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



### Key features

# ASX 300 Exploration and production company

## High margin production assets

# Prospective and strategic exploration acreage

## Experienced and proven management

## Strong cash flow and balance sheet

## Focused strategy on TSR and Australia

- Market cap of \$138 million (1)
- Strong, stable register with ~ 67% institutional and corporate shareholders
- Cooper Basin western flank oil production
- Indonesia oil production
- Cooper, Otway, Gippsland conventional and unconventional oil and gas
- Material upside in prospective acreage in Indonesia, Tunisia
- Management with excellent delivery record in Australia and international
- Deep knowledge of Eastern Australian basins and gas commercialisation
- Strong cash generation from core Cooper Basin assets
- Cash and financial assets of \$72 million (2)
- Executing strategy that leverages gas commercialisation and geoscience capabilities with financial resources
  - (1) As at 17 May 2013
  - (2) As at 31 March 2013



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# Iconic Coopers – enduring & commanding







### 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 & very valuable production from Cooper Basin
- International exploration focus including Romania, Poland, Tunisia, Indonesia etc.

2011

- Strategy review & turned growth 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 deep knowledge of Cooper and Otway basins and gas commercialisation

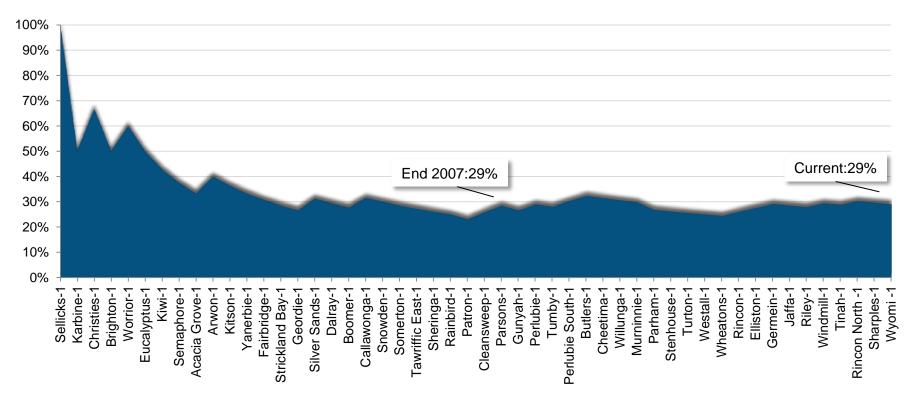
2013

- 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 <sup>(1)</sup>, (including 19.9% of BAS) to apply to execution of strategy



### Cooper Energy - Cooper Basin success rate

#### Rolling success rate for wildcat wells

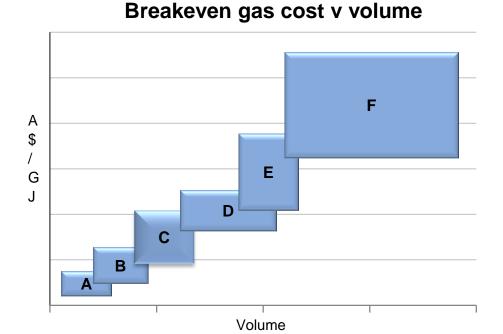




Keeps delivering

### Cooper Basin - questions on new gas supply opportunities

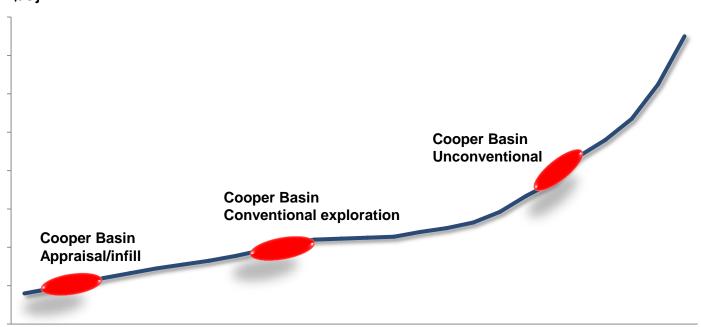
- Rising prices brings new supply possibilities, BUT.....supply cost & access remains critical
- Position on the cost curve?
  - includes pipeline costs & access
  - relevance and competitiveness of infrastructure in place
- Implications of rising prices?
  - improves viability for currently uneconomic conventional and unconventional gas
  - competing regions and energy e.g. CSG
  - proximity & access to market





## Cooper Basin gas on the cost curve

Eastern Australia breakeven gas supply cost ex plant - indicative A\$/Gj



Sources of Australian gas supply, conventional and unconventional



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## 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 Energy - Eastern Australian basins & markets

### **Cooper Basin**

- Western flank oil
- Gas potential

#### **Otway Basin**

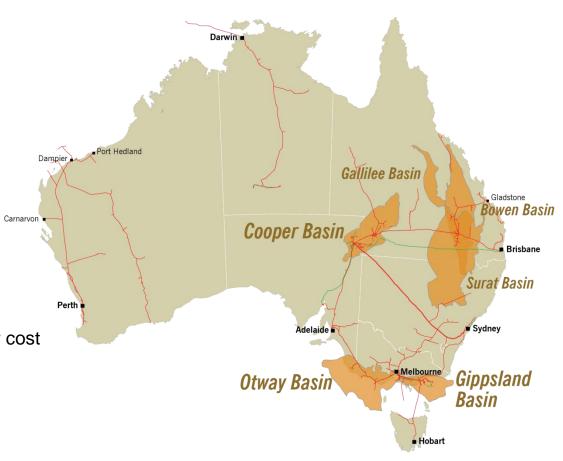
- Conventional and unconventional
  - oil and gas plays

#### **Gippsland Basin**

Gas resources

### **Opportunities**

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



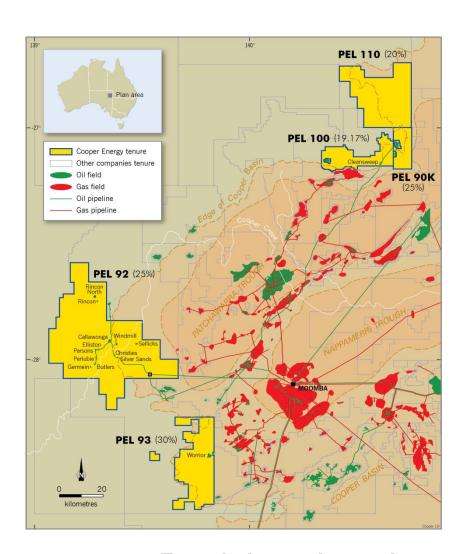


### **Cooper Basin** (COE 19.16 – 30%)

- 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 km<sup>2</sup> 3D seismic
  - build prospects & leads inventory
  - grow production

<sup>\*</sup>As at 30 June 2012





### Our strategy and business

### **TOTAL SHAREHOLDER RETURN**

**AND** 

Health, Safety, Environment and Community

Experience & Skills

Link Results and Remuneration

Leverage & Grow Strengths

Assets, Cash & Cash Flow **Fundamentals Focus** 

Market, Commercial, Technical & Costs

**OIL & GAS** 

Australia, Tunisia, Indonesia



### **Summary**

#### Cooper Basin provides:

- long term, high margin oil production
- access to infrastructure and connection to markets
- conventional and unconventional gas potential

### Demand and supply projections are positive for Cooper Basin gas exploration, commercialisation and development

- expectation of rising prices will encourage new production
- but market fundamentals will still determine who wins and when

#### Cooper Energy TSR-driven approach is to:

- further build the strong foundation oil business; and
- leverage 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**

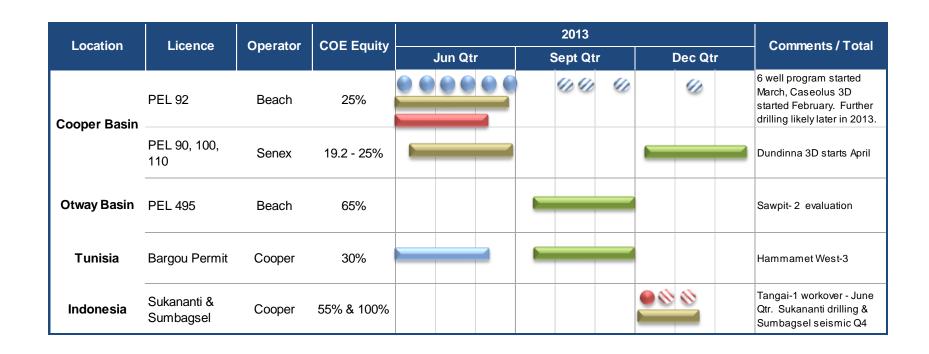
Capital structure	
Share price range,12 months to 17 May 2013	\$0.40 - \$0.69
Shares on issue	329.0 mill
Market capitalisation 44cts on 26 April 2013	\$138 mill
Cash, term deposits & investments at cost at 31 March 2013	\$71.7 mill
Debt	Nil
Shareholders on 31 March 2013	Top 20 ~64% Funds/Corp ~67%





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### Remaining 2013 Exploration program











Contingent Development



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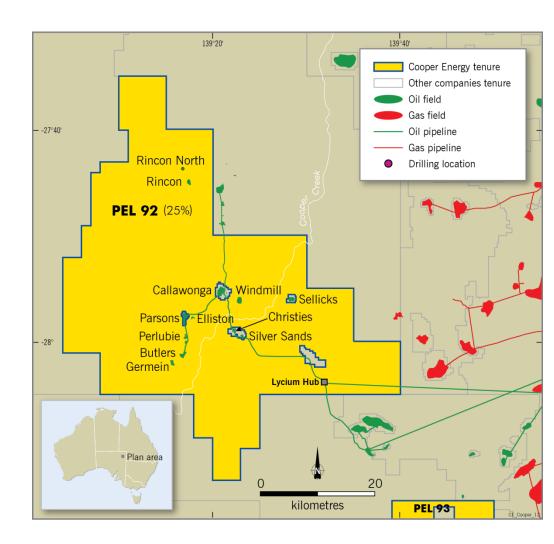
### Cooper Basin – PEL 92 (COE 25%)

#### 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

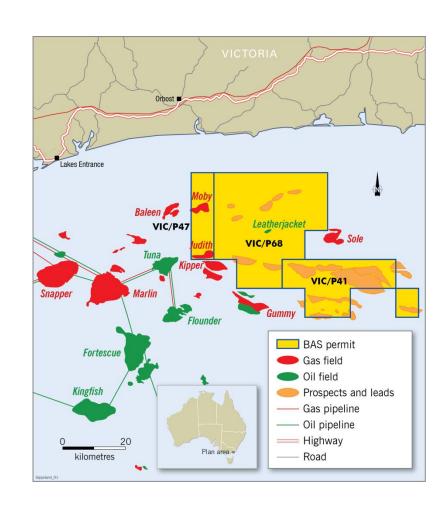




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### Gippsland Basin – a proven basin

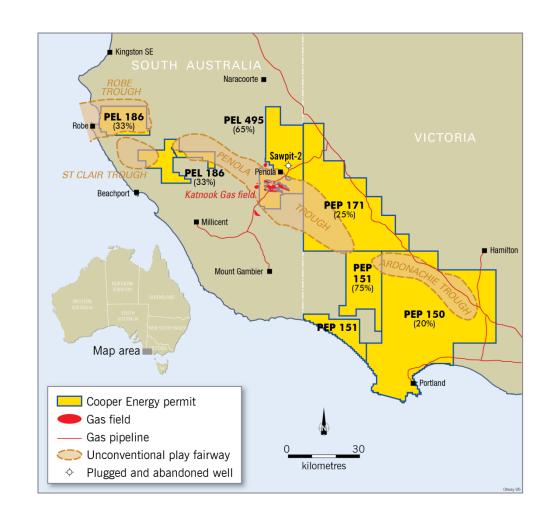
- 19.9% interest in Bass Strait Oil Company (BAS)
- COE providing technical and commercial support
- BAS assets include 5 offshore Gippsland Basin permits
  - Moby, Judith and Patricia gas discoveries
- Sizeable gas prospects in Vic-P68 and Vic-P41
  - close to infrastructure
  - range of development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





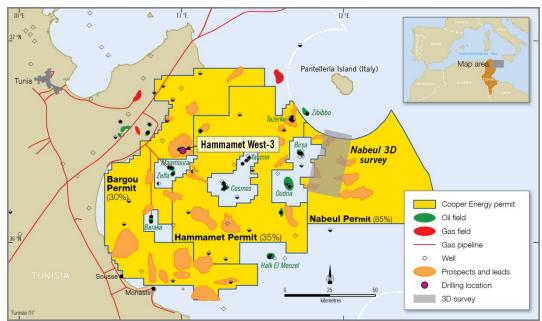
### **Tunisia** (COE 30 – 85%)

## 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

#### Nabeul Permit (COE 85%)

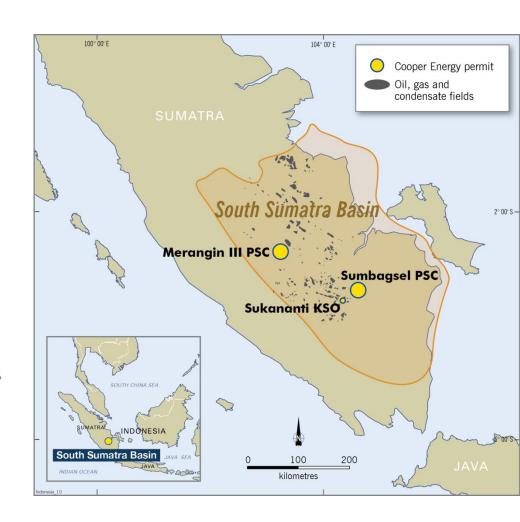
- 3D delineated several Birsa Sandstone targets
- adjacent fields in same reservoir
- potential 50-100 mill bbls gross rec. oil
- farm-out
- drill 2014





### 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 (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)

