FY2015 Full-Year Results Presentation

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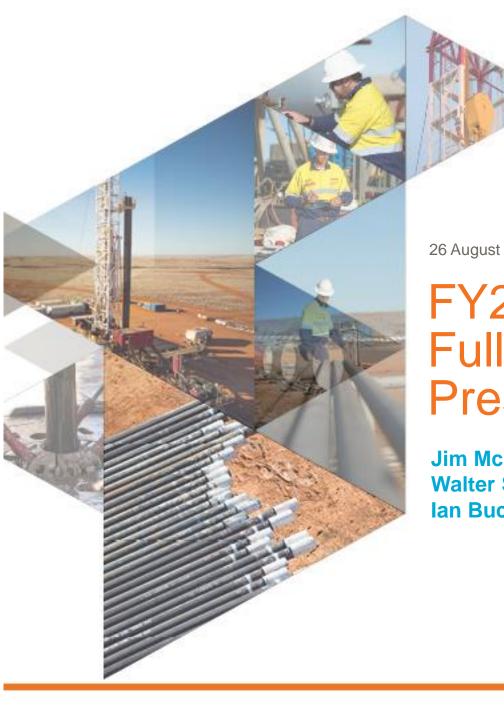
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The 2P reserve and 2C contingent resource estimates on slides 12 and 32 are based on, and fairly represent, information and supporting documentation prepared by, or under the supervision of, Neil Thompson who is a member of the American Association of Petroleum Geologists and Sue Hyde who is a member of the Society of Petroleum Engineers, both of whom are full time employees of Drillsearch Energy Limited.

The estimates of petroleum reserves and contingent resources contained in this presentation are as at 30 June 2015. Drillsearch prepares its petroleum reserves and contingent resources estimates in accordance with the Petroleum Resources Management System (PRMS) sponsored by the Society of Petroleum Engineers (SPE). Unless otherwise stated, all references to petroleum reserves and contingent resources quantities in this presentation are Drillsearch's net share. Petroleum reserves and contingent resources are aggregated by arithmetic summation by category and, as a result, proved reserves may be a very conservative estimate due to the portfolio effects of arithmetic summation. Reserves and contingent resources for the Western Flank Oil Fairway have been estimated probabilistically. For this area reserves to the field level have been aggregated probabilistically; for all other project areas field totals have been estimated arithmetically. For all regions aggregation beyond the field level is arithmetic. As a result the aggregate 1P and 1C figures may be a conservative and the aggregate 3P and 3C figures may be a optimistic due to the portfolio effects of arithmetic summation. Reserves replacement ratio (RRR) is calculated as the change in petroleum reserves divided by production in the same period. Conversion factors: Sales gas is converted to equivalent barrels of oil (boe) using a factor of 6,000 cubic feet per barrel of oil equivalent (boe). LPG is converted to equivalent barrels of oil using a factor of 11.5 thousand boe (Mboe) per MMT of LPG. Condensate is converted at 1 MMbbl = 1 MMboe.

Non-IFRS Accounting Financial Information

Non-IFRS accounting financial information

This presentation refers to Underlying NPAT (underlying net profit after tax), EBITDAX (earnings before interest, tax. depreciation, amortisation, impairment and exploration write-off), Adjusted Revenue and Net Cash flow which are Non-IFRS accounting financial information used by Drillsearch to measure underlying business performance. The non-IFRS accounting financial information in this presentation has not been the subject of external audit, however, the information has been taken from information prepared in accordance with IFRS accounting and the subject of external audit. Non-IFRS accounting financial information should be used in addition to, and not as a replacement of (Loss)/Profit Before Tax.

Underlying NPAT excludes the impact of asset acquisitions, disposals and impairments, as well as items that are subject to significant variability from one period to the next, such as fair value adjustments and fluctuations in exchange rates. A reconciliation of Underlying NPAT to NPAT is set out in Slide 38.

EBITDAX is earnings before interest, tax, depreciation and amortisation, exploration and evaluation expenditure, and impairments. A reconciliation of EBITDAX to Operating (Loss)/Profit is set out on Slide 38.

Net Cash Flow refers to the net increase/decrease in cash and cash equivalents per the consolidated statement of cash flows.

Adjusted Revenue is the aggregate of revenue from sales, and gross income realised from oil hedge gains, as shown on Slide 16.

Agenda

Chairman's Opening Remarks – Jim McKerlie

FY2015 Operating Highlights – Walter Simpson

FY2015 Financial Results - Ian Bucknell

FY2016 Outlook and Strategy Update – Walter Simpson

Questions





Chairman's Opening Remarks

Chairman's Comments

- A real response to market conditions
- Maintenance of underlying profit
- Strong balance sheet
- Prior year's investment delivering exploration success
- Exploration success generating production
- Risk management

Chairman's Comments

- Capital management strategy
- Commitment to technical excellence
- Innovation and technical leadership contributing to JVs
- Proven business model
- Strong Board and senior management



FY2015 Operating Highlights

FY2015 Strong Performance in a Difficult Climate

- Record work program delivered
- Production of 3.0 mmboe
- Oil reserves increased post production
- Decisive measures taken in response to lower oil price
- Strong liquidity maintained with \$171.5m of cash and undrawn debt

All delivered with improved safety performance

Platform for continuing growth

FY2015 Investment Delivering Future Production

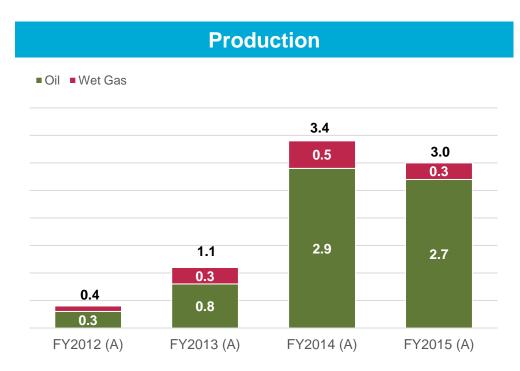
- 41 Wells
- **74%** Success*
 - 12 New discoveries (seven from eight wells with Santos)
 - 10 New Bauer development wells
- 50% Increase in fluids capacity at Bauer after facilities expansion





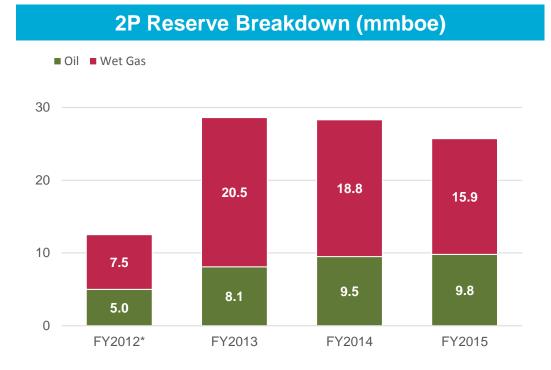
Technical Expertise Driving JV Success

Solid Production Performance Maintained in FY2015



- Production of 3.0 mmboe in line with guidance, 11% lower than FY2014
- Oil Business the key driver
- Average Western Flank production 12,356 barrels/day* in Q4 FY2015 (FY2015 11,265 bpd) as new wells came online
- Strong oil production continues

Reserves Platform Five-Year 2P RRR of 305%



2015 Reserves and Resources Statement

- Oil reserves increase at 30 June 2015
 - Western Flank Oil Reserves up to 8.6 mmboe
- 2P Wet Gas reserves added at Western Wet Gas JV (Santos).
 - Testing and connections ongoing
- Western Wet Gas JV (Beach) 2P reserves revised
 - Revision follows drilling in offset areas
- Vanessa discovery currently held as 2C contingent resource
- Five-year 2P reserves replacement ratio (RRR) of 305%

Track Record of Growing Oil Reserves



FY2015 Financial Results

FY2015 Financial Highlights

- Lower realised oil price in line with global commodity markets
 - Hedging program delivers additional income
- Revenue reflects lower prices and production
- Reported NPAT a loss of \$8.1 million
- Underlying NPAT* maintained
- Strong liquidity position

FY2015 Financial Performance

	Unit	FY2015	FY2014	% Change
Production	mmboe	3.0	3.4	-11%
Revenue	\$m	250.6	387.0	-35%
EBITDAX**	\$m	152.8	232.0	-34%
DD&A	\$m	(56.2)	(40.4)	39%
Exploration & evaluation expensed/write off	\$m	(57.6)	(44.4)*	30%
Impairments	\$m	(51.9)	(0.2)	n/m
EBIT	\$m	(12.9)	147.0*	n/m
Net financing costs	\$m	(6.9)	(9.9)	-30%
Income tax benefit/(expense)	\$m	11.7	(95.2)*	n/m
NPAT				
-Reported	\$m	(8.1)	41.9*	n/m
-Underlying	\$m	57.8	58.5*	-1%
Operating Cash Flow	\$m	84.4	226.6*	-63%
Closing Cash	\$m	131.5	152.4	-14%
Net Debt	\$m	30.6	1.0	n/m
Capital Expenditure***	\$m	142.0	95.7	48%

^{*}Restated following the change in accounting policy to adopt Successful Efforts. Refer to the ASX Announcement dated 6 August 2015 and Note 3 in the financial statements for the year ended 30 June 2015.

^{**}EBITDAX and Underlying (Loss)/Profit are Non-IFRS accounting financial information. Refer to notes on slide 3 for important information regarding the Non-IFRS accounting financial information.

^{***}Capital expenditure is cited inclusive of G&A, G&G and seismic expenditure.

Revenue Oil impact on Revenue partially offset by hedging



FY2015 Adjusted Revenue* - \$271.2m

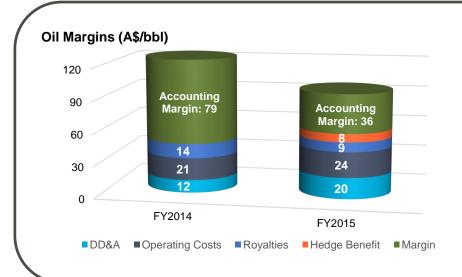
- Impacted by lower production and decline in crude oil prices, offset by hedging and weaker AUD:USD exchange rate
- Average realised price of \$89.50 a barrel,
 29% lower than a year earlier before gains from hedging
- Hedging provided \$20.6 million benefit, with additional hedging implemented from November/December onwards

Adjusted Revenue*	
Revenue from sales of oil and gas	250.6
Gross Realised oil price hedge gains	20.6
Total	271.2

^{*}Adjusted Revenue is a Non-IFRS accounting financial information. Refer to notes on slide 3 for important information regarding the Non-IFRS accounting financial information.

Weaker Oil Price and Lower Production Leads to Reduced Revenue

Margins Strong margins still attractive despite price pressures

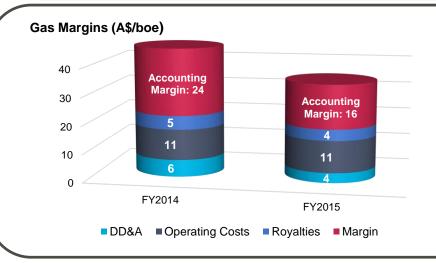


Oil Margin

 Cash margin of \$56 a barrel*, 61% lower than in FY2014

Costs per barrel

- Fall in \$A and reduction in royalties partly offsets impact of oil price
- DD&A reflects updated life of field development costs



Gas Margin**

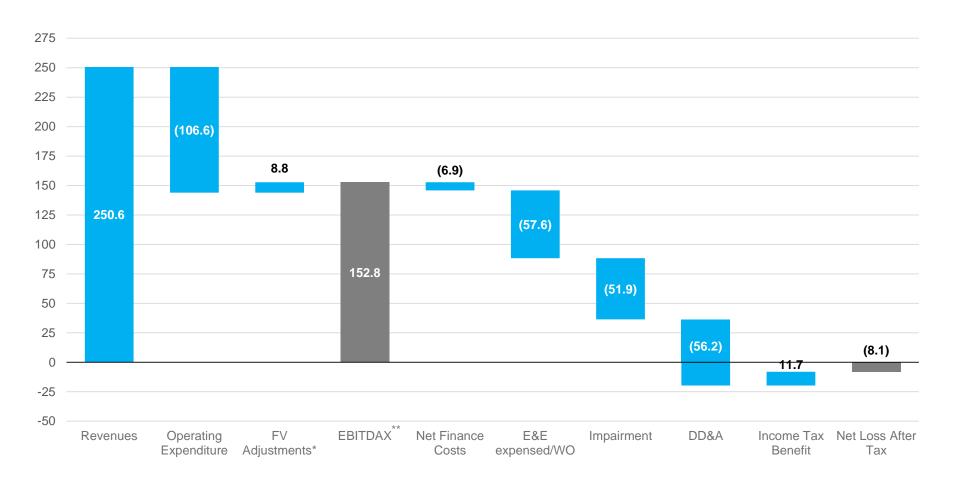
- Average realised gas basket price 17% lower
 - Decrease in realised liquids prices
 - Reduced liquids production

Strong Margins Despite Lower Prices

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^{*}Cash margin calculated as direct operating expense for the oil segment divided by oil production across Western Flank and Eastern Margin

FY2015 Net Loss Reconciliation



Net Loss of \$8.1 million

^{*}FV relates to the fair value of the Convertible Bond and derivatives

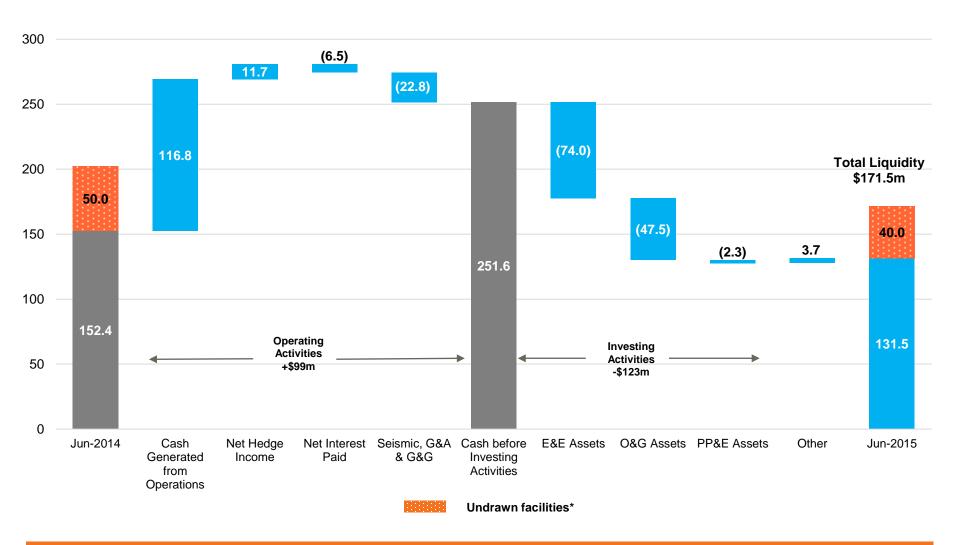
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FY2015 Underlying Net Profit* Reconciliation



Underlying Profitability Maintained

FY2015 Cash Flow, Cash Balance and Liquidity



Liquidity Remains Strong



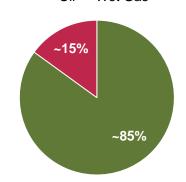
FY2016 Outlook and Strategy Update

FY2016 Production Guidance¹

Guidance	FY2015 (a)	FY2016 (f)
Production (mmboe)	3.0	$2.8 - 3.2^{2}$

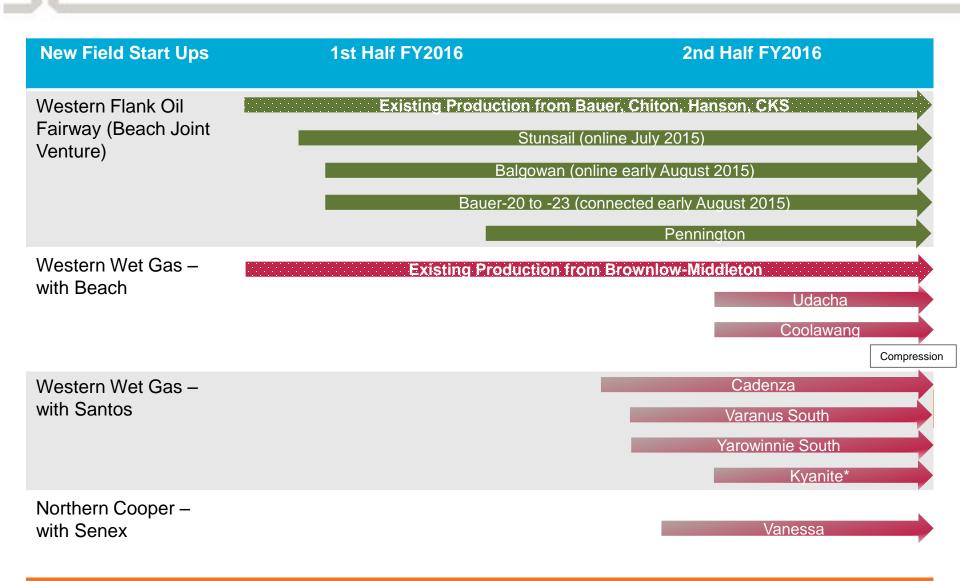
- Investment in FY2015 delivers oil production in FY2016
- Facilities and wellhead capacity to maintain future production
- Commercialising Wet Gas discoveries
 - First production from Santos and Senex joint ventures online from mid-year

FY2016 Production Split Oil Wet Gas



Growing Wet Gas Production

FY2016 Production Guidance New Fields Coming Online



Diversifying our Production Base

FY2016 Capex Guidance¹

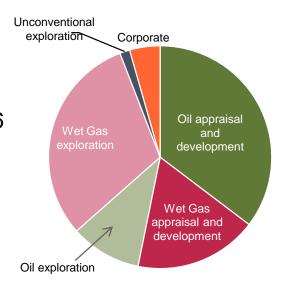
Our Priorities:

Production
 Cash flow
 Reserves Replacement

Guidance	FY2015 (a)	FY2016 (f)
Capex (\$m)	\$142m	\$80m - \$110m ²

FY2016 Capital Expenditure Split

- 22 wells planned; with up to 15 exploration wells
- Appraisal in Western Wet Gas (JV with Santos) and Western Flank Oil (JV with Beach)
- Two exploration wells in former PEL 101 early in FY2016
- Free carries deliver additional value:
 - Exploration, appraisal and development activity in Wet Gas JV with Santos
 - Exploration wells in PEL 570 and ATP 924



Disciplined investment while maintaining growth

Exploration and Appraisal Investing in Growth

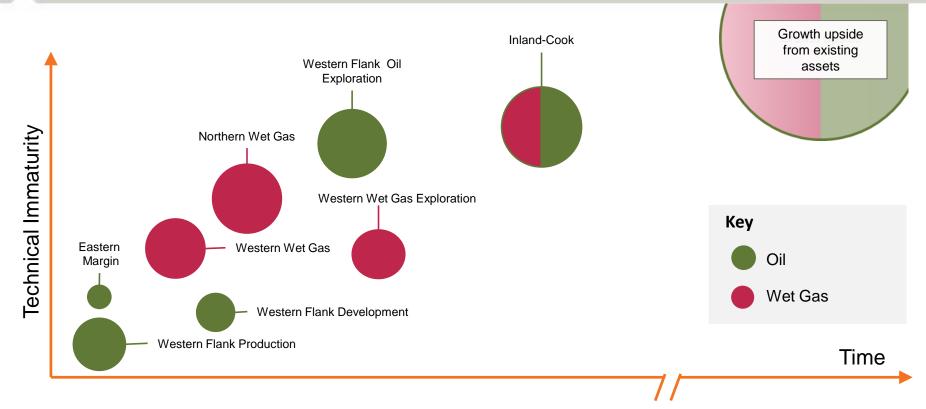
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	Area	Activity	Operator	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Wells**
Oi	l Business							
	Western Flank Oil							
	PRLs 151-172	Wells	Beach			4 A/D	2 A/D, 1 Exp	
		Facilities			Ва	uer		
		i delitties		Pennington		Chiton		11
	PEL 182***	Wells	Senex				3 Ехр	
	Inland-Cook							
	ATP 924^	Wells	Drillsearch		1 Exp			
We	et Gas Business							
	Western Cooper							
	Beach JV	Wells	Beach			2 Exp		
	Santos JV***	Wells	Santos			2 Exp/App	3 Exp/App	0
	Northern Cooper							9
	PRL 173-174	Wells	Drillsearch		2 Exp			
		Seismic Reprocessing				Coolibah		
Un	nconventional Business							
	Northern Patchawarra							
	PEL 570	Wells	Santos	1 Exp				1
		3D Seismic Acquisition		Delaware				

^{*} Refer to slide 2 for important information regarding forward looking statements

^{**} Drillsearch currently has 22 wells approved in its FY2016 budget, however the number of total wells drilled may change as it is subject to JV budgeting

^{***} Subject to joint venture budgeting ^ Well to be drilled by Beach

Cooper Basin Growth Sustainable Repeatable Business

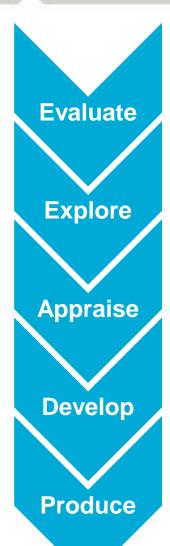


- 50% production growth over five years
 - existing portfolio
 - capital discipline
 - strategic priorities

- Scope for additional growth
 - upside exploration outcomes
 - improvement in market conditions (e.g. Flax)

Substantial growth platform from existing Cooper Basin business

Our Proven Approach to Adding Value Across the Chain



	Cooper	Our Strengths
Technically Driven	√	 Proven technical skills – a history of success Maintaining an independent technical view Applying innovative technical solutions
Focused Portfolio	✓	High quality acreage positionExposure to all plays typesBalanced across the Value Chain
Capital Discipline	√	 Return on investment Prioritising production, cash flow and reserves Critically assess surplus cash flows, growth or return capital
Commercial Acumen	√	Fast monetisationLeverage Farm In through Free CarriesSupportive Fiscal Regime
Leveraging Partnerships	✓	Complementing our skillsJVs with proven, low cost operatorshipAccess to infrastructure

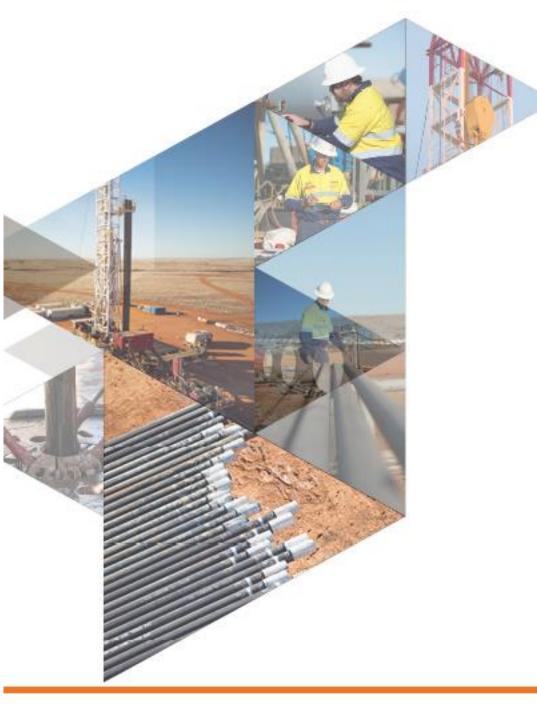
Cooper Remains the Core with Opportunity to Deploy Model Elsewhere

Key Takeaways

- Decisive response to changing market
- Underlying profit maintained
- Strong balance sheet
- Refinancing discussions underway
- Continued investment in diversified production growth
- High quality portfolio drives 50% production growth over five years
- Balanced exposure to the value chain



Questions



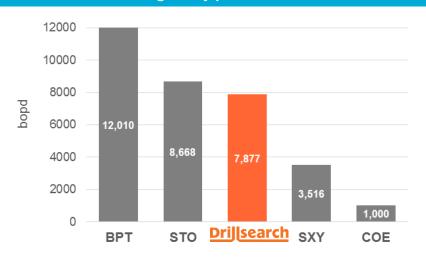
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Corporate Information

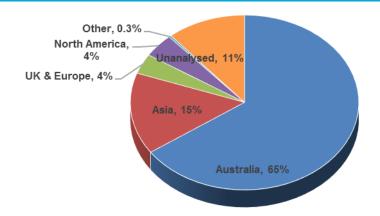
Financial	
ASX Ticker	DLS
S&P/ASX Index	ASX 200
Market Cap (A\$m)	279
Shares on Issue (m)	461
Share Price (25 Aug 2015) (A\$/sh)	0.605
Cash (30 Jun 2015) (A\$m)	131.5

Australian Onshore Oil Producers (As of June Quarter) Average daily production*

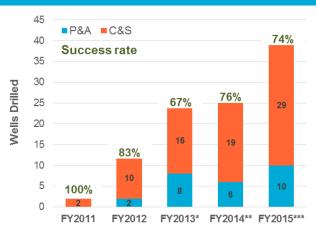


^{*} Source: June 2015 Quarterly Production Reports/ASX Announcements

Drillsearch Shareholder Type as at 27/07/15



Drillsearch Drilling Activity



^{*}Cypress-1 excluded from success rate as operation suspended.

Strength in performance and execution

^{**}Anakin-1 and Padme-1 excluded from success rate as ongoing.

^{***}Padme-1 and Amidala-1 excluded from success rate as ongoing.

Reserves and Resources 30 June 2015

As a result of the arithmetic aggregation of the field totals, the aggregate 1P estimate may be conservative and the aggregate 3P estimate optimistic, as the arithmetic method does not account for 'portfolio effects'

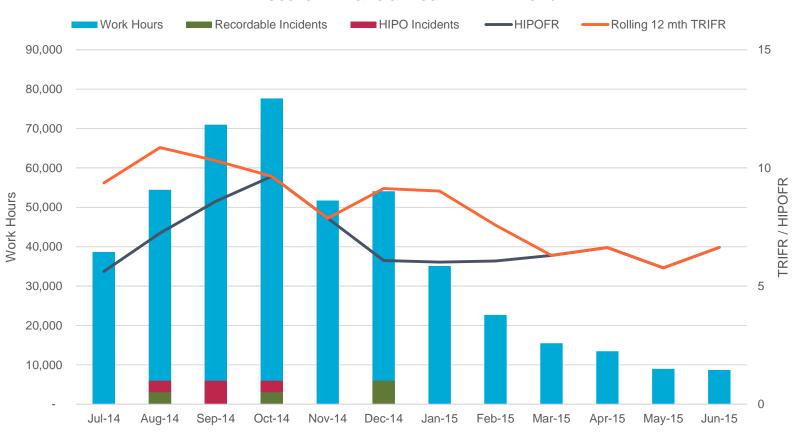
Net Reserves and Contingent Resources as at 30 June 2015*									
Reserves	1P mmboe		2P mmboe			3P mmboe			
	2015	2014	Change	2015	2014	Change	2015	2014	Change
Oil Business	6.6	4.8	38%	9.8	9.5	3%	14.0	16.9	-17%
Wet Gas Business	6.5	7.1	-7%	15.9	18.8	-15%	31.4	37.8	-17%
Total Reserves	13.1	11.9	11%	25.7	28.3	-9%	45.4	54.6	-17%
Contingent Resources		1C mmboe			2C mmboe			3C mmboe	
	2015	2014	Change	2015	2014	Change	2015	2014	Change
Oil Business	5.3	5.7	-7%	15.9	14.0	14%	27.2	26.8	2%
Wet Gas Business	8.4	7.8	7%	19.6	19.7	-1%	41.7	44.3	-6%
Unconventional Business	14.8	0.0	100%	51.4	0.0	100%	123.1	0.0	100%
Total Contingent Resources	28.5	13.5	111%	86.9	33.7	158%	192.0	71.1	170%

FY2016 Catalysts

- New production satellites and wells come online on the Western Flank Oil Fairway
- Progressive connection of Wet Gas discoveries
- Active exploration program:
 - Maroochydore-1 well in ATP 924 (Inland Cook)
 - Two-well exploration campaign in the former PEL 101 (Willow and Jute)
 - Washington-1 well in PEL 570 to investigate Permian Coal gas production
 - PEL 182 exploration wells to test extension to Western Flank

FY2015 Improved Safety at a Time of Record Activity

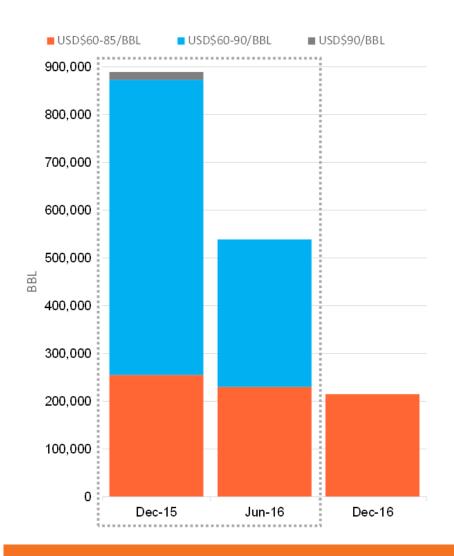
Drillsearch Financial Year TRIFR Trend



Our five disciplines:



Active Hedging Program Continues to Provide Protection



FY2016 Hedge Position

- Gross hedge benefit of \$20.6m realised in FY2015
- 1.43 million barrels of FY2016 production currently hedged at prices of at least US\$60 a barrel
- Additional 215,000 barrels currently hedged for FY2017
- Drillsearch will continue to actively assess opportunities for additional hedging in the current conditions
- Hedging Strategy: Provide downside protection whilst maintaining exposure to oil price improvements

Active hedge program implemented to mitigate against commodity price movements

FY2015 Change in Accounting Policy

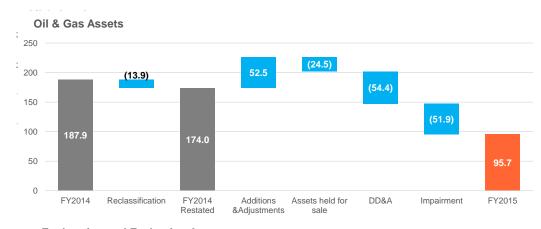
Impact of prior year results on adoption of Successful Efforts

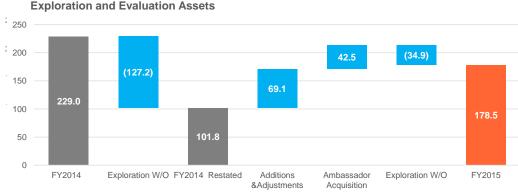
- Drillsearch adopted the "Successful Efforts" methodology for the year ended 30 June 2015, the prior year balance sheet was restated for comparative purposes.
- Under successful efforts, E&E expenditure in relation to unsuccessful exploration wells and associated costs is expensed
 as incurred. A well is considered unsuccessful if no recoverable hydrocarbons are identified or the company considers the
 hydrocarbons are not commercially viable.

	FY2014* (\$m)	Adjustments	Restated (\$m)
Cash	152.4	0.0	152.4
Trade Debtors	85.5	0.0	85.5
Ambassador Shares	25.2	0.0	25.2
E&E Assets	229.0	(127.2)	101.8
O&G Assets	187.9	(13.9)	174.0
Deferred Tax Assets	0.0	11.4	11.4
Other Assets	6.6	0.1	6.7
Total Assets	686.6	(129.6)	557.0
Trade Creditors	(74.6)	0.0	(74.6)
Ambassador Contra Liability	(25.2)	0.0	(25.2)
Provisions	(39.1)	(0.0)	(39.1)
Borrowings	0.0	0.0	0.0
Convertible Bone	(153.4)	0.0	(153.4)
Deferred Tax Asset Liability	(30.9)	30.9	0.0
Total Liabilities	(323.2)	30.9	(292.3)
Net Assets	363.4	(98.7)	264.7

	FY2014 (\$m)	Adjustments	Restated (\$m)
Revenue	387.0	0.0	387.0
Cost of Sales	(151.2)	0.0	(151.2)
Gross Profit	235.8	0.0	235.8
E&E Cost Write-off	(2.1)	(42.3)	(44.4)
Write-off of O&G Assets	(0.2)	0.0	(0.2)
Other Costs	(53.9)	(0.1)	(54.1)
Profit Before Tax	179.5	(42.4)	137.1
Income Tax	(107.9)	12.7	(95.2)
Profit After Tax	71.6	(29.7)	41.9

FY2015 Impairments and E&E Write-off



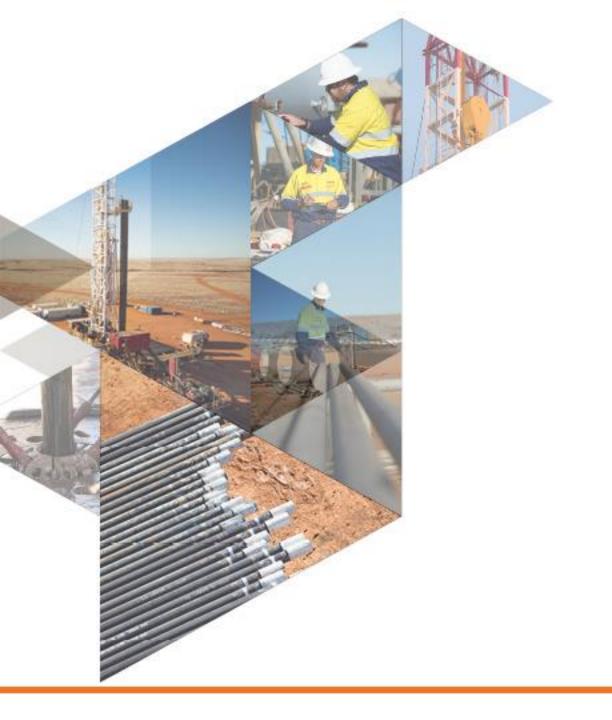


- Total non-cash impairments and write-offs of \$109.5m (pre-tax)
 - Oil & Gas Assets impaired by \$51.9m
 - Exploration write Offs of \$34.9m
- Oil & Gas Impairments relate to:
 - Tintaburra
 - Flax
- E&E write-offs a result of potential relinquishment and cessation of forecast activity
- No cash flow impact from impairments, which are accounting adjustments only
- Asset held for sale relates to Tintaburra

Weaker crude oil prices impact asset carrying values

Reconciliation of Non-IFRS Accounting Financial Information

Reconciliation of Underlying NPAT to Net (Loss)/Profit After Tax		FY2014 Restated
	\$'000	\$'000
Net profit after tax	(8.1)	41.9
Adjusted for:		
Change in fair value of derivatives	3.1	1.8
Change in fair value of convertible note	8.7	23.0
Impairments of oil and gas assets	51.9	0.2
De-recognition of prior year tax losses	12.0	0.0
Tax impact of above changes	(9.8)	(8.4)
Underlying Profit After Tax	57.8	58.5
Reconciliation of EBITDAX to Operating (Loss)/Profit Before Income Tax	FY2015	FY2014 Restated
	\$'000	\$'000
EBITDAX	152.8	232.0
Adjusted for:		
Interest Income	3.1	1.7
Finance costs	(10.0)	(11.6)
Amortisation and depletion	(54.4)	(38.4)
Depreciation	(1.8)	(2.0)
Impairment of oil and gas assets	(51.9)	(0.2)
Exploration and evaluation costs expensed/written off	(57.6)	(44.4)
Loss/profit before income tax	(19.8)	137.1



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