



Cooper Energy

‘Commercialising the Prize’

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Hydrocarbon Reporting Standard

- Cooper Energy reports hydrocarbons in accordance with the SPE Petroleum Resources Management System 2007 (SPE-PRMS).

Re-oriented to Australia – particularly Eastern Australia

2002

- Cooper Energy established
- Immediate success with Sellicks oil discovery in Western Flank of Cooper Basin

2003- 2011

- Profitable production from Cooper Basin
- International exploration focus including Romania, Poland, Tunisia, Indonesia

2011

- Strategy review & turned focus to Australia, reduced international spend
- New management (David Maxwell, Managing Director)

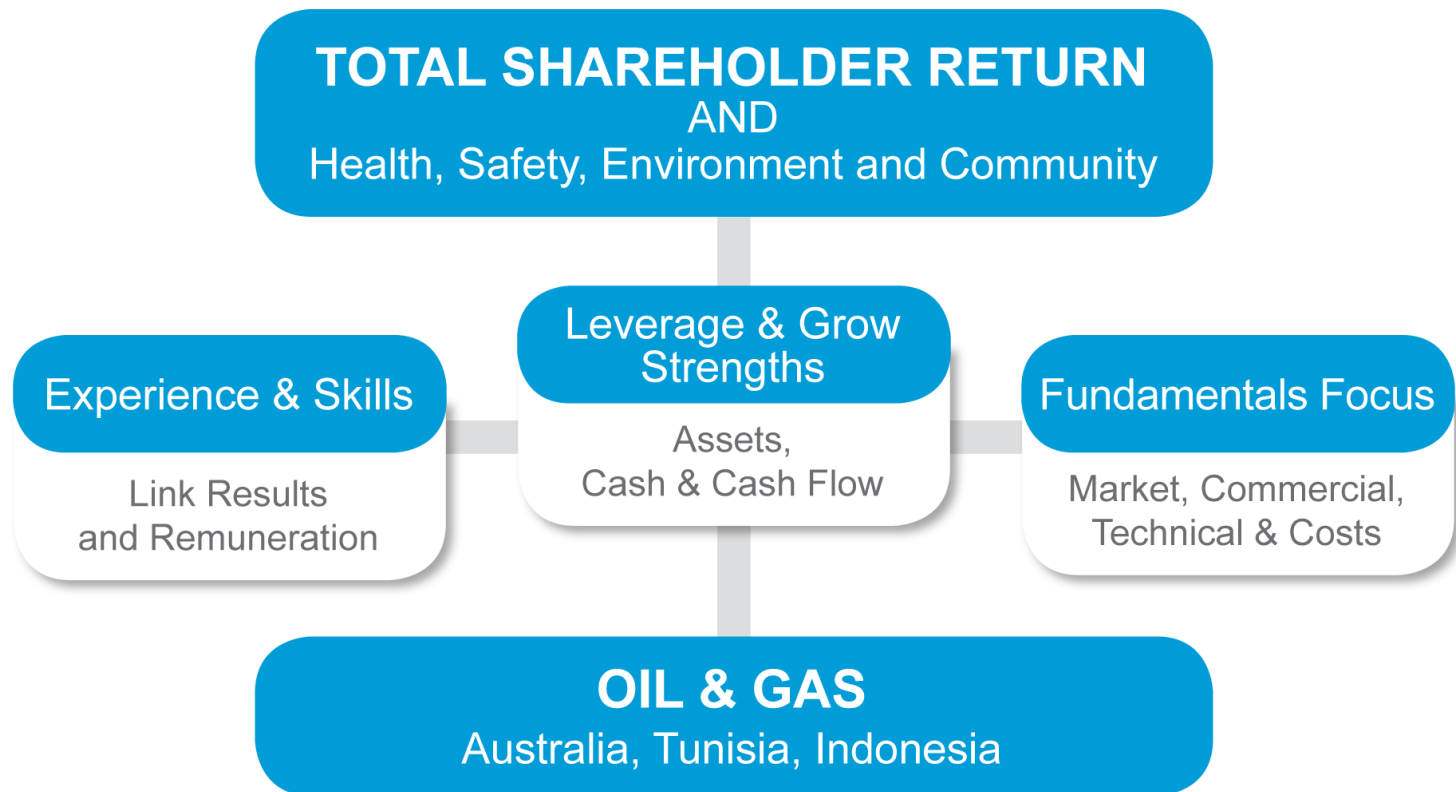
2012

- Somerton acquisition - added material Otway Basin exposure
- Hector Gordon appointed Executive Director- Exploration and Production
- Head office move to Adelaide and new team with focus on technical and commercial delivery

2013

- Cooper Basin exploration success continues
- Sawpit 2 investigates unconventional potential of Casterton Shale in Otway Basin
- Reviewing opportunities consistent with strategy
- Financial assets of \$72 million, (including 19.9% of BAS) to apply to execution of strategy

Our strategy and business



Australia focus dominates

Cooper Basin

- Western flank oil
- Gas potential

Otway Basin

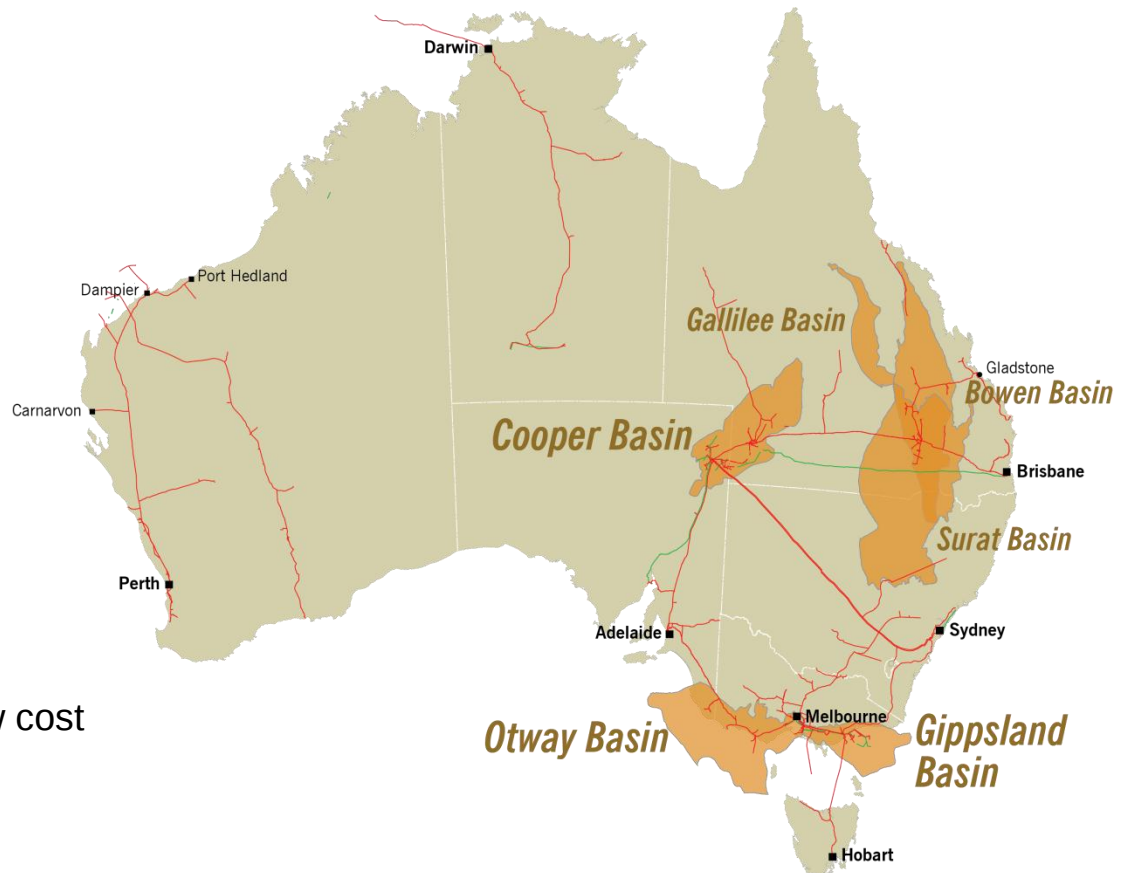
- Conventional and unconventional
 - oil and gas plays

Gippsland Basin

- Gas resources

Opportunities

- Reviewing and screening
- Grow foundation assets plus
- 1 or 2 game changers per year at low cost



Gas seller and buyer- different focus

Seller



- **Focussed on sustainable value**
 - economics
 - technical issues
 - investment certainty
- **High barriers to entry**
 - upfront capital
 - economy of scale
 - competition: gas and other fuels
 - regulation

Buyer



- **Focussed on key terms**
 - price and indexation
 - average and peak volumes
 - supply risk
 - contract duration
 - technical specs
- **Agnostic on gas source?**
 - shale
 - conventional (includes tight gas)
 - coal seam gas etc.

Gas commercialisation – Eastern Australia

■ Competing forces

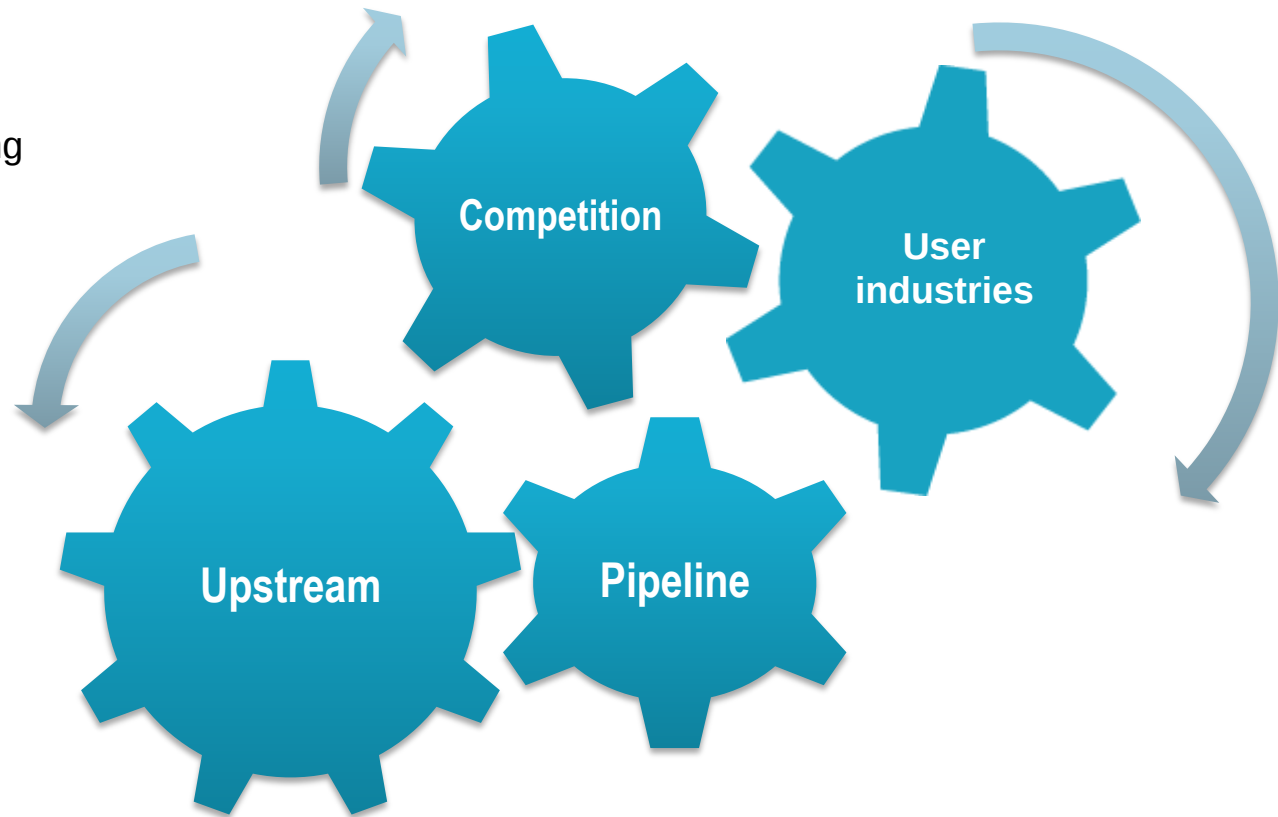
- LNG projects impact
- electricity – demand & pricing
- coal & other fuels
- user industries

■ Pipelines a key

- tariff
- access availability

■ Upstream cost – many factors

- drilling & fracking
- production capex & opex
- liquids
- inerts etc.



***Gas commercialisation requires:
all factors converging
acceptable buyer and seller economics
at the same time.***

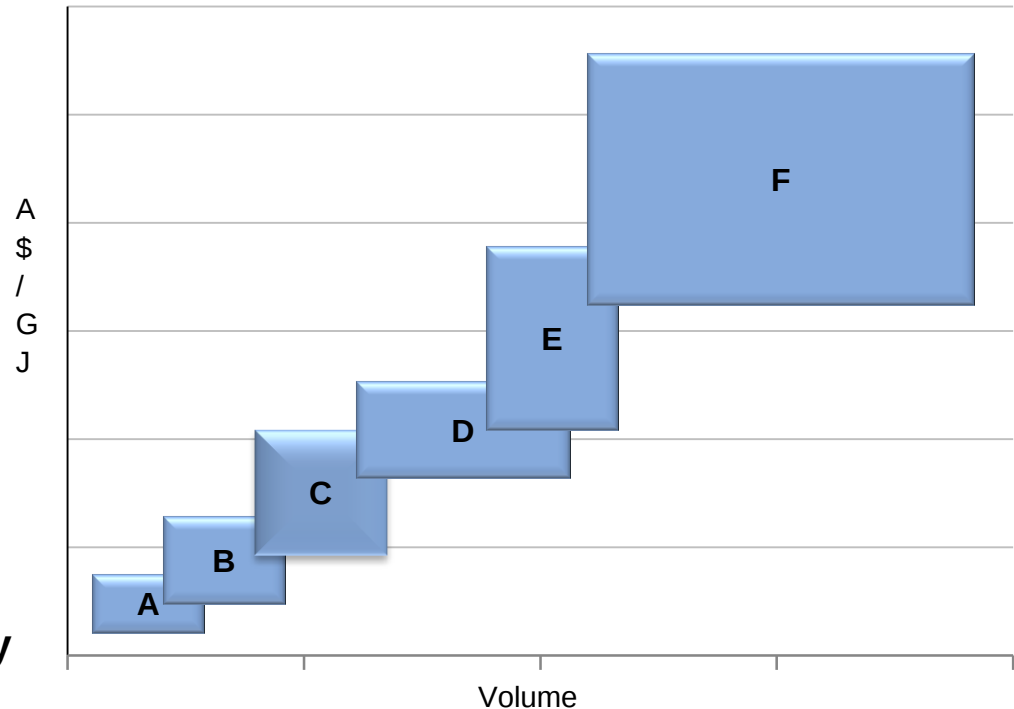
New gas supply – many issues and questions

- **Where on the cost curve?**
 - includes pipeline costs & access
- **Implications of rising prices?**
 - additional conventional and CSG
 - unconventional viability improves
 - proximity & access to market
- **Rising prices brings new supply options**

BUT

- **Supply cost & access remains key**

Breakeven gas cost v volume



Gas strategy implementation – our approach

■ Leverage strengths

- capability and experience
- technical and market
- cash and cash flow
- relationships

■ Assess market options

■ Lowest cost supply focus

- upstream and pipeline cost
- varies by market
- pursue best opportunities

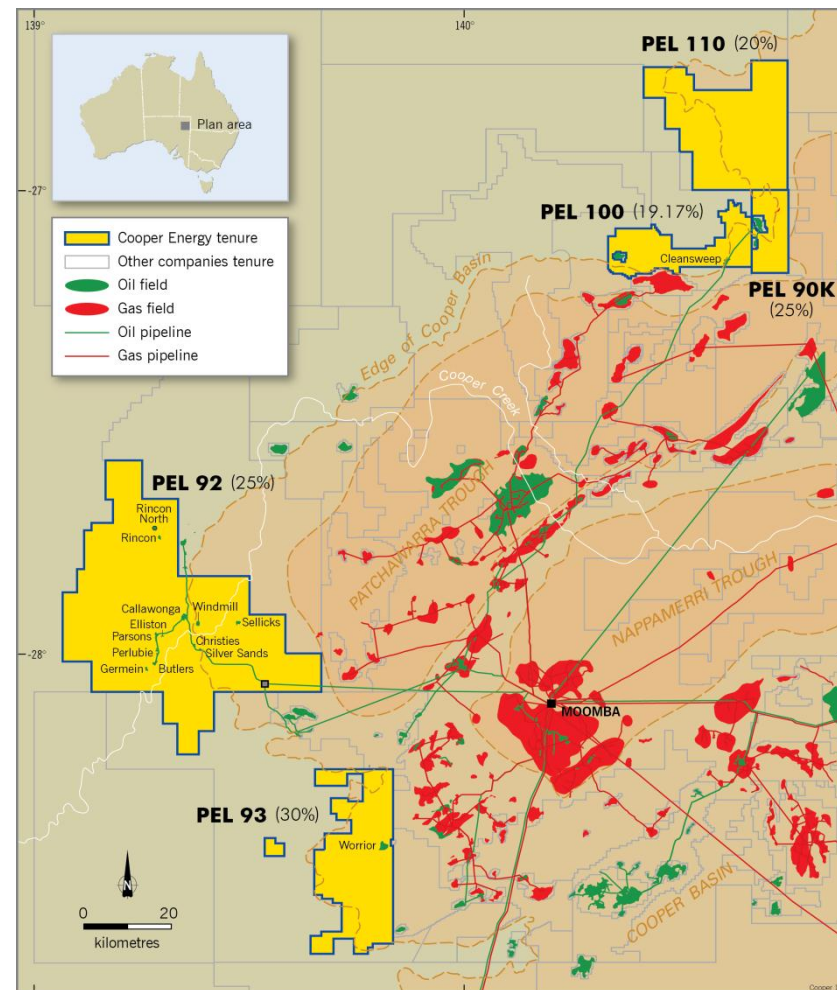
■ Build and grow portfolio

- supply sources
- customers



Cooper Basin (COE 19.16 – 30%)

- Discovered 5.4 mill bbls (net) to date*
- Produced 3.6 mill bbls (net) to date*
- Current oil production rate:
 - ~1,500 to 2,000 bopd (net)
- Very high margins
- Significant remaining potential
- 2012/13 activity:
 - up to 11 wells
 - 1,048 km² 3D seismic
 - build prospects & leads inventory
 - grow production

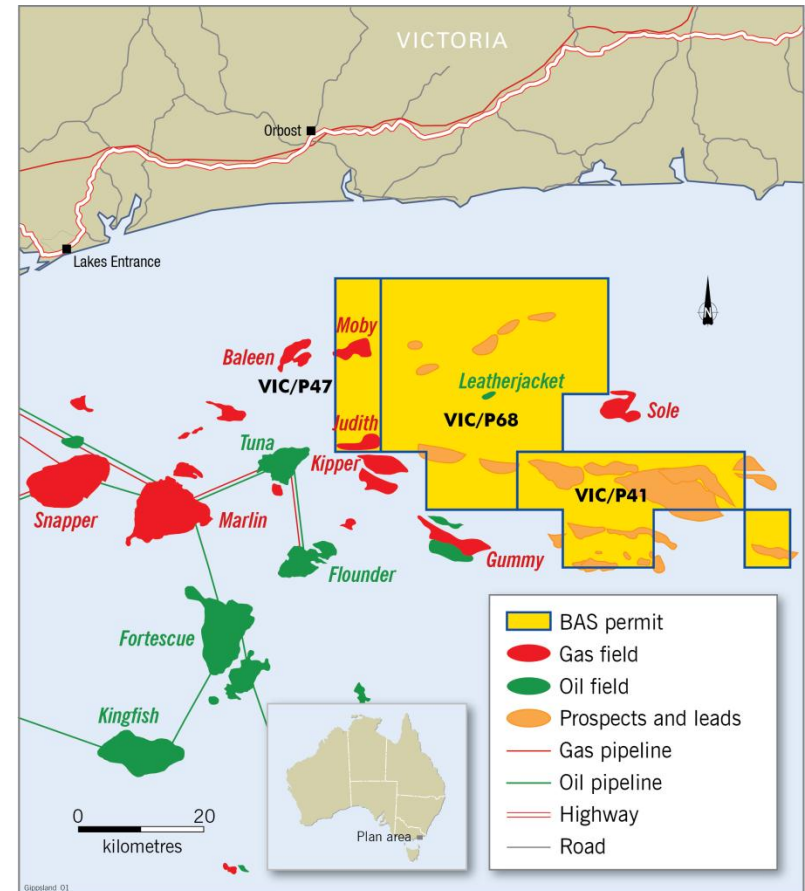


*As at 30 June 2012
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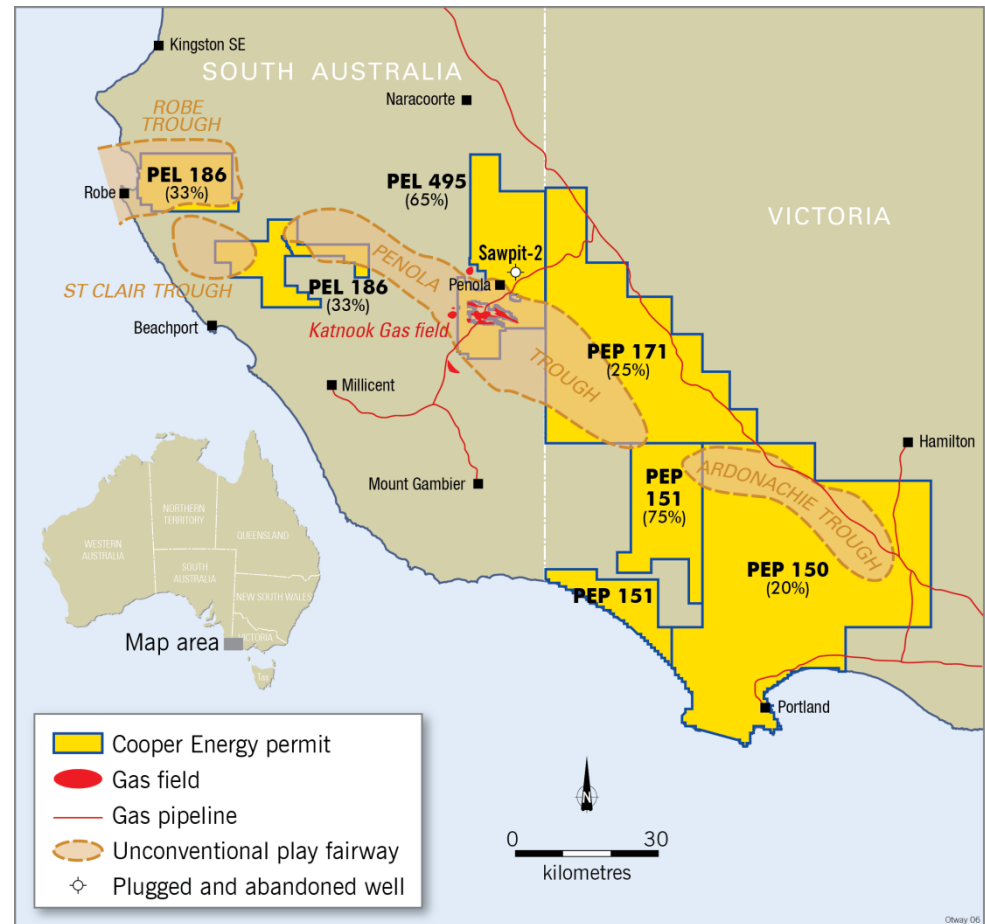
Gippsland Basin – a proven basin

- **19.9% interest in Bass Strait Oil Company (BAS)**
- **COE providing technical and commercial support**
- **BAS assets include 5 offshore Gippsland Basin permits**
 - Moby, Judith and Patricia gas discoveries
- **Sizeable gas prospects in Vic-P68 and Vic-P41**
 - close to infrastructure
 - range of development and market opportunities



Otway Basin (COE 20 – 65%)

- Proven basin for conventional plays
- Liquids prone Jurassic source rocks
- Close to infrastructure
- Close to oil and gas markets
- COE strong regional position
- Potential GIP 17-58 TCF
 - COE share ~27%



Casterton Formation – unconventional oil and gas

■ Late Jurassic- early Cretaceous rift fill

- lacustrine/fluviol rift fill sediments
- shale with some sands, coals and tuffs
- penetrated in 10 wells
- deepest penetration ~2,500m

■ Key source rock for Penola Trough

- gas, gas liquids & oil
- TOC 2–20%

■ Thick and aerially extensive

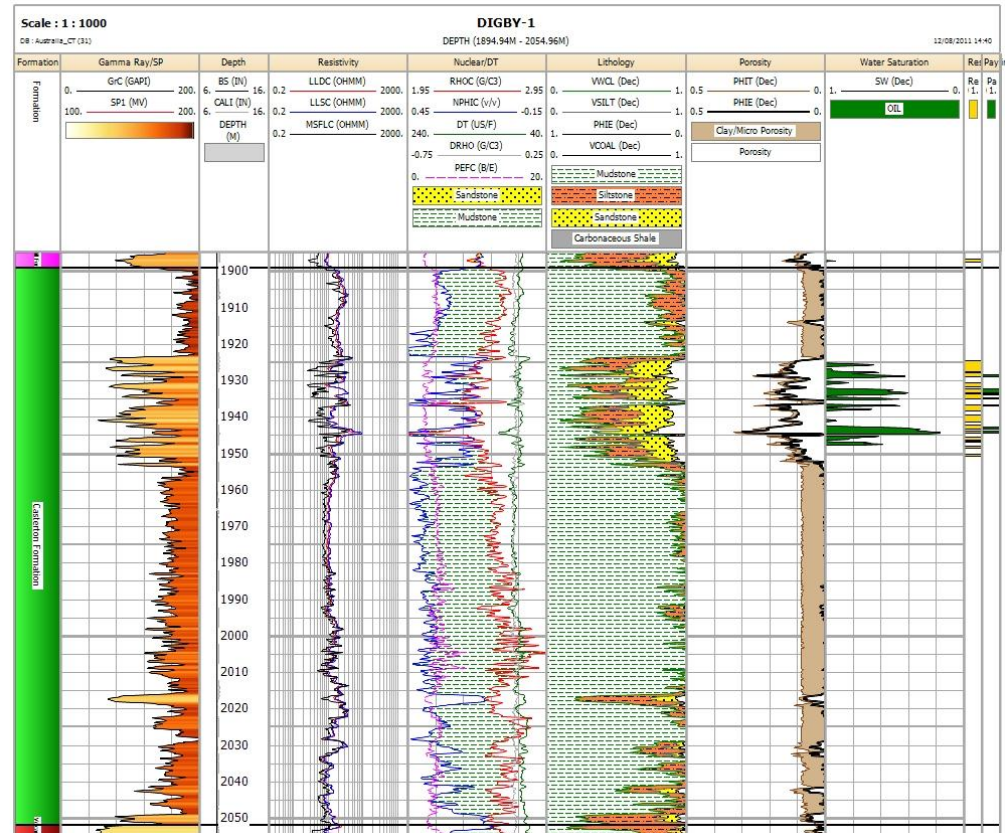
- up to 300m thick in troughs
- play fairway >2,000km²

■ Mature/over-mature

- overpressure expected below 2,600m

■ Example: Digby-1 (PEP 150, COE 20%)

- 150m good-excellent oil source
- TOC 2.3-8.9%
- oil bearing interbedded sandstone



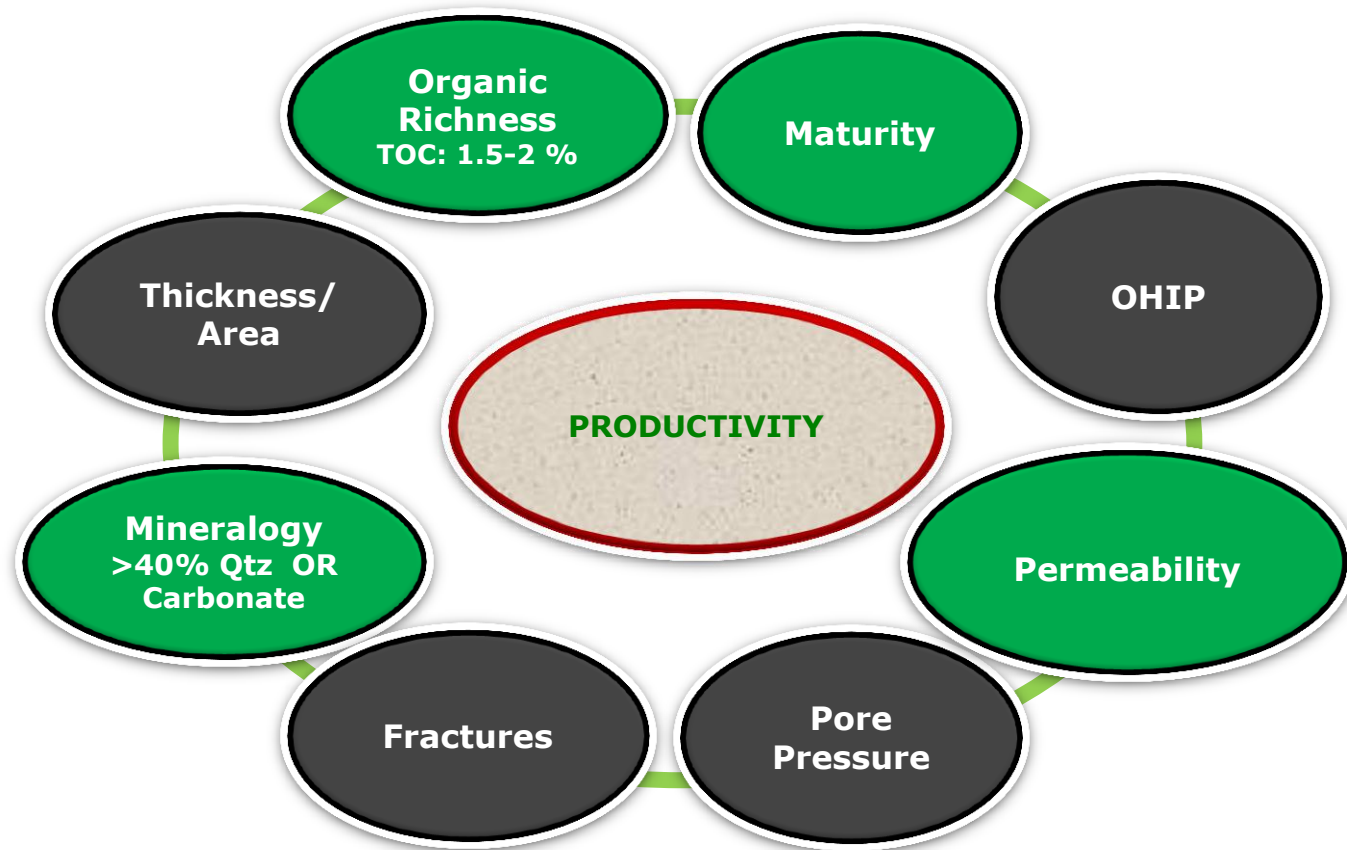
Otway Basin - Sawpit-2

Casterton Formation Core

- 56 metres of conventional core in Casterton and Sawpit shales
- Core analysis to determine source rock potential and fracability
 - Total Organic Carbon (TOC)
 - maturity
 - mineralogy
 - rock strength



Technical elements for a successful unconventional play



Sawpit-2 core analyses will provide information on these technical elements

Exploration program

Location	Licence	Operator	COE Equity	2013						Comments / Total				
				Jun Qtr			Sept Qtr				Dec Qtr			
Cooper Basin	PEL 92	Beach	25%											6 well program started March, Caseolus 3D started February. Further drilling likely later in 2013.
	PEL 90, 100, 110	Senex	19.2 - 25%										Dundinna 3D starts April	
Otway Basin	PEL 495	Beach	65%											Sawpit-2 evaluation
Tunisia	Bargou Permit	Cooper	30%											Hammamet West-3
Indonesia	Sukananti & Sumbagsel	Cooper	55% & 100%											Tangai-1 workover - June Qtr. Sukananti drilling & Sumbagsel seismic Q4



Seismic



Drilling



Contingent drilling



Development



Contingent Development



Evaluation

Summary

- **Demand and supply projections are positive for new gas developments**
 - but market fundamentals will still determine who wins and when
- **Unconventional gas has to compete**
 - with conventional gas and CSG resources uneconomic at current prices; and
 - with conventional gas and CSG exploration
- **Cooper Energy TSR-driven approach is to:**
 - further build the strong foundation oil business
 - whilst leveraging our commercial and technical strengths to develop the gas business
- **Cooper Energy gas business approach is:**
 - market orientated
 - concentrating on fundamentals

Appendices

1. **Company snapshot**
2. **Cooper Basin PEL 92**
3. **Oil production historical and FY13 forecast**
4. **Tunisia**
5. **Indonesia**
6. **Indonesia - South Sumatra basin**

Company snapshot

Capital structure

Share price
range, 12 months to 30 April 2013 **\$0.40 - \$0.69**

Shares on issue **329.0 mill**

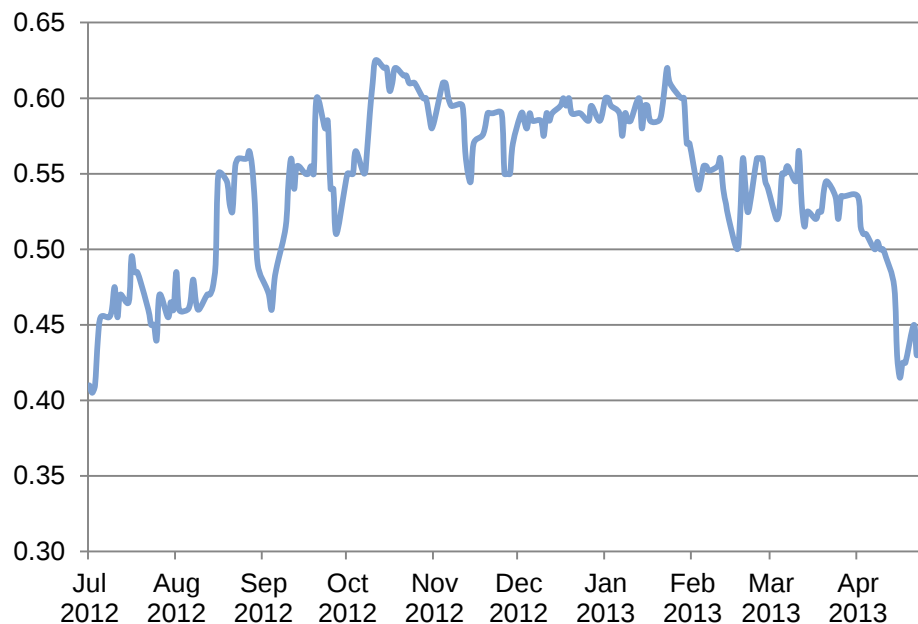
Market capitalisation
44cts on 26 April 2013 **\$144.8 mill**

Cash, term deposits & investments at cost
at 31 March 2013 **\$71.7 mill**

Debt **Nil**

Shareholders
on 31 March 2013 **Top 20 ~64%**
Funds/Corp ~67%

COE Share Price
\$ financial year to date



Cooper Basin – PEL 92 (COE 25%)

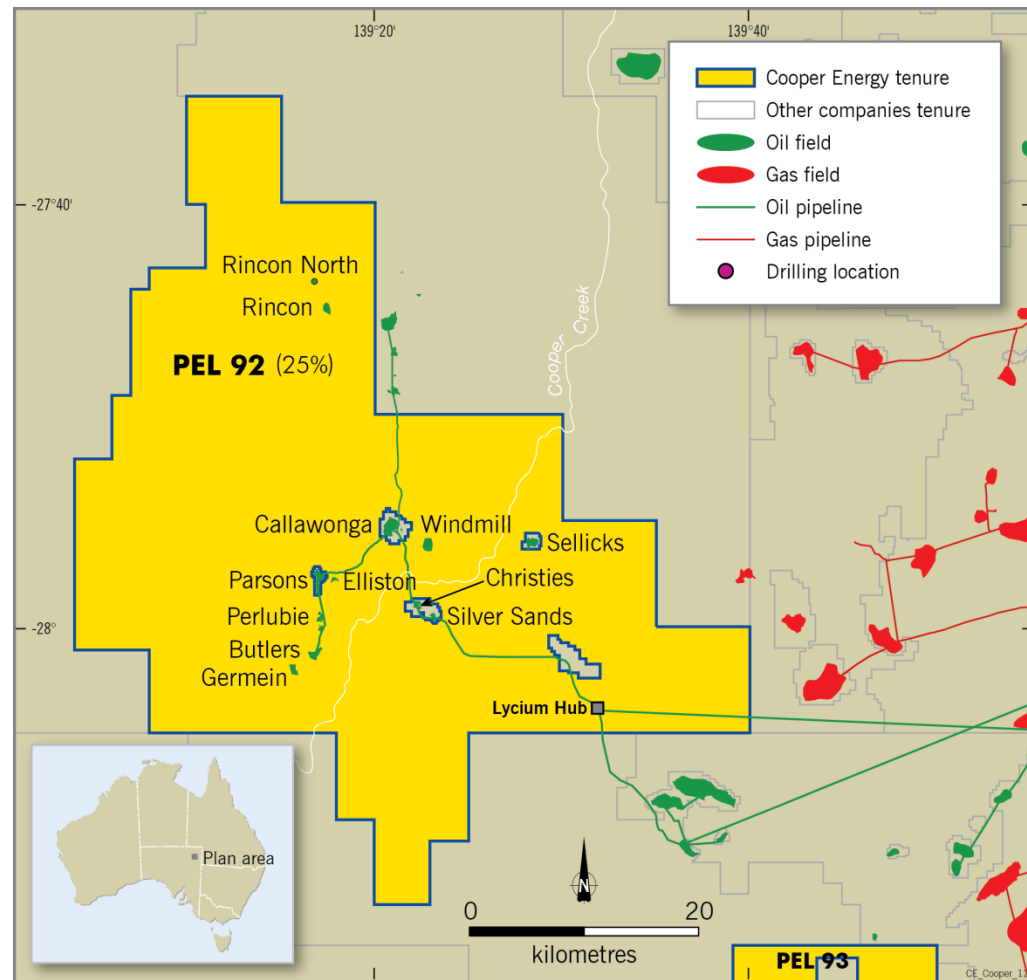
■ Production

- record production in FY12
- new pipeline commenced Dec' 2012
- production building over 2H FY13
- development drilling & facilities upgrades planned for 2013

■ Significant remaining potential

- current EUR ~15 mill bbls (gross)
- further growth from exploration and existing fields
- gas potential in east

■ 3D over most of prospective area by end 2013

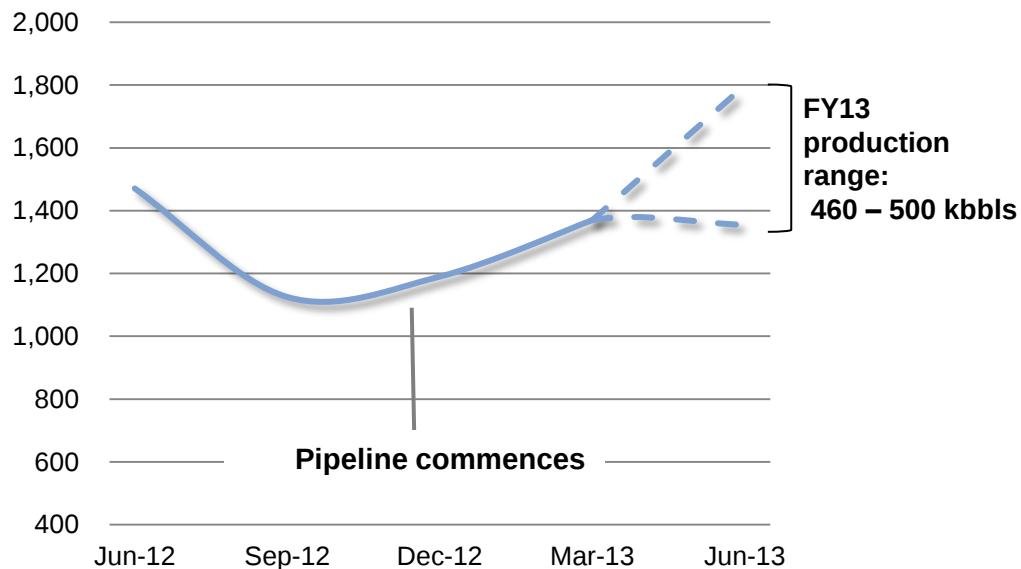


Solid production + material upside

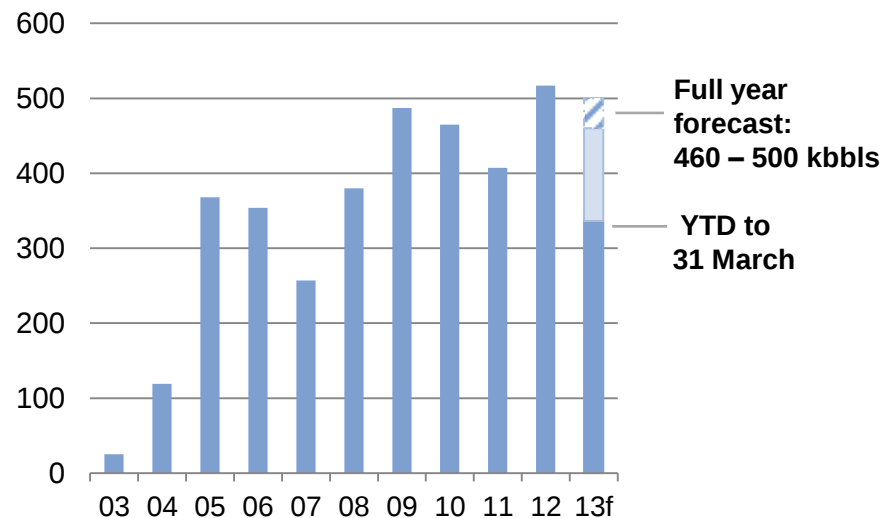


Oil production - historical and FY13 forecast

FY13 Production by quarter
(average BOPD)

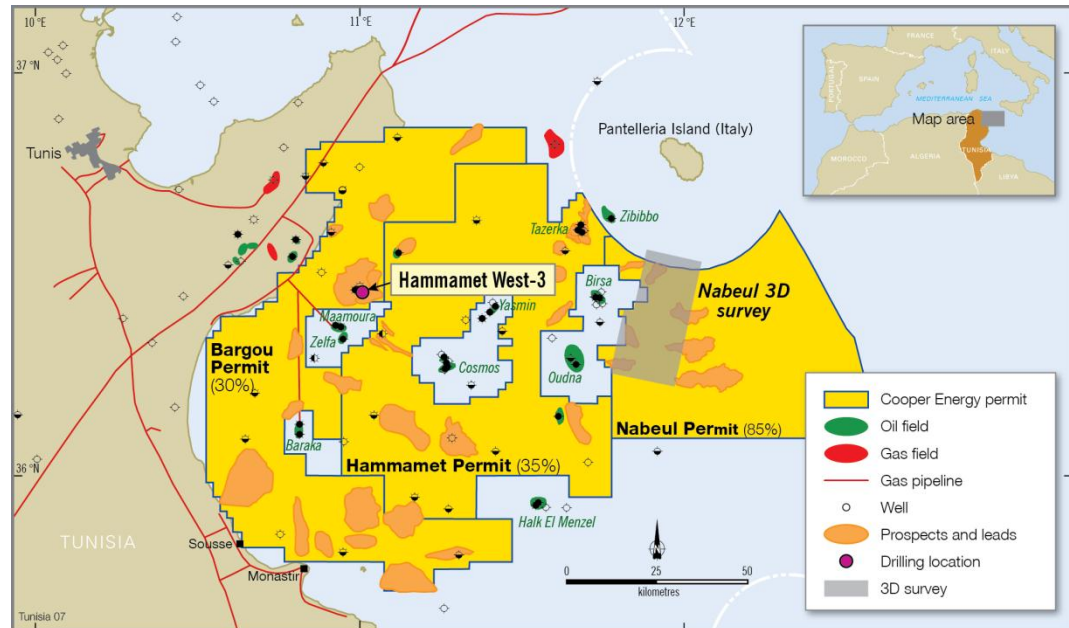


FY13 Production forecast and prior periods
(kbbls, financial year)



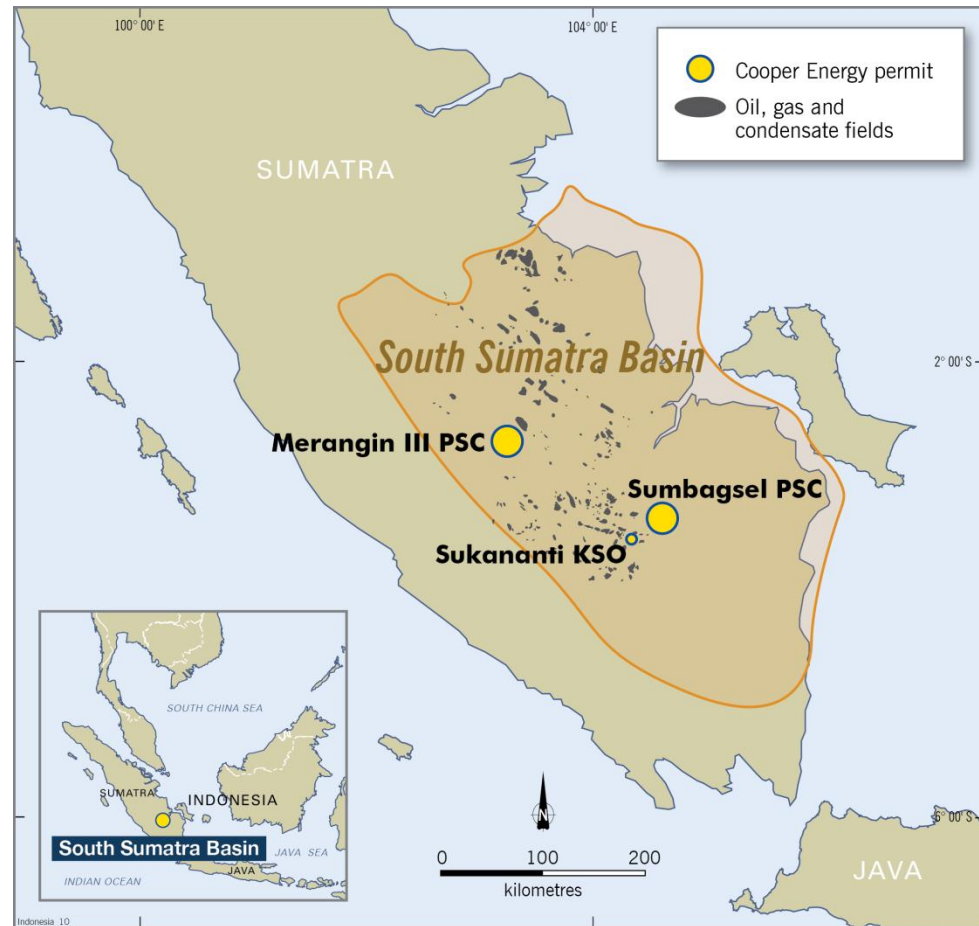
Tunisia (COE 30 – 85%)

- **Hammamet West-3 underway (COE 30%)**
 - fractured carbonate play
 - very large structure
 - proven oil charge
 - adjacent field produces same reservoir
 - shallow water / near shore
 - competitive fiscal terms
 - COE carried up to \$27 million gross cost
 - spudded April 4, 75-80 day well
- **Nabeul Permit (COE 85%)**
 - 3D delineated several Birsa Sandstone targets
 - adjacent fields in same reservoir
 - potential 50-100 mill bbls gross rec. oil
 - farm-out
 - drill 2014



Indonesia – increasing production and reserves

- **South Sumatra Basin**
 - prolific hydrocarbon province
- **Range of onshore opportunities to add value**
 - exploration & development
 - shallow oil
 - deep gas
 - CSG
 - shale plays
- **Low technical risk**
- **Competitive fiscal terms (gas & oil)**
- **Low cost game changing opportunities**
- **Local self-funding office**
 - competitive advantage



South Sumatra Basin

■ Sukananti KSO (COE 55%)

- ex Pertamina fields ~50 bopd (gross)
- currently ~200 bopd (gross)
- work-over and drilling in 2013
- potential >1 mill bbls (net to COE)
- contractor share 15% oil / 20% gas (after tax)

■ Sumbagsel PSC (COE 100%)

- shallow oil targets (1-5 mill bbls) & CSG
- seismic 2013 / drilling 2014
- farm-out planned
- equity hydrocarbons share
25% oil / 40% gas (after tax)

■ Merangin III⁽¹⁾ (COE 100%)

- highly prospective & identified prospects
- adjacent to existing gas and oil fields
- seismic and 1 well commitment
- farm-out with strong interest already received
- equity hydrocarbons share
30% oil / 35% gas (after tax)

(1) PSC to be signed 16 May, 2013

