration commitments.



#### PRODUCTION FOR FINANCIAL YEAR ENDING 30 JUNE







#### Safety and Health

AWE is committed to ensuring the health, safety and well being of all employees, contractors and visitors on every site. While our safety record was better than the industry average for a number of years, the last quarter of the 2014-15 financial year saw two lost time injuries (LTIs) recorded, together with an increase in frequency of incidents. This is particularly disappointing as it follows more than two LTI-free years.

An internal review determined that these incidents occurred largely among AWE's subcontractors, whose numbers have expanded rapidly as a range of new projects commenced. AWE responded immediately, allocating substantial time and resources to work directly with our contractors to improve procedures and communication and to ensure we all share the same commitment to safety and health.

#### **Looking Ahead**

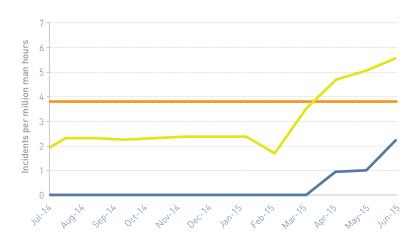
Although the oil and gas industry is currently experiencing tough times, I am confident that commodity prices will improve in coming years as a level of equilibrium returns to global supply and demand. AWE is well positioned to take advantage of improvements in oil prices with its valuable portfolio of development opportunities.

I would like to thank all of AWE's employees for their hard work, commitment and understanding during this period, as well as our shareholders for their patience and perseverance as we deal with the challenges of volatile commodity and equity markets.

AWE has a sound strategy in place and we are again focused on moving the company forward and delivering positive outcomes in 2015-16.

Bruce Clement Managing Director

#### AWE OPERATED 12 MONTH ROLLING AVERAGE SAFETY PERFORMANCE INDICATORS



- ◆ AWE Lost Time Injury Frequency
- ◆ AWE Total Recordable Case Frequency
- ◆ APPEA Total Recordable Injury Rate (2013-14)

# SUSTAINABILITY AND ENVIRONMENT

AWE aims to ensure that our exploration and production activities are sustainable, delivering positive long-term outcomes for the communities and the environments in which we operate.

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Operate a healthy and safe workplace with a goal to achieve zero harm to people 2

Minimise the impact of our business activities on the environment

3

Benefit the local communities in which we operate and engage in an open and transparent manner

4

Build a team that is engaged, motivated and rewarded by working with AWE

5

Deliver superior, sustainable returns for shareholders We have a proven track record in stakeholder engagement as demonstrated through our ongoing operations in New Zealand and the Perth Basin. AWE understands the importance of stakeholder relationships in maintaining a sustainable business and our social licence to operate. We have built strong relationships with local communities, educational institutions, regulators, indigenous and freehold landowners, and local and state governments.

Our dealings with all stakeholders are characterised by transparency, a spirit of positive engagement, honesty and integrity. These qualities will continue to underpin our operations as we increase activity levels in the onshore Perth Basin and deliver economic and social investment in the area. We currently spend more than \$6 million per year in the Perth Basin's economy in wages, local contracts and community partnerships.

We work hard to minimise our environmental footprint and we adopt the highest standards of performance and protection of the environment, including well decommissioning and site rehabilitation. AWE had no significant hydrocarbor spills and no reportable environmental incidents across our entire operation during 2014-15.

For a full review of the company's sustainability performance, please refer to the AWE 2015 Sustainability Report available at www.aweyplore.com



AWE provides accurate and transparent reporting of its greenhouse gas measurements to the market through participation in the Carbon Disclosure Project (CDP) and to the Australian government through the Emissions and Energy Reporting System (EERS).

# FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT



TIGHT FINANCIAL
DISCIPLINE
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FUTURE GROWTH."

AWE achieved a number of strategic operational and financial goals in 2014-15 and our disciplined approach to financial management has helped smooth the transition to a low oil price environment.

We successfully delivered key development and appraisal projects and, importantly, we achieved production and expenditure targets. Sales revenue was only 2% below guidance, a target we set a year earlier when oil was US\$100/bbl, which is testament to the stability and diversity of our production and revenue base.

We refinanced and extended our corporate debt facility with a larger number of lenders in challenging financial market conditions. The size of the facility was increased to A\$400 million for a term of four years, which will enable AWE to progress its growth plans.

In the near term we are focused on reducing costs across the business and implementing further rationalisation in our portfolio. We have a diverse portfolio of oil and gas assets that helps to mitigate the impact of low oil prices on revenues and provides long term sustainability for our business.

#### Financial Performance

Like many Exploration and Production companies, significantly lower oil prices negatively impacted on our financial results in 2014-15. We recorded a statutory net loss after tax of \$230 million which included non-cash impairments of \$158 million after tax

Sales revenue of \$284 million was generated from production of 5.1 mmboe. Field EBITDAX of \$143 million was down on last year, affected by lower oil prices and the shut-in of BassGas facilities for development drilling. Field operating costs of \$141 million were higher than last year primarily due to increased royalties paid at Sugarloaf, where production increased by 54% year on year.

Amortisation was in line with 2013-14 at \$119 million, and exploration costs of \$37 million were expensed, also in line with last year.

Non-cash impairments of \$158 million after tax primarily related to three key assets. We recorded an impairment of \$50 million for Tui and Cliff Head to reflect lower oil prices. We also booked a non-cash impairment of \$106 million after tax on the BassGas project after reducing the reserves at Yolla by 5.5 mmboe, down to 13.4 mmboe.

Other non-recurring items included a \$9 million after tax provision for the Perth Basin restoration and rehabilitation program, and a provision of \$10 million for the relinquishment of an Indonesian PSC.

After adjusting for non-recurring items, AWE recorded a net underlying loss of \$52 million for the year.

#### Cash Flow Analysis

AWE's production assets generate good operating cash flows that provide balance sheet capacity and flexibility and a solid platform for future growth.

In 2014-15, operating cash flow before exploration of approximately \$100 million was lower than last year and reflects the impact of lower oil prices on revenues. Importantly, around 25% of cash flows were derived from domestic CPI-linked sales from gas-producing assets, which help provide substantial protection against the current volatility in oil prices.

The 2014-15 financial year was a peak capital investment period for AWE with \$239 million invested in key strategic growth projects. Approximately \$85 million relates to continued investment in the Sugarloaf drilling program, \$76 million for the BassGas Mid Life Enhancement project, and \$49 million for the Pateke-4H drilling program at Tui.

Exploration investment of \$64 million was the highest in a number of years. Most of this expenditure related to the extremely successful exploration and appraisal drilling program in the onshore Perth Basin, which is a key component of our long-term growth ambitions. Going forward, investment in new exploration will reduce significantly.

#### **Balance Sheet Discipline**

At year end we had \$47 million in cash and \$170 million in borrowings, a net debt position of \$123 million, with \$230 million of our corporate debt facility undrawn.

Given the low oil price environment, which we believe may be sustained for a longer period than initially anticipated, a disciplined approach to cost and financial management will be essential for achieving our long-term growth ambitions.

AWE will continue to focus on reducing non-core and discretionary expenditure across the business over the coming years. For 2015-16 we have already reduced our capital expenditure budget to a forecast range of \$135 million to \$165 million. representing a 31% - 44% reduction over the previous year. Forecast exploration expenditure has also been materially reduced by more than 60% to \$25 million. Taken together, AWE investment expenditure in 2015-16 is forecast to decrease by 37% - 47% over 2014-15, down to between \$160 million - \$190 million.

Further rationalisation of the asset portfolio will also be evaluated and cost reduction programs implemented across the business, particularly in overheads and administration.

#### Outlook

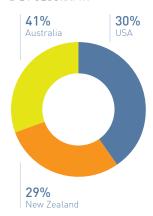
In the years ahead, AWE will prioritise investment in low-cost, high return projects, such as the conventional onshore Waitsia gas project in the Perth Basin where we see substantial value and Reserves upside. We will do this in a disciplined manner with a view to minimising recurring expenditure.

We will also focus on protecting our balance sheet by hedging production where fiscally prudent and consider alternative funding strategies to maintain balance sheet flexibility and increase shareholder returns.

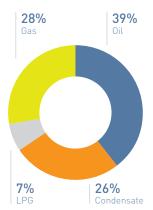
Although the current outlook for oil prices appears to be lower for longer, AWE remains committed to achieving long-term growth by developing high value projects from our substantial base of Reserves and Resources in a financially disciplined manner.

Ayten Saridas Chief Financial Officer

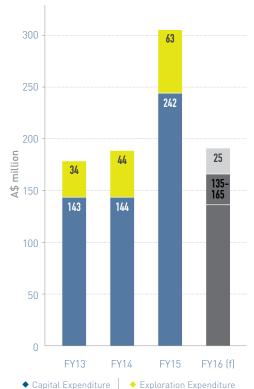
#### FY2014-15 SALES REVENUE BY GEOGRAPHY



#### FY2014-15 SALES REVENUE BY PRODUCT







Exploration Expenditure

◆ Forecast Exploration Expenditure

IMAGE Flow testing the Waitsia discovery at the Senecio-3 well, onshore Perth Basin MAJOR PROJECTS WAITSIA ANDE ANDE LUMUT

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SUGARLOAF BASSGAS

#### Waitsia Gas Project

(AWE 50%, Operator) Onshore Perth Basin, Western Australia

- + Waitsia discovery upsized to 484 Bcf gross 2P + 2C
- + Total onshore Perth Basin 2P + 2C now over 70 mmboe net to AWE

AWE discovered the Waitsia field, a conventional gas play in the Kingia and High Cliff Sandstone formations, in September 2014 while drilling the Senecio-3 well. With an estimated 178 Bcf gross 2P Reserves and 306 Bcf gross 2C Resources, the Waitsia field is considered to be the largest onshore conventional gas discovery in Australia for the last 30 years.

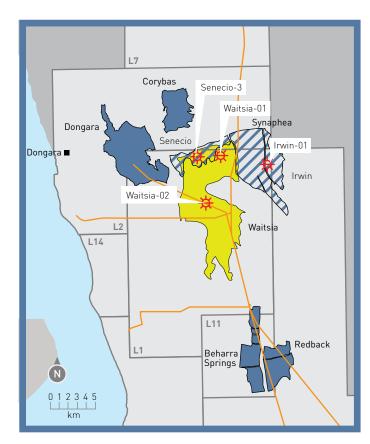
Exploration and appraisal of the nearby Irwin, Synaphea and Senecio fields, predominantly tight gas plays in the Dongara and Wagina sandstone formations, saw AWE increase gross 2C Resources for these fields to 237 Bcf, bringing the total combined gross 2P Reserves and 2C Resources for Waitsia, Senecio, Synaphea and Irwin to 721 Bcf.

Waitsia is located in the Mid-West region of Western Australia, which has supplied gas to the Perth market for the last 45 years and is well serviced by pipeline infrastructure and facilities. Being an onshore development close to existing infrastructure will ensure that AWE becomes the low-cost producer in a healthy west coast gas market.

When fully developed, the onshore Perth Basin could meet approximately 10% of WA's domestic gas demand and AWE is actively marketing gas to potential clients in the energy, industrial, mining and transport sectors.

Together with joint venture partner Origin Energy, AWE is planning to commence early stage production of up to 10 TJ/day from two wells [Senecio-3 and Waitsia-1] by mid-2016. Full field development, comprising approximately 20 wells over an area of 50 square kilometres and delivering up to 100 TJ/day, could produce gas for more than two decades. The decision to proceed to a full field development will be dependent on securing gas sales agreements as well as the necessary government approvals.

AWE is committed to the Mid-West community and operates in an open and transparent manner with high levels of community consultation and stakeholder interaction.



Gas Field - Producing
Gas Discovery - Kingia/High Cliff
✓ Gas Discovery Dongara/Wagina
— Gas Pipeline
— AWE Permit area

Gas well, suspended







#### Sugarloaf AMI

(AWE ~10% working interest, net ~7.5% after royalties) Eagle Ford, Texas, USA

- + Production up 54% in FY2014-15
- + Net 2P Reserves and 2C Resources up 75% to 65mmboe

The Sugarloaf AMI, comprising approximately 24,000 acres in some of the most productive and liquidsrich acreage in the unconventional Eagle Ford play, is one of AWE's most significant development projects and is now the company's largest production asset on a BOE basis.

The Operator, Marathon Oil, continues to make excellent progress in terms of reducing drilling and completion costs, improving well spacing and productivity, and increasing production – up 54% in 2014-15 over the prior year. Net 2P Reserves doubled to 48 mmboe and 2P Reserves + 2C Resources increased by 75% to 65 mmboe. At the end of August 2015, the total number of wells spudded was 303 (gross) with 241 on production and 62 in various stages of drilling and completion (inventory wells). Based on the substantial reserves and resources, AWE estimates another 8 to 10 years of production growth at current drilling rates.

Sugarloaf production is expected to continue to increase in 2015-16 and AWE anticipates that the Operator will drill around 85 wells. Development drilling in the Austin Chalk and the Upper Eagle Ford has the potential to deliver further significant Reserve and Resource upside.

#### BassGas Project

(AWE 35%) Bass Basin, South Eastern Australia

- + Two development wells drilled successfully
- + Production from three wells achieves 64 TJ/day

The BassGas project produces gas, condensate and LPG from the offshore Yolla field located in Bass Strait between Victoria and Tasmania. Product is conveyed via pipeline from the Yolla platform to a gas processing facility at Lang Lang in Victoria.

The BassGas Mid-Life Enhancement (MLE) project, designed to fully develop the field and to ensure that production continues well into the next decade, is nearing completion. During 2014-15, gas compression and condensate pumping modules were successfully lifted onto the Yolla platform and two new production wells were drilled, Yolla-5 and Yolla-6.

In August 2015, production from the two new wells was co-mingled with the existing Yolla-4 well and production was increased to 64 TJ/day, which is close to system capacity.

The focus for the next 18 months will be the hookup and commissioning of the gas compression and condensate pumping modules on the Yolla platform. While not yet needed, gas compression on the platform will be important to recovering the remaining 2P Reserves of 13.4 mmboe (net to AWE).

AWE is also working with the Operator, Origin Energy, to accelerate development feasibility studies for the nearby Trefoil field (net 17mmboe 2C Resources to AWE). With a similar gas/liquids mix to the Yolla field, Trefoil could potentially be tied back to the Yolla platform and utilise the existing BassGas onshore facilities.





#### Ande Ande Lumut Oil Project

(AWE 50%) Natuna Sea, Indonesia

- + FEED complete and tendering processes under way
- + Targeting cost savings ahead of FID

Ande Ande Lumut, a 101 mmbbl (gross 2P Reserves) oil project located offshore Indonesia in the northwest Natuna Sea, is one of AWE's major long-term growth projects. The planned facilities for this transformative project comprise 33 horizontal wells in the K-Sand reservoir, a well head platform (WHP) and a Floating Production, Storage and Offloading (FPSO) vessel.

Front End Engineering and Design (FEED) work has been completed and tendering for the WHP and FPSO vessel is planned to continue over the remainder of calendar year 2015 and into the first half of 2016.

One positive aspect of the current low oil price environment is the potential to achieve significant cost savings as suppliers and service companies compete for reduced exploration and development opportunities. AWE is working with the Operator, Santos, to identify and lock in cost savings for drilling, WHP construction and FPSO leasing contracts ahead of a Final Investment Decision (FID) currently scheduled for the second half of calendar year 2016.

The joint venture is also planning the development of the underlying G-Sand reservoir, estimated to contain an additional 36 mmbbl of oil (gross 2C Resources), and is considering drilling an appraisal well prior to submitting a Plan of Development.

#### Lengo Gas Project

(AWE 42.5%) East Java Sea, Indonesia

- + Plan of Development approved
- + Gas sales negotiations well advanced

The Lengo Gas Project, located offshore Indonesia in the East Java Sea, gained considerable momentum over 2014-15 and represents an exciting opportunity in a strong gas market.

The Plan of Development, approved in December 2014, comprises four development wells, an unmanned WHP, and a 20-inch, 65km export pipeline to transport gas to shore. The Operator, Kris Energy, has booked over 350 Bcf of gas (gross 2C Resources) for the Lengo field.

FEED work for the offshore facilities and pipeline, and the geophysical and geotechnical surveys for the WHP site, the pipeline route and the onshore receiving terminal have been completed.

FID timing will be subject to securing a gas sales agreement for which negotiations are well advanced. The East Java market is currently pricing gas around US\$7-\$8/GJ.



#### Perth Basin, Western Australia

Without doubt, the exploration and appraisal program in the onshore Perth Basin was the standout success for AWE in 2014-15, particularly the discovery of the Waitsia gas field in permit L1/L2 (AWE 50% Operator) made while drilling the Senecio-3 well.

Following the discovery, AWE and its joint venture partner, Origin Energy, committed to drilling three wells – Waitsia-1, Irwin-1 and Waitsia-2. Each well resulted in either a significant gas discovery or contributed to a substantial increase in booked Reserves and Resources. By the end of the financial year, gross 2P Reserves plus 2C Resources in the Waitsia, Senecio, Synaphea and Irwin fields had been increased to 721 Bcf with further upside potential.

In 2015-16, AWE will flow test Waitsia-1 and focus on achieving early stage production from Waitsia-1 and Senecio-3. This early stage production will provide initial cash flow and valuable data in planning for full field development. Beyond that, AWE is planning appraisal wells on the south eastern extent of the Waitsia field and the updip section of the Synaphea field.

During the year we were awarded offshore permit WA-512P (AWE 100%, Operator), covering an area that is larger than all our onshore permits combined. Commitments in 2015-16 are minimal.

#### Carnarvon Basin, Western Australia

The North Carnarvon Basin is an area of high prospectivity. AWE holds two permits, WA-497P (AWE 100%, Operator) and WA-511P (AWE 100%, Operator), and is currently engaged in interpretation of 2D and 3D seismic survey data. Commitments for 2015-16 are minimal.

#### Bohai Basin, China

In August 2014, AWE acquired a 40% interest in Block 09/05 in the Bohai Basin, China. Block 09/05 is located in the western part of the prolific Bohai Bay Basin, approximately 10 km southeast of Tanggu, the largest port in China. The block covers an area of 335 km² with water depths from approximately 5m to 10m. The block has the benefit of low drill and development costs, proximity to existing infrastructure and attractive fiscal terms.

Together with joint venture partner and Operator, ROC, the first of two exploration wells was drilled in August-September 2014 and was unsuccessful. The second exploration well was spudded in September 2015 and will test two primary stacked objectives (Miocene age Guantao reservoirs and Pliocene age Minghuazhen reservoirs), and a secondary objective (Oligocene age Dongying reservoir).

#### Taranaki Basin, New Zealand

AWE successfully applied for additional exploration acreage adjacent to onshore permit PEP 55768 (AWE 51%, Operator) in the onshore Taranaki Basin, New Zealand. The permit is close to existing infrastructure and the domestic gas market in New Zealand is relatively strong.



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#### **Directors' Report**

The directors present their report together with the consolidated financial report of the entity being AWE Limited ("AWE" or "the Company"), and its controlled entities, for the year ended 30 June 2015 and the auditor's report thereon.

The directors of the Company during the year are set out on page 32 of the Directors' Report.

#### Operating and financial review

The directors of AWE Limited present the Operating and Financial Review of the consolidated entity, prepared in accordance with section 299A of the Corporations Act 2001 (Cth), for the year ended 30 June 2015. The information provided in this review forms part of the Directors' Report and provides information to assist readers assess the operations, financial position and business strategies of AWE.

The principal activities of AWE continue to be the exploration for, development and production of hydrocarbons.

#### 1. Performance overview

The Company delivered a solid operating performance in a challenging oil price environment, with production from its portfolio of assets at the top end of AWE's market guidance and sales revenue marginally below guidance. The Company substantially increased its Resources and Reserves during the year, with 2P Reserves increasing 25% by 23 mmboe to 114 mmboe (after production) and 2C Contingent Resources increasing 57% by 44 mmboe to 121 mmboe.

AWE achieved significant exploration success with the new Waitsia, Senecio, Irwin and Synaphia gas discoveries which has resulted in the recognition of new 2P Reserves of 16 mmboe and 2C Contingent Resources of 50 mmboe at 30 June 2015. Substantial progress was also made on key development projects, including drilling at Sugarloaf where substantial reserves growth was recorded.

AWE's focus on HSE continued during the year, with no reportable environmental incidents recorded. After a two year period with no safety incidents, it was disappointing that two Lost Time Injuries were recorded during the period. The Company has taken immediate action and will continue to prioritise the health and safety of employees and contractors at AWE sites to regain our previous safety record.

The Company maintained its focus on community and stakeholder engagement and has continued to openly engage with landowners, local communities, regulators and governments particularly in Western Australia and New Zealand where we operate.

The following tables provide an overview of the production and financial performance of AWE as detailed in the subsequent Financial Report.

	30 June 2015	30 June 2014	Variance
Overview of consolidated entity	mmboe	mmboe	%
Production			
Gas	2.59	3.22	(20%
LPG	0.46	0.49	(7%
Condensate	0.85	0.76	12%
Oil	1.20	1.14	5%
Total production	5.09	5.61	[9%]
Overview of consolidated entity	\$million	\$million	%
Sales revenue	283.7	328.3	(14%)
Production costs and royalties	(140.5)	[119.4]	18%
Field EBITDAX <sup>[1]</sup>	143.2	208.8	(31%
Exploration and evaluation expense	(37.6)	[39.8]	(6%
Amortisation	(119.1)	(117.6)	1%
Net financing expense	(11.9)	(10.1)	18%
Impairment	(246.3)	-	>100%
Fair value adjustment on assets held for sale	-	[12.4]	>100%
Other income / (expense)	(37.8)	67.4	>100%
Statutory net (loss) / profit before tax	(309.5)	96.4	>100%
Tax benefit / (expense)	79.3	(33.9)	>100%
Statutory net (loss) / profit after tax (NPAT)	(230.2)	62.5	>100%

An underlying loss of \$52.3 million was incurred for the 2014/15 financial year. To assist readers reconcile the underlying NPAT, the following table provides a reconciliation of NPAT and the impact after adjusting for non-recurring items.

Reconciliation of Underlying NPAT	30 June 2015
Statutory NPAT	(230.2)
Less non-recurring items (after tax):	
Impairment	157.5
Perth basin restoration costs	8.6
Write off of capitalised borrowing costs due to refinancing	1.8
Indonesian PSC relinquishment cost	10.0
Underlying NPAT <sup>(2)</sup>	(52.3)

<sup>1.</sup> Sales revenue less production costs and royalties. Refer note 10 for information by segment.

<sup>2.</sup> AWE's Financial Report complies with Australian Accounting Standards and International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS). The underlying (non-IFRS) profit / (loss) is unaudited but is derived from the audited accounts by removing the impact of non-recurring items from the reported (IFRS) audited profit. AWE believes the non-IFRS profit / (loss) reflects a more meaningful measure of the consolidated entity's underlying performance.

#### 1.1 Financial performance

The consolidated entity reported a net loss after tax of \$230 million for the year compared to a net profit after tax of \$62.5 million for the previous financial year (which included a net profit on sale of AWE's 50% interest in the Ande Ande Lumut (AAL) project). The result includes a net impairment charge of \$157.5 million (\$246 million pre-tax, \$88.7 million tax effect) relating to the Tui and Cliff Head oil projects, reflecting the decline in global oil prices, and the BassGas project relating to a reduction in recognised 2P Reserves.

AWE recorded sales revenue for 2015 of \$283.7 million. This was 14% lower than the previous year (2014: \$328.3 million) due to the significant decline in global oil prices and lower overall production. The average realised oil and condensate price for the period was 28% lower at A\$79 per barrel, compared to A\$109 per barrel in the previous year. Approximately 25% of total revenue was derived from long term fixed price gas contracts providing valuable diversification and stability in revenue given the significant decline in oil and condensate prices.

Operating costs were \$140.5 million for the year compared to \$119.4 million for the previous financial year reflecting higher booked operating costs at Tui due to higher sales volumes and increased production following the tie-in of the Pateke-4H well, and increased royalties and other operating costs at Sugarloaf in line with an increase in production. The depreciation of the Australian dollar against the US dollar during the period also increased USD denominated operating costs at Tui and Sugarloaf.

Field EBITDAX of \$143.2 million was lower than the previous year (2014: \$208.8 million) also reflecting the lower oil price environment and reduced production for the period. Net cash from operating activities was \$62.2 million, lower than the previous financial year of \$123.7 million.

In accordance with AWE's successful efforts accounting policy, \$37.6 million of exploration and evaluation costs were expensed during the period, compared to \$39.8 million in the prior year. Exploration and evaluation costs expensed during the year included drilling costs incurred in Block 09/05 in Bohai Bay, China, and costs expensed in relation to Production Sharing Contracts (PSCs) in Indonesia.

A net taxation benefit is recognised for the period of \$79.3 million compared to taxation expense of \$33.9 million for the prior year, which included Indonesian taxes payable in respect of the sale of 50% of the AAL project. A taxation benefit of \$88.7 million relating to the impairment of the BassGas, Cliff Head and Tui projects was recognised during the period. Taxation benefit/expense includes the tax effect of Petroleum Resource Rent Tax (PRRT) in Australia and Accounting Profits Royalty (APR) in New Zealand.

AWE's underlying loss for the period was \$52.3 million after adjusting for non-recurring items of \$177.9 million after tax, including exploration and evaluation costs of \$37.6 million. This compares to an underlying profit of \$7 million for the previous financial year.

#### 1.2 Summary of financial position

The Company maintained a sound balance sheet position with cash holdings of \$46.6 million and drawn debt of \$169.8 million and undrawn debt of \$230.2 million at the end of the period. This compares to a net cash balance of \$42.1 million and no drawn debt at 30 June 2014. The increase in drawn debt reflects investments in appraisal and development projects during the year.

In May 2015, the Company successfully completed the refinancing of a new secured syndicated bank loan facility, increasing the facility by \$100 million to \$400 million and extending the term to May 2019.

#### 2. Production and development

30 June 2015 30 June 2014

	South East Australia	Western Australia	New Zealand	USA	Total	Total
Production (mmboe)						
Gas	1.83	0.40	-	0.35	2.59	3.22
LPG	0.16	-	-	0.29	0.46	0.49
Condensate	0.17	-	-	0.68	0.85	0.76
Oil	-	0.36	0.84	-	1.20	1.14
Total	2.16	0.76	0.84	1.33	5.09	5.61

30 June 2015 30 June 2014 South Fast Western New

Australia Australia Zealand **USA** Indonesia Total Total Development Expenditure (\$m) 89.2 24.1 104.8 242.5 143.8 1.7 22.7

Total oil and gas production of 5.1 million BOE was in line with expectations, but 9% lower than the previous financial year, and reflects a reduction in production from BassGas due to shut downs relating to maintenance and Mid Life Enhancement (MLE) project activity. This was partly offset by a strong increase in gas and condensate production at Sugarloaf and increased production from Tui following the successful tie-in of the Pateke-4H well.

An overall increase in 2P Reserves of 23 mmboe was recorded for the period reflecting the recognition of new 2P Reserves in respect of the Waitsia gas project of 16 mmboe and 84% increase to Sugarloaf 2P Reserves of 19.3 mmboe. This was largely offset by production for the year of 5.1 mmboe and a reduction in BassGas 2P Reserves of 5.5 mmboe following a reassessment of the remaining reserves in place by the Operator. Contingent 2C Resources increased by 44 mmboe to 121 mmboe during the period.

#### 2.1 South East Australia

BassGass Project (offshore Bass Basin, AWE 35%)

The BassGas project achieved gross gas production of 11.5 PJ, 415,000 barrels of condensate and 35,000 tonnes of LPG. AWE's share of production was 4.6 PJ of gas, 166,000 barrels of condensate and 14,000 tonnes of LPG. This represented a reduction of 44% in AWE's share of production for the full year compared to the previous financial year due to reduced equity following the completion of the sale of an 11.25% interest to Prize Petroleum and extended production shut downs for maintenance and the Mid Life Enhancement (MLE) development project.

The MLE project achieved a number of milestones during the period with the completion of the heavy lift phase involving the lifting of gas compression and condensate pumping modules onto the platform and the drilling of the Yolla-5 and Yolla-6 development wells nearing completion at the end of the period. Both wells commenced production subsequent to the end of the period.

Subsequent to year end, the Operator for the BassGas project, Origin Energy, provided a preliminary reassessment of the Yolla field following a review of drilling results that indicated reduced 2P Reserves. AWE has chosen to adopt the Operator's preliminary reassessment and consequently reduced AWE's share of remaining 2P Reserves by 5.5 mmboe, down to 13 mmboe at 30 June 2015. The Company has recognised an impairment of \$105.5 million after tax (pre-tax \$150.7 million, \$45.2 million tax effect) in the carrying value of the BassGas project at 30 June 2015.

#### Casino Gas Project (offshore Otway Basin, AWE 25%)

The Casino gas project, including the Casino, Henry and Netherby gas fields, achieved gross production of 25.6 PJ of gas and 15,000 barrels of condensate. AWE's share of production for the year was 6.4 PJ of gas and 3,700 barrels of condensate. This represented a 16% decrease compared to the previous year due to shut downs for maintenance and natural field decline.

#### 2.2 Western Australia

Onshore Perth Basin (AWE 33.0% to 100%)

The Onshore Perth Basin operations contributed 0.4 mmboe to AWE's gas and oil production for the year, with AWE's share totalling 2.4 PJ of natural gas, with approximately 2,800 barrels of condensate, primarily from the Beharra Springs gas project.

Cliff Head Oil Project (offshore Perth Basin, AWE 57.5%)

The Cliff Head oil project contributed gross production of 0.63 million barrels of oil. AWE's net share of production was approximately 0.36 million barrels for the year, a reduction of 20% due to natural field decline.

Total impairments of \$11.3 million after tax (\$27 million pre-tax, \$15.6 million tax effect) were recognised during the period, including an impairment of \$10.6 million after tax recognised at 31 December 2014.

#### 2.3 New Zealand

Tui Oil Project (offshore Taranaki Basin, AWE 57.5%)

The Tui oil project recorded gross oil production of 1.45 million barrels (AWE share 0.84 million barrels), up 22% on the previous corresponding period due to higher than expected production from the new Patake-4H which was brought into production during the last quarter of the financial year.

A significant lifting of over 600,000 barrels of oil was completed during June (AWE share 350,000 barrels) resulting in a cash receivable of \$27.5 million at 30 June 2015, received during July.

An impairment of \$39.5 million after tax (\$67.4 million pre-tax; \$27.9 million tax effect) was recognised at 31 December 2014.

#### 2.4 United States of America

**Sugarloaf AMI** (onshore Texas, AWE share 10%, net ~7.5% after landowner royalties)

Production continued to grow strongly at the Sugarloaf AMI shale gas and liquids project during the year, with an increase of 54% over the previous year to approximately 679,000 barrels of condensate, 2.1 PJ of gas and 25,000 tonnes of LPG, net of landowner royalties.

A total of 103 wells were brought into production during the year, bringing the total number of wells on-line at the end of the period to 231, with a further 61 wells being drilled and/or completed.

An independent reserves review by DeGolyer and MacNaughton completed after the end of the period resulted in an 84% increase in Sugarloaf's 2P Reserves to 42.4 mmboe (as at 31 December 2014).

#### 2.5 Indonesia

**Ande Ande Lumut Oil Project** (Northwest Natuna PSC, offshore Indonesia, AWE 50%)

Progress continues to be made on the AAL project with Front End Engineering and Design ("FEED") on the wellhead platform and pre-qualification and tender processes for the wellhead platform and FPSO continuing at the end of the period.

Lengo Gas Project (Bulu PSC, offshore Indonesia, AWE 42.5%)

The Lengo gas project is located in the Bulu PSC, offshore East Java. Development activities progressed rapidly during the period, with some important milestones achieved during the period.

The Indonesian Government approved the Plan of Development (POD) during the period. The Operator, KrisEnergy, subsequently awarded the FEED contract for the offshore facilities and pipeline and commenced geophysical and completed geotechnical surveys at the platform site, the proposed platform to shore pipeline route and the onshore receiving terminal location. The development plan comprises four development wells, an unmanned wellhead platform and 65km pipeline to transport gas to shore. Gas marketing negotiations were in progress at the end of the period.

#### 3. Exploration operations

#### 3.1 Western Australia

#### Onshore Perth Basin

AWE achieved considerable success with its exploration and appraisal drilling program in the North Perth Basin during the period. The Company increased its 2P Reserves to 16 mmboe and 2C Contingent Resources to 50 mmboe in relation to the Perth Basin as outlined in the table below.

The Senecio-3 well successfully appraised the Senecio tight gas field in the Dongara/Wagina formation, confirming gross 2C Contingent Resources of 81 Bcf of gas. On deepening the well, the Waitsia gas field was discovered in the Kingia/High Cliff sandstone formation, with 484 Bcf of gross 2P Reserves and 2C Contingent Resources. Subsequently, the Irwin-1 exploration well, drilled 8 kilometres east of Senecio, intersected the Irwin tight gas reservoir in the Dongara/Wagina sandstone, identifying a substantial updip gas accumulation in the combined Synaphea/Irwin structures, representing a total of 156 Bcf of gross 2C

The Waitsia-1 well and Waitsia-2 well, completed after the end of the period, successfully appraised the Waitsia field to the east and south of Senecio-3, confirming the extent of the initial discovery, its commercial potential and identifying additional upside in the field, including in the Irwin River Coal Measures and Carynginia Shale.

North Perth Basin Reserves and Resources appraised during 2015:

	Ultimate recovery	2P Reserves	2 Resource		
	Bcf (gross)	(AWE Share) mmboe	(AWE Share) mmbo		
Field	30-Jun-15	30-Jun-15	30-Jun-15	30-Jun-14	
Waitsia	484	15.7	27.1	_	
Senecio	81	-	7.6	5.1	
Irwin/	156	-	15.0	-	
Synaphea					
Total (*)	721	15.7	49.7	5.1	

<sup>\*</sup> Excludes Reserves and Resources in respect of Corybas, Dongara and Beharra Springs.

In EP455 (AWE 81.5%, Operator), AWE completed a Diagnostic Fracture Injection Test (DFIT) at Drover-1. Following the review of results from the test, no further work is planned for the Drover-1 well. The well will be decommissioned and the site rehabilitated.

In EP413 (AWE 44.25%), the Operator, Norwest Energy, completed 3D seismic acquisition and the interpretation of the survey results was in progress at the end of the period.

In WA-512-P (AWE 100%, Operator) reprocessing of  $535 \text{km}^2$  of 3D and  $4.048 \text{km}^2$  of 2D seismic data has commenced.

#### North Carnarvon Basin

In WA-497P (AWE 100%, Operator), interpretation of approximately 1,200km $^2$  of 3D and 280km of 2D seismic survey data was underway at the end of the period.

In WA-511P (AWE 100%, Operator), the acquisition of 3D seismic survey data was completed.

#### 3.2 South East Australia

#### Bass Basin

The T/18P joint venture was undertaking development feasibility studies for the Trefoil field (2C Contingent Resources of 17 mmboe net to AWE) during the period to determine if the development of the field can be accelerated.

#### **Otway Basin**

In exploration permit VIC/P44 (AWE 25%), interpretation of reprocessed 3D seismic data to determine the prospectivity of the licence area was ongoing at the end of the period.

#### 3.3 New Zealand

#### Taranaki Basin

In onshore permit PEP 55768 (AWE 51%, Operator), planning for drilling a vertical exploration well targeting the Hillsborough gas prospect had commenced at the end of the period.

#### 3.4 Indonesia

#### East Java Basin

In the North Madura PSC (AWE 50%, Operator), interpretation of the 2D seismic survey is continuing at the end of the period.

The process to relinquish the East Muriah PSC (AWE 50%) and Terembu PSC (AWE 100%) has commenced. The relinquishment of the Anambas and Titan PSCs was in progress at the end of the period.

#### 3.5 China

#### Bohai Basin

During the period, the Company acquired a 40% working interest in Block 09/05 in the offshore Bohai Basin in China. The first well drilled in August 2014 did not encounter commercial quantities of hydrocarbons. Preparation work for a second exploration well in the PSC was in progress at the end of the period.

30 June 2015 30 June 2014

	Western Australia	South East Australia	New Zealand	Indonesia	China	Other	Total	Total
Exploration Expenditure (\$m)	27.8	2.4	4.3	7.5	16.0	5.4	63.4	44.3

#### 4. Drilling activity

The wells drilled during the year are summarised as follows:

Well name	Location	AWE Share	Comments
Drover-1	Onshore Perth Basin	81.5%	Well successfully completed and suspended. Subsequent decision to decommission the well.
Senecio-3	Onshore Perth Basin	50%	Well successfully completed and suspended for production.
Waitsia -1	Onshore Perth Basin	50%	Well successfully completed and suspended for production.
Waitsia -2	Onshore Perth Basin	50%	Well successfully completed and suspended for production subsequent to year end.
Irwin-1	Onshore Perth Basin	33%	Well successfully completed and suspended.
Yolla 5/6	Bass Basin	35%	Well successfully completed and suspended subsequent to year end, for production.
Block 09/05	Bohai Basin	40%	Plugged and decommissioned.
Sugarloaf AMI	Eagle Ford Shale	10%*	125 wells drilled, 103 wells brought into production; 61 wells being drilled and / or completed at year end.

<sup>\*</sup> Net working interest of 10%; net interest approximately 7.5% after land-owner royalties

#### 5. Business strategy and opportunities

#### 5.1 Business strategy

AWE's goal is to be a leading energy company in Australia by building a sustainable business that delivers superior returns to shareholders.

The Company has implemented a strategy that is focused on pursuing opportunities in oil, high value gas, and unconventionals in the geographic areas comprising Australia, New Zealand, Asia and the LISA

AWE has a diverse and valuable portfolio of exploration, appraisal, development and production assets across multiple geographic regions. The Company has a suite of established and valuable producing assets that deliver stable operating cash flows and which underpins the ability of the Company to reinvest in key development projects to drive growth. Combined with a strong balance sheet and a disciplined financial approach, the Company is positioned to fund existing opportunities. Near term growth opportunities include the development of contingent gas resources in the Perth Basin and further development at Sugarloaf.

AWE is committed to these goals while preserving our commitment of zero harm to our people, minimising our impact on the environment, supporting the communities in which we operate and building a motivated and engaged team.

#### 5.2 Opportunities

In the current low oil price environment the focus and objective of the Company is to generate sustainable returns to shareholders whilst maintaining a prudent and disciplined approach to financial management. AWE will pursue growth initiatives from its extensive portfolio of exploration and development assets as well as new opportunities where it is value accretive and where we have the balance sheet capacity to support future development expenditure.

Key projects and opportunities being pursued during the next financial year include:

- + In the onshore Perth Basin, development of substantial contingent gas resources including plans for early development of the Waitsia gas field including the commencement of production in the first half of the 2016 calendar year.
- + At BassGas, the Company will consider accelerating development feasibility studies for the Trefoil field, adjacent to the existing Yolla field in the Bass Basin.
- + In the Otway Basin, the Casino joint venture will continue to assess a range of options for the next phase of development for the project.
- + In the United States, the drilling program in the Sugarloaf AMI is expected to continue to increase production and has the potential to further upgrade 2P Reserves in the Eagle Ford Shale and development of 2C Contingent Resources in the Austin Chalk and Upper Eagle Ford.
- + The AAL oil field development in Indonesia, where it is planned to progress the project through important milestones including the tendering for the FPSO and wellhead platform, an appraisal well in the first half of 2016, and subsequently FID late 2016 calendar year. First oil is targeted for late 2018 calendar year.
- + In Indonesia, planning for the development of the Lengo gas field will proceed during the 2015/16 financial year.
- In China, a second exploration well in the Bohai Basin is planned to be drilled during the 2015/16 financial year.

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AWE will continue to progress the review of a range of exploration and new business opportunities in conventional and unconventional oil and gas, but only where the business and economic case continues to be positive at low oil prices.

#### 5.3 Material business risks

The following material business risks have been identified as key issues that have the potential to impact the Company's performance:

- + Commodity price risk, which directly impacts AWE through the realised price received from the sale of hydrocarbons gas, crude oil, condensate and LPG with the exception of Australian gas sales which are made under long-term contracts where the price is denominated in Australian dollars.
- + Reserves and production risks, where future performance of individual assets may not meet current estimates and forecasts.
- + Execution of development and operating projects, including meeting schedule and budget, which could be subject to changes in future industry and economic conditions.
- + Sovereign risk relating to the expected fiscal, tax and regulatory environment in jurisdictions that AWE does business.
- + Health, Safety and Environmental risks which are recognised by AWE as being of critical importance in ensuring AWE continues to build and operate a sustainable business and which remain a key priority for the Company.
- Maintaining the Company's social licence to operate by pursuing operational excellence and proactively engaging with the communities, regulators and other key stakeholders, particularly in relation to onshore oil and gas exploration, development and production activities.

#### Directors' qualifications and experience

Name	Experience					
Bruce J. Phillips BSc (Hons) Geol Independent Non-executive Director and Chairman	Bruce Phillips is a petroleum explorationist who has more than 35 years of technical, financial and managerial experience in the upstream energy sector of the oil and gas industry. He has broad domestic and international exploration and production experience throughout Australia, South East Asia, Africa and South America. Bruce is an active member of PESA and the Australian Society of Exploration Geophysicists.					
Member of the People Committee	Bruce is currently a non-executive director of AGL Energy Limited and ALS Limited. He was formerly the non-executive Chairman of Platinum Capital Limited and a non-executive director of Sunshine Gas Limited.					
	Bruce was founder and Managing Director of AWE. He retired as Managing Director on 31 August 2007 and was appointed as a non-executive director on 19 November 2009 and non-executive Chairman on 18 November 2010.					
Bruce F.W. Clement B Eng (Hons), BSc	Bruce Clement is an Engineer with over 35 years extensive experience in Australian and international oil and gas businesses in senior technical, financial and managerial roles with Esso Australia, Ampolex, AIDC, and Roc Oil.					
(Mathematics), MBA Managing Director	Bruce's career has included leadership roles in major appraisal, development and production projects in Australia and in Asia as well as key executive roles in financial and commercial management. Bruce was appointed Managing Director of AWE on 1 February 2011.					
David I. McEvoy BSc (Physics), Grad Dip (Geophysics)	David McEvoy has a petroleum geoscience background with almost 40 years' experience in international exploration and development. He has held several senior executive positions in affiliates of ExxonMobil, most recently Vice President, Business Development in ExxonMobil Exploration Company from 1997 to 2002.					
Independent Non-executive Director	David is currently a non-executive director of Woodside Petroleum Ltd and Seven Group Holdings Limited. He was formerly a non-executive director of Po Valley Energy Limited and ACER Energy Limited (formerly Innamincka Petroleum Ltd).					
Chairman of the Sustainability Committee	David was appointed a non-executive director of AWE on 22 June 2006.					
Member of the Audit and Governance Committee						
Kenneth G. Williams BEc (Hons), MAppFin, MAICD Independent Non-executive	Kenneth Williams has over 20 years operational experience in corporate finance with an emphasis on treasury and financial risk management as well as diverse experience in mergers, acquisitions, divestments and corporate reconstructions. During his executive career he has worked for significant Australian enterprises including Renison Goldfields, Qantas, Normandy Mining and Newmont Australia.					
Director Chairman of the Audit and Governance Committee	Ken has an Honours degree in Economics and a Masters of Applied Finance and is a member of the Australian Institute of Company Directors. Ken is a non-executive Chairman of Havilah Resources NL. He was formerly a non-executive director of Curnamona Energy Limited, now delisted from the ASX.					
Member of the People Committee	Ken was appointed as a non-executive director of AWE on 26 August 2009.					
Vijoleta Braach-Maksvytis BSc (Hons), PhD (Biophysics), FAICD Independent Non-executive Director	Dr Vijoleta Braach-Maksvytis is an innovation consultant with more than 20 years' experience in science and technology, the commercialisation of technology, and intellectual property strategy. Previous roles include Head of the Office of the Chief Scientist of Australia, Senior Executive and Director Global Development for CSIRO, Deputy Vice Chancellor Innovation and Development at the University of Melbourne. She was the Chairman of Melbourne Ventures Pty Ltd and member of the Australian Federal Government's Green Car Innovation Fund Committee and Advisory Board of the Intellectual Property Research Institute of Australia.					
Chair of the People Committee	Vijoleta is on the advisory board of the Intellectual Property Research Institute of Australia, and is also a member of					
Member of the Sustainability Committee	other public interest boards. She was formerly a non-executive director of Orbital Corporation Limited.  Vijoleta was appointed as a non-executive director of AWE on 7 October 2010.					
Raymond J. Betros BEng Chemical, Grad Dip Process Plant Engineering	Raymond Betros has over 35 years' experience in international business and project development and technical management. He has held senior positions in resource companies and worked extensively internationally including Indonesia, United Kingdom and Egypt.					
Independent Non-executive Director	Raymond has held various senior executive positions at BHP/BHP Billiton (1993-2004), BG Group (2004-2008) and most recently Santos (2008-2011) where he held the position of Executive Vice-President Technical until his retirement from					
Member of the Sustainability Committee	executive duties.  Raymond was appointed as a non-executive director of AWE on 22 November 2012.					
Member of the Audit and Governance Committee						
Karen L. C. Penrose BComm CPA, GAICD	Karen Penrose has over 35 years' experience in the finance and corporate sectors, including 20 years in banking with the Commonwealth Bank of Australia and HSBC Bank Australia. In the eight years to early 2014 Ms Penrose held Chief Financial Officer and Chief Operating Officer roles with Wilson HTM Investment Group Ltd and Keybridge Capital Limited.					
Independent Non-executive Director	Karen is a non-executive director of Federation Centres, Spark Infrastructure Group and the pro-bono board of Future Generation Global Investment Company Limited. She is also a director UrbanGrowth NSW. Ms Penrose was formerly					
Member of the Audit and Governance Committee	Deputy Chairman of Silver Chef Limited (to February 2015).  Karen was appointed a non-executive director of AWE on 28 August 2013.					
Member of the Sustainability Committee						

No directors of the Company either resigned or were appointed since the end of the financial year.

#### Company secretary

Mr Neville Kelly was appointed to the position of Company Secretary in October 1999. Mr Kelly (BCom, Merit, CPA) is an accountant with over 30 years commercial experience in the upstream sector of the Australian oil and gas industry, including 12 years' experience with Bridge Oil Limited. Neville was also the Chief Financial Officer of AWE until 31 October 2011 and joined the Company on its public listing in 1997.

#### Remuneration report

The Remuneration Report set out on pages 37 to 50 forms part of the Directors' Report for the financial year ended 30 June 2015.

#### Corporate governance statement

Details of the Company's corporate governance practices are included in the Corporate Governance Statement set out on the Company's website.

#### **Dividends**

Dividends paid or declared by the Company to members since the end of the previous financial year were:

	Cents per share	Total amount \$'000	Franking	Date of payment
Declared and paid during the 2015 financial year	-	-	-	-
Declared and paid during the 2014 financial year	-	-	-	-

#### Events subsequent to balance date

In the opinion of the directors, no other matter or circumstance has arisen since 30 June 2015 that has significantly affected, or may significantly affect:

- a. the consolidated entity's operations in future financial years, or
- b. the results of those operations in future financial years, or
- c. the consolidated entity's state of affairs in future financial years.

#### **Directors' interests**

The relevant interest of each director in the share capital of the Company, as notified by the directors to the Australian Securities Exchange ("ASX") in accordance with section 205G of the Corporations Act 2001, at the date of this report is as follows:

Director	Fully paid ordinary shares
B. J. Phillips	3,178,414
B. F. W. Clement	701,091
D. I. McEvoy	30,000
K. G. Williams	20,000
V. Braach-Maksvytis	3,000
R.J Betros	70,000
K. L. C. Penrose	25,000

No directors' interests are subject to margin loans. Further details of directors' interests in share capital are set out in note 33 to the financial statements, Related party disclosures.

#### Directors' meetings

The number of meetings, including meetings of committees of directors and the number of meetings attended by each director of the Company during the financial year were:

	Director	s' meetings		Governance ee meetings	People	Committee meetings	Sustainability	Committee meetings
Director	Held <sup>(1)</sup>	Attended	Held <sup>(1)</sup>	Attended	Held <sup>(1)</sup>	Attended	Held <sup>(1)</sup>	Attended
B. J. Phillips	11	11			4	4		
B. F. W. Clement	11	11						
D. I. McEvoy	11	11	7	7			4	4
K. G. Williams	11	11	7	7	4	4		
V. Braach-Maksvytis	11	11			4	4	4	4
R.J Betros	11	11	7	6			4	4
K. L. C. Penrose	11	11	7	7			4	4

<sup>1.</sup> Reflects the number of meetings held during the time the Director held office, or was a member of the Committee during the year.

#### Indemnification and insurance of officers

Under the Company's Constitution, and to the extent permitted by law, every person who is, or has been, a director or officer of the Company is indemnified against:

- a liability incurred by that person, in his or her capacity as a director or secretary, to another person (other than the Company or a related body corporate of the Company) provided that the liability does not arise out of conduct involving a lack of good faith; and
- 2. a liability for costs and expenses incurred by that person:
  - i. in defending any proceedings in which judgement is given in that person's favour, or in which that person is acquitted, or
  - ii. in connection with an application in relation to any proceedings in which the Court grants relief to that person under the Corporations Act.

During the financial year, the Company paid premiums based on normal commercial terms and conditions to insure all directors, officers and employees of the Company against the costs and expenses in defending claims brought against the individual while performing services for the consolidated entity. The premium paid has not been disclosed as it is subject to the confidentiality provisions of the insurance policy.

The Company has entered into Indemnity Deeds to indemnify directors and certain executives of the Company against all liabilities incurred in the course of or arising out of their employment with the Company and its controlled entities, except where the liability results wholly or in part from serious and wilful misconduct by the executive or director.

To the extent permitted by law, the Company has agreed to indemnify its auditors, Ernst & Young Australia, as part of the terms of its audit engagement agreement against claims by third parties arising from the audit (for an unspecified amount). No payment has been made to Ernst & Young during or since the financial year.

#### Audit and non-audit services

Details of the amounts paid to the auditor of the Company, Ernst & Young, and its related practices for audit and non-audit services provided during the year are set out below.

	2015 \$	2014 \$
Audit services - auditor of the Company		
Audit and review of financial reports	472,348	398,151
Taxation Services		
Taxation compliance services	93,733	95,000
Other Services		
Advisory and assurance services	21,480	63,357
Total remuneration of Ernst & Young	587,561	556,508

During the year Ernst & Young, the Company's auditor, has performed certain other services in addition to their statutory duties. The Board has considered the non-audit services provided during the year by the auditor and in accordance with written advice provided by resolution of the Audit & Governance Committee, is satisfied that the provision of those non-audit services during the year by the auditor is compatible with the auditor independence requirements of the Corporations Act 2001 for the following reasons:

- + All non-audit services do not impact the integrity and objectivity of the auditor; and
- + The non-audit services do not undermine the general principles relating to auditor independence as set out in APES 110 Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants, as they did not involve reviewing or auditing the auditor's own work, in a management or decision making capacity for the Company, acting as an advocate for the Company or jointly sharing risks and rewards.

# Auditor's independence declaration under section 307C of the Corporations Act 2001

The auditor's independence declaration is set out on page 36 and forms part of the Directors' Report for the year ended 30 June 2015.

# Rounding off

The Company is of a kind referred to in Australian Securities and Investments Commission ("ASIC") Class Order 98/100 dated 10 July 1998 and in accordance with that Class Order amounts in the financial report and the Directors' Report have been rounded off to the nearest one thousand dollars unless otherwise stated.

Signed in accordance with a resolution of the directors:



B. J. Phillips Chairman

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**B. F. W. Clement** Managing Director

Dated at Sydney this 24th day of August 2015



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# Auditor's Independence Declaration to the Directors of AWE Limited

In relation to our audit of the financial report of AWE Limited for the financial year ended 30 June 2015, to the best of my knowledge and belief, there have been no contraventions of the auditor independence requirements of the Corporations Act 2001 or any applicable code of professional conduct.

Ernst & Young

Scott Jarrett Partner Sydney 24 August 2015

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# 2015 REMUNERATION REPORT

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# Abbreviations used in this report

Act	Corporations Act 2001 (Cth)
ASX	Australian Securities Exchange Limited
AWE	AWE Limited or the Company
HSE	Health safety & environment
KMP	Key management personnel
KPI	Key performance indicator
LTI	Long term incentive
NED	Non-executive director
Plan	Share rights plan
Rights	Share rights
STI	Short term incentive
TSR	Total shareholder return
VWAP	Volume weighted average price

# **Key Points**

# Total Shareholder Return (TSR) TSR for the financial year of -32.8% compared to ASX 200 Energy Index of -19.0% TSR for 3 years to 30 June 2015 of -9.7% compared to ASX 200 Energy Index of 5.5% Fixed remuneration In recognition of the current low oil price environment the board has determined that for the June 2016 financial year: + Non-executive director fees - no increase + Managing Director salary - no increase + Senior executive salaries - no increase + Senior executive salaries - no increase + STI payment to Managing Director set at 45% of maximum allowable + STI payment to senior executives averaged 45% of maximum allowable In recognition of the low oil price environment no STI has been awarded under the board discretion component of these performance measures. Payment of 50% of these STI's deferred for 12 months subject to the Senior Executive Deferral and Clawback Policy.

# Long Term Incentive Plan (LTI)

Vesting of Rights – 3 year cycle to June 2015

(Based on 3 year performance to June 2015)

Award of Rights – 3 year cycle to 30 June 2018

(Based on performance for the June 2015 financial year) Managing Director and senior executives

- + Relative TSR Rights 62% vesting based on 3 year performance of 70th percentile of comparator group
- + Absolute TSR Rights- nil vesting based on 3 year TSR of -9.7% compound
- + Retention Rights 100% vesting [1]

60% of maximum entitlement granted to Managing Director

Average of 60% of maximum entitlement granter to senior executives

# Non-executive directors

- + No participation in LTI or ST
- + Total fee pool increase approved by shareholders at the 2014 Annual General Meeting but fees not increased since July 2014

#### Remuneration changes implemented with effect from the June 2015 Financial Year

Deferral and clawback provisions apply to LTI and STI for Managing Director and senior executives for awards granted from July 2014

Comparator group used for Relative TSR performance for awards granted from July 2014 changed to only include upstream oil and gas companies in the ASX 300 Energy Index at the end of the 3 year measurement period

It is not envisaged that there will be any other significant changes to remuneration practices in the June 2016 financial year.

<sup>1.</sup> Retention rights are not granted to the Managing Director.

## 1. Introduction

The directors of AWE Limited ("AWE" or the "Company") present the Remuneration Report prepared in accordance with section 300A of the Corporations Act 2001 ("the Act") for the consolidated entity for the year ended 30 June 2015.

The information provided in this report forms part of the Directors Report and outlines the remuneration arrangements of the consolidated entity in accordance with the requirements of the Act and its regulations. This information has been audited as required by section 308 (3C) of the Act.

This report details remuneration information pertaining to directors and senior executives who are the 'Key Management Personnel' ("KMP") of the consolidated entity. KMP are defined as those persons having authority and responsibility for planning, directing and controlling the activities of the consolidated entity, directly or indirectly, including any director (whether executive or otherwise) of AWE.

The following non-executive directors ("NEDs") and senior executives have been identified as KMP for the purpose of this report:

#### Non-executive directors

Bruce J. Phillips	Chairman	
David I. McEvoy	Non-Executive Director	
Kenneth G. Williams	Non-Executive Director	
Vijoleta Braach-Maksvytis	Non-Executive Director	
Raymond J. Betros	Non-Executive Director	
Karen L.C. Penrose	Non-Executive Director	Appointed 28 August 2013
Andy J. Hogendijk	Non-Executive Director	Retired 27 November 2013

# Executive director and senior executives

Bruce F. W. Clement	Managing Director			
Dennis Washer	Chief Operating Officer/General Manager, New Zealand			
Ayten Saridas	Chief Financial Officer			
Neil P. Tupper	General Manager, Exploration and Geoscience			
Neville F. Kelly	Company Secretary/ General Manager Corporate			
David R. N. Gaudoin	Vice President, Exploration and Exploitation, Indonesia	Ceased employment 1 November 2013		
Michael Drew	Group General Counsel/General Manager Commercial	Ceased employment 30 June 2014		

Dates of appointment or resignation are noted in the above tables if the appointment or resignation occurred within the previous two financial years.

# 2. Remuneration governance framework

The People Committee is responsible for making recommendations to the Board on remuneration policies and employment practices applicable to directors, senior executives and other employees.

The role and responsibilities of the People Committee is documented in a charter approved by the Board and is reviewed as required but in any event at least each two years. A copy of this charter is available on the Company's website.

The People Committee must comprise at least three non-executive directors, the majority of whom shall be independent. No executive can be a member of the Committee. The People Committee currently comprises Vijoleta Braach-Maksvytis (Chair), Kenneth Williams (former committee Chairman), and Bruce Phillips, each of whom are non-executive directors and are considered to be independent.

#### Role

The role of the People Committee as defined in the charter is to assist the Board in adopting the remuneration policies and employment practices of AWE that are designed to:

- + Be consistent with the Company's goals and objectives;
- + Deliver outcomes in line with strategic business goals;
- + Recognise the scale and complexity of the Company's business activities:
- + Encourage directors and senior executives to deliver short term objectives and to pursue the long term growth and success of the Company within an appropriate control framework;
- Deliver a level and composition of remuneration that is appropriate and fair to stakeholders;
- + Define the relationship of remuneration to corporate and individual performance; and
- + Attract and retain talented and effective directors, management and employees so as to encourage enhanced performance of the Company and to create value for shareholders.

The People Committee also evaluates the appropriateness of remuneration packages given trends in comparable companies, the need to drive a performance-based culture and the objectives of the Company's remuneration strategy.

#### Responsibilities

The responsibilities of the People Committee as defined in the charter are to review and make recommendations to the Board or its related committees on:

- Policies for employment and remuneration of all AWE employees;
- Recruitment, retention and termination policies, procedures and practices for senior executives;
- + The remuneration package of the Managing Director;
- + The remuneration packages of senior executives in consultation with the Managing Director;
- Performance schemes including short term and long term incentives;
- + Superannuation arrangements;
- + The remuneration framework for non-executive directors, within the limit approved by shareholders;
- + Ongoing induction and education procedures for new Board appointees and key executives;
- Training and development and continuing education practices for non-executive directors, senior executives and all AWE employees;
- + Management succession planning;
- + Procedures necessary to comply with employment practices law;
- + The appointment of external remuneration consultants and evaluation of advice from remuneration consultants in accordance with the Act:
- + The diversity disclosure plan and the Company's progress in achieving measurable diversity objectives;
- + The annual Statutory Remuneration Report;
- People related disclosures in the annual Sustainability Report; and
- + Other matters as requested by the Board.

Should the Company receive advice from external consultants to assist in making decisions on the amount or structure of the remuneration of one or more KMP:

- + The consultant is to be appointed by the People Committee or NED's:
- Advice received from the consultant must be provided directly to the People Committee or NED's;
- + Fees paid to the consultant must be disclosed; and
- + The consultant must declare their independence.

No remuneration consultants were appointed during the current financial year.

# 3. Executive remuneration arrangements

# 3.1. Principles and strategy

## Objectives

The key objectives of AWE's remuneration practices are to:

- + Align the interests of senior executives, employees and shareholders;
- Attract and retain suitably qualified senior executives and employees; and
- Motivate senior executives and employees to achieve superior performance.

#### Mix of remuneration

To achieve these objectives remuneration packages consist of:

- + Fixed remuneration;
- + Short term performance benefits; and
- + Long term performance benefits.

The remuneration structures are designed to align the interests of shareholders with remuneration outcomes by taking into account:

- + The performance of the consolidated entity including:
  - The growth in total returns to shareholders;
  - The consolidated entity's financial results;
  - Delivery of base business (that is, "business as usual");
  - The results of exploration, development and production activities;
  - Business growth;
  - Delivery of strategic objectives;
  - Adherence to health, safety and environment policies and targets; and
  - Compliance with regulations.
- + The capability and experience of senior executives;
- + The ability of senior executives to control the performance of their relevant area of responsibility; and
- + Current economic and industry circumstances.

The Company has been cognisant of legislative changes relating to the deferral and clawback of performance based remuneration and has implemented appropriate changes from 1 July 2014 to remuneration arrangements for senior executives. These changes are summarised in "Changes to remuneration structures" below.

In respect of the Company's international operations it should be noted that in addition to fixed remuneration and performance related benefits entitlements may include compensation reflecting the assignment location, market conditions and regulatory requirements. The Company compares these benefits and entitlements to ensure they remain in line with market practice.

## Market comparatives

In order to attract and retain suitably qualified senior executives and technical personnel and to ensure that salary packages are reasonable and competitive, fixed remuneration levels and at "risk" remuneration structures in the form of short and long term incentive benefits are benchmarked against independently provided data on Australian upstream oil and gas companies. The market for such senior executives and technical professionals in the upstream oil and gas industry is competitive and the Company's remuneration framework is structured accordingly.

To ensure that long term incentive structures are appropriately aligned to the long term interests of shareholders, the vesting of share rights ("rights") are conditional on performance conditions which are tied to the three year total shareholder return of the Company and to the three year total shareholder returns of comparator ASX listed energy companies.

#### Company performance

The following table identifies the consolidated entity's performance in respect of the current financial year and the previous four financial years:

	2015	2014	2013	2012	2011
Profit/(loss) (\$ millions)	(230.2)	62.5	20.0	(66.5)	(117.6)
30 June share price (\$)	1.21	1.80	1.24	1.34	1.28
Change in share price (\$)	(0.59)	0.56	(0.10)	0.06	(0.50)
Total shareholder return (%)	(33%)	45%	(7%)	9%	(28%)
AWE performance relative to ASX 200 Energy Index	(14%)	26%	(15%)	30%	(35%)
AWE performance relative to ASX 200 Index	(40%)	26%	(30%)	21%	(35%)

#### Changes to remuneration structures

Additional refinements to remuneration arrangements that were implemented with effect from the June 2015 financial year include:

# <u>Deferral and Clawback of Performance–Based Remuneration</u>

#### Scope

- A deferral and clawback policy has been adopted for performancebased remuneration which applies to the Managing Director and senior executives;
- + The policy is to apply on a prospective basis for STI and LTI awards granted from July 2014; and
- + The Board (or delegated committee of the Board) has the discretion and authority to make determinations under this policy.

#### Application

- + Clawback can include reduction, clawback or cancellation of awards;
- + Clawback applies to both vested awards which have been deferred and awards granted but not yet vested; and
- + Once an STI or LTI award is vested, 50% of that award will be deferred for a period of 12 months and will be subject to clawback.

#### Clawback Circumstances

- + Serious misconduct;
- + Material misstatement in AWE's financial statements; or
- + Material error or miscalculation that results in the award of performance based remuneration that would not have otherwise been awarded.

#### Relative TSR Comparator Group

AWE acknowledges that an inherent difficulty in determining appropriate peer group companies to be included in the comparator group of companies for Relative TSR purposes is that over the testing period of three years this peer group of companies can change. These changes could be caused by a number of factors including companies no longer being listed on ASX or when companies subsequently gain entry to or exit from the nominated ASX index.

Accordingly for grants of rights for any rolling three year period commencing after 30 June 2014 the board has determined that the comparator group of companies to be used in determining Relative TSR performance will be upstream oil and gas companies in the ASX Energy 300 Index at the end of the relevant three year period. The TSR performance of these comparator companies over the relevant three year period will be measured at the end of that three year period to determine the relative performance of the Company.

#### 3.2. Fixed remuneration

Fixed remuneration consists of base salary calculated on a total cost basis, including fringe benefits tax and superannuation contributions (or equivalent).

Remuneration levels are reviewed at least annually by the People Committee through a process that considers independent externally provided remuneration data and also taking into account the overall performance of the consolidated entity to ensure that remuneration is appropriate and competitive in the market place.

In recognition of the current low oil price environment the board has determined that for the June 2016 financial year, there will be no increases to non-executive director fees, the Managing Director salary or senior executive salaries.

For details of fixed remuneration paid to senior executives and directors refer to section 5 and 6.

#### 3.3. Short term incentives

Short term performance benefits are awarded in the form of cash bonuses. These benefits are "at risk" and are paid for performance during the financial year and are designed to reward senior executives for meeting or exceeding Company and individual Key Performance Indicators ("KPIs").

#### Managing Director KPIs

Each year, the Board sets corporate KPIs for the Managing Director which are based on overall corporate performance targets.

#### June 2015 Financial Year

For the June 2015 financial year the corporate KPIs for the Managing Director were based on a balanced scorecard approach which are designed to deliver sustainable shareholder returns both in the short term and long term. These performance measures included:

- Delivery of base business (50%) –includes specific targets with respect to delivery of production, capital expenditure and exploration programs, operating expenditure, reserves replacement, financing activities, team performance, HSE performance and community and regulatory engagement.
- Strategy and growth (30%) includes targets with respect to portfolio management, business development, exploration new ventures
- + Board discretion (20%) includes an allowance to cover the potential and inevitable changing company and industry circumstances during the financial year.

On an assessment of actual performance for the June 2015 financial year, under the above measures of delivery of base business and strategy and growth the board has determined that a total of 45% of maximum KPI will be awarded to the Managing Director.

Further, in recognition of the current low oil price environment the board has determined that no STI will be paid under the board discretion component of the performance measures.

For further details refer to section 5.2.

The Board reviews the KPI's for the Managing Director annually and will amend the KPI's to reflect the strategic objectives of the Company, changing circumstances in the upstream oil and gas sector as well as other factors. The Board believes that the KPI's should be aligned to activities that will achieve short and long term sustainable shareholder returns.

#### Senior Executives KPIs

Corporate KPIs for senior executives are based on the same corporate KPIs as the Managing Director. In addition, the Managing Director sets individual KPIs for the senior executives. These KPIs take into account individual and departmental performance over which the senior executive has responsibility. The board believes that the attainment of these individual and departmental KPIs is essential in delivering overall corporate objectives.

The structure of these short term incentive ("STI") benefits as a percentage of fixed remuneration is as follows:

	Managing Director <sup>(1)</sup>	Senior Executives <sup>[2]</sup>
Target – meets performance objectives	25%	20%
Stretch – exceeds performance objectives	25%	20%
	50%	40%

- 100% of Managing Director KPIs are based on achieving corporate performance measures.
- 2. 50% of senior executive KPIs are based on the same corporate KPIs as the Managing Director and 50% are subject to individual and departmental KPIs over which the individual senior executive has responsibility.

The maximum STI is only payable if both the Company and individual performance has met or exceeded expectation. In exceptional circumstances where all of the Company performance targets have not been met but an individual has demonstrated outstanding performance, the Board may use its discretion award up to 100% of that individual's short term performance benefit.

# 3.4. Long term incentive plans

Long term incentive ("LTI") "at risk" performance benefits are awarded in the form of share rights with vesting conditions tied to retention, absolute Total Shareholder Return ("TSR") and relative TSR.

The rationale for the choice of these criteria includes:

- + To align employees with the commonly shared goals of delivering high returns for shareholders over the medium to long term;
- + To encourage and assist employees to become shareholders of  $\Delta WF \cdot$
- To provide a long term component of remuneration to enable AWE to compete effectively for the calibre of talent required for the Company to be successful; and
- + To help retain talented personnel, minimise employee turnover.

#### Share Rights Plan

The Company has a Share Rights Plan in place for the award of long term performance benefits. The Plan is designed to generate performance-based awards that may be converted, at the Board's discretion, into AWE shares or cash.

The key elements of the Plan include:

- + Rights are granted each year with the number of rights granted being determined by the employee's level in the Company, fixed remuneration at the time of grant and taking into account both the Company and employee's performance in the previous financial year.
- + There are three tranches of rights with separate vesting criteria:
  - Retention<sup>[1]</sup>;
  - Absolute TSR; and
  - Relative TSR
- + The vesting period is for three years, the rights will lapse after three years if not vested and there will be no retesting.
- Rights granted in any particular financial year are tested for vesting over the three year period commencing 1 July of the grant year.
- $^{\mbox{\scriptsize 1-}}$  Retention rights are not granted to the Managing Director

The Plan defines TSR as "The percentage change over a period in shareholder value due to share price movement and dividends paid assuming dividends are reinvested into AWE shares".

Early vesting of rights is not permitted other than at the time of change in control of the Company where the extent of any vesting is to be determined at the discretion of the Board. On termination of employment, rights are forfeited unless and to the extent determined by the Board. The Board has discretion whether or not to make a determination and reserves the right to exercise that discretion having regard to the circumstances that might arise from time to time.

The maximum number of rights that can be granted as a percentage of fixed remuneration at the time of grant and converted to a number of rights using the 30 day volume weighted average price ("VWAP") of the AWE share price as at 30 June of the grant year are as follows:

# Maximum percentage of Fixed Remuneration on which the number of rights are calculated

	Retention vesting condition	Absolute TSR vesting condition	TSR vesting	Total <sup>(1)</sup>
Managing Director	NA	50%	50%	100%
Senior Executives	15%	30%	30%	75%

The above table represents the maximum number of rights that can be awarded but will vest only if all performance conditions are satisfied to 100% (and then only if the maximum number of initial rights were granted based on past Company and individual performance).

Vested rights will entitle the senior executive to an award which will vary with the AWE share price at the time of vesting. The board may decide in its absolute discretion the form of payment (cash or issue of shares) to satisfy these vested rights.

#### Retention grants

- + Number of rights calculated using the 30-day VWAP of the AWE share price as at 30 June of grant year.
- Vest after three years if the employee remains employed by AWE.

#### Absolute TSR grants

- Number of rights calculated using the 30-day VWAP of the AWE share price in June of grant year.
- Vest after three years according to the Company's Absolute TSR for that three year period.
- + The vesting scales to apply for Absolute TSR grants are as follows:

AWE TSR	% of rights to vest
< 8% pa compound	-
8% pa compound	25%
>8% and <10% pa compound	Pro rata
10% pa compound	50%
>10% and <12% pa compound	Pro rata
12% pa compound	100%

#### Relative TSR grants

- + Number of rights calculated using the 30-day VWAP of AWE share price in June of grant year.
- + Vest after three years according to the Company's TSR relative to comparator group companies in ASX Energy 300 Index.
- + The Board determines in advance the appropriate comparator group to apply to Relative TSR grants for the following 3 year period. Refer to section 3.1 for discussion on current comparator group.
- + The vesting scales to apply for Relative TSR grants are as follows:

# AWE TSR relative to TSR of comparator group companies in S&P/ASX 300 Energy Index

# % of rights to vest

< 50%	-
50%	25%
>50% and <90%	Pro rata
90% and above	100%

For an analysis of rights granted, vested and forfeited in the June 2015 financial year, refer to section 5.3.

#### 3.5. Other benefits

The personal needs of directors and senior executives may be taken into account when determining the appropriate remuneration mix and the Company allows salary sacrifice arrangements to the extent that it complies with all applicable laws, and there is no net cost to the Company doing so.

## 4. Service agreements

#### Managing Director - Bruce Clement

On 1 February 2011, Mr Bruce Clement commenced as Managing Director and at the time of his formal appointment, the details of the service agreement entered into with Mr Clement were disclosed and are summarised as follows:

# Remuneration

Terms of Contract Contract commenced 1 February 2011 and continues until terminated under the termination provisions of the contract.

#### Remuneration

Remuneration is made up of the following components:

- + Fixed remuneration for financial year 2015 was \$926,888 per annum inclusive of salary, superannuation and fringe benefits tax which is reviewed annually effective 1
- + "At risk" short term performance benefits which are summarised in section 3.3 and can represent up to 50% of base salary for the year; and
- + "At risk" long term performance benefits which are granted on an annual basis in the form of rights under the Company's Cash Share Rights Plan. The board has determined that all awards of rights to Mr Clement are subject to approval of shareholders at the Company's Annual General Meeting. Details of rights currently held by Mr Clement are at section 5.4.

## Termination

The service agreement contract may be terminated in the following circumstances:

- + Voluntary termination by the Company or Mr Bruce Clement on six months' notice. On termination by the Company, a termination payment of 6 months of then base salary is payable in addition to any payment in lieu of notice. On termination by Mr Clement, no such termination payment will be made. Pro-rated short term benefits will be paid according to the achievement of KPIs to the date on which notice is given. Any granted but unvested rights at the date on which notice is given will be forfeited;
- Termination by the Company on three months' notice in the event of illness or injury. Pro-rated short term benefits will be paid according to the achievement of KPIs to the date on which notice is given. Any granted but unvested rights at the date on which notice is given will be forfeited; or
- + Termination by the Company for cause and without notice. Any short term benefits or rights that have not vested at the date on which notice is given will be forfeited

#### Senior Executives

The key terms and conditions of service agreements for all other senior executives (excluding the Managing Director) are summarised as follows:

#### Remuneration

Executive Service Contracts standardise the executive's entitlement to:

- + Fixed remuneration;
- + "At risk" short term performance benefits;
- + "At risk" long term performance benefits;
- + Any other benefits that may be provided by the Company.

#### Termination

Service agreements may be terminated under the following circumstances:

- + Resignation on three months' notice by the executive;
- Termination on three months' notice by the Company; or
- + Termination without notice by the Company for cause.

In the event of a redundancy or defined change in circumstances for senior executives commencing employment after 1 July 2011 those senior executives are entitled to a six month termination payment.

However, in the event of a redundancy or defined change in circumstances for Mr Washer and Mr Kelly the senior executive is entitled to a 12 month termination payment (in the case of Neville Kelly this entitlement is two years under certain defined circumstances) unless not otherwise permitted by law.

#### Term

The service contracts have no fixed term.

#### Notes in relation to certain executives:

#### Neil Tupper

Mr Neil Tupper, General Manager Exploration and Geoscience, was appointed on 20 May 2013. In accordance with the terms of his Executive Services Agreement, he is entitled to receive a retention payment as follows:

- + \$50,000 gross paid at 30 June 2014 on the basis that he remains employed by the Company; and
- + \$50,000 gross paid at 30 June 2015 on the basis that he remains employed by the Company at that time.

#### 5. Executive remuneration outcomes

#### 5.1 Remuneration tables

Details of the nature and amount of each major element of remuneration of the managing director of the Company and each of the named senior executives are as follows:

Consolidated entity			Short-t	erm			Post empl	oyment		Share	based paym	ents
		Salary package <sup>(1)</sup>	Cash bonus	Non-monetary benefits/allowance <sup>(2)</sup>	Total	Superannuation benefits <sup>(3)</sup>	Other long-term <sup>(4)</sup>	Termination benefits <sup>(5)</sup>	Total cash related	Value of rights <sup>(6)</sup>	Total	Darformancorolated
		\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	%
Executive directo	r											
B.F.W. Clement	<b>2015</b> 2014	<b>898,025</b> 880,862	<b>208,550</b> 270,000	<b>18,881</b> 15,865	<b>1,125,456</b> 1,166,727	<b>28,863</b> 19,029	<b>6,516</b> 14,876	-	<b>1,160,835</b> 1,200,632	<b>217,579</b> 304,288	<b>1,378,414</b> 1,504,920	<b>31%</b> 38%
Other key manage	ement personi	nel										
D. Washer <sup>(7)</sup>	<b>2015</b> 2014	<b>636,765</b> 606,899	<b>95,537</b> 137,534	<b>13,372</b> 4,247	<b>745,674</b> 748,680	<b>57,300</b> 51,825	-	-	<b>802,974</b> 800,505	<b>143,364</b> 142,520	<b>946,338</b> 943,025	<b>25%</b> 30%
A. Saridas	<b>2015</b> 2014	<b>489,011</b> 435,613	<b>101,600</b> 119,700	<b>15,971</b> 3,122	<b>606,582</b> 558,435	<b>18,783</b> 16,294	<b>8,329</b> 2,103	-	<b>633,694</b> 576,832	<b>131,362</b> 122,972	<b>765,056</b> 699,804	<b>30%</b> 35%
N. Tupper <sup>(8)</sup>	<b>2015</b> 2014	<b>526,737</b> 514,981	<b>111,300</b> 183,800	<b>2,388</b> 85,355	<b>640,425</b> 784,136	<b>30,000</b> 20,344	<b>1,957</b> 2,071	-	<b>672,382</b> 806,551	<b>111,804</b> 52,474	<b>784,186</b> 859,025	<b>28%</b> 21%
N. F. Kelly	<b>2015</b> 2014	<b>401,317</b> 397,228	<b>77,600</b> 100,500	<b>22,974</b> 13,367	<b>501,891</b> 511,095	<b>30,000</b> 21,527	<b>7,580</b> 11,099	-	<b>539,471</b> 543,721	<b>112,358</b> 113,827	<b>651,829</b> 657,548	<b>29%</b> 33%
M. Drew <sup>[9]</sup>	<b>2015</b> 2014	- 401,911	<b>-</b> 60,636	- 3,025	- 465,572	- 23,395	- (121)	-	- 488,846	-	- 488,846	- 12%
D.R.N. Gaudoin <sup>(10)</sup>	<b>2015</b> 2014	- 214,102	-	- 53,867	- 267,969	-	<b>-</b> 24,804	- 509,117	- 801,890	- (43,078)	- 758,812	- (6%)
Total executive KMP	<b>2015</b> 2014	<b>2,951,855</b> 3,451,596	<b>594,587</b> 872,170	<b>73,586</b> 178,848		<b>164,946</b> 152,414	<b>24,382</b> 54,832	- 509,117	<b>3,809,356</b> 5,218,977	<b>716,467</b> 693,003	<b>4,525,823</b> 5,911,980	<b>29%</b> 26%

# Notes in relation the remuneration table above

- 1. Salary package includes amounts salary sacrificed.
- <sup>2</sup> Prior year (2014) amounts included in non-monetary benefits for Mr Gaudoin include costs associated with his Indonesian expatriate assignment including housing, motor vehicle and school fees; and for Mr Tupper these costs include relocation costs.
- a. Superannuation benefits include the amount required to be contributed by the consolidated entity and does not include amounts salary sacrificed.
- 4. Other long-term benefits comprise the amount of long service leave accrued and adjustments to underlying assumptions therein in the period.
- 5. Amounts classified as termination benefits include salaries paid after the senior executive ceased to be classified as key management personnel but continued to be employed by the consolidated entity.
- 6. The fair value of rights granted have been calculated at the grant date using a Black-Scholes Pricing Model and assuming an expected share price volatility of 25% and vesting probability of 43.5% for performance related awards. The value disclosed is the portion of the fair value of rights allocated to this reporting period. The value disclosed does not therefore represent cash received.

#### Notes in relation to key management personnel

- 7. Mr Dennis Washer is paid in NZ dollars. Accordingly, Mr Washer's cash related remuneration will vary with exchange rate movements.
- 8. Included in both 2014 and 2015 cash bonuses for Mr Tupper is a \$50,000 cash retention payment. Refer section 4.
- 9. Mr Michael Drew ceased employment on 30 June 2014.
- 10. Mr David Gaudoin ceased employment on 1 November 2013 and certain rights valuations previously expensed have been reversed in that financial year.

# 5.2 Analysis of short term performance benefits included in remuneration

#### Award of short term performance benefits

Section 3.3 of this report details the consolidated entity's approach to the granting and vesting of short term performance benefits.

The award of short term performance benefits in the form of cash bonuses to the Managing Director and senior executives in recognition of Company performance and individual performance in the June 2015 financial year together with the vesting profile of these bonuses are as follows:

	Included in remuneration <sup>(1)</sup> \$	Vested in year <sup>[2] [3]</sup> %	Forfeited in year <sup>(4)</sup> %
Director			
B.F.W. Clement	208,550	45%	55%
Executives			
D. Washer	95,537	38%	62%
A. Saridas	101,600	50%	50%
N. Tupper	111,300	50%	50%
N. F. Kelly	77,600	45%	55%

<sup>1.</sup> Amounts included in remuneration represent the amount that vested in the financial year including superannuation payments applicable. No amounts vest in future financial years.

#### 5.3 Analysis of long term performance benefits included in remuneration

Section 3.4 of this report details the consolidated entity's approach to the granting and vesting of long term performance benefits.

The value of rights are allocated to each reporting period over the period from grant date to vesting date. Accordingly, amounts included as remuneration for the financial year represent that amount allocated to the financial year from the grant of rights both in the current financial year and previous financial years.

#### **Granting of Share Rights**

The number and value of rights granted during the financial year to the managing director and senior executives is detailed below:

#### Granted during the year in respect of June 2014 financial year performance and vesting post 30 June 2015

		N (1)	% of maximum	T. I. I. A	Fair value per
	Grant date	Number <sup>(1)</sup>	available	Total value \$	right granted \$
Director					
B.F.W. Clement <sup>(2)</sup>	20 November 2014	365,552	75%	237,738	0.65
Executives					
D. Washer	25 September 2014	178,134	66%	179,616	1.01
A. Saridas	25 September 2014	170,177	83%	171,593	1.01
N. Tupper	25 September 2014	176,685	78%	178,155	1.01
N. F. Kelly	25 September 2014	131,406	75%	132,500	1.01

<sup>1.</sup> The number of rights granted is based on past company and individual performance.

<sup>2.</sup> Refer to section 3.1 for details of deferral and clawback of performance based remuneration introduced with effect from the June 2015 financial year.

a. 50% paid with the remaining 50% deferred for twelve months subject to the Company's Deferral / Clawback Policy.

<sup>4.</sup> The percentage forfeited is due to that component of base and stretch performance criteria not being met in the financial year.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2.</sup> The granting of these rights was approved by shareholders at the 2014 Annual General Meeting.

The movement during the financial year in the number of rights held by the managing director and senior executives is detailed below:

Movement in share rights	Opening balance	Granted as remuneration	Exercised	Lapsed unexercised	Net change other	Closing balance
As at 30 June 2015						
Director						
B. F. W. Clement <sup>(1)</sup>	1,674,978	365,552	(916,030)	(228,717)	-	895,783
Executives						
D. Washer	648,911	178,134	(296,904)	(84,993)	-	445,148
A. Saridas	475,561	170,177	(162,850)	(65,978)	-	416,910
N.P. Tupper	221,174	176,685	-	-	-	397,859
N. F. Kelly	517,044	131,406	(229,557)	(64,481)	-	354,412
	3,537,668	1,021,954	(1,605,341)	(444,169)	-	2,510,112
As at 30 June 2014						
Director						
B. F. W. Clement <sup>(1)</sup>	1,477,565	427,474	(230,061)	-	-	1,674,978
Executives						
D. Washer	497,979	198,034	(47,102)	-	-	648,911
A. Saridas	282,372	193,189	-	-	-	475,561
N.P. Tupper	-	221,174	-	-	-	221,174
N. F. Kelly	381,992	170,674	(35,622)	-	-	517,044
M. Drew <sup>[2]</sup>	-	181,467	-	-	(181,467)	-
D. R. N. Gaudoin <sup>(3)</sup>	461,792	-	(39,988)	-	(421,804)	-
	3,101,700	1,392,012	(352,773)	-	(603,271)	3,537,668

<sup>1.</sup> All share rights issued to Mr Clement have been approved by shareholders at previous Annual General Meetings of the Company.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2.</sup> Mr Drew ceased employment on 30 June 2014.

<sup>3.</sup> Mr Gaudoin ceased employment on 1 November 2013.

# Vesting of Share Rights

The following table describes the actual vesting criteria applying to rights tested for vesting conditions at 30 June 2015 for the managing director and senior executives:

# Senior executives rights vesting performance 3 years to June 2015

Retention rights	ion rights Absolute TSR rights		Relative TSR Rights	Relative TSR Rights		
Percentage vested – 100%	Percentage vested – nil	Percentage vested – nil		2%		
Vesting criteria	Vesting criteria	8.0%	Vesting criteria	50th percentile		
Senior executive employed by the consolidated entity three years subsequent to initial grant.	Minimum annual compound rate required for any vesting:	compound rate required		Minimum relative performance required for any vesting:		
	Actual AWE annual compound TSR for the three year period to 30 June 2015:	-9.7%	AWE relative performance against ASX 300 Energy Index comparator group for the three year period to 30 June 2015	70th percentile		

Refer to section 3.4 for further details

On the application of the vesting criteria described above details of 30 June 2015 vesting rights which were tested for vesting conditions subsequent to the end of the financial year are as follows:

# 30 June 2015 vesting share rights

		Retention Rights	Absolute TSR Rights	Relative TSR Rights	Total Rights
Director					
B.F.W. Clement	On Issue	-	165,737	165,737	331,474
	Forfeited	-	(165,737)	(62,980)	(228,717)
	Vested	-	-	102,757	102,757
Executives					
D. Washer	On Issue	30,795	61,589	61,589	153,973
	Forfeited	-	(61,589)	[23,404]	[84,993]
	Vested	30,795	-	38,185	68,980
A. Saridas	On Issue	23,904	47,809	47,809	119,522
	Forfeited	-	(47,809)	(18,167)	(65,976)
	Vested	23,904	-	29,642	53,546
N. F. Kelly	On Issue	23,363	46,725	46,725	116,813
	Forfeited	-	(46,725)	(17,756)	[64,481]
	Vested	23,363	-	28,969	52,332
Total	On Issue	78,062	321,860	321,860	721,782
	Forfeited	-	(321,860)	(122,307)	(444,167)
	Vested	78,062	-	199,553	277,615

All the above rights were originally issued in the June 2013 financial year. The board has determined that vested rights for the managing director and senior executives will be settled by the issue of AWE shares.

# 5.4 Analysis of movements in long term performance benefits

# **Employee Share Rights**

Details of employee rights granted as remuneration to the managing director of the Company and each of the named senior executives and held at the end of the June 2015 financial year are detailed below:

			Financial vector in	Fair value
	Grant date	Number <sup>(1)</sup>	Financial years in which rights vest <sup>(2)</sup>	per right granted <sup>(3)</sup> \$
Directors				
B.F.W. Clement <sup>(4)</sup>	22 November 2012	102,757 (5)	30-June-2015	0.58
	27 November 2013	427,475	30-June-2016	0.52
	20 November 2014	365,552	30-June-2017	0.65
Executives				
D. Washer	4 December 2012	68,980 <sup>(5)</sup>	30-June-2015	0.71
	16 January 2014	198,034	30-June-2016	0.71
	26 September 2014	178,134	30-June-2017	1.01
A. Saridas	4 December 2012	53,546 <sup>(5)</sup>	30-June-2015	0.71
	16 January 2014	193,189	30-June-2016	0.71
	26 September 2014	170,177	30-June-2017	1.01
N. F. Kelly	4 December 2012	52,332 (5)	30-June-2015	0.71
	16 January 2014	170,674	30-June-2016	0.71
	26 September 2014	131,406	30-June-2017	1.01
N. Tupper	16 January 2014	221,174 (5)	30-June-2016	0.71
	26 September 2014	176,685	30-June-2017	1.01

<sup>1.</sup> The vesting of rights is conditional upon satisfaction of vesting conditions as described in section 3.4.

<sup>2.</sup> Rights vesting on 30 June 2015 tested for satisfaction of vesting conditions subsequent to the end of the financial year.

<sup>3.</sup> The fair value per right granted represents the valuation for rights granted and calculated at grant date.

<sup>4</sup> Grants of rights to Mr Clement have been approved by shareholders at previous Annual General Meetings of the Company.

<sup>5.</sup> Satisfied vesting conditions effective 30 June 2015 on the determination of the board subsequent to the end of the financial year. Refer section 5.3 for further details.

# 6. Non-executive director remuneration

Total remuneration for all non-executive directors, last voted upon by shareholders at the 2014 Annual General Meeting of the Company, is not to exceed \$1,200,000 per annum, inclusive of superannuation.

This increase enables the Company in the future, if required, to provide for:

- + Adequate financial incentives commensurate with the market to attract and retain suitably qualified and experienced directors to replace existing non-executive directors;
- + Appropriate arrangements to be put in place to ensure a smooth transition on replacement of directors, including a period of overlap if required; and
- + Increases in the number of non-executive directors in the future should it be considered appropriate.

Total remuneration paid to non-executive directors in the financial year was \$872,424 (2014: \$875,404). Fees are set based on review of externally provided remuneration data with reference to fees paid to other non-executive directors of comparable companies and to current economic and industry conditions.

In recognition of the current low oil price environment the board has determined that for the June 2016 financial year there will be no increase in fees payable to non-executive directors.

Non-executive directors' fees (including superannuation) for the 2015 financial year were as follows:

	Board	Audit Committee	People Committee	Sustainability Committee
Chair	\$232,793	\$24,388	\$17,737	\$17,737
Member	\$99,769	\$12,194	\$8,868	\$8,868

Company & consolidate	d entity			Short-term	Pos	t-employment		
		No Fees <sup>(1)</sup>	n-monetary benefits	Total	Superannuation benefits <sup>(2)</sup>	Termination benefits	Total cash related	Total
		\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Non-Executive Directors	S							
B. J. Phillips	2015	220,696	-	220,696	20,966	-	241,662	241,662
	2014	214,757	-	214,757	19,865	-	234,622	234,622
D. I. McEvoy	2015	118,447	-	118,447	11,253	-	129,700	129,700
	2014	115,260	_	115,260	10,662	-	125,922	125,922
K. G. Williams	2015	121,485	-	121,485	11,541	-	133,026	133,026
	2014	117,757	-	117,757	10,893	-	128,650	128,650
V. Braach-Maksvytis	2015	115,410	-	115,410	10,964	-	126,374	126,374
	2014	111,082	_	111,082	10,275	-	121,357	121,357
R. J. Betros	2015	110,348	-	110,348	10,483	-	120,831	120,831
	2014	105,698	_	105,698	9,777	-	115,475	115,475
K. L.C. Penrose <sup>(3)</sup>	2015	110,348	-	110,348	10,483	-	120,831	120,831
	2014	91,134	-	91,134	8,430	-	99,564	99,564
A. J. Hogendijk [4]	2015	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	2014	45,596	-	45,596	4,218	-	49,814	49,814
Total	2015	796,734	-	796,734	75,690	-	872,424	872,424
	2014	801,284	-	710,150	74,120	-	875,404	875,404

<sup>1.</sup> Fees include amounts salary sacrificed.

Non-executive directors do not receive incentive-based remuneration and do not receive any retirement benefits other than statutory entitlements.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2.</sup> Superannuation benefits include the amount required to be contributed by the consolidated entity and does not include amounts salary sacrificed.

<sup>3.</sup> Ms Karen Penrose was appointed as a director on 28 August 2013.

<sup>4.</sup> Mr Andy Hogendijk retired as a director on 27 November 2013.

# Consolidated income statement

For the year ended 30 June 2015

	Note	30 June 2015 \$'000	30 June 2014 \$'000
Revenue	2	284,930	329,291
Cost of sales	3	(259,615)	(237,015)
Gross profit		25,315	92,276
Other income	4	2,067	97,609
Exploration and evaluation expenses	15	(37,582)	(39,806)
Fair value adjustment on held for sale assets	14	-	(12,438)
Impairment	16	(246,276)	-
Other expenses	5	(41,096)	(31,128)
Results from operating activities		(297,572)	106,513
Finance income		606	515
Finance costs		(12,537)	(10,605)
Net finance costs	6	(11,931)	(10,090)
(Loss) / profit before tax		(309,503)	96,423
Income tax benefit / (expense)	7	58,947	(21,228)
Royalty related taxation benefit / (expense)	7	20,358	(12,695)
(Loss) / profit for the year		(230,198)	62,500
(Loss) / profit attributable to members of the Company		(230,198)	62,500

		Cents	Cents
Basic earnings per ordinary share (cents)	8	(43.84)	11.96
Diluted earnings per ordinary share (cents)	8	(43.84)	11.73

The above Consolidated income statement is to be read in conjunction with the notes to the financial statements.

# Consolidated statement of comprehensive income

For the year ended 30 June 2015

	30 June 2015 \$'000	30 June 2014 \$'000
(Loss) / profit for the year	(230,198)	62,500
Items that may be reclassified subsequently to profit and loss		
Foreign currency translation differences for foreign operations	92,893	(12,089)
Income tax relating to other comprehensive income	-	-
Other comprehensive Income / (loss) (net of income tax)	92,893	(12,089)
Total comprehensive (loss) / income for the year	(137,305)	50,411
Total comprehensive (loss) / income attributable to owners of the company	(137,305)	50,411

The above Consolidated statement of comprehensive income is to be read in conjunction with the notes to the financial statements.

# Consolidated statement of financial position

As at 30 June 2015

	Note	30 June 2015 \$'000	30 June 2014 \$'000
Current assets			
Cash and cash equivalents	11	46,559	42,144
Trade and other receivables	12	58,591	33,101
Inventory	13	7,103	18,747
Held for sale assets	14	-	84,301
Total current assets		112,253	178,293
Non-current assets			
Trade and other receivables	12	111,395	88,003
Exploration and evaluation assets	15	69,119	109,284
Oil and gas assets	16	882,857	802,054
Land and building	17	12,190	-
Other plant and equipment	18	2,350	1,601
Intangible assets	19	1,110	348
Deferred tax assets	25	105,043	22,960
Total non-current assets		1,184,064	1,024,250
Total assets		1,296,317	1,202,543
Current liabilities			
Trade and other payables	20	97,920	90,904
Employee benefits	22	1,727	2,331
Liabilities associated with assets held for sale	14	-	11,702
Provisions	23	13,038	17,127
Taxation payable	24	1,572	(209)
Total current liabilities		114,257	121,855
Non-current liabilities			
Interest bearing liabilities	21	169,802	-
Employee benefits	22	656	614
Provisions	23	205,451	138,899
Total non-current liabilities		375,909	139,513
Total liabilities		490,166	261,368
Net assets		806,151	941,175
Equity			
Issued capital	26	772,172	772,172
Reserves		107,723	12,549
Retained profits / (losses)		(73,744)	156,454
Total equity		806,151	941,175

The above Consolidated statement of financial position is to be read in conjunction with the notes to the financial statements.

# Consolidated statement of cash flows

For the year ended 30 June 2015

Cash flows from operating activities  Cash receipts in the course of operations  Cash payments in the course of operations  Payments for exploration and evaluation expenses		288,333 (172,173)	375,558
Cash payments in the course of operations Payments for exploration and evaluation expenses		,	275 550
Payments for exploration and evaluation expenses		(172 173)	373,330
		(1/2,1/3)	(176,303)
		(37,542)	(30,583)
Interest received		606	530
Borrowing costs paid		(9,500)	(7,711)
Income tax received/(paid)		(149)	(6,157)
Royalty related taxation paid		(7,377)	[31,648]
Net cash provided by operating activities	30	62,198	123,686
Cash flows from investing activities			
Exploration and evaluation assets initially capitalised		(26,406)	(9,754)
Payments in relation to oil and gas assets		(239,051)	(130,200)
Other plant and equipment and intangibles		(2,435)	(1,168)
Purchase of land and buildings		(12,190)	-
Payments for investments		-	(7,184)
Net proceeds from sale of oil and gas assets		56,307	86,751
Deposit received in relation to proposed sale of oil and gas assets		-	16,000
Net cash used in investing activities		(223,775)	(45,555)
Cash flows from financing activities			
Proceeds from borrowings		241,445	5,000
Repayment of borrowings		(76,907)	[82,834]
Net cash provided/(used in) by financing activities		164,538	(77,834)
Net increase in cash held		2,961	297
Cash at the beginning of the year		42,144	41,131
Effect of exchange rate fluctuations on the balances of cash held in foreign currencies	32	1,454	716
Cash at the end of the year	11	46,559	42,144

The above Consolidated statement of cash flows is to be read in conjunction with the notes to the financial statements.

# Consolidated statement of changes in equity

For the year ended 30 June 2015

	Share capital \$'000	Equity compensation reserve \$'000	Translation reserve \$'000	Retained earnings / (losses) \$'000	Total equity \$'000
Balance at 1 July 2013	772,172	13,303	9,542	93,954	888,971
Profit for the year ended 30 June 2014	-	-	-	62,500	62,500
Other comprehensive income					
Foreign currency translation differences for foreign operations	-	-	(12,089)	-	(12,089)
Total other comprehensive income	-	-	(12,089)	-	(12,089)
Total comprehensive income for the year	-	-	(12,089)	62,500	50,411
Transactions with owners in their capacity as owners					
Share Rights Plan	-	1,793	-	-	1,793
Balance at 30 June 2014	772,172	15,096	(2,547)	156,454	941,175
Loss for the year ended 30 June 2015	-	-	-	(230,198)	(230,198)
Other comprehensive income					
Foreign currency translation differences for foreign operations	-	-	92,893	-	92,893
Total other comprehensive income	-	-	92,893	-	92,893
Total comprehensive income for the year	-	-	92,893	(230,198)	(137,305)
Transactions with owners in their capacity as owners					
Share Rights Plan	-	2,281	-	-	2,281
Balance at 30 June 2015	772,172	17,377	90,346	(73,744)	806,151

The above Consolidated statement of changes in equity is to be read in conjunction with the notes to the financial statements.

# Notes to the consolidated financial statements

# 1. Statement of significant accounting policies

AWE Limited (the "Company") is a for profit company domiciled in Australia. The consolidated financial statements of the Company for the financial year ended 30 June 2015 comprises the Company and its controlled entities (together referred to as the "consolidated entity").

#### (a) Basis of preparation

#### (i) Statement of compliance

The consolidated financial statements are general purpose financial statements which have been prepared in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards ("AASBs") (including Australian Interpretations) adopted by the Australian Accounting Standards Board ("AASB") and the Corporations Act 2001. The consolidated financial statements also comply with IFRSs and interpretations issued but not yet adopted by the International Accounting Standards Board.

The accounting policies set out in this note have been applied consistently to all periods presented in these consolidated financial statements. Certain comparative amounts have been reclassified to conform with the current year's presentation.

The consolidated financial statements were authorised for issue by the directors on 24 August 2015.

#### (ii) Functional and presentation currency

The financial statements are presented in Australian Dollars, which is the Company's functional currency and the functional currency of the majority of controlled entities within the consolidated entity.

The Company is of a kind referred to in Class Order 98/100, issued by the Australian Securities and Investments Commission ("ASIC"), relating to the "rounding off" of amounts in the financial statements. Amounts in the financial statements have been rounded off in accordance with that Class Order to the nearest thousand dollars, or in certain cases, the nearest dollar.

#### (iii) Basis of measurement

The financial statements are prepared on the historical cost basis except that derivative financial instruments and available for sale financial assets are stated at their fair value.

#### (iv) Use of estimates and judgements

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with Australian Accounting Standards requires management to make judgements, estimates and assumptions that affect the application of policies and reported amounts of assets and liabilities, income and expenses. The estimates and associated assumptions are based on historical experience and various other factors that are believed to be reasonable under the circumstances, the results of which form the basis of making the judgements about carrying values of assets and liabilities that are not readily apparent from other sources. Actual results may differ from these estimates.

The estimates and underlying assumptions are reviewed on a regular basis. Revisions to accounting estimates are recognised in the period in which the estimate is revised if the revision affects only that period, or in the period of the revision and future periods if the revision affects both current and future periods.

The most significant estimates and assumptions that have a significant risk of causing a material adjustment to the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities within the next financial year relate to:

#### Exploration and evaluation assets

The consolidated entity's accounting policy for exploration and evaluation expenditure is set out at Note 1 (I). The application of this policy necessarily requires management to make certain estimates and assumptions as to future events and circumstances, in particular, the assessment of whether economic quantities of reserves have been found. Any such estimates and assumptions may change as new information becomes available. If, after having capitalised expenditure under this policy, management concludes that the capitalised expenditure is unlikely to be recovered by future exploitation or sale, then the relevant capitalised amount will be written off to the income statement. Changes in assumptions may result in a material adjustment to the carrying amount of exploration and evaluation assets.

#### Restoration obligations

The consolidated entity estimates the future removal costs of production facilities and wells at the time of installation of the assets. In most instances, removal of assets occurs many years into the future. This requires judgemental assumptions regarding removal date, future environmental legislation, the extent of reclamation activities required, the engineering methodology for estimating cost, future removal technologies in determining the removal cost, and asset specific discount rates to determine the present value of these cash flows. The consolidated entity's accounting policy for restoration obligations is set out at Note 1(r).

## Reserve estimates

Estimates of recoverable quantities of proven and probable reserves reported include assumptions regarding commodity prices, exchange rates, discount rates, production and transportation costs for future cash flows. It also requires interpretation of geological and geophysical models in order to make an assessment of the size, shape, depth and quality of reservoirs and their anticipated recoveries. The economic, geological and technical factors used to estimate reserves may change from period to period. Changes in reported reserves can impact asset carrying values, the provision for restoration and the recognition of deferred tax assets, due to changes in expected future cash flows. Reserves are integral to the calculation of depreciation and amortisation charged to the income statement.

#### Oil and gas price forecast

Future oil and gas price forecasts are a combination of contracted gas prices, forward market prices at 30 June 2015 and longer term observable price forecasts.

#### Impairment of oil and gas assets

The consolidated entity assesses whether oil and gas assets are impaired when preparing its annual and interim financial statements. Estimates of the recoverable amount of oil and gas assets are made based on the present value of future cash flows.

#### Income taxes

The consolidated entity is subject to income taxes in Australia and jurisdictions where it has foreign operations. Significant judgement is required in determining the worldwide provision for income taxes. There are certain transactions and calculations undertaken during the ordinary course of business for which the ultimate tax determination is uncertain. The consolidated entity estimates its tax liabilities based on the application of the relevant tax law. Where the final tax outcome of these matters is different from the amounts that were initially recorded, such differences will impact the current and deferred income tax assets and liabilities in the period in which such determination is made.

#### Share-based payment transactions

The consolidated entity measures the cost of equity-settled transactions with employees by reference to the fair value of the equity investments at the date on which they are granted.

#### (v) New and amended standards and interpretations

The following standards and interpretations which became effective and were applied for the first time during the year ended 30 June 2015 were assessed to have no material impact on the Company:

AASB 2012-13	Amendments to AASB136 – Recoverable Amount disclosures for Non-Financial Assets
Interpretation 21	Levies
AASB 2013-3	Amendments to AASB136 – Recoverable Amount disclosures for Non-Financial Assets, additional information has been disclosed about fair value measurements as a consequence of impairment
AASB 2013-4	Amendments to Australian Accounting Standards – Novation of Derivatives and Continuation of Hedge Accounting (AAS139)
AASB 2013-5	Amendments to Australian Accounting Standards – Investment Entities Annual Improvements
AASB 2013-9	Amendments to Australian Accounting Standards – Conceptual Framework, Materiality and Financial Instruments
AASB 1031	Materiality
2011-2013 Cycle	Annual Improvements to IFRSs 2011-2013 Cycle
AASB 1053	Amendments to AASB 1053 – Transactions to and between Tiers and related Tier 2 disclosure requirements

The following recently issued standards and interpretations which are not yet effective and have not been applied, however the Company is in the process of assessing their impact:

AASB 9	Financial Instruments
AASB 2104-3	Amendments to Australian Accounting standards – Accounting for Acquisitions of Interests in Joint Operations
AASB 2014-4	Clarification of Acceptable Methods of Depreciation and Amortisation
AASB 15	Revenue from Contracts with Customers
AASB 2014-9	Amendments to Australian Accounting Standards – Equity Method in Separate Financial Statements
AASB 2014-10	Amendments to Australian Accounting Standards – Sale or Contribution of Assets between an Investor and its Associate or Joint Venture
AASB 2015-1	Annual Improvements to IFRSs 2012-2014 Cycle
AASB 2015-2	Amendments to Australian Accounting Standards- Disclosure Initiatives: Amendments to AASB 101
AASB 2015-3	Amendments to Australian Accounting Standards- Arising from Withdrawal of AASB 1031 Materiality
AASB 2015-5	Amendments to Australian Accounting Standards- Investment Companies: Applying the Consolidation Exemption

#### (b) Basis of consolidation

#### (i) Controlled entities

Controlled entities are entities controlled by the Company. Control exists when the Company has the power, directly or indirectly, to govern the financial and operating policies of an entity so as to obtain benefits from its activities. In assessing control, potential voting rights that presently are exercisable or convertible are taken into account. The financial statements of controlled entities are included in the consolidated financial statements from the date that control commences until the date that control ceases.

Non-controlling interests in the results and equity of subsidiaries are shown separately in the consolidated income statement, statement of comprehensive income, statement of changes in equity and statement of financial position respectively.

#### (ii) Jointly controlled operations and assets

The Group has interests in joint operations. For the purpose of this financial report the joint operations have been denominated as "Joint Ventures" in accordance with Oil and Gas companies market practice.

The interests of the Company and of the consolidated entity in unincorporated joint ventures and jointly controlled assets are brought to account by recognising in the financial statements the proportionate share of the assets they control, the liabilities and expenses they incur, and their share of the income that they earn from the sale of goods or services by the joint venture.

#### (iii) Transactions eliminated on consolidation

Intragroup balances and any unrealised gains and losses or income and expenses arising from intragroup transactions, are eliminated in preparing the consolidated financial statements.

#### (iv) Changes in ownership interests

The consolidated entity treats transactions with non-controlling interests that do not result in a loss of control as transactions with equity owners of the consolidated entity. A change in ownership interest results in an adjustment between the carrying amounts of the controlling and non-controlling interests to reflect their relative interests in the subsidiary. Any difference between the amount of the adjustment to non-controlling interests and any consideration paid or received is recognised in a separate reserve within equity attributable to owners of AWE Limited.

When the consolidated entity ceases to have control, joint control or significant influence, any retained interest in the entity is adjusted to fair value with the change in carrying amount recognised in profit or loss. The fair value is the initial carrying amount for the purposes of subsequently accounting for the retained interest as an associate, jointly controlled entity or financial asset. In addition, any amounts previously recognised in other comprehensive income in respect of that entity are accounted for as if the consolidated entity had directly disposed of the related assets or liabilities. This may mean that amounts previously recognised in other comprehensive income are reclassified to the income statement.

If the ownership interest in a jointly-controlled entity or an associate is reduced but joint control or significant influence is retained, only a proportionate share of the amounts previously recognised in other comprehensive income is reclassified to the income statement where appropriate.

#### (c) Business combinations

The acquisition method of accounting is used to account for all business combinations, including business combinations involving entities or businesses under common control, regardless of whether equity instruments or other assets are acquired. The consideration transferred for the acquisition of a subsidiary comprises the fair values of the assets transferred, the liabilities incurred and the equity interests issued by the consolidated entity. The consideration transferred also includes the fair value of any contingent consideration arrangement and the fair value of any pre-existing equity interest in the subsidiary. Acquisition-related costs are expensed as incurred. Identifiable assets acquired and liabilities and contingent liabilities assumed in a business combination are, with limited exceptions, measured initially at their fair values at the acquisition date. On an acquisition-byacquisition basis, the consolidated entity recognises any noncontrolling interest in the acquiree either at fair value or at the non-controlling interest's proportionate share of the acquiree's net identifiable assets

The excess of total consideration transferred over the fair value of the consolidated entity's share of the net identifiable assets acquired is recorded as goodwill. If those amounts are less than the fair value of the net identifiable assets of the subsidiary acquired and the measurement of all amounts has been reviewed, the difference is recognised directly in the income statement. Where settlement of any part of cash consideration is deferred, the amounts payable in the future are discounted to their present value as at the date of exchange. The discount rate used is the entity's incremental borrowing rate, being the rate at which a similar borrowing could be obtained from an independent financier under comparable terms and conditions.

Contingent consideration is classified either as equity or a financial liability. Amounts classified as a financial liability are subsequently remeasured to fair value with changes in fair value recognised in profit or loss.

# (d) Foreign currency

#### (i) Foreign currency transactions

Transactions in foreign currencies are translated at the foreign exchange rate at the date of the transaction. Monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies at the end of the reporting period are translated at the foreign exchange rate ruling at that date. Foreign exchange differences arising on translation are recognised in the income statement. Non-monetary assets and liabilities that are measured in terms of historical cost in a foreign currency are translated using the exchange rate at the date of the transaction. Non-monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies that are stated at fair value are translated at foreign exchange rates ruling at the dates the fair value was determined.

#### (ii) Financial statements of foreign operations

The assets and liabilities of foreign operations, including goodwill and fair value adjustments arising on consolidation, are translated to Australian dollars at foreign exchange rates at the end of the reporting period. The revenues and expenses of foreign operations are translated to Australian dollars at rates approximating the foreign exchange rates at the dates of the transactions. Foreign exchange differences arising on retranslation are recognised directly in a separate component of equity.

# (iii) Presentation of foreign exchange gains and losses in the income statement

The consolidated entity presents its foreign exchange gains and losses within net financing income/expense in the income statement.

#### (e) Impairment

The carrying amounts of the Company's and the consolidated entity's assets, other than inventories (refer note 1(h)) and deferred tax assets (refer note 1(u)), are reviewed at the end of the reporting period to determine whether there is any indication of impairment. If any such indication exists, the asset's recoverable amount is estimated.

An impairment loss is recognised whenever the carrying amount of an asset or its cash-generating unit exceeds its recoverable amount.

#### Calculation of recoverable amount

The recoverable amount of an asset is the greater of its fair value less cost to sell and value in use. In assessing value in use, the estimated future cash flows are discounted to their present value using a post-tax discount rate that reflects current market assessments of the time value of money and the risks specific to the asset. For an asset that does not generate independent cash inflows, the recoverable amount is determined for the cash-generating unit to which the asset belongs.

#### Reversals of impairment

An impairment loss is reversed if there has been a change in the estimates used to determine the recoverable amount.

An impairment loss is reversed only to the extent that the asset's carrying amount does not exceed the carrying amount that would have been determined, net of depreciation or amortisation, if no impairment loss had been recognised.

# (f) Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents comprise cash balances and call deposits. Bank overdrafts that are repayable on demand and form an integral part of the consolidated entity's cash management are included as a component of cash and cash equivalents for the purpose of the statement of cash flows.

#### (g) Trade and other receivables

Trade receivables are recognised initially at fair value and subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method, less provision for impairment. Trade receivables are generally due for settlement between 14 and 30 days.

Collectability of trade receivables is reviewed on an ongoing basis. Debts which are known to be uncollectable are written off by reducing the carrying amount directly. An allowance account (provision for impairment of trade receivables) is used when there is objective evidence that the consolidated entity will not be able to collect all amounts due according to the original terms of the receivables. Significant financial difficulties of the debtor, probability that the debtor will enter bankruptcy or financial reorganisation, and default or delinquency in payments are considered indicators that the trade receivable is impaired. The amount of the impairment allowance is the difference between the asset's carrying amount and the present value of estimated future

cash flows, discounted at the original effective interest rate. Cash flows relating to short-term receivables are not discounted if the effect of discounting is immaterial.

The amount of the impairment loss is recognised in profit or loss within other expenses. When a trade receivable for which an impairment allowance had been recognised becomes uncollectable in a subsequent period, it is written off against the allowance account. Subsequent recoveries of amounts previously written off are credited against other expenses in profit or loss.

#### (h) Inventory

Oil inventory is recorded at the lower of cost and net realisable value. Cost is determined on an average basis and includes production costs and amortisation of producing oil and gas assets. Net realisable value is the estimated selling price in the ordinary course of business, less estimated costs of completion and the estimated costs necessary to make the sale.

Other inventories are recorded at the lower of cost and net realisable value. The cost of inventories is based on the first-in first-out principle and includes expenditure incurred in acquiring the inventories and bringing them to their existing location and condition.

#### (i) Investments and other financial assets

#### (i) Classification

The consolidated entity classifies its financial assets in the following categories: financial assets at fair value through profit or loss, loans and receivables, held-to-maturity investments and available-for-sale financial assets. The classification depends on the purpose for which the investments were acquired. Management determines the classification of its investments at initial recognition and, in the case of assets classified as held-to-maturity, re-evaluates this designation at the end of each reporting period.

#### Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss

A financial asset is classified as fair value through profit or loss if it is classified as held for trading or is designated as such upon initial recognition. A financial asset is classified in this category if acquired principally for the purpose of selling in the short term. Derivatives are classified as held for trading unless they are designated as hedges. Assets in this category are classified as current assets.

#### Loans and receivables

Loans and receivables are non-derivative financial assets with fixed or determinable payments that are not quoted in an active market. They are included in current assets, except for those with maturities greater than 12 months which are classified as non-current assets. Loans and receivables are included in trade and other receivables in the statement of financial position.

#### (ii) Subsequent measurement

Loans and receivables and held-to-maturity investments are carried at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

Available-for-sale financial assets and financial assets at fair value through profit or loss are subsequently carried at fair value.

Gains or losses arising from changes in the fair value of the "financial assets at fair value through profit or loss" category are presented in profit or loss within other income or other expenses in the period in which they arise. Dividend income from financial assets at fair value through profit or loss is recognised in profit or loss as part of revenue from continuing operations when the consolidated entity's right to receive payments is established.

Changes in the fair value of monetary securities denominated in a foreign currency and classified as available-for-sale are analysed between translation differences resulting from changes in amortised cost of the security and other changes in the carrying amount of the security. The translation differences related to changes in the amortised cost are recognised in profit or loss, and other changes in carrying amount are recognised in other comprehensive income. Changes in the fair value of other monetary and non-monetary securities classified as available-for-sale are recognised in other comprehensive income.

When securities classified as available-for-sale are sold, the accumulated fair value adjustments recognised in other comprehensive income are reclassified to profit or loss as gains and losses from investment securities.

Details on how the fair value of financial instruments is determined are disclosed in note 31.

#### (iii) Impairment

The consolidated entity assesses at the end of each reporting period whether there is objective evidence that a financial asset is impaired. In the case of equity securities classified as available-for-sale, a significant or prolonged decline in the fair value of a security below its cost is considered as an indicator that the securities are impaired. If any such evidence exists for available-for-sale financial assets, the cumulative loss - measured as the difference between the acquisition cost and the current fair value, less any impairment loss on that financial asset previously recognised in the income statement - is reclassified from equity and recognised in the income statement as a reclassification adjustment. Impairment losses recognised in profit or loss on equity instruments classified as available-for-sale are not reversed through the income statement.

If there is evidence of impairment for any of the consolidated entity's financial assets carried at amortised cost, the loss is measured as the difference between the asset's carrying amount and the present value of estimated future cash flows, excluding future credit losses that have not been incurred. The cash flows are discounted at an appropriate rate. The loss is recognised in the income statement.

#### (i) Asset held for sale

The Company classifies non-current assets as held for sale if the carrying amounts will be recovered principally through a sale rather than through continuing use. Such assets are measured at the lower of their carrying value and fair value less costs to sell. The criteria for held for sale classification is regarded as met when the sale is highly probable and the asset or disposal group is available for immediate sale and management must be sufficiently committed to the sale such that it will occur within 1 year.

# (k) Property, plant and equipment

#### (i) Oil and gas assets

The cost of oil and gas producing assets and capitalised expenditure on oil and gas assets under development are accounted for separately and are stated at cost less accumulated depreciation and impairment losses. Costs include expenditure that is directly attributable to the acquisition or construction of the item as well as past exploration and evaluation costs. In addition, costs include:

(i) the initial estimate at the time of installation and during the period of use, when relevant, of the costs of dismantling and removing the items and restoring the site on which they are located, and

(ii) changes in the measurement of existing liabilities recognised for these costs resulting from changes in the timing or outflow of resources required to settle the obligation or from changes in the discount rate.

When an oil and gas asset commences production, costs carried forward will be amortised on a units of production basis over the life of the economically recoverable reserves. Changes in factors such as estimates of economically recoverable reserves that affect amortisation calculations do not give rise to prior financial period adjustments and are dealt with on a prospective basis.

Expenditure on major maintenance refits or overhauls comprises the cost of replacement assets or parts of assets, inspection costs and overhaul costs. Where an asset or part of an asset that was separately depreciated and is now written off is replaced and it is probable that future economic benefits associated will result, the expenditure is capitalised. Where part of the asset was not separately considered as a component, the replacement value is used to estimate the carrying amount of the replaced assets which is immediately written off. All other maintenance costs are expensed as incurred.

#### (ii) Land and buildings

Land and Buildings are measured at fair value less accumulated depreciation on buildings and impairment losses recognised at the date of revaluation. Valuations are performed with sufficient frequency to ensure that the fair value of a revalued asset does not differ materially from its carrying amount.

#### (iii) Other plant and equipment

The cost of other plant and equipment is stated at cost less accumulated depreciation and impairment losses. Costs include:

(i) the initial estimate at the time of installation and during the period of use, when relevant, of the costs of dismantling and removing the items, and

(ii) changes in the measurement of existing liabilities recognised for these costs resulting from changes in the timing or outflow of resources required to settle the obligation or from changes in the discount rate.

Other plant and equipment is depreciated using the straight line method over its estimated useful life. The depreciation rates used for other plant and equipment are in the range 5% to 27% (2014: 5% to 27%).

#### (l) Exploration and evaluation

Exploration and evaluation costs are accumulated in respect of each separate area of interest and are accounted for using the successful efforts method of accounting. An area of interest is usually represented by an individual oil or gas field.

The cost of acquisition of joint venture interests, successful drilling costs and costs incurred in relation to feasibility studies and the technical evaluation of a potential development are carried forward where right to tenure of the area of interest is current and they are expected to be recouped through sale or successful development and exploitation of the area of interest, or where the assessment to determine the existence of economically recoverable reserves for a potential development in an area of interest is not yet complete. Exploration and evaluation assets are reviewed for impairment indicators annually. When an indicator is identified, assessment is performed for each area of interest to which the exploration and evaluation expenditure is attributed. To the extent that capitalised expenditure is not expected to be recovered it is charged to the income statement.

All other exploration and evaluation costs, including pre-licence costs are expensed as incurred.

#### (m) Capitalised borrowing costs

Borrowing costs relating to oil and gas assets under development up to the date of commencement of operations are capitalised as a cost of the development. Where funds are borrowed specifically for qualifying projects the actual borrowing costs incurred are capitalised. Where the projects are funded through general borrowings the borrowing costs are capitalised based on the weighted average borrowing rate. Other borrowing costs are expensed.

## (n) Intangible assets

The costs of computer software are stated at cost less accumulated depreciation. Amortisation on computer software is calculated on a straight-line basis over 2.5 years.

# (o) Trade and other payables

These amounts represent liabilities for goods and services provided to the consolidated entity prior to the end of the financial year which are unpaid. The amounts are unsecured and are usually paid within 14 days of recognition.

#### (p) Interest-bearing borrowings

Interest-bearing borrowings are recognised at fair value.

Fees paid on the establishment of loan facilities are treated as a prepayment and are recognised as such to the extent that it is probable that the facility will be drawn down. These fees are recognised as transaction costs relating to the loan and are amortised over the period of the facility.

#### (q) Employee benefits

#### (i) Wages, salaries and annual leave

The provisions for employee entitlements to wages, salaries and annual leave represents the amount which the consolidated entity has a present obligation to pay resulting from employees' services provided up to the end of each reporting period. The provisions have been calculated at undiscounted amounts based on wage and salary rates that the consolidated entity expects to pay and include related on-costs.

#### (ii) Long-term service benefits

Long service leave represents the present value of the estimated future cash outflows to be made resulting from an employee's services provided to the end of each reporting period. The provision is calculated using estimated future increases in wage and salary rates including related on-costs and expected settlement dates based on turnover history and is discounted using the rates attaching to national government securities at balance date which most closely match the terms of maturity of the related liabilities.

#### (iii) Share-based payment transactions

Share-based compensation benefits are provided to employees via the long-term Employee Share Rights Plan. Information relating to these schemes is set out in the remuneration report as well note 21 of this report.

The fair value of the rights granted is measured using the Black-Scholes Option Pricing model. In valuing the equity settled transactions no account is taken of any performance conditions other than conditions linked to market performance. The fair value of rights granted is recognised as an employee expense with a corresponding increase in equity or to the extent the share rights are expected to be cash settled, with a corresponding increase in liabilities. The Board has discretion regarding the settlement of share rights into either AWE shares or cash.

The total expense is recognised over the vesting period, which is the period over which all of the specified vesting conditions are to be satisfied. At the end of each period, the entity revises its estimates of the number of rights and options that are expected to vest based on the non-market and service related vesting conditions. It recognises the impact of the revision to original estimates, if any, in the income statement, with a corresponding adjustment to equity.

#### (iv) Superannuation plans

Obligations for contributions to accumulation type superannuation plans are recognised as an expense in the income statement as incurred.

#### (r) Provisions

A provision is recognised in the statement of financial position when the consolidated entity has a present legal or constructive obligation as a result of a past event, and it is probable that an outflow of economic benefits will be required to settle the obligation. If the effect is material, provisions are determined by discounting the expected future cash flows at a pre-tax rate that reflects current market assessments of the time value of money and, where appropriate, the risks specific to the liability.

#### Site restoration

Provisions made for decommissioning, restoration and environmental rehabilitation are recognised where there is a present obligation as a result of exploration, development or production activities having been undertaken, and it is probable that an outflow of economic benefits will be required to settle the obligation. The estimated future obligations include the costs of removing facilities, abandoning wells and restoring the affected areas. The provision for future restoration costs is the best estimate of the present value of the expenditure required to settle the obligation at the end of each reporting period, based on current legal requirements and technology. The ultimate costs are uncertain and cost estimates can vary in response to many factors including changes to relevant legal requirements, the emergence of new techniques or experience at other production sites. Future restoration costs are reviewed annually and any changes are reflected in the present value of the restoration provision at the end of the reporting period. The amount of the provision for future restoration costs relating to exploration and development activities is capitalised as a cost of those activities. If the effect is material, provisions are determined by discounting the expected future cash flows at a pre-tax rate that reflects current market assessments of the time value of money, and where appropriate the risks specific to the liability. The unwinding of discounting on the provision is recognised as a finance cost.

# (s) Revenue recognition

## (i) Sales revenue

Revenue from the sale of oil and gas is recognised in the income statement when the significant risks and rewards of ownership have been transferred to the buyer. Revenue received during the commissioning phase of oil and gas assets is recorded, together with the related costs of production, against the capitalised carrying value of the asset.

Revenues received under take or pay sales contracts in respect of undelivered volumes are accounted for as deferred revenue.

# (ii) Other revenues

Other revenues are recognised on an accrual basis and include royalty receipts and equipment rental income.

# (t) Leased assets

Leases of property, plant and equipment where the consolidated entity, as lessee, has substantially all the risks and rewards of ownership are classified as finance leases. Finance leases are capitalised at the lease's inception at the fair value of the leased property or, if lower, the present value of the minimum lease

payments. The corresponding rental obligations, net of finance charges, are included in other short-term and long-term payables. Each lease payment is allocated between the liability and finance cost. The finance cost is charged to profit or loss over the lease period so as to produce a constant periodic rate of interest on the remaining balance of the liability for each period. The property, plant and equipment acquired under finance leases is depreciated over the asset's useful life or over the shorter of the asset's useful life and the lease term if there is no reasonable certainty that the consolidated entity will obtain ownership at the end of the lease term

Leases in which a significant portion of the risks and rewards of ownership are not transferred to the consolidated entity as lessee are classified as operating leases and are not recognised on the consolidated entity's statement of financial position. Payments made under operating leases (net of any incentives received from the lessor) are charged to profit or loss on a straight-line basis over the period of the lease.

#### (u) Taxation

#### (i) Income tax

Income tax on the income statement comprises current and deferred tax. Income tax is recognised in the income statement except to the extent that it relates to items recognised directly in equity, in which case it is recognised in equity.

Current tax is the expected tax payable on the taxable income for the year, using tax rates enacted or substantially enacted at the end of the reporting period, and any adjustment to tax payable in respect of previous years.

Deferred tax is provided using the balance sheet method, providing for temporary differences between the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities for financial reporting purposes and the amounts used for taxation purposes. The following temporary differences are not provided for goodwill not deductible for tax purposes, the initial recognition of assets or liabilities that affect neither accounting nor taxable profit, and differences relating to investments in controlled entities to the extent that they will probably not reverse in the foreseeable future. The amount of deferred tax provided is based on the expected manner of realisation or settlement of the carrying amount of assets and liabilities, using tax rates enacted or substantively enacted at the end of the reporting period.

A deferred tax asset is recognised only to the extent that it is probable that future taxable profits will be available against which the asset can be utilised. Deferred tax assets are reduced to the extent that it is no longer probable that the related tax benefit will be realised

Additional income taxes that arise from the distribution of dividends are recognised at the same time as the liability to pay the related dividend.

# (ii) Petroleum Resource Rent Tax ("PRRT") and other government royalties

In addition to corporate income taxes, the consolidated financial statements also include and disclose certain taxes determined from oil and gas production and levied on net income.

Resource rent taxes and government royalties are treated as taxation arrangements when they are imposed under Government authority and when the calculation of the amount payable falls within the definition of "taxable profit" for the purposes of AASB 112. Current and deferred tax is then provided on the same basis as described in (i) above.

Royalty arrangements that do not meet the criteria for treatment as a tax are recognised on an accruals basis.

The Australian Government enacted legislation to extend the PRRT regime to all onshore oil and gas projects, from 1 July 2012. PRRT is applied to onshore and offshore oil and gas projects at a rate of 40%. State petroleum royalties will continue to apply to projects within state jurisdictions; however these royalties are fully creditable against PRRT liabilities. The extended PRRT applies to AWE's onshore Perth basin operations.

Disclosures in relation to PRRT for the year ended 30 June 2015 in the consolidated financial statements are in relation to both onshore and offshore oil and gas projects.

#### (iii) Tax consolidation

The Company and its wholly-owned Australian resident entities have formed a tax consolidated group with effect from 1 July 2003 and are therefore taxed as a single entity from that date. The head entity within the tax-consolidated group is AWE Limited.

Current tax expense/income, deferred tax liabilities and deferred tax assets arising from temporary differences of the members of the tax-consolidated group are recognised in the separate financial statements of the members of the tax-consolidated group using a modified stand-alone tax allocation methodology.

Any current tax liabilities (or assets) and deferred tax assets arising from unused tax losses of the controlled entities are assumed by the head entity in the tax-consolidated group and are recognised as amounts payable (receivable) to (from) other entities in the tax-consolidated group in conjunction with any tax funding arrangements.

The Company recognises deferred tax assets arising from unused tax losses of the tax-consolidated group to the extent that it is probable that future taxable profits of the tax-consolidated group will be available against which the asset can be utilised. Any subsequent period adjustments to deferred tax assets arising from unused tax losses as a result of revised assessments of the probability of recoverability is recognised by the head company only.

#### (iv) Nature of tax funding and tax sharing arrangements

The head entity, in conjunction with other members of the tax-consolidated group, has entered into a tax funding arrangement which sets out the funding obligations of members of the tax-consolidated group in respect of tax amounts. The tax funding arrangements require payments to/from the head entity equal to the current tax liability (asset) assumed by the head entity and any tax-loss deferred tax asset assumed by the head entity, resulting in the head entity recognising an inter-entity receivable (payable) equal in amount to the tax liability (asset) assumed. The interentity receivable (payable) is at call.

## (v) Goods and services tax

Revenue, expenses and assets are recognised net of the amount of goods and services tax ("GST"), except where the amount of GST incurred is not recoverable from the taxation authority. In these circumstances, the GST is recognised as part of the cost of acquisition of the asset or as part of the expense.

Receivables and payables are stated with the amount of GST included. The net amount of GST recoverable from, or payable to, the Australian Taxation Office ("ATO") is included as a current asset or liability in the statement of financial position.

Cash flows are included in the statement of cash flows on a gross basis. The GST components of cash flows arising from investing and financing activities which are recoverable from, or payable to, the ATO are classified as operating cash flows.

## (w) Segment reporting

An operating segment is a component of the consolidated entity that engages in business activities from which it may earn revenues and incur expenses, including revenues and expenses that relate to transactions with any of the consolidated entity's other components. An operating segment's operating results are reviewed regularly by the chief operating decision maker to make decisions about resources to be allocated to the segment and assess its performance, and for which discrete financial information is available.

Segment results that are reported to the chief operating decision maker include items directly attributable to a segment as well as those that can be allocated on a reasonable basis.

Segment assets include both oil and gas assets, exploration assets and other assets, such as cash, receivables and inventory, which are directly attributable to the segment.

Unallocated items comprise mainly head office income and expenses, foreign exchange gains and losses and corporate assets.

#### (x) Contributed equity

Ordinary shares are classified as equity. Incremental costs directly attributable to the issue of new shares, share rights or options are shown in equity as a deduction, net of tax, from the proceeds. Incremental costs directly attributable to the issue of new shares, share rights or options for the acquisition of a business are not included in the cost of the acquisition as part of the purchase consideration.

If the entity reacquires its own equity instruments, for example, as the result of a share buy-back, those instruments are deducted from equity and the associated shares are cancelled. No gain or loss is recognised in profit or loss and the consideration paid including any directly attributable incremental costs (net of income taxes) is recognised directly in equity.

# (y) Dividends

Provision is made for the amount of any dividend declared, being appropriately authorised and no longer at the discretion of the entity, on or before the end of the reporting period but not distributed at the end of the reporting period.

#### (z) Earnings per share

# (i) Basic earnings per share

Basic earnings per share is calculated by dividing the profit attributable to owners of the Company by the weighted average number of ordinary shares outstanding during the financial year.

# (ii) Diluted earnings per share

Diluted earnings per share adjusts the figures used in the determination of basic earnings per share to take into account the weighted average number of additional ordinary shares that would have been outstanding assuming the conversion of all dilutive potential ordinary shares.

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	2015 \$'000	2014 \$'000
2. Revenue		
Sales revenue - oil and gas	283,715	328,250
Other revenue	1,215	1,041
	284,930	329,291
3. Cost of sales		
Production costs	113,733	105,307
Royalties	21,849	20,137
Amortisation	111,983	125,378
Movement in oil inventory:	111,703	123,370
Production costs	4,931	(6,004)
Amortisation	7,119	(7,803)
Antoridation	259,615	237,015
Made up of:		
Production costs (net of movement in oil inventory)	118,664	99,303
Royalties	21,849	20,137
Amortisation (net of movement in oil inventory)	119,102	117,575
	259,615	237,015
4. Other income		
Net gain on BassGas completion	2,031	_
Net gain on disposal of 50% of the Northwest Natuna PSC	_,550.	96,683
Other income	36	926
	2,067	97,609

On 4<sup>th</sup> November 2014 AWE completed the sale of an 11.25 % interest in the BassGas project including a 9.75% interest in the exploration permit T/18P. At 30 June 2014 the assets were treated as held for sale because the negotiated sale terms were subject to a number of conditions precedent. The completion of the sale generated a gain on completion of \$0.6 million (pre-tax gain \$2 million, taxation expense \$1.4 million) for the 2015 financial year. For further information on the net gain on BassGas completion refer note 14, Held for sale assets.

On the  $22^{nd}$  of November 2013 AWE completed the sale of a 50% participating interest in the Northwest Natuna PSC to a subsidiary of Santos Limited for USD\$188 million which comprised upfront consideration of USD\$100 million and deferred consideration of USD\$88 million through a capital expenditure carry. The sale generated a profit after tax of \$75.5 million (pre-tax profit \$96.7 million, taxation expense \$21.2 million) during the year ended 30 June 2014.

# 5. Other expenses

General and administrative expenses	17,201	17,794
Share-based payments	2,008	2,549
Restoration expense non-producing fields	12,330	3,645
Business development and other project costs	-	2,868
Restructuring costs	-	4,272
Relinquishment costs - Indonesia	9,557	_
	41,096	31,128

The Company reassessed its restoration and rehabilitation provisions in respect of non-producing fields resulting in a charge of \$12.3 million in the current year. Relinquishment costs relate to the estimated cost of cessation of activities in respect of certain Indonesia Production Sharing Contracts (PSCs).

# 6. Net financing (expense)/income

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Interest income	606	515
Finance income	606	515
Borrowing costs	(7,716)	(7,378)
Unwinding of discount – restoration provisions (refer note 23)	(2,787)	(2,189)
Adjustment of discount - non-current receivables (refer note 12)	(1,035)	(460)
Net foreign exchange loss	(999)	(578)
Finance costs	(12,537)	(10,605)
Net finance expense	(11,931)	(10,090)

	2015 \$'000	2014 \$'000
7. Taxation benefit / (expense)		
Tax expense comprises:		
Income tax		
Current tax expense	(21,884)	(11,851)
Adjustments from prior years	(4,104)	714
Tax benefit / (expense) related to movements in deferred tax balances	84,935	(10,091)
	58,947	(21,228)
PRRT / APR <sup>(1)</sup>		
Current tax expense	(5,209)	[19,477]
Tax benefit related to movements in deferred tax balances	25,567	6,782
	20,358	[12,695]
Tax benefit / (expense) reported in the consolidated income statement	79,305	(33,923)
Prima facie taxation benefit / (expense) at 30% (2014: 30%)	(309,503)	96,423
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(Increase)/decrease in income tax benefit / (expense) due to:		, , ,
Differences in tax rates	(6,459)	12,053
Non-deductible expenses	(7,046)	[7,044]
Overseas tax losses not recognised as a deferred tax asset	(8,249)	[2,619]
Foreign exchange and other translation adjustments	(9,858)	[1,229]
Other	1,812	5,823
Adjustments for prior years	(4,104)	715
Income tax benefit / (expense)	58,947	(21,228)
PRRT <sup>(1)</sup>	12,912	(10,178)
APR <sup>(1)</sup>	7,446	(2,517)
Total royalty-related tax benefit / (expense)	20,358	(12,695)
Total tax benefit / (expense)	79,305	[33,923]

For information in relation to taxation payments made during the financial year refer to the Consolidated statement of cash flows. For further information in relation to tax payable and deferred tax assets and liabilities refer to note 24 and 25.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> As a producer of oil and gas in Australia and New Zealand, the consolidated entity is subject to, government taxes in the form of PRRT in Australia and APR in New Zealand. PRRT is levied on Australian oil and gas production operations at a rate of 40% of project profits after allowing for the recoupment of past deductible project costs and after appropriate compounding of these past costs. Further, subject to the satisfaction of certain tests, exploration costs incurred by the consolidated entity in Australia can be transferred to PRRT payable projects thereby reducing the liability to PRRT. Similarly, APR is levied on the Tui production operation in New Zealand at a rate of 20% of project profits after allowing for the recoupment of past deductible project costs. These past project costs are not compounded and exploration costs incurred outside of the Tui project cannot be transferred to the Tui project. PRRT and APR are deductible for income tax purposes in Australia and New Zealand respectively.

	2015 \$'000	2014 \$'000
8. Earnings per share		
Earnings used in calculating earnings per share		
Basic & diluted earnings - from continuing operations	(230,198)	62,500
Weighted average number of ordinary shares used as the denominator	2015 Number	2014 Number
Issued ordinary shares - opening balance	522,696,385	522,116,985
Effect of shares issued	2,436,359	261,921
Weighted average number of ordinary shares	525,132,744	522,378,906
Weighted average number of ordinary shares (diluted)		
Weighted average number of ordinary shares at 30 June	525,132,744	522,378,906
Effect of employee rights on issue	9,435,008	10,605,205
Weighted average number of ordinary shares adjusted for effect of dilution	534,567,752	532,984,111
	2015 Cents	2014 Cents
Basic earnings per share from continuing operations attributable to the ordinary equity holders of the company	(43.84)	11.96
Diluted earnings per share from continuing operations attributable to the ordinary equity holders of the company	[43.84]	11.73
	2015 \$	2014
9. Auditors' remuneration		
Audit services		
Ernst & Young Australia		
Audit and review of financial reports	472,348	398,151
Other Services		
Taxation compliance services	93,733	95,000
Taxation advisory services	5,000	-
Other	16,480	63,357
	115,213	158,357
Total remuneration of Ernst & Young	587,561	556,508

# 10. Segment reporting

# (a) Description of segments

Management has determined the operating segments based on the reports reviewed by the chief operating decision maker that are used to make strategic decisions. The chief operating decision maker considers the business from both a product and a geographic perspective and on this basis has identified six reportable segments. For each reportable segment, the chief operating decision maker reviews internal management reports on at least a monthly basis. The following summary describes the operations in each of the consolidated entity's reportable segments:

South East Australia	Production and sale of gas, condensate and LPG from the BassGas (T/L1, Bass Basin, offshore southern Australia) and Casino gas (VIC/L 24, Otway Basin, offshore southern Australia) projects.
Western Australia	Production and sale of crude oil, gas and condensate from the Cliff Head oil project (WA 31L, Perth Basin, offshore Western Australia) and oil and gas fields in the Perth Basin, onshore, Western Australia.
New Zealand	Production and sale of crude oil from the Tui Area oil project (PMP 38158, offshore Taranaki Basin, New Zealand).
USA	Production and sale of gas, LNG and condensate from the Sugarloaf AMI (Texas, United States of America).
Indonesia	Predominantly comprising the development asset comprising a 50% in the Ande Ande Lumut (AAL) oil field.
Exploration Activities	Exploration and evaluation activities within the production licences and exploration permits held by AWE.

# 10 Segment reporting (continued)

# (b) Segment information provided to the chief operating decision maker for the year ended 30 June

		outh East Australia		Western Australia	New	Zealand		USA	li	ndonesia		oloration Activities		Total
	2015 \$'000	2014 \$'000	2015 \$'000	2014 \$'000	2015 \$'000	2014 \$'000	2015 \$'000	2014 \$'000	2015 \$'000	2014 \$'000	2015 \$'000	2014 \$'000	2015 \$'000	2014 \$'000
Sales revenue	70,812	124,537	47,379	68,303	80,891	61,561	84,633	73,849	-	-	-	-	283,715	328,250
Production costs	(32,618)	(39,129)	(31,592)	(29,719)	(39,429)	(20,172)	(15,025)	(10,283)	-	-	-	-	(118,664)	(99,303)
Royalties	(63)	(102)	(866)	(730)	-	(511)	(20,920)	(18,794)	-	-	-	-	(21,849)	(20,137)
Segment result before amortisation	38,131	85,306	14,921	37,854	41,462	40,878	48,688	44,772	-	-	-	-	143,202	208,810
Exploration and evaluation expenses	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	(37,582)	(39,806)	(37,582)	(39,806)
Amortisation	(37,519)	(59,293)	(13,780)	(13,008)	[33,279]	(22,607)	(34,524)	[22,667]	-	-	-	-	(119,102)	(117,575)
Fair value adjustment	-	(12,438)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	(12,438)
Impairments	(150,733)	-	[26,949]	-	[67,399]	-	-	-	-	-	(1,195)	-	(246,276)	-
Reportable segment profit / (loss)	(150,121)	13,575	(25,808)	24,846	(59,216)	18,271	14,164	22,105	-	-	(38,777)	(39,806)	(259,758)	38,991
Unallocated income/ (expenses)														
Other revenue													1,215	1,041
Other income													2,067	97,609
Net financing income expense													(11,931)	(10,090)
Other Expenses													(41,096)	(31,128)
Net (loss) / profit before income tax													(309,503)	96,423
Segment assets														
Oil and gas assets	256,041	348,247	97,819	76,540	71,755	122,602	272,453	163,852	184,789	90,813	-	-	882,857	802,054
Exploration assets	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	69,118	109,284	69,118	109,284
Assets held for sale	-	84,301	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	84,301
Other assets	29,371	8,756	8,968	3,900	39,394	23,654	4,542	-	4,036	4,312	-	-	86,311	40,622
	285,412	441,304	106,787	80,440	111,149	146,256	276,995	163,852	188,825	95,125	69,118	109,284	1,038,286	1,036,261
Corporate and unallocated assets													258,031	166,282
Total assets													1,296,317	1,202,543

# 10. Segment reporting (continued)

# (c) Major customers

The consolidated entity had revenues from four external customers that each represents greater than 10% of total sales revenue, and when combined represent 70% of total sales revenue (2014: four external customers; 78%):

Revenues	from	major	customers	h١	/ seament

New Zealand	80,891	61,561
South East Australia	70,812	124,537
Western Australia	47,379	68,303
	199,082	254,401
11. Cash and cash equivalents		
Bank balances	13,447	13,053
Call deposits	2,327	13,759
Cash held by joint ventures	30,785	15,332
	46,559	42,144
12. Trade and other receivables		
Current		
Trade debtors	43,576	22,039
Less: Provision for doubtful debts	-	-
Net trade debtors	43,576	22,039
Joint venture debtors	10,050	6,945
Other debtors	2,779	2,076
Prepayments	2,186	2,041
Total other receivables	15,015	11,062
Total current trade and other receivables	58,591	33,101
Non-current		
Prepayments	2,967	1,520
Other receivables	108,428	86,483
Total non-current trade and other receivables	111,395	88,003

Trade receivables are non-interest bearing and are generally on terms of 30 days. All trade and other receivable are carried at values approximating fair value. Refer note 32 for further details regarding how the Company manages credit risk.

Included within non-current receivables is \$97 million related to the capital expenditure carry from Santos Limited in connection with the sale of 50% interest in the Northwest Natuna PSC (refer note 4) and VAT recoverable related to Indonesian development assets. The carrying value of the USD denominated capital expenditure carry is the discounted value of the carry based on the expected timing of project delivery. Changes to the carrying value are disclosed at note 6.

# 13. Inventory

Oil (at cost)	3,267	14,996
Spares and consumables	3,836	3,751
	7,103	18,747

	2015 \$'000	2014 \$'000
14. Held for sale assets		
Assets classified as held for sale		
Exploration assets	-	5,881
Oil and gas assets	-	89,626
Fair value adjustment on held for sale assets	-	(12,438)
Other	-	1,232
	-	84,301
Liabilities directly associated with assets classified as held for sale		
Restoration and abandonment provision	-	(11,702)
Other	-	-
		(11,702)
Net asset held for sale	<u>-</u>	72,599

#### Completion of sale of 11.25% interest in T/L1 and 9.75% interest in T/18P

During the year ended 30 June 2015, AWE completed the sale of an 11.25% interest in T/L1 (Production asset associated with BassGas) and a 9.75% interest in T/18P (Exploration asset associated with BassGas) to Prize Petroleum Company Limited, a wholly owned subsidiary of Hindustan Petroleum Corporation Limited. The assets and associated liabilities were recognised as held for sale as at 30 June 2014.

The sale generated cash consideration of \$80 million, comprising a \$16 million non-refundable deposit which was received during FY 2014 and a completion payment of \$64 million which was received during the current financial year. The completion of the sale resulted in a gain of \$0.6 million (pre-tax \$2 million) (refer note 4).

# 15. Exploration and evaluation assets

Exploration and evaluation assets	69,119	109,284
Reconciliation of movement:		
Opening balance	109,284	111,034
Impairment of exploration assets	(1,195)	-
Additions (net of amount recovered from joint ventures)	63,398	44,277
Exploration costs incurred and expensed during the year	(37,582)	(39,806)
Transfer to asset held for sale (note 14)	-	(5,881)
Transfer to oil and gas assets (note 16)	(71,003)	-
Increase in restoration and abandonment provision	5,822	-
Foreign exchange translation difference	395	(340)
Carrying amount at the end of the financial year	69,119	109,284

The recoverability of the carrying amounts of exploration and evaluation assets is dependent on the successful development and commercial exploitation or sale of the respective area of interest.

As a consequence of the Government of Indonesia's approval of the Plan of Development (POD) in connection with the Lengo gas project, \$22 million of previously capitalised exploration costs has been transferred to oil and gas assets. In addition, following the successful appraisal of the Waitsia gas field and subsequent recognition of 2P Reserves of 16 mmboe, \$49 million of previously capitalised exploration costs have been transferred to oil and gas assets (refer note 16).

	2015 \$'000	2014 \$'000
16. Oil and gas assets		
Oil and gas assets at cost	1,891,915	1,646,921
Less amortisation and impairment	(1,009,058)	(844,867)
	882,857	802,054
Reconciliation of movement:		
Opening balance	802,054	926,782
Transfer from exploration and evaluation assets (note 15)	71,003	-
Acquired (PMP 38158)	-	7,184
Additions	242,497	143,851
Disposals	-	(79,140)
Transfer to asset held for sale (note 14)	-	(89,626)
Increase in restoration and abandonment provision	24,805	22,168
Impairment of oil and gas assets	(243,481)	-
Foreign exchange translation difference	97,962	(3,787)
Amortisation	(111,983)	(125,378)
Carrying amount at the end of the financial year	882,857	802,054

#### Impairment

Individual oil and gas producing assets are considered as separate cash-generating units. Recoverable amounts are determined based on the higher of value in use or fair value less costs of disposal.

Impairment testing in connection with oil and gas assets is performed to determine whether there is an indication of impairment. Each year the consolidated entity performs an internal review of asset values using cash flow projections. Where there are indicators of impairment these asset values are then tested for impairment. If the carrying amount of an asset exceeds its recoverable amount, the asset is impaired and an impairment loss is charged to the income statement with a corresponding reduction in the carrying value of the asset.

The asset valuations are based on a proved and probable (2P) reserve production profile against various estimates and assumptions. The key assumptions used in the cash flow projections include the following:

- a. Oil and gas prices a combination of contracted gas prices, forward market prices at 30 June 2015 and longer term observable price forecasts. The forecast oil prices used are set out in the table below.
- b. Exchange rates a combination of current spot AUD/USD exchange rate prevailing at 30 June and long term observable forecasts,
- c. Discount rates the post-tax discount rate applied to cash flow projections is 10%.

# Nominal oil price and exchange rate forecasts applied

	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020+
Oil price and exchange rate forecast assumptions (FY)					
Nominal oil price	US\$65	US\$68	US\$81	(i)	(i)
AUD/USD exchange rate	0.76	0.75	0.74	(i)	(i)

From financial year 2019 an independent oil price forecast and an exchange rate of AUD/USD 0.73 is used.

For the year ended 30 June 2015 the following oil and gas projects have been impaired to their estimated recoverable amount, based on value in use. For the Tui and Cliff Head oil projects, the recoverable amount is reduced due to a decline in observable oil prices and changes in exchange rate forecasts impacting cash flow projections over the life of the assets. For BassGas, the recoverable amount is reduced due to a reassessment of the remaining 2P Reserves impacting cash flow projections over the life of the asset. The impairment charged to the income statement is set out in the following table.

	Gross	Taxation benefit	Net impairment
Impairment charge for the year ended 30 June 2015	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
Oil and gas assets			
BassGas	150,733	(45,220)	105,513
Tui	65,799	(27,899)	37,900
Cliff Head	26,949	(15,630)	11,319
	243,481	(88,749)	154,732
Exploration			
Indonesia	1,195	-	1,195
Inventory			
Tui	1,600	-	1,600
Total impairment	246,276	(88,749)	157,527

#### Sensitivity analysis

Asset valuations, based on cash flow projections rely on a range of assumptions that are subject to change. Accordingly, asset values are sensitive to changes in key assumptions. The impairment that would arise from a possible change in key assumptions (all other assumptions remaining the same) is shown below:

- + A 10% decrease in oil prices would result in additional impairment of \$36.5 million;
- + A 10% decrease in the gas price would result in additional impairment of \$10.2 million
- + A 10% increase in exchange rate would result in additional impairment of \$15.8 million; and
- + A 1% increase in the post-tax discount rate would result in additional impairment of \$7.7 million.

#### Disposals

As described in note 14, Held for sale assets, AWE completed the disposal of an 11.25% interest in T/L1 (oil and gas asset) and a 9.75% interest in T/18P (exploration asset) during the year ended 30 June 2015.

During the year ended 30 June 2014 the Company completed the sale of a 50% participating interest in the North West Natuna PSC. (refer note 4 for further details).

2015
2014

	\$'000	\$'000
17. Land and buildings		
Land and buildings (at cost)	12,190	-
During the year ended 30 June 2015, the Company acquired land in the onshore f	Perth Basin within the L1/L2 licence area.	
18. Other plant and equipment		
Other plant and equipment (at cost)	6,778	5,410
Less accumulated depreciation	(4,428)	(3,809
	2,350	1,601
Reconciliation of the movement in other plant and equipment:		
Opening balance	1,601	1,611
Additions	1,411	605
Depreciation	(662)	(615
Carrying amount at the end of the financial year	2,350	1,601
19. Intangible assets		
Intangible assets (at cost)	4,335	3,082
Less accumulated amortisation	(3,225)	(2,734
	1,110	348
Reconciliation of the movement in intangible assets:		
Computer software		
Opening balance	348	52
Additions	1,230	398
Amortisation	(468)	(102
Carrying amount at the end of the financial year	1,110	348

	2015	2014
	\$'000	\$'000
20. Trade and other payables		
Current		
Trade payables	718	197
Joint venture creditors	52,599	48,128
Other payables and accrued expenses	44,603	26,579
Deposit received in connection with asset held for sale	-	16,000
	97,920	90,904
21. Interest-bearing liabilities		
Non-current		
Bank loans	169,802	-
	169,802	-
The consolidated entity has access to the following lines of credit:		
Bank loans	400,000	300,000
Facilities utilised at balance date	169,802	-
Facilities not utilised at balance date	230,198	300,000
	400,000	300,000

During May 2015 AWE replaced its existing \$300 million loan facility with a new \$400 million secured multicurrency syndicated bank loan facility. The facility is for general corporate purposes and bears interest at the applicable base rate plus a margin. The new facility expires in May 2019. At 30 June 2015 borrowings of \$169.8 million had been drawn under the facility.

Unamortised loan establishment fees of \$4 million associated with the new facility are classified as an asset and have been included in current and non-current prepayments. These fees are amortised over the life of the facility. During the period unamortised loan establishment fees of \$1.6 million associated with the previous facility were written off in full.

#### 22. Employee benefits

#### Current

Provision for employee benefits	1,727	2,331
Non-current		
Provision for employee benefits	656	614

#### (a) Superannuation plans

The consolidated entity makes contributions to complying accumulation type superannuation plans nominated by individual employees. The consolidated entity contributes at least the amount required by law. The amount recognised as an expense was \$1,546,571 for the financial year ended 30 June 2015 (2014: \$978,001).

#### (b) Employee benefits expensed

Salaries and wages and other associated personnel costs are allocated to various income statement categories based on the function of the expenditure.

	30,949	37,753
Other associated personnel costs	5,359	8,472
Share-based payments	2,008	2,549
Salaries and wages	23,582	26,732

#### 22. Employee benefits (continued)

#### (c) Share-based payments - Share Rights Plan

The employee Share Rights Plan is designed to generate performance-based cash awards that may be converted, at the Board's discretion, into AWE shares or cash. The key elements of the plan include:

- + Rights are granted each year and the number of rights granted will be determined by the employee's level in the Company, fixed remuneration at the time of grant and both the Company and employee's performance in the previous financial year;
- + There are three tranches of rights with separate vesting criteria:
  - Retention<sup>(1)</sup>:
  - Absolute TSR(2); and
  - Relative TSR.
- + The vesting period is for three years, the rights will lapse after three years and there will be no retesting.
- + Rights granted in any particular financial year are tested for vesting over the three year period commencing 1 July of grant year.
- 1. Retention rights are not granted to the Managing Director.
- 2 TSR refers to 'Total Shareholder Return' and is defined as the percentage change over a period in shareholder value due to share price movement and dividends paid assuming dividends are reinvested into AWE shares.

The conditions for the award of rights and the criteria for vesting are:

#### **Retention Grants**

- + Number of rights calculated using the 30-day WWAP of the AWE share price in June of grant year.
- + Vest after three years if the employee remains employed by AWE.

#### Absolute TSR Grants

- + Number of rights calculated using the 30-day VWAP of the AWE share price in June of grant year.
- + Vest after three years according to the Company's Absolute TSR for that three year period.
- + The vesting scales to apply for Absolute TSR grants are as follows:

AWE TSR	% of rights to vest
< 8% pa compound	-
8% pa compound	25%
>8% and <10% pa compound	Pro rata
10% pa compound	50%
>10% and <12% pa compound	Pro rata
12% pa compound	100%

#### Relative TSR Grants

- + Number of rights calculated using the 30-day VWAP of AWE share price in June of grant year.
- + Vest after three years according to the Company's TSR relative to comparator group companies in ASX Energy 300 Index
- + The Board determines in advance the appropriate comparator group to apply to Relative TSR grants for the following 3 year period. The vesting scales to apply for Relative TSR grants are as follows:

#### AWE TSR relative to TSR of comparator group

companies in S&P/ASX 300 Energy Index	% of rights to vest		
< 50%	-		
50%	25%		
>50% and <90%	Pro rata		
90% and above	100%		

#### 22. Employee benefits (continued)

A summary of rights in the consolidated entity and the Company is as follows:

Grant date	Vesting date	Opening balance	Granted	Vested	Lapsed	Closing balance <sup>(1)</sup>	AWE share price at date of issue
As at 30 June 201	5						
16-Sep-11	30-Jun-14	2,685,612	-	(2,460,016)	(225,596)	-	\$1.04
31-0ct-11	30-Jun-14	162,850	-	(162,850)	-	-	\$1.39
24-Nov-11	30-Jun-14	916,032	-	(916,032)	-	-	\$1.25
22-Nov-12	30-Jun-15	331,474	-	-	(228,717)	102,757	\$1.34
4-Dec-12	30-Jun-15	2,054,456	-	-	(1,178,592)	875,864	\$1.30
28-Jun-13	30-Jun-15	42,323	-	-	(24,538)	17,785	\$1.24
27-Nov-13	30-Jun-16	427,474	-	-	-	427,474	\$1.20
16-Jan-14	30-Jun-16	3,435,318	-	-	(95,775)	3,339,543	\$1.30
20-Jun-14	30-Jun-16	115,437	-	-	-	115,437	\$1.86
25-Sep-14	30-Jun-17	-	3,032,526	-	(36,271)	2,996,255	\$1.84
20-Nov-14	30-Jun-17	-	365,552	-	-	365,552	\$1.50
30-Jun-15	30-Jun-17	-	126,553	-	-	126,553	\$1.21
		10,170,976	3,524,631	(3,538,898)	(1,789,489)	8,367,220	
As at 30 June 201	4						
3-Dec-10	30-Jun-13	344,645	-	(344,645)	-	_	\$1.74
25-Jun-11	30-Jun-13	82,006	-	(82,006)	-	-	\$1.21
30-Jun-11	30-Jun-13	230,062	-	(227,987)	(2,075)	-	\$1.28
16-Sep-11	30-Jun-14	2,947,111	-	_	(261,499)	2,685,612	\$1.04
31-0ct-11	30-Jun-14	162,850	-	_	-	162,850	\$1.39
24-Nov-11	30-Jun-14	916,032	-	-	-	916,032	\$1.25
22-Nov-12	30-Jun-15	331,474	-	-	-	331,474	\$1.34
4-Dec-12	30-Jun-15	2,241,677	-	-	(187,221)	2,054,456	\$1.30
28-Jun-13	30-Jun-15	44,738	-	-	(2,415)	42,323	\$1.24
27-Nov-13	30-Jun-16	-	427,474	-	-	427,474	\$1.20
16-Jan-14	30-Jun-16	-	3,723,695	-	(288,377)	3,435,318	\$1.30
20-Jun-14	30-Jun-16	_	115,437		_	115,437	\$1.86
		7,300,595	4,266,606	(654,638)	(741,587)	10,170,976	

<sup>1.</sup> In respect of Cash Share Rights vesting 30 June 2015, the satisfaction of vesting conditions is determined by the board subsequent to the end of financial year.

For grants of rights, the fair value has been calculated at the grant date using a Black-Scholes Pricing Model and assuming a vesting probability of 43.5% for performance related awards and a 10% staff turnover rate for retention awards.

The fair value of rights has been calculated at the grant date and allocated to each reporting period evenly over the period from grant date to vesting date. The value disclosed is the portion of the fair value of the rights allocated to this reporting period. The value disclosed does not therefore represent cash received.

The share rights outstanding at 30 June 2015 have fair value in the range of \$0.52 to \$1.86, and a weighted average remaining contractual life of 1.3 years [2014: 1.0 years].

#### 22. Employee benefits (continued)

#### (c) Share-based payments - Share Rights Plan (continued)

The fair value of services rendered in return for share rights granted is measured by reference to the fair value of share rights granted. The inputs into the model are shown in the following table:

Grant date	Fair value at measurement date	Weighted average share price	Expected volatility	Expected dividends	Vesting probability	Assumed staff turnover
As at 30 June 2015						
25-Sep-14	\$0.80 to \$1.84	\$1.840	25%	0% to 3%	43.5%	10%
20-Nov-14	\$0.65	\$1.495	25%	0% to 3%	43.5%	10%
30-Jun-15	\$0.53 to \$1.21	\$1.210	25%	0% to 3%	43.5%	10%
As at 30 June 2014						
27-Nov-13	\$0.52	\$1.195	25%	0% to 3%	43.5%	10%
16-Jan-14	\$0.57 to \$1.30	\$1.30	25%	0% to 3%	43.5%	10%
20-Jun-14	\$0.81 to \$1.86	\$1.86	25%	0% to 3%	43.5%	10%

#### (d) Share-based payments - Employee share option plan

Under the Company's legacy Employee Share Option Plan, options to subscribe for ordinary shares in the Company were issued to employees at the discretion of the directors and the exercise price and exercise period were determined to reward employees if the Company's share price achieves significant long-term growth. Options were unlisted and were granted with exercise prices not less than the average market price of the Company's shares for the five days prior to grant.

The Company no longer issues employee share options. No employee share options have been issued since June 2009 and all remaining employee share options expired unexercised during the financial year.

A summary of outstanding options to acquire ordinary shares in the Company is as follows:

Grant date	Expiry date	Exercise price	Opening balance	Granted	Exercised	Lapsed	Closing balance	Value of shares at exercise date
As at 30 June 2	015							
All options laps	sed in the 2014 final	ncial year						
As at 30 June 2	014							
15-Aug-08	14-Aug-13	3.28	1,466,000	-	-	[1,466,000]	-	-
16-Jan-09	15-Jan-14	2.60	75,000	-	-	(75,000)	-	-
16-Jun-09	15-Jun-14	2.75	437,500	-	-	(437,500)	-	_
			1,978,500	-	-	(1,978,500)	-	_

	2015 \$'000	2014 \$'000
23. Provisions		
Current		
Restoration and abandonment	1,725	16,228
Deferred revenue	896	896
Other	10,417	3
	13,038	17,127
Non-current		
Restoration and abandonment	205,451	138,899
Total provisions	218,489	156,026
Reconciliation of movement		
Restoration and abandonment		
Carrying amount at the beginning of the financial year	155,127	141,468
Write back in provisions due to assets classified as held for sale	-	(11,702)
Provisions made during the year	42,957	22,168
Payments made during the year	(4,535)	-
Foreign exchange translation difference	10,840	1,004
Unwind of discount	2,787	2,189
Carrying amount at the end of the financial year	207,176	155,127
Deferred revenue and other:		
Carrying amount at the beginning of the financial year	899	1,884
Provisions reversed during the year	-	(985)
Provisions made during the year	10,414	
Carrying amount at the end of the financial year	11,313	899

Provisions made for environmental rehabilitation are recognised where there is a present obligation as a result of exploration, development or production activities having been undertaken and it is probable that an outflow of economic benefits will be required to settle the obligation. The estimated future obligations include the costs of removing facilities, abandoning wells and restoring the affected areas. Due to the long-term nature of the liability, there is some uncertainty in estimating the provision of the costs that will be incurred. In particular, the consolidated entity has assumed that restoration will use technology and materials that are available currently. The basis for accounting is set out in note 1(r).

#### 24. Taxation payable / (receivable)

Income tax - New Zealand	1,469	(2,071)
Accounting Profits Royalty (APR) – New Zealand	1,910	34
Petroleum Resource Rent Tax (PRRT) - Australia	(1,836)	1,828
Other	29	-
	1,572	(209)

	2015	2014
	\$'000	\$'000
25. Deferred tax assets and liabilities		
Deferred tax asset		
Tax benefit attributable to tax losses	112,604	94,256
Provisions and accruals	46,421	47,852
Arising from PRRT and APR	11,286	-
Other	414	437
	170,725	142,545
Deferred tax liability		
Exploration and evaluation assets	(34,515)	(26,112)
Oil and gas assets	(16,267)	[66,223]
Arising from PRRT and APR	-	(15,279)
Other receivables - non-current	(14,900)	(11,971)
	(65,682)	(119,585)
Net deferred tax assets	105,043	22,960
Unrecognised deferred tax assets		
Tax value of Australian income tax losses (calculated at 30%)	105,481	84,941
Deferred tax asset recognised	(76,071)	(55,531)
Tax value of Australian income tax losses not recognised as an asset (calculated at 30%)	29,410	29,410

### Australian Petroleum Resource Rent Tax (PRRT) and New Zealand Accounting Profits Royalty (APR)

The consolidated entity applies tax effect accounting to both PRRT and APR for all of the consolidated entity's onshore and offshore Australian and offshore New Zealand producing operations. Applying tax effect accounting principles to both PRRT and APR causes the tax effect of the difference between the PRRT/APR tax base and the accounting base of these assets to be recognised as a deferred tax asset or deferred tax liability on the balance sheet. The PRRT/APR tax base represents the remaining deductible project costs of the relevant projects. The accounting base represents the written down net balance sheet value of the project which is amortised over the life of reserves. Where the remaining deductible project costs for a project exceed the accounting base and the excess cannot be transferred to a PRRT payable project then no deferred tax asset is recorded. The application of tax effect accounting to both PRRT and APR may impact the reported income tax expense whether or not a current tax liability to pay PRRT or APR arises.

#### Deferred tax assets in relation to carried forward losses

Total Australian income tax losses incurred prior to forming a tax consolidated group amount to \$29.4 million calculated at 30% are not recognised as a deferred tax asset.

All Australian income tax losses incurred after 30 June 2008 and that remain unutilised at 30 June 2015 have been recorded as a deferred tax asset \$76.1 million calculated at 30%.

All US income tax losses as at 30 June 2015 have been recorded as a deferred tax asset \$36.5 million calculated at 35%.

Tax losses on Production Sharing Contract's (PSC's) unrecovered costs incurred in other jurisdictions have been treated as permanently not deductible due to uncertainty of future usage.

2015	2014
\$'000	\$'000

#### 26. Capital and reserves

#### (a) Share capital

525,861,050 (2014: 522,696,385) ordinary shares, fully paid 772,172 772,172

There were no movements in share capital during the year.

The movement in number of shares is a result of the issue of 3,164,665 fully paid ordinary shares as a result of the vesting of June 2014 employee cash share rights.

Holders of ordinary shares are entitled to receive dividends as declared from time to time and are entitled to one vote per share at shareholders' meetings.

#### (b) Equity compensation reserve

The equity compensation reserve represents the fair value of options expensed by the Company to 30 June 2015.

#### (c) Translation reserve

The translation reserve comprises all foreign exchange differences arising from the translation of the financial statements of foreign operations where the functional currency is different to the presentation currency of the reporting entity.

#### (d) Fair value reserve

The fair value reserve comprises the cumulative net change in the fair value of available-for-sale financial assets until the investments are derecognised or impaired.

#### (e) Dividends paid

No dividends were paid during the year (2014: nil).

#### 78 (f) Dividend franking account

#### Dividend franking account

30% franking credits available at 30 June	311	311
30% franking credits available to shareholders for subsequent financial years	311	311

#### 27. Interests in oil and gas permits

At the end of the financial year the consolidated entity held the following oil and gas production, exploration and appraisal permits:

#### Consolidated percentage interest

Permit	Country and geographical area	2015 %	2014
T/L1 Yolla	Australia, Bass Basin	35.00	46.25
T/18P	Australia, Bass Basin	40.00	44.75
VIC/L 24 Casino	Australia, Otway Basin	25.00	25.00
VIC/L 30 Henry, Netherby	Australia, Otway Basin	25.00	25.00
VIC/P 44	Australia, Otway Basin	25.00	25.00
VICRL11 Martha	Australia, Otway Basin	25.00	25.00
VICRL12 Blackwatch	Australia, Otway Basin	25.00	25.00
VIC / P67 La Bella	Australia, Otway Basin	-	60.00
WA 31 L Cliff Head	Australia, North Perth Basin, Offshore	57.50	57.50
WA 497P	Australia, Carnarvon Basin	100.00	100.00
WA 511 P	Australia, Offshore North Carnarvan Basin	100.00	-
WA 512 P	Australia, Offshore Perth Basin	100.00	-
L1/L2 Dongara, Yardarino	Australia, North Perth Basin, Onshore	100.00	100.00
L1/L2 Hovea and Eremia	Australia, North Perth Basin, Onshore	50.00	50.00
L1/L2 Corybas	Australia, North Perth Basin, Onshore	50.00	50.00
L4/L5 Woodada	Australia, North Perth Basin, Onshore	100.00	100.00
L7 Mt Horner	Australia, North Perth Basin, Onshore	100.00	100.00
L11 Beharra Springs, Redback Terrace	Australia, North Perth Basin, Onshore	33.00	33.00
L14 Jingemia	Australia, North Perth Basin, Onshore	44.14	44.14
EP 320	Australia, North Perth Basin, Onshore	33.00	33.00
EP 413	Australia, North Perth Basin, Onshore	44.25	44.25
EP 455	Australia, North Perth Basin, Onshore	81.50	81.50
PMP 38158 Tui, Amokura, Pateke	New Zealand, Taranaki Basin, Offshore	57.50	57.50
PEP 55768	New Zealand, Taranaki Basin, Onshore	51.00	51.00
Bulu PSC	Indonesia, Java Sea	42.50	42.50
East Muriah PSC	Indonesia, Java Sea	50.00	50.00
Terumbu PSC	Indonesia, Java Sea	100.00	100.00
North Madura PSC	Indonesia, Java Sea	50.00	50.00
Titan PSC	Indonesia, Java Sea	40.00	40.00
North West Natuna PSC	Indonesia, Natuna Sea	50.00	50.00
Anambas PSC	Indonesia, Natuna Sea	100.00	100.00
Block 09/05	China, Bohai Basin	40.00	-
Yemen Block no. 7	Yemen, Shabwa Basin	19.25	19.25
Yemen Block no. 74	Yemen, Masilah Basin	29.75	29.75
Sugarloaf Area of Mutual Interest	United States of America, Karnes County, Texas	10.00	10.00

Refer to notes 28 and 29 for details of commitments and contingent liabilities.

#### 28. Capital and other commitments

#### (a) Capital expenditure commitments

Contracted but not provided for or payable:

Not later than one year 117,823 140,743

AWE participates in a number of development projects that were in progress at the end of the period. These projects require AWE, either directly or through joint venture arrangements, to enter into contractual commitments for future expenditures.

#### (b) Exploration and evaluation expenditure commitments

Total exploration and evaluation expenditure contracted for but not provided for in the financial statements, payable:

	29,100	38,000
Later than one year but not later than five years	6,000	14,700
Not later than one year	23,100	23,300

AWE participates in a number of licences, permits and production sharing contracts for which the Company has made commitments with relevant governments to complete minimum work programmes. In addition, the Company, directly or through joint venture arrangements, has made contractual commitments at year end in relation to exploration activities to be undertaken in the 2015-16 year.

Commitments later than one year include \$6 million related to the North Madura PSC in Indonesia.

#### (c) Time charter commitments

Floating Production Storage and Offtake vessel ("FPSO") time charter contracted for but not provided for in the financial statements, payable:

	36,699	31,156
Later than one year but not later than five years	12,244	11,476
Not later than one year	24,455	19,680

The Operator of the Tui Area oil project (PMP 38158, offshore Taranaki Basin, New Zealand) has entered into a USD denominated charter contract for the provision of an FPSO for the Tui Field development. The Charter Contractor owns and operates the FPSO as part of the charter arrangement. The contract is for a fixed initial term to 31 December 2016 with options exercisable by the joint venture for seven one-year extensions.

#### (d) Non-cancellable operating lease commitments

Future operating lease rentals, not provided for in the financial statements, payable:

Not later than one year	11,816	10,677
Later than one year but not later than five years	9,908	10,652
	21,724	21,329

Operating lease commitments include office premises and site service agreements.

#### 29. Contingencies

In accordance with normal industry practice, the consolidated entity has entered into joint venture operations with other parties for the purpose of exploring and developing its permit interests. If a party to a joint venture operation defaults and does not contribute its share of joint venture operation obligations, then the other joint venturers are liable to meet those obligations. In this event, the permit interest held by the defaulting party may be redistributed to the remaining joint venturers.

In accordance with normal industry practice and under the terms of various joint venture operating and product sales agreements, the consolidated entity may have provided performance guarantees to third parties on behalf of wholly-owned controlled entities to fulfil its permit obligations in various jurisdictions where it conducts its operations.

As described in note 28(c) the Company as operator of the Tui Area oil project (PMP 38158, offshore Taranaki Basin, New Zealand) has entered into a charter contract for the provision of an FPSO for the Tui Field development. The Charter Contractor own and operates the FPSO as part of the charter arrangement. The consolidated entity has provided a letter of credit in favour of the Charter Contractor amounting to US\$3.2 million (2014: US\$7.5 million) in respect of this charter contract.

The Company is responsible for taxes payable in respect of earlier years by entities acquired from Genting (Oil and Gas) in connection with the acquisition of a participating interest in the Northwest Natuna and Anambas PSC's. The entities are subject to claims by the Indonesian Tax Office in respect of VAT and withholding taxes in respect of the 2005 to 2011 years totalling US\$1.4 million. The potential liability to earlier years' taxes is also the subject of arbitration proceedings against Genting that are in progress at the report date.

The consolidated entity has made an accounting provision for all known environmental liabilities. There can be no assurance that as a result of new information or regulatory requirements with respect to the consolidated entity's assets that provisions will not be increased at a future date.

The Native Title Act ("NTA") may impact on the consolidated entity's ability to gain access to new prospective exploration areas or obtain production titles. Some of the consolidated entity's onshore petroleum tenements now include land which may become the subject of a Native Title claim under the NTA.

#### 30. Reconciliation of cash flows from operating activities

	2015 \$'000	2014 \$'000
Cash flows from operating activities		Ψ 000
(Loss) / profit for the period	(230,198)	62,500
Adjustments for:		
Amortisation of oil and gas assets	111,983	125,378
Amortisation of intangible assets	446	103
Depreciation	435	616
Gain on disposal of oil and gas assets	(2,031)	(96,690)
Branch profits tax on disposal of oil and gas assets	-	9,662
(Gain)/loss on disposal of other assets	-	-
Fair value adjustment related	-	12,438
Impairment	246,276	-
Loan establishment fees written off and amortised	(2,308)	2,282
Unwinding of discount – restoration provisions	2,787	2,190
Fair value adjustment in relation to NWN carry (& adjust for discount unwind)	1,035	459
Relinquishment costs - Indonesia	9,557	-
Share-based payments	2,277	2,549
Net foreign currency losses	1,060	225
Other	(993)	-
Change in assets and liabilities during the financial year:		
(Increase)/decrease in trade and other receivables	(17,728)	20,635
Decrease/(increase) in oil inventory	12,108	(13,807)
Decrease / (increase) in income taxes payable	1,311	(18,722)
(Increase) / decrease in deferred tax assets	[88,144]	2,469
Increase in provisions and employee benefits	11,710	1,580
Increase in accounts payable	2,615	9,819
Net cash from operating activities	62,198	123,686

#### 31. Controlled entities

			Equ	ity holding
		Country of	2015	2014
Name	Note	incorporation	%	%
Parent entity				
AWE Limited				
Controlled entities				
AWE Administration Pty Limited	1	Australia	100	100
AWE Finance Pty Limited	1	Australia	100	100
AWE Overseas Pty Limited	1	Australia	100	100
AWE Offshore Pty Limited	1	Australia	100	100
AWE Argentina Pty Limited	1 & 2	Australia	100	100
AWE New Zealand Pty Limited	1 & 2	Australia	100	100
AWE Australia Pty Limited	1	Australia	100	100
Omega Oil Pty Ltd	1	Australia	100	100
AWE Petroleum Pty Ltd	1	Australia	100	100
Peedamullah Petroleum Pty Ltd	1	Australia	100	100
AWE (Carnarvon) Pty Ltd	1	Australia	100	100
AWE Resources (Western Australia) Pty Ltd	1	Australia	100	100
AWE Oil (Western Australia) Pty Ltd	1	Australia	100	100
AWE Perth Pty Ltd	1	Australia	100	100
AWE (Beharra Springs) Pty Ltd	1	Australia	100	100
AWE Energy Holdings Pty Limited	1	Australia	100	100
AWE (WA) Trading Pty Ltd	1	Australia	100	100
AWE (WA) Investment Company Pty Ltd	1	Australia	100	100
AWE (Bass Gas) Pty Ltd	1	Australia	100	100
AWE (Offshore PB) Pty Limited	1	Australia	100	100
Adelphi Energy Pty Limited	1	Australia	100	100
Adelphi Holdings (Australia) Pty Limited	1	Australia	100	100
Adelphi Energy Texas Inc.		USA	100	100
AWE Finance US Inc.		USA	100	100
AWE Holdings NZ Limited		New Zealand	100	100
AWE Taranaki Limited		New Zealand	100	100
AWE (Satria) NZ Limited		New Zealand	100	100
AWE (East Muriah) NZ Limited		New Zealand	100	100
AWE (Terumbu) NZ Limited		New Zealand	100	100
AWE (North Madura) NZ Limited		New Zealand	100	100
AWE (Titan) NZ Limited		New Zealand	100	100
AWE Finance NZ Limited		New Zealand	100	100
AWE (AAL) NZ Limited		New Zealand	100	100
AWE (Sugarloaf) NZ Limited		New Zealand	100	100
AWE Holdings Singapore Pte. Ltd.		Singapore	100	100
AWE (Northwest Natuna) Pte. Ltd.		Singapore	100	100
AWE (Anambas) Pte. Ltd.		Singapore	100	100
Greenslopes Limited		Papua New Guinea	100	100
AWE UK Pty Limited	3	Australia	100	100
Wells Fargo Resources Pty Ltd	3	Australia	100	100
Perthshire Petroleum Pty Ltd	3	Australia	100	100
Tepstew Pty Ltd	3	Australia	100	100
Western Petroleum Management Pty Ltd	3	Australia	100	100
AWE (NSW) Pty Ltd	3	Australia	100	100
AWE (Australia) Energy Pty Ltd	3	Australia	100	100
AWE Energy (Australasia) Pty Ltd	3	Australia	100	100
AWE (Wandoo) Pty Ltd	3	Australia	100	100
Adelphi Energy (Yemen) Pty Ltd	3	Australia	100	100
AWE Malaysia Pty Limited	3	Australia	100	100
Adelphi Energy Yemen (B74) Limited	3	British Virgin Islands	100	100
AWE Singapore Pte. Ltd.	3	Singapore	100	100
AWE Vietnam Pte. Ltd.	3	Singapore	100	100
AWE Offshore UK Limited	3	UK	100	100
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<sup>1.</sup> These controlled entities are a party to a Deed of Cross Guarantee between those group entities and the Company pursuant to ASIC Class Order 98/1418 and are not required to prepare and lodge financial statements and directors' reports (refer note 35). The Company and those group entities are the "Closed Group".

<sup>2</sup> AWE New Zealand Pty Limited and AWE Argentina Pty Limited are Australian companies with branches in New Zealand and Argentina respectively.

<sup>3.</sup> In liquidation

#### 32. Financial risk management

The consolidated entity has exposure to foreign currency, interest rate, commodity price, credit and liquidity risks that arise in the normal course of its business. In accordance with Board approved policies financial instruments may be used to hedge the exposure to fluctuations in exchange rates, interest rates and commodity prices.

The Board of Directors has overall responsibility for the establishment and oversight of the financial risk management framework of the consolidated entity. The Board has delegated to the Audit and Governance Committee the responsibility for developing and monitoring financial risk management policies across the Company. The Audit and Governance Committee's primary role is to advise and assist the Board of Directors in assessing the management of key financial risks of the Company. The financial risk management policies and systems are reviewed annually by the Audit and Governance Committee to reflect changes in market conditions and the entity's business activities.

Management of financial risks is carried out by a centralised treasury function which operates under Board approved policies. The Board approved Treasury and Risk Management Guidelines provide clear guidelines to management in respect of the management of financial risks of the Company and are designed to ensure that it adequately reflects the strategic risk management objectives of the Board.

The objective of AWE's financial risk management strategy is to minimise the impact of volatility in financial markets on the financial performance, cash flows and shareholder returns of AWE. This includes the need to ensure that sufficient liquidity is available to fund its strategic business plans. Identification and analysis of relevant financial risks and its impact on the achievement of the Company's objectives forms the basis for determining how such risks should be managed. The forecast financial position of the consolidated entity is regularly monitored and financial instruments may be used within approved guidelines to hedge exposure to fluctuations in interest rates, exchange rates and commodity prices.

#### (a) Market risk

#### (i) Commodity price risk

The consolidated entity is exposed to commodity price risk through its revenue from the sale of hydrocarbons – gas, crude oil, condensate and LPG. Australian gas sales are not subject to commodity price risk as the product is sold in Australian Dollars under long-term contracts with CPI escalators in place. However, crude oil, condensate and LPG are priced against world benchmark commodity prices and the consolidated entity is therefore subject to commodity price risk for these products.

Subject to approval of the Board, the consolidated entity may enter into certain derivative instruments to manage its commodity price risk. As at the end of the financial year, the consolidated entity has no commodity price hedging or derivatives in place.

#### (ii) Interest rate risk

The Company has available a secured multi-currency syndicated bank loan facility of A\$400 million. The facility utilised at 30 June 2015 was \$169.8 million [2014: \$ nil] (refer note 21). When drawn, the Australian Dollar portion of the facility bears interest at the bank bill swap rate plus a margin, the United States Dollar portion of the facility bears interest at LIBOR plus a margin and the New Zealand portion of the facility bears interest at BKBM plus a margin. Borrowings under the facility are at floating rates and when the facility is drawn the consolidated entity would be subject to interest rate risk from movements in the Australian dollar bank bill swap rate, United States dollar LIBOR and New Zealand BKBM. Similarly, the consolidated entity is subject to interest rate risk from movements in the Australian, United States and New Zealand cash deposits.

In accordance with Board approved policies, the consolidated entity may enter into certain derivative instruments to manage its interest rate risk. As at the end of the financial year, the consolidated entity has no interest rate hedging or derivatives in place.

#### (iii) Foreign exchange risk

The consolidated entity operates internationally and is exposed to foreign exchange risk arising from various currency exposures, primarily with respect to United States and New Zealand dollars. The consolidated entity is subject to foreign exchange risk through the sale of products denominated is US dollars, borrowings denominated in US and NZ dollars and foreign currency capital and operating expenditure.

The Company manages its foreign exchange exposures on a net basis and may use forward foreign exchange contracts or cross currency swaps to manage its exposures. As at the end of the financial year, the consolidated entity has no foreign exchange hedging or derivatives in place.

#### 32. Financial risk management (continued)

#### (a) Market risk (continued)

#### (iii) Foreign exchange risk (continued)

The following significant exchange rates applied during the year:

		A	verage rate	Spot rate at th repo	e end of the rting period
		2015	2014	2015	2014
	AUD/USD	0.8371	0.9183	0.7680	0.9420
	AUD/NZD	1.0755	1.1063	1.1294	1.0761
				2015 A\$'000	2014 A\$'000
The financial instruments denominated in United States	s dollars and New Zea	land dollars are	as follows:		
United States dollars:					
Financial assets					
Cash				17,466	18,467
Trade and other receivables				41,262	22,252
Financial liabilities					
Trade and other payables				(59,351)	(34,947)
Bank loans				(63,802)	-
New Zealand dollars:					
Financial assets					
Cash				126	1,371
Financial liabilities					
Trade and other payables				-	-
Bank loans				-	-
The effects of exchange rate fluctuations on the balance flows is as follows:	es of cash held in forei	gn currencies sł	nown in the Cor	nsolidated statem	ent of cash
Effect of exchange rate fluctuations on the balances of foreign currencies	cash held in			1,454	716

#### 32. Financial risk management (continued)

#### (a) Market risk (continued)

#### (iii) Foreign exchange risk (continued)

#### Summarised sensitivity analysis

The following table summarises the sensitivity of the consolidated entity's financial assets and financial liabilities to interest rate risk, foreign exchange risk and other price risk.

	- Carrying amount \$'000	Comm	odity & otl	her price i	risk		Interest ra	ate risk		Fo	reign exch	ange risk	
		-109	<b>%</b>	10%	6	-1%	,	1%		-10%	6	10%	, D
		Profit \$'000	Other equity \$'000										
30 June 2015													
Financial assets													
Cash and cash equivalents	46,559	-	-	-	-	(327)	-	327	-	1,235	-	(1,235)	-
Trade and other receivables	56,405	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2,888	-	(2,888)	-
Prepayments	2,186	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Financial liabilities													
Trade and other payables	97,920	-	-	-	-		-		-	(4,154)	-	4,154	-
Bank loans	169,802	-	-	-	-	1,189	-	(1,189)	-	(4,466)	-	4,466	-
Total increase / (decrease)		-	-	-	-	862	-	[862]	-	[4,497]	-	4,497	-
30 June 2014													
Financial assets													
Cash and cash equivalents	42,144	-	-	-	-	(296)	-	296	-	1,392	-	(1,392)	-
Trade and other receivables	31,060	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,090	-	(1,090)	-
Prepayments	2,041	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Financial liabilities													
Trade and other payables	90,904	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	[2,446]	-	2,446	-
Bank loans		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total increase / (decrease)		-	-	-	-	(296)	-	296	-	36	-	(36)	-

#### 32. Financial risk management (continued)

#### (b) Credit risk

Credit risk is the risk of sustaining a financial loss as a result of the default by a counterparty to make full and timely payments on transactions which have been executed, after allowing for set-offs which are legally enforceable. The credit risk on financial assets of the consolidated entity which have been recognised on the statement of financial position is the carrying amount, net of any provision for doubtful debts.

Credit risk arises from investments in cash and cash equivalents with bank, derivative financial instruments and credit exposure to customers and/or suppliers. Credit risk also arises from bank facilities which offer committed lines of credit, overdraft facilities, transaction banking services and financial guarantees, which may not be honoured when relied upon. The Board approved Treasury Risk Management Guidelines outline how credit risk exposure will be managed by Treasury.

Receivables and cash and cash equivalents represent the Company's and the consolidated entity's maximum exposure to credit risk:

	2015	2014
	\$'000	\$'000
Cash	46,559	42,144
Trade and other receivables	169,986	121,104

The consolidated entity does not hold any credit derivatives to offset its credit exposure. With the exception of the capital expenditure carry of \$97 million due from Santos in connection with the sale of a 50% interest in the Northwest Natuna PSC (refer note 12) there is no concentration of credit risk to a single party.

The ageing of trade receivables at the end of each reporting period was as follows:

	43,576	22,039
Greater than 3 months	-	-
1 month to 3 months	-	-
Less than 1 month	43,576	22,039

There are no trade receivables past due or impaired at the end of the reporting period (2014: Nil).

#### (c) Liquidity risk

 $Liquidity\ risk\ is\ the\ risk\ that\ the\ consolidated\ entity\ will\ not\ have\ sufficient\ liquidity\ to\ meet\ its\ financial\ obligations\ as\ they\ fall\ due.$ 

The Board approved Treasury Risk Management Guidelines provide an appropriate framework for the management of the consolidated entity's short, medium and long-term funding and liquidity management requirements.

The consolidated entity manages liquidity risk by continually monitoring forecast and actual cash flows and matching maturity profiles of financial assets and liabilities. Short and long-term cash flow projections are prepared periodically and submitted to the Board at each board meeting of the Company. In addition corporate debt facilities are required to be refinanced well in advance of its maturity date.

Contractual cash flows	Note	Total \$'000	Less than 1 year \$'000	1-2 years \$'000	2-5 years \$'000	More than 5 years \$'000
30 June 2015						
Consolidated						
Trade and other payables	20	97,920	97,920	-	-	-
Bank loans	21	169,802	-	-	169,802	-
30 June 2014						
Consolidated						
Trade and other payables	20	90,904	90,904	-	-	-
Bank loans	21	-	-	-	-	-

#### (d) Fair values of financial assets and liabilities

Financial instruments as at 30 June 2015 include short term maturity instruments and long term financial instruments measured based on interest rate in accordance with market conditions. The fair value of the financial assets and liabilities is the amount at which the instrument could be exchanged in a current transaction between willing parties, other than in a forced or liquidation sale.

Management has assessed that the carrying values of financial assets and liabilities of the consolidated entity approximate their fair value using the following methods and assumptions to estimate the fair values:

- The fair value of financial assets and liabilities with standard terms and conditions and traded on an active liquid market is determined with reference to the quoted price.
- AWE Limited has adopted the amendment to AASB 13 Fair Value Measurement which includes the requirement to disclose the fair value measurements by level of the following fair value measurement hierarchy.
- + Long-term fixed-rate and variable-rate receivables are evaluated by AWE based on parameters such as interest rates, specific country risk factors, individual creditworthiness of the customer and the risk characteristics of the financed project. Fair value of AWE interest-bearing borrowings and loans are determined by using the DCF method using discount rates that reflect the issuer's borrowing rate as at the end of the reporting period.
- The fair value of long term financial assets is based on DCF determined on market conditions interest rates.

Based on the level 2 inputs for determination of fair value the carrying value of financial instruments have been deemed to materially approximate their respective fair value. There were no available-for-sale financial assets during the year.

#### (e) Capital management

The consolidated entity maintains an ongoing review of its capital management strategy to ensure it maintains an appropriate capital structure.

The overriding objective of the Company's capital management strategy is to increase shareholder returns whilst maintaining the flexibility to pursue the strategic initiatives of the Company within a prudent capital structure.

The ability of the Company to make future dividends or conduct any form of capital return to shareholders is regularly reviewed by the Board. This is considered against the Company's future funding requirements and ability to access capital and where there is surplus capital available for distribution. The Board will endeavour to optimise the return to AWE shareholders via capital management initiatives where it can do so.

#### 33. Related party disclosures

#### (a) Key management personnel

#### (i) Key management personnel compensation

The key management personnel compensation included in note 22 is as follows:

	2015 \$'000	2014 \$'000
Salaries and wages	3,546	4,320
Share-based payments	716	736
Other associated personnel costs	74	179
	4,336	5,235

#### (ii) Individual directors' and executives' compensation disclosures

Apart from the details disclosed in this note, no director or executive has entered into a material contract with the consolidated entity since the end of the previous financial year and there were no material contracts involving directors' or executives' interests existing at year-end.

#### (iii) Shares

The movement during the financial year in the number of ordinary shares in the Company held, directly, indirectly or beneficially, by each key management person, including their related parties, is as follows:

Movements in shares Opening balan		Granted as remuneration	Received on exercise of rights	Net change other	Closing balance
As at 30 June 2015					
Directors					
B. J. Phillips	2,900,914	-	-	277,500	3,178,414
B. F. W. Clement	260,061	-	916,030	(475,000)	701,091
D. I. McEvoy	30,000	-	-	-	30,000
K. G. Williams	20,000	-	-	-	20,000
V. Braach-Maksvytis	-	-	-	3,000	3,000
R. J. Betros	70,000	-	-	-	70,000
K. Penrose <sup>[2]</sup>	17,935	-	-	7,065	25,000
Executives					
D. Washer	90,356	-	296,904	(337,240)	50,020
A. Saridas	-	-	162,850	(55,000)	107,850
N .P. Tupper <sup>(3)</sup>	-	-	-	-	-
N. F. Kelly	187,001	-	229,557	(150,000)	266,558
As at 30 June 2014					
Directors					
B. J. Phillips	2,900,914	_	-	-	2,900,914
B. F. W. Clement	30,000	-	230,061		260,061
D. I. McEvoy	30,000	-	-	-	30,000
A. J. Hogendijk <sup>[1]</sup>	10,000	-	-	(10,000)	-
K. G. Williams	20,000	-	-	-	20,000
V. Braach-Maksvytis	-	-	-	-	-
R. J. Betros	20,000	-	-	50,000	70,000
K. Penrose [2]	=	-	-	17,935	17,935
Executives					
D. Washer	43,254	-	47,102	-	90,356
A. Saridas	-	-	-	-	-
N .P. Tupper [3]	-		-	-	-
M. Drew <sup>[4]</sup>	-		-	-	-
N. F. Kelly	151,379	-	35,622	-	187,001
D. R. N. Gaudoin [5]	29,077	-	39,988	(69,065)	-

<sup>1.</sup> Mr Hogendijk retired as a director on 27 November 2013.

<sup>2.</sup> Ms Penrose was appointed a director on 28 August 2013.

<sup>3.</sup> Mr Tupper commenced employment on 20 May 2013.

 $<sup>{\</sup>bf 4}\cdot$  Mr Drew commenced employment on 1 May 2013 and ceased employment 30 June 2014.

<sup>5.</sup> Mr Gaudoin ceased employment on 1 November 2013.

#### 33. Related party disclosures (continued)

#### (a) Key management personnel (continued)

#### (iii) Shares (continued)

Changes in shareholdings classified as "Net change other" in the table above do not necessarily reflect purchases or disposals of shares but may include movements relating to changes in key management personnel during the period.

No shares were granted to key management personnel during the financial year as remuneration.

The disclosures above may not be consistent with the disclosure in the Directors' Report as the basis of calculation differs due to the differing requirements of the Corporations Act 2001 and the Accounting Standards

#### (iv) Share rights

The movement during the financial year in the number of share rights in the Company held, directly, indirectly or beneficially, by each key management person, including their related parties, is as follows:

Movement in share rights	Opening balance	. 3		Lapsed unexercised	Net change other	Closing balance
As at 30 June 2015						
Directors						
B. F. W. Clement [1]	1,674,978	365,552	(916,030)	(228,717)	-	895,783
Executives						
D. Washer	648,911	178,134	(296,904)	(84,993)	-	445,148
A. Saridas	475,561	170,177	(162,850)	(65,978)	-	416,910
N.P. Tupper	221,174	176,685	-	-	-	397,859
N. F. Kelly	517,044	131,406	(229,557)	(64,481)	-	354,412
As at 30 June 2014						
Directors						
B. F. W. Clement [1]	1,477,565	427,474	(230,061)	-	-	1,674,978
Executives						
D. Washer	497,979	198,034	(47,102)	-	-	648,911
A. Saridas	282,372	193,189	-	-	-	475,561
N.P. Tupper	-	221,174	-	-	-	221,174
M. Drew <sup>(2)</sup>	-	181,467	-	-	(181,467)	-
N. F. Kelly	381,992	170,674	(35,622)	-	-	517,044
D. R. N. Gaudoin [3]	461,792	-	(39,988)	-	(421,804)	-

<sup>1-</sup> All share rights issued to Mr Clement have been approved by shareholders at previous Annual General Meetings of the Company.

#### (v) Key management personnel transactions with the Company or its controlled entities

No loans have been made to key management personnel. The Company has entered into Indemnity Deeds to indemnify executives of the Company against certain liabilities incurred in the course of performing their duties.

#### (b) Non-key management personnel disclosures

The consolidated entity has a related party relationship with its controlled entities (note 31), joint ventures (note 27) and with its key management personnel. The Company and its controlled entities engage in a variety of related party transactions in the ordinary course of business. These transactions are generally conducted on normal terms and conditions.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2.</sup> Mr Drew commenced employment on 1 May 2013 and ceased employment 30 June 2014.

<sup>3.</sup> Mr Gaudoin ceased employment on 1 November 2013.

#### 34. Parent entity disclosures

As at, and throughout the year ended 30 June 2015 the parent company of the consolidated entity was AWE Limited.

		The Company
	2015 \$'000	
Result of the parent entity		
Profit / (Loss) for the period	(160,677)	399
Other comprehensive income	-	-
Total comprehensive income for the period	(160,677)	399
Financial position of the parent entity at year end		
Current assets	315,872	337,876
Total assets	721,785	880,541
Current liabilities	704	376
Total liabilities	1,002	1,412
Net assets	720,783	879,129
Total equity of the parent entity		
Share capital	26 <b>772,172</b>	772,172
Reserves	17,374	15,097
Retained earnings	(68,762)	91,860
Total equity	720,783	879,129

#### Parent entity contingencies and commitments

The contingent liabilities of the parent entity as at the end of the reporting period are disclosed in note 29. The directors are of the opinion that provisions are not required in respect of these matters, as it is not probable that a future sacrifice of economic benefits will be required or the amount is not capable of reliable measurement

The parent entity did not have any capital or expenditure commitments as at end of the reporting period.

#### Parent entity guarantees in respect of debts of its subsidiaries

The parent entity has entered into a Deed of Cross Guarantee with the effect that the Company guarantees debts in respect of its subsidiaries. Further details of the Deed of Cross Guarantee and the subsidiaries subject to the deed, are disclosed in note 35.

#### 35. Deed of cross guarantee

		Closed group
	2015	2014
	\$'000	\$'000
Summarised statement of financial position		
Current assets		
Cash and cash equivalents	37,863	29,700
Trade and other receivables	235,859	239,756
Held for sale assets	351	84,301
Inventory	3,310	8,710
Total current assets	277,383	362,467
Non-current assets		
Investments	64,448	64,448
Exploration and evaluation assets	66,108	87,039
Oil and gas assets	377,410	465,565
Other property, plant and equipment	2,350	1,601
Intangible assets	1,099	348
Land and Building	12,190	-
Deferred tax assets	153,182	66,019
Total non-current assets	676,787	685,020
Total assets	954,170	1,047,487
Current liabilities		
Trade and other payables	40,134	48,910
Employee benefits	1,400	2,079
Liabilities associated re: asset held for sale	-	11,702
Provisions	15,307	16,229
Taxation payable	1,627	1,180
Total current liabilities	58,468	80,100
Non-current liabilities		
Interest bearing liabilities	106,000	-
Employee benefits	656	614
Provisions	142,076	104,639
Total non-current liabilities	248,732	105,253
Total liabilities	307,200	185,353
Net assets	646,970	862,134
Equity		
Issued capital	772,172	772,172
Reserves	65,055	14,862
Retained earnings	(190,257)	75,100
Total equity	646,970	862,134
Summarised consolidated income statement		
Profit / (loss) before tax	(330,271)	52,117
Income tax (expense)/benefit	64,914	9,995
Net profit /(loss) after tax for the year	(265,357)	62,112
Retained earnings at the beginning of the year	75,100	12,988
Dividends provided for or paid	-	-
Retained earnings at the end of the year	(190,257)	75,100

#### 36. Events subsequent to balance date

In the opinion of the directors, no other matter or circumstance has arisen since 30 June 2015 that has significantly affected, or may significantly affect:

- a. the consolidated entity's operations in future financial years, or
- b. the results of those operations in future financial years, or
- c. the consolidated entity's state of affairs in future financial years.

#### Directors' declaration

In the opinion of the directors of AWE Limited:

- a. the financial statements and accompanying notes, and the Remuneration Report in the Directors' Report, are in accordance with the Corporations Act 2001, including:
  - giving a true and fair view of the financial position of the consolidated entity as at 30 June 2015 and of its performance for the financial year ended on that date; and
  - ii. complying with Australian Accounting Standards (including the Australian Accounting Interpretations) and the Corporations Regulations 2001; and
- b. the financial statements also comply with International Financial Reporting Standards as disclosed in note 1(a); and
- there are reasonable grounds to believe that the Company will be able to pay its debts as and when they become due and payable; and
- d. there are reasonable grounds to believe that the Company and the group entities identified in Note 31 will be able to meet any obligations or liabilities to which they are or may become subject to by virtue of the Deed of Cross Guarantee between the Company and those group entities pursuant to ASIC Class Order 98/1418.

The directors have been given the declarations required by Section 295A of the Corporations Act 2001 from the Managing Director and Chief Financial Officer for the financial year ended 30 June 2015.

Signed in accordance with a resolution of the directors:

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B. J. Phillips Chairman

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B. F. W. Clement Managing Director

Dated at Sydney this twenty-fourth day of August 2015.



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#### Independent auditor's report to the members of AWE Limited

#### Report on the financial report

We have audited the accompanying financial report of AWE Limited, which comprises the consolidated statement of financial position as at 30 June 2015, the consolidated statement of comprehensive income, the consolidated statement of changes in equity and the consolidated statement of cash flows for the year then ended, notes comprising a summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory information, and the directors' declaration of the consolidated entity comprising the company and the entities it controlled at the year's end or from time to time during the financial year.

#### Directors' responsibility for the financial report

The directors of the company are responsible for the preparation of the financial report that gives a true and fair view in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards and the *Corporations Act 2001* and for such internal controls as the directors determine are necessary to enable the preparation of the financial report that is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error. In Note 1, the directors also state, in accordance with Accounting Standard AASB 101 *Presentation of Financial Statements*, that the financial statements comply with *International Financial Reporting Standards*.

#### Auditor's responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the financial report based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards. Those standards require that we comply with relevant ethical requirements relating to audit engagements and plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial report is free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial report. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial report, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal controls relevant to the entity's preparation and fair presentation of the financial report in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal controls. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates made by the directors, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial report.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

#### Independence

In conducting our audit we have complied with the independence requirements of the *Corporations Act 2001*. We have given to the directors of the company a written Auditor's Independence Declaration, a copy of which is included in the directors' report.

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#### Opinion

In our opinion:

- a. the financial report of AWE Limited is in accordance with the Corporations Act 2001, including:
  - i giving a true and fair view of the consolidated entity's financial position as at 30 June 2015 and of its performance for the year ended on that date; and
  - iii complying with Australian Accounting Standards and the Corporations Regulations 2001; and
- b. the financial report also complies with *International Financial Reporting Standards* as disclosed in Note 1.

#### Report on the remuneration report

We have audited the Remuneration Report included in the directors' report for the year ended 30 June 2015. The directors of the company are responsible for the preparation and presentation of the Remuneration Report in accordance with section 300A of the *Corporations Act 2001*. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the Remuneration Report, based on our audit conducted in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards.

#### Opinion

In our opinion, the Remuneration Report of AWE Limited for the year ended 30 June 2015, complies with section 300A of the Corporations Act 2001.

Ernst & Young

Scott Jarrett Partner Sydney

24 August 2015

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Geographical Area	Proved (1P) Reserves at Evaluation Date 30 June 2015														
		Developed					Und	develope	d				Total		
	Sales Gas (PJ)	LPG (K tonnes)	Condensate (million bbls)	Oil (million bbls)	All Products (million BOE)	Sales Gas (PJ)	LPG (K tonnes)	Condensate (million bbls)	Oil (million bbls)	All Products (million BOE)	Sales Gas (PJ)	LPG (K tonnes)	Condensate (million bbls)	Oil (million bbls)	All Products (million BOE)
New Zealand															
Taranaki Basin	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.8	1.8	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.8	1.8
South East Australia															
Bass Basin	17.2	54.6	0.6	0.0	4.1	24.1	78.5	0.8	0.1	5.8	41.2	133.1	1.5	0.1	10.0
Otway Basin	10.8	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.8	25.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	4.2	35.9	0.0	0.0	0.0	6.0
Western Australia															
Offshore Perth Basin	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.6	0.6	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.6	0.6
Onshore Perth Basin	5.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.8	53.5	0.0	0.0	0.0	8.9	58.5	0.0	0.0	0.0	9.8
United States of America															
Sugarloaf AMI	22.6	263.5	5.8	0.0	12.6	22.5	276.7	4.9	0.0	11.8	45.1	540.1	10.6	0.0	24.4
Indonesia															
NW Natuna	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	17.4	17.4	0.0	0.0	0.0	17.4	17.4
AWE Aggregated	55.6	318.1	6.4	2.4	21.8	125.1	355.2	5.7	17.5	48.2	180.7	673.2	12.1	19.9	69.9
Proportion of Total Proved (1	P) Reserv	es that a	e uncon	entiona	al .										35%

Geographical Area				Prove	d Plus P	robable	(2P) Rese	erves at l	Evaluati	on Date	30 June	2015			
		De	eveloped				Und	develope	d				Total		
	Sales Gas (PJ)	LPG (K tonnes)	Condensate (million bbls)	Oil (million bbls)	All Products (million BOE)	Sales Gas [PJ]	LPG (K tonnes)	Condensate (million bbls)	Oil (million bbls)	All Products (million BOE)	Sales Gas (PJ)	LPG (K tonnes)	Condensate (million bbls)	Oil (million bbls)	All Products (million BOE)
New Zealand															
Taranaki Basin	0.0	0.0	0.0	3.0	3.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	3.0	3.0
South East Australia															
Bass Basin	23.3	74.1	0.8	0.0	5.6	32.5	106.0	1.1	0.1	7.9	55.8	180.1	2.0	0.1	13.4
Otway Basin	15.5	0.0	0.0	0.0	2.6	33.7	0.0	0.0	0.0	5.6	49.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	8.2
Western Australia															
Offshore Perth Basin	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.6	1.6	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.6	1.6
Onshore Perth Basin	9.8	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.6	94.3	0.0	0.0	0.0	15.7	104.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	17.4
United States of America															
Sugarloaf AMI	25.5	298.9	6.8	0.0	14.5	56.5	693.2	15.8	0.0	33.3	82.1	992.1	22.6	0.0	47.8
Indonesia															
NW Natuna	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	23.0	23.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	23.0	23.0
AWE Aggregated	74.1	373.0	7.7	4.5	28.9	217.0	799.2	17.0	23.1	85.6	291.1	1172.2	24.7	27.7	114.4
Proportion of Total Proved Pl	us Probab	le (2P) R	eserves	that are	unconv	entional									42%

Geographical Area				Re	serves l	Reconcili	ation (mill	ion BOE)				
_		Pro	ved (1P)	Reserves		Р	roved Plu	ıs Probab	le (2P) R	eserves		
	Evaluation Date 30 June 2014	Revision and Reclassification	Extensions and Discoveries	Acquisitions and Divestments	Production	Evaluation Date 30 June 2015	Evaluation Date 30 June 2014	Revision and Reclassification	Extensions and Discoveries	Acquisitions and Divestments	Production	Evaluation Date 30 June 2015
New Zealand												
Taranaki Basin	2.5	0.1	0.0	0.0	-0.8	1.8	3.6	0.2	0.0	0.0	-0.8	3.0
South East Australia												
Bass Basin	14.4	0.0	0.0	-3.4	-1.1	10.0	26.0	-5.3	0.0	-6.2	-1.1	13.4
Otway Basin	7.8	-0.7	0.0	0.0	-1.1	6.0	9.7	-0.5	0.0	0.0	-1.1	8.2
Western Australia												
Offshore Perth Basin	1.5	-0.5	0.0	0.0	-0.4	0.6	2.6	-0.6	0.0	0.0	-0.4	1.6
Onshore Perth Basin	1.4	-0.2	8.9	0.0	-0.4	9.8	2.1	-0.1	15.7	0.0	-0.4	17.4
United States of America												
Sugarloaf AMI	12.1	13.6	0.0	0.0	-1.3	24.4	23.9	25.3	0.0	0.0	-1.3	47.8
Indonesia												
NW Natuna	17.4	-0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	17.4	23.2	-0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	23.0
AWE Aggregated	57.2	12.3	8.9	-3.4	-5.1	69.9	91.0	18.9	15.7	-6.2	-5.1	114.4

Geographical Area	2C Contingent Resources												
	All Products (million BOE) 30 June 2014	Revisions (million BOE)	Transfers to Petroleum Reserves (million BOE)	Extensions and Discoveries (million BOE)	Acquisitions and Divestments (million BOE)	All Products (million BOE) 30 June 2015	Sales Gas (PJ) 30 June 2015	LPG (K tonnes) 30 June 2015	Condensate (million bbls) 30 June 2015	Oil (million bbls) at 30 June 2015			
New Zealand													
Taranaki Basin	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0			
South East Australia													
Bass Basin	36.0	-2.6	1.3	0.0	-4.0	30.8	114.0	394.4	6.6	0.6			
Otway Basin	1.8	-0.5	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.3	7.4	0.0	0.1	0.0			
Western Australia													
Offshore Perth Basin	0.6	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.6	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.6			
Onshore Perth Basin	7.1	0.0	0.0	45.9	0.0	53.0	308.9	0.0	1.5	0.0			
United States of America													
Sugarloaf AMI	13.2	-3.4	-5.4	12.8	0.0	17.1	30.4	332.1	8.2	0.0			
Indonesia													
NW Natuna	8.4	1.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	9.6	0.0	0.0	0.0	9.6			
Lengo	9.5	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	9.5	56.9	0.0	0.0	0.0			
AWE Aggregated	76.6	-5.3	-4.1	58.6	-4.0	121.9	517.6	726.5	16.3	10.8			

#### Notes:

- 1. The reserves and contingent resource statement:
  - a. is based on and fairly represents information and supporting documentation prepared by and under the supervision of qualified petroleum reserves and resource evaluators: Dr. Suzanne Hunt, AWE Manager for Engineering and Development, and Mr. Neil Tupper, AWE General Manager for Exploration and Geoscience. Dr. Hunt, a Petroleum Engineer with a Ph.D. in Geomechanics, is a member of Society of Petroleum Engineer Engineers and has over 18 years' experience in the petroleum sector in field development planning, reserves estimation, production and facilities engineering. Mr. Tupper, a member of Society of Petroleum Engineers and American Association of Petroleum Geologists, holds MSc in Sedimentology and its Applications and BSc (Hons) in Geology. Mr Tupper has over 31 years of industry experience with specific expertise in strategic planning, portfolio analysis, prospect evaluation, technical due diligence and peer review, reserves and resource assessment, unitisation and business development.
  - b. as a whole, has been approved by the qualified petroleum reserves and resource evaluators referred to in note 1.a.
  - c. has been issued with the prior consent of the qualified petroleum reserves and resource evaluators referred to in note 1.a as to the form and context in which the estimated petroleum reserves and contingent resources and the supporting information appear in the annual report.
- The AWE reserves and contingent resource report as at 30 June 2015 was prepared in accordance with the SPE/AAPG/WPC/SPEE Petroleum Resources Management System guidelines of November 2011.
- 3. To ensure accuracy and compliance of reserves and resource estimations, AWE has put in place a robust process which incorporates the following governance arrangements and internal controls:
  - a. AWE Technical Reserves Review Panel carries out an in-depth technical and economic review of all proposed reserves and resources. The Panel consisting of the Group Reserves Coordinator, two qualified Petroleum Reserves and Resource Evaluators and Group Planning and Treasury Manager meets as a minimum every six months or when any material changes trigger an ASX announcement triggered by the continuous disclosure requirements.
  - b. Governed by the AWE Reserves Committee Charter, which is formally reviewed and adopted by the Board, the AWE Reserves Committee reviews and endorses reserves and resource proposal by the Technical Reserves Review Committee. The Committee meets as a minimum every six months or when any material changes trigger an ASX announcement triggered by the continuous disclosure requirements. An independent non-executive director, who is a member of the AWE Audit and Governance Committee and who has an extensive international experience in petroleum geoscience, attends the AWE Reserves Committee. Any material changes to previously publicly reported reserves endorsed by the AWE Reserves Committee will be immediately reported to the Managing Director for consideration for disclosure to ASX under the continuous disclosure requirements of the ASX Listing Rules.
  - c. The endorsed reserves and resource evaluations are reported to the AWE Audit and Governance Committee and form an integral part of the half-year and annual financial reporting.
  - d. The AWE practice is to initiate independent audits for those assets with significant reserves and/or resource potential on a semi-regular basis, typically at least once every two years subject to the materiality of the asset, complexity of the field and amount of new data that has become available. The purpose is to ensure that AWE reserve and resource assessments receive external and independent challenge with respect to methodology, technical validity and commercial rigour.
- 4. The company intends to develop any material concentrations of undeveloped petroleum reserves in material oil and gas projects. AWE actively supports the required engineering and commercial work to achieve final investment decisions for material undeveloped reserves in Onshore Perth Basin, Bass Basin, Otway Basin, Sugarloaf AMI and North West Natuna PSC.

- Unless stated otherwise, all petroleum reserves and 2C contingent resource quantities represent AWE net economic share, which may differ from the percentage interest outlined in the AWE Tenements table (reference), as per terms and conditions of Production Sharing Contracts and/or other contractual arrangements, such as overriding royalties.
- 6. Deterministic method of reserve estimation was applied for all assets.
- Note that the aggregated 1P reserves volumes may be a very conservative estimate due to the portfolio effects of the arithmetic summation.
- Contingent resources reported are un-risked and it is not certain that these resources will be commercially viable to produce.
- Taranaki Basin: following the commissioning of the Pateke-4H well, AWE reclassified previously booked undeveloped reserves as developed. Positive changes in reserves reflect the latest better-than-expected performance of the Pateke-4H well.
- Bass Basin: negative material changes in reserves and 2C contingent resources are attributed to both the divestment of 11.25% to Prize Petroleum (ASX announcement of 28 January 2014 and 4 November 2014) and the 2015 drilling results (ASX announcement of 20 July 2015).
- 11. Otway Basin: no material changes revisions to 1P and 2P reserves; small revisions are driven by latest field performance.
- 12. Offshore Perth Basin: negative revisions are driven by latest field performance.
- 13. Onshore Perth Basin: material changes in undeveloped reserves result from recent discovery and appraisal of the Waitsia Kingia and High Cliff Sandstone reservoirs (ASX announcement of 18 September 2014 and 21 August 2015). Changes in 2C contingent resources are associated with the extension of the Senecio field (ASX announcement of 2 September 2014) and the discoveries of the Waitsia, Synaphea and Irwin fields (ASX announcement of May 7, 2015).
- 14. 100% of AWE unconventional reserves are attributed to the Sugarloaf Area of Mutual Interest (AMI) project with wells completed in the Eagle Ford Shale and Austin Chalk formations.
- 15. Sugarloaf AMI: AWE announced a major upgrade to total booked Reserves and Contingent Resources in a market release on July 8, 2015. The upgrade followed an independent appraisal and report prepared by DeGolyer and MacNaughton on the Lower Eagle Ford shale and Austin Chalk zones and AWE's initial assessment of the Contingent Resource for the Upper Eagle Ford zone.
- 16. Independent reserves and contingent resource reviews as at 31st December 2014 were carried out for the following assets: Sugarloaf AMI by DeGolyer and MacNaughton and Casino-Henry-Netherby fields (Otway basin) by Gaffney-Cline and Associates.
- 17. Numbers may not add due to rounding.
- 18. Conversion factors used:
  - a. Sales Gas: 6 PJ = 1 million BOE
  - b. LPG: 1 tonne =11.6 B0E
  - c. Oil: 1 barrel =1 BOE
  - d. Condensate: 1 barrel =1 BOE

## PRODUCTION AND EXPLORATION PERMITS

#### As at 30 June 2015

#### **Production** Geographical Area

	Joint Venture	Interest
Australia		
Offshore Perth Basin	WA-31-L Cliff Head	57.5%
Onshore Perth Pasin	L1/L2 Dongara & Yardarino	100%
	L1/L2 Hovea & Eremia	50%
	L1/L2 Corybas	50%
	L4/L5 Woodada	100%
	L7 Mt Horner	100%
	L11 Beharra Springs, Redback	33%
	L14 Jingemia	44.14%
Bass Basin	T/L1 Yolla	35%
Otway Basin	VIC/L24 Casino	25%
	VIC/L30 Henry, Netherby	25%
New Zealand		
Taranaki Basin <sup>(1)</sup>	PMP38158 Tui	57.5%
USA		
Karnes County, Texas	Sugarloaf AMI <sup>(2)</sup>	10%

#### **Exploration** Geographical Area

	Joint Venture	
Australia		
Onshore Perth Basin	L1/L2	50%
	EP413	44.25%
	EP455	81.50%
Offshore Perth Basin	WA512P	100%
Carnarvon Basin	WA511P	100%
Bass Basin	T/18P	40%
Otway Basin	VIC/RL11	25%
	VIC/RL12	25%
	VIC/P44	25%
	VIC/P67	60%
New Zealand		
Taranaki Basin <sup>(1)</sup>	PEP55768	51%
Indonesia		
Java Sea	Bulu PSC	42.50%
	East Muriah PSC	50%
	North Madura PSC	50%
	Terumbu PSC	100%
	Titan PSC	40%
Natuna Sea	Northwest Natuna PSC	50%
Yemen		
Masilah Basin	Block 74	29.75%
Shabwa Basin	Block 7	19.25%
China		
Bohai Basin	Block 09/05	40%

<sup>1-</sup> Subject to a Net Cash Interest payable to the previous owners of a subsidiary of the company (AWE Taranaki Limited, previously New Zealand Overseas Petroleum Limited), if returns from the Tui Area oil project in PMP 38158 exceed certain benchmark levels.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2.</sup> The Sugarloaf AMI is subject to landowner royalties. These royalties are approximately 25%.

<sup>3.</sup> The company is also entitled to a Net Profits Royalty at rates varying from 7.5% to 8.3% from the Tintaburra field in ATP 299P. This royalty will be received when gross revenues from the permit exceed the sum of total expenditures from the permit.

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## STOCK EXCHANGE AND SHAREHOLDER INFORMATION

As at 18 September 2015

#### Issued capital

The Company had 526,735,854 fully paid ordinary shares on issue.

#### Voting rights

Article 14 of the Company's Constitution details the voting rights of members. This Article provides that, on a show of hands, every member present in person or by proxy shall have one vote and, upon a poll, shall have one vote for each share held.

#### Share rights

The Company had on issue 7,010,755 share rights under the Long Term Performance Benefit Plan.

#### Distribution of equity security holders

### Number of ordinary shareholders

	Silarcifotacis
1 – 1,000	4,799
1,001 - 5,000	7,709
5,001 - 10,000	3,045
10,001 - 100,000	3,194
100,001 - Over	155
	18,902

There were 3176 shareholders with less than a marketable parcel of 710 shares.

#### On-market buy-back

There is no current on-market buy-back.

#### Other information

AWE Limited, incorporated and domiciled in Australia, is a publicly listed company limited by shares.

#### Substantial shareholders

The number of shares held by substantial shareholders and their associates are set out below:

Shareholder	Number
Ellerston Capital	79,568,335
AMP Limited	60,981,886
IFL	42,607,303
CBA	31,683,949
Dimensional	31,415,596
NAB	26,408,411

#### Twenty largest quoted equity security holders

The twenty largest shareholders were:

Shareholder	Number Held	Percentage of Issued Capital
JP Morgan Nominees Australia Limited	97,946,506	18.59
HSBC Custody Nominees (Australia) Limited	66,585,587	12.64
National Nominees Limited	58,335,008	11.07
Citicorp Nominees Pty Limited	56,797,351	10.78
BNP Paribas Noms Pty Ltd	33,987,665	6.45
AMP Life Limited	24,472,974	4.65
Citicorp Nominees Pty Limited	12,548,539	2.38
Key Resource Analysts Ltd	2,812,042	0.53
RBC Investor Services Australia Nominees Pty Limited	2,151,369	0.41
HSBC Custody Nominees (Australia) Limited	1,818,420	0.35
Forsyth Barr Custodians Ltd	1,602,827	0.30
Mirrabooka Investments Limited	1,500,000	0.28
Catholic Church Insurance Limited	1,229,601	0.23
Sandhurst Trustees Ltd	1,061,492	0.20
Mr Bruce Phillips	983,700	0.19
UBS Wealth Management Australia Nominees Pty Ltd	941,384	0.18
Bruce J Phillips Pty Limited	890,000	0.17
Navigator Australia Ltd	789,442	0.15
Mr Bruce Frederick William Clement	733,848	0.14
B & J Phillips Pty Limited	724,714	0.14
Total	367,912,469	69.85

### **GLOSSARY**

#### **Abbreviations**

\$ Australian Dollars
2C Contingent Resources
2D two-dimensional

2P Proved and Probable Resources

3D three-dimensional

AAPG American Association of Petroleum Geologists

AMI Area of Mutual Interest

APPEA Australian Petroleum Production &

Exploration Association

APR means the New Zealand Accounting Profits

Royalty

ASIC Australian Securities and Investments

Commission

ASX Australian Securities Exchange

**bbl** barrel

BCF billion cubic feet

BOE barrels of oil equivalent
BOPD barrels of oil per day

Capex capital expenditure

CDP Carbon Disclosure Project

CPI Consumer Price Index

CPS cents per share
EBIT earnings before

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EBIT earnings before interest and tax

EBITDAX earnings before interest, tax, depreciation,

amortisation and exploration expenses

FEED Front End Engineering and Design

FID Final Investment Decision

FPSO Floating Production Storage and Offloading vessel

FY financial year

- Interior year

**GJ** gigajoule

**GST** Goods and Services Tax

**HSE** Health, Safety and Environment

km kilometre

**KPI** Key Performance Indicator

K tonnes thousand tonnes

LPG liquefied petroleum gas
LTIF loss time injury frequency
LNG Liquefied Natural Gas

LTIFR lost time injury frequency rate

M&A Mergers and Acquisitions

MLE mid life enhancement

million bbls million barrels mmbbls million barrels

MMBOE million barrels of oil equivalent

MScf/d thousand standard cubic feet per day

NGERS National Greenhouse & Energy Reporting System

NPAT Net Profit After Tax

PESA Petroleum Exploration Society of Australia

PJ petajoule

POD Plan of Development

PSC Production Sharing Contract

Probable reserves means reserves additional to proved

reserves that can be estimated with a degree of certainty (greater than 50% probability) sufficient to indicate they are more likely to be recovered than not

**Proved reserves** means reserves that can be estimated with

reasonable certainty (greater than 90% probability) to be recoverable under current

economic conditions

PRRT means the petroleum resource rent tax

imposed with respect to petroleum products pursuant to the Petroleum Resource Rent Tax Act 1987 (Cth) and the Petroleum Resource Rent Tax Assessment Act 1987 (Cth)

reserves means the volume of economically

recoverable oil or gas contained in a geological formation form a given date

forward

reservoir means a rock that is both porous and

permeable

SPEE Society of Petroleum Evaluation Engineers

sq kmsquare kilometresspuddate when drilling begins

TJ terajoule

TRCF total reportable case frequency
TSR total shareholder returns

TRIFR total recordable incident frequency rate

US\$ US Dollars

WHP well head platform
WPC World Petroleum Council
WTI West Texas Intermediate

#### Conversion Table

#### Volume

1 cubic metre = 1 kilolitre = 35.3 cubic feet = 6.29 barrels

1 megalitre = 1,000 cubic metres

#### **Energy Value**

1,000 standard cubic feet of sales gas yields about

1.055 gigajoules (GJ) of heat

1 petajoule (PJ) = 1,000,000 gigajoules (GJ)

1 gigajoule = 947,817 British Thermal Units (BTU)

#### Barrel of Oil Equivalents (BOE)

Sales Gas: 6PJ = 1 MMB0E LPG: 1 tonne = 11.6 B0E Condensate: 1 barrel = 1 B0E Oil: 1 barrel = 1 B0E

#### **Decimal Number Prefixes**

kilo = thousand = 10<sup>3</sup> mega = million = 10<sup>6</sup> giga = 1,000 million = 10<sup>9</sup> tera = million million = 10<sup>12</sup> peta = 1,000 million million = 10<sup>15</sup>

## FIVE YEAR FINANCIAL SUMMARY

Year to June (All figures in \$'000)	2015	2014	2013	2012	2011
Summary Profit and Loss					
Revenue	284,930	329,291	301,774	299,727	306,071
Amortisation	(119,102)	(117,575)	(105,020)	(80,538)	(102,556)
Results from operating activities	(297,572)	106,513	60,881	(58,854)	(147,020)
Net finance (cost)/benefit	(11,931)	(10,090)	(9,420)	(4,282)	(13,515)
Profit/(loss) before tax	(309,503)	96,423	51,431	(63,136)	(160,535)
Tax (expense)/benefit	79,305	(33,923)	(31,394)	(3,360)	42,980
Profit/(loss) for the year	(230,198)	62,500	20,037	(66,496)	(117,555)
Summary Balance Sheet					
Total current assets	112,253	178,293	103,381	92,790	180,624
Total non-current assets	1,184,064	1,024,250	1,078,128	969,218	934,774
Total assets	1,296,317	1,202,543	1,181,509	1,062,008	1,115,398
Total current liabilities	114,257	121,855	91,175	88,575	64,550
Total non-current liabilities	375,909	139,513	201,363	118,411	99,922
Total liabilities	490,166	261,368	292,538	206,986	164,472
Total shareholders equity	806,151	941,175	888,971	855,022	950,926
Summary Cashflows					
Net cash provided by operating activities	62,198	123,686	118,190	123,868	139,853
Net cash used in investing activities	(223,775)	(45,555)	(175,780)	(187,555)	(157,746)
Net cash provided by / (used in) financing activities	164,538	(77,834)	56,274	(15,387)	9,645
Cash at end of financial year	46,559	42,144	41,131	42,759	117,168

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## **CORPORATE DIRECTORY**

#### **AWE Limited**

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#### Place of Incorporation

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