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# Quarterly Report (3rd Quarter) January to March 2009

## **Highlights**

• UOG to withdraw from Hydrocarbon Exploration in the Northern Territory

## Oil, Gas and Oil Shale Exploration

#### **Northern Territory**

The directors of United Orogen have made the decision to withdraw from Oil, Gas and Oil Shale exploration in the Northern Territory. As a result EPA 113 Burdo and EPA 114 Kilgour for Oil and Gas and EPA 150 and EPA 151 for Oil Shale will be withdrawn.

**Oil Shale** EPA's 150 and 151 were applied for on 28/8/07 and 18/6/07 respectively. At the time the price of a barrel of oil was high and eventually peaked at over \$US150.00. UOG was preparing for a decade of high oil prices. This did not eventuate.

UOG did not want to mine and retort the oil shale located. The new microwave technology was the preferred extractive mechanism, however with the plunge in the price of oil it now makes this process uneconomic.

**Oil and Gas** EPA's 113 and 114 were both applied for on 29/9/03 and are still in the application stage. UOG was listed on the ASX in late 2006 but since then there has been a steady erosion of funds and those remaining have to be preserved. Oil and gas exploration is expensive. A search for a joint venture partner both in Australia and overseas has not been successful. UOG cannot fund the exploration of these tenements on its own and thus has to withdraw the applications.

#### Western Australia

UOG will still retain its small interest in EP448 in the Canning Basin, currently being explored by Arc Energy Ltd.

## **Exploration**

#### **Western Australia**

- 1. <u>Nabberu Basin</u> Negotiations with the Native Title Owners on ELA 69/2475 and ELA 69/2476 have been concluded and permission has been granted to conduct non ground disturbing exploration whilst the tenements are being processed for grant.
- 2. The **Northampton** tenement, ELA 70/3378 still has not been granted.
- 3. <u>Mt Vernon</u> A new Exploration Licence 52/2338 has been applied for to cover ground to the west of the old Mt Vernon EL. However another company also applied for the same ground at the same time on the same day. A ballot conducted by the Department of Mines in Meekatharra will alot the ground to the successful applicant.

### **Northern Territory**

1. <u>Sandover</u> (EL 25504) - Additional drilling by Broken Range is planned for the near future.

#### **South Australia**

1. <u>Moonta (EL3718) and (EL3719)</u> - The soil sampling results have been received but are disappointing. A detailed appraisal of the results will be made before any decision is made on the area.

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**Managing Director** 

The information within this report as it relates to geology and mineral resources was compiled by the Managing Director, Mr. William Bannister. He has sufficient experience which is relevant to the style of mineralization and the type of deposit under consideration to qualify as a Competent Person as defined in the 2004 Edition of the "Australasian Code for Reporting of Exploration Results, Mineral Resources and Ore Reserves, the JORC Code". Mr. Bannister consents to the inclusion in the report of matters based on information in the form and context which it appears.