

ASX Announcement

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2011 HALF-YEAR SHAREHOLDER REVIEW

The attached Half-Year Shareholder Review provides a summary of Woodside's 2011 Half-Year Report and the first-half 2011 results, which were released to the ASX on 17 August 2011.

These documents are available on the company's website at www.woodside.com.au.

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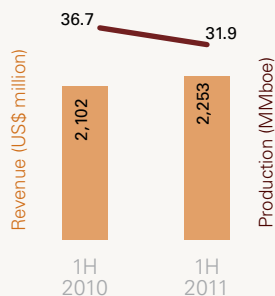
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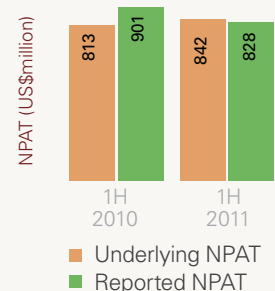
Production and sales revenue



REVENUE UP 7.2%

Revenue increased by 7.2% compared to 1H 2010, largely due to higher commodity prices. 1H 2011 sales volume was 11.9% lower while production was down by 13.1% compared to the 1H 2010, primarily as a result of planned maintenance and project outages (-4.3%), cyclone interruptions (-3.6%), average field decline (-3.4%) and divestments (Otway, GOM shelf; -3.4%), partially offset by increased reliability (+1.6%).

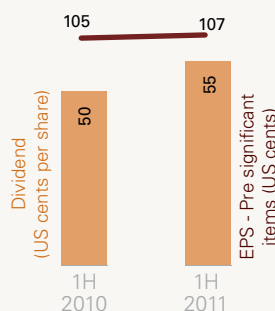
Net profit after tax



UNDERLYING PROFIT UP 3.6%

The underlying business is performing well and with stronger commodity prices the underlying net profit after tax (NPAT) was lifted by 3.6% to \$842 million. The reported profit after tax of \$828 million was lower by 8.1% largely due to last year's first-half being positively impacted by a gain on the sale of Woodside's Otway assets and a lower income tax expense.

Dividends and EPS



WELL POSITIONED TO FUND GROWTH

With \$2.9 billion in cash and undrawn facilities, together with continuing strong cash flows from the underlying business, Woodside has sufficient liquidity to fully fund its committed activities. The interim dividend is US55 cents per share (fully franked). This compares to US50 cents per share in 1H 2010. Underlying earnings per share increased by 1.9% compared to 1H 2010.

KEY ASX RELEASES FOR THE FIRST HALF 2011

January	Sale of Pluto Uncommitted Cargoes
February	Full Year 2010 Net Profit of US\$1,575 million
March	Gas Discovery at Martin-1
May	Woodside to Issue US\$700 million in Corporate Bonds
May	Discovery at Laverda North
May	Claim Group Approves Proposal for Browse LNG Precinct
May	Woodside Appoints Mr Peter Coleman as new CEO
May	Woodside Appoints Dr Chris Haynes as Non-Executive Director
May	Woodside Discovers Gas at Xeres-1
June	Pluto Cost and Schedule Update
June	Woodside Executes Browse Native Title Agreement

EVENT CALENDAR 2011

22 August	Ex-Dividend date for Interim Dividend
26 August	Record date for Interim Dividend
26 August	Last date for receipt of DRP election notices
30 September	Payment date for Interim Dividend
21 October	Third Quarter 2011 Report
31 December	Woodside Year End
19 January 2012	Fourth Quarter 2011 Report

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The share registry can assist with queries on share transfers, dividend payments, the Dividend Reinvestment Plan, notification of tax file numbers and changes of name, address or bank details.



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The Woodside operated North West Shelf Karratha Gas Plant

ABOUT WOODSIDE

Woodside is the biggest operator of oil and gas production in Australia. We are Australia's largest independent dedicated oil and gas company. Throughout Woodside's 57-year history we have strived for excellence in our safety and environmental performance and we aim to ensure that wherever we operate, the community benefits from our presence.

Woodside produces around 700,000 barrels of oil equivalent each day from an extensive portfolio of facilities which we operate on behalf of some of the world's major oil and gas companies. Our operated facilities* include six liquefied natural gas trains, four offshore platforms and four oil floating production storage and offloading (FPSO) vessels. To build them today would cost more than \$70 billion.

We are the most active exploration company in the deepwater provinces of Australia, having participated in around 40% of Australia's deepwater exploration wells, including Alaric-1, Australia's deepest water-depth exploration well (water depth of 1,961 m). We have been operating our landmark Australian project, the North West Shelf, for more than 25 years

and it remains one of the world's premier LNG facilities. Woodside is one of the world's largest non-government operators of LNG plants.

The natural gas we produce and market helps meet the demand for cleaner energy from our customer countries, including Australia, Japan, China, Korea and other countries in the Asia Pacific region.

Our international assets include a revenue stream from Algeria, deepwater production facilities in the USA Gulf of Mexico plus exploration acreage in the USA, Brazil, Peru and South Korea.

In 2012 Woodside will begin production from the Pluto LNG Project. At full capacity it will add more than 100,000 barrels of oil equivalent a day to our operated production. We are seeking to expand the Pluto facilities and build new standalone projects including our Browse and Sunrise LNG developments.

Through the depth of our experience, the capability of our people, and our strong relationships with customers, co-venturers, governments and communities, we seek to be the partner of choice.

*Five LNG trains in operation, one in commissioning phase.
Three platforms in operation, one in commissioning phase.

This review provides a summary of Woodside's 2011 Half-Year Report (incorporating Appendix 4D) and the 1H 2011 results (ASX release dated 17 August 2011) which are both available on the company's website, www.woodside.com.au

OPERATIONAL OVERVIEW

Health and Safety

During 1H 2011, the frequency of injuries as measured by the Total Recordable Case Frequency per million hours worked remained flat at 4.82 cases, compared to 4.89 cases in 1H 2010. High Potential Incident Frequency fell to 0.77 incidents per million hours worked for 1H 2011, down from 1.59 in 1H 2010.

North West Shelf

The first half of 2011 has seen continued strong performance from the North West Shelf (NWS) facilities. Woodside delivered 132 cargoes of LNG on behalf of the NWS Venture, compared to 127 in the first half of 2010. The increase is primarily attributed to increased production from LNG Train 5 following the completion of remedial work on the main heat exchangers during planned maintenance in May 2010.

Australia Oil

Enfield: Production of 2.1 MMbbls (3.3 MMbbls 1H 2010) benefited from additional volumes from the Horst and Main West infill wells, which were completed during 2H 2010. However production was disrupted at the start of the year as a result of high levels of cyclone activity.

Vincent: Production of 1.5 MMbbls (2.3 MMbbls 1H 2010) was reduced at the start of the year due to cyclone interruption and a scheduled maintenance shutdown of the FPSO to reinstate gas compression. The rate of production has increased since gas compression was restored. Two Phase III production wells were spudded during 1H 2011 and are expected to contribute to production in 2H 2011.

Stybarrow: Cyclone activity impacted production from Stybarrow but this was more than offset by high production rates from the Stybarrow North production well, which came online at the end of 2010. Production for the half was 1.9 MMbbls (1.2 MMbbls 1H 2010).

DEVELOPMENT ACTIVITIES

Pluto LNG Project

During 1H 2011 the project achieved significant commissioning milestones including the introduction of commissioning gas to the onshore plant. This milestone facilitated start up of the gas turbine generators, which provide electrical power to test all equipment in preparation for a safe start up. Offshore, the Pluto A platform was readied for use with the successful completion of the pressurisation of the trunkline, pipelines and flowlines using commissioning gas. During 2H 2011 onshore and offshore commissioning work will continue.

On 17 June 2011, Woodside revised the expected cost and schedule of the Pluto LNG Project following its regular review of the progress of the project. The first LNG cargo is now estimated for March 2012 and the revised estimate is expected to result in a A\$900 million cost increase to a total of A\$14.9 billion (100% project). This estimate includes arrangements with customers affected by the delay.

Pluto Expansion

Woodside continues to target expansion at the Pluto LNG Park.

It is planned to conduct further exploration and appraisal drilling to prove up additional gas volumes in the Carnarvon Basin. Discussions continue with other resource owners regarding development of additional trains at Pluto.

Browse LNG

During the period, Woodside successfully executed an agreement with the Goolarabooloo Jabirr Jabirr Native Title claimant group and the Western Australian Government, which will enable the establishment of the Browse LNG Precinct.

Environmental studies and approvals progress in line with expectations. Work planned for 2H 2011 includes continuing front-end engineering and design (FEED) studies and environmental approvals.

Sunrise LNG

Woodside is actively re-engaging with the Australian and Timor-Leste governments to obtain in-principle approval of the development concept for Greater Sunrise gas.

North Rankin Redevelopment Project

The A\$5 billion project (approximately A\$840 million Woodside share) will recover remaining low pressure reserves from the North Rankin and Perseus fields and is scheduled for completion in 2013. Commissioning continues on the North Rankin B (NRB) jacket in Indonesia and topsides in Korea. The transport barge, for the NRB jacket delivery to the North West Shelf, has arrived in Indonesia with load out scheduled for Q3 2011. Modifications to the North Rankin A (NRA) platform continue on schedule.

Greater Western Flank (GWF) Development

The GWF area is located to the south-west of the Goodwyn A platform and contains 14 fields estimated to hold approximately 3 Tcf of recoverable gas and 100 MMbbls of condensate (100% project). The first phase of the GWF Development has progressed to FEED studies as a subsea tieback to the Goodwyn A platform.

North West Shelf Oil Redevelopment Project

The A\$1.8 billion project (100%) will extend production from the Cossack, Wanaea, Lambert and Hermes fields beyond 2020. First oil from the Okha FPSO is forecast for early Q4 2011.

CORPORATE ACTIVITIES

Appointment of CEO and Managing Director

Woodside announced on 12 May 2011 that Mr Peter Coleman had been appointed to the position of CEO and Managing Director, effective 30 May 2011. Mr Don Voelte retired as CEO and Managing Director on 29 May 2011.

GOM Shelf successful divestment

During 1H 2011, Woodside executed a purchase and sale agreement effective 1 May 2011 and subsequently divested its Gulf of Mexico shelf properties for a cash consideration of \$27.5 million.

Funding: commitments fully covered

Woodside held \$2.9 billion of cash and undrawn facilities as at 30 June 2011. With gearing at 27% Woodside is well positioned to meet its commitments.

Carbon tax

On 10 July 2011 the Federal Government announced the details of its carbon pricing package. The announcement included proposals regarding the cost and duration of the fixed-price period, assistance rates to industry and design parameters of the flexible-pricing period.

Production outlook

As announced on 17 June 2011, Woodside's 2011 production target is 62-64 MMboe.

	1H 2011 MMboe	1H 2010 MMboe	Variance
Production volume	31.9	36.7	(13.1%)
Sales volume	31.7	36.0	(11.9%)
Continuing operations	US\$M	US\$M	Variance
Revenue	2,253	2,102	7.2%
EBITDAX	1,725	1,742	-
Expensed exploration / evaluation	(213)	(145)	-
Depreciation / amortisation	(279)	(379)	-
EBIT	1,233	1,218	1.2%
Net finance income/(costs)	(15)	22	-
Income tax expense	(374)	(224)	-
PRRT expense	(16)	(115)	-
Reported Profit (NPAT after significant items)	828	901	(8.1%)
Deduct significant items after tax	(14)	88	-
NPAT (underlying profit before significant items)	842	813	3.6%
Underlying earnings per share (e.p.s in cents)	107	105	1.9%
Interim dividend (cents)	55	50	-
Net operating cashflow	1,391	1,007	38.1%
Gearing (%)	27	23	-
Total Debt	4,961	4,909	-
Cash and cash equivalents	607	1,768	-

All amounts are in US\$M and exclude non-controlling interests, unless otherwise stated.
EBITDAX = earnings before interest, tax, depreciation, amortisation and exploration (includes significant items).
EBIT = earnings before interest and tax (includes significant items).
Gearing = (net debt) divided by (net debt + equity).
Total debt = total drawn facilities in USD equivalent terms.