

Quarterly Report March 2014

29 April 2014

Highlights

- Record year to date production and sales: year to date production up 35% to 456 kbbl and sales revenue of \$56 million already higher than the FY13 full year sales revenue of \$53 million
- Sales revenue up 3% on previous quarter and up 47% on March 2013 quarter: sales revenue for the guarter was \$19.2 million
- Production up 1% on previous quarter and up 23% on March 2013 quarter: production for the quarter was 155 kbbl, equivalent to 1,726 bopd
- **Production guidance increased:** FY14 production range increased to 575 kbbl to 600kbbl (previously 540kbbl to 580kbbl)
- Drilling success: Jolly-1 identifies new gas play concept in the Otway Basin and Worrior-10 successfully appraises Patchawarra oil in PEL 93
- Strong growth in total financial assets: financial assets rose 20% over the quarter to \$79.7 million at 31 March 2014
- 11.3MMboe 2C Contingent Resource in Hammamet West: recognised subsequent to the end of the quarter following completion of the Hammamet West Contingent Resource Assessment (refer ASX announcement dated 28 April 2014)

Managing Director's Comments

"Our third quarter results are very strong and have the company well on track for record full year results. Sales revenue for the nine months to March has already exceeded the full year sales for 2013 and we have upgraded our production guidance to 575,000 to 600,000 barrels (previously 540,000 to 580,000 barrels).

"The strength of the performance is further evident in our balance sheet, with cash, term deposits and financial assets of \$80 million at 31 March. Cooper Energy is very well resourced to fund our growth plans.

"Our drilling results were positive, with successful appraisal of the Patchawarra oil pool at Worrior, and the highly encouraging outcome from Jolly-1 in the Otway Basin.

We are expecting another strong quarter to finish the year including plans for significant exploration and development activity in the Cooper Basin, Otway Basin and Indonesia."

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Financial

March quarter

Sales revenue for the March quarter 2014 was \$19.2 million, 3% higher than the previous quarter's revenue of \$18.6 million, and 47% higher than the pcp sales of \$13.1 million.

The increased revenue compared with the previous quarter was the result of a higher volume of oil delivered for sale and higher oil prices. The average oil price for the quarter of A\$126.33/barrel was 2% higher than the A\$123.32/barrel in the December quarter. A total of 152.0 kbbl of oil was delivered for sale, compared with 150.8 kbbl in the December quarter. Oil production rose with an average daily rate of 1,726 barrels of oil per day (bopd), up 3% on the December quarter average of 1,671 bopd.

Capital expenditure for the March quarter was \$5.7 million, down from \$13.0 million in the December quarter with the movement largely attributable to the higher exploration expenditure in the December quarter, which included the Tunisian offshore well Hammamet West-3 and a seismic survey in the Sumbagsel PSC, Indonesia.

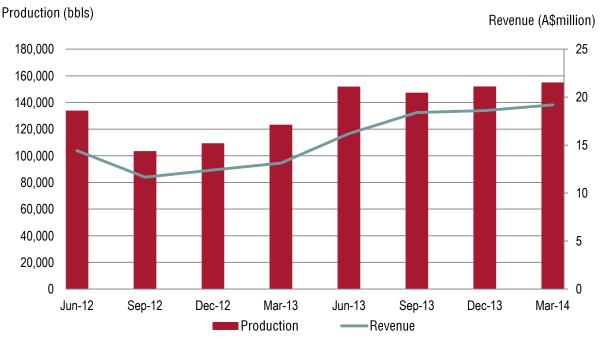
Total financial assets at 31 March 2014 were \$79.7 million up 20% on the corresponding figure of \$66.3 million at the beginning of the period. The growth in financial assets is due to cash generation (cash balances up 22% to \$50.0 million) and appreciation of the market value of investments held for sale.

Year to date

Sales revenue for the nine months to 31 March was \$56.2 million. This is 51% higher than the previous corresponding figure of \$37.2 million and exceeds the 2013 full year sales revenue of \$53.4 million. The increase is due to higher oil volumes and higher prices.

Cooper Energy production for the nine months to 31 March was 456.5 kbbl, the highest three-quarter production yet recorded by Cooper Energy and 35% higher than the 2013 comparative of 338.6 kbbl. The average oil price for the first nine months was A\$125.65/bbl, 14% higher than the pcp comparative of A\$109.87/bbl.

Quarterly Production and Revenue



Quarterly and Year to Date Summary

	Units	s Quarter End			Year to date:		
Description		31 Mar 2014 ¹	31 Dec 2013 ²	Change	31 Mar 2014 ¹	31 Mar 2013 ²	Change
Production and Sales							
Group oil produced	kbbl	155.0	153.8	1%	456.5	338.6	35%
Group oil sold/delivered for sale ²	kbbl	152.0	150.8	1%	447.3	Not reported	n/a
Group sales revenue	\$MM	19.2	18.6	3%	56.2	37.2	51%
Average oil price	A\$/bbl	126.33	123.32	2%	125.65	109.87	14%
Capital Expenditure							
Exploration and appraisal	\$MM	4.1	9.3	-56%	30.1	3.5	760%
Development and fixed assets	\$MM	1.6	3.7	-57%	7.3	8.5	-14%
Total capital expenditure		5.7	13.0	-56%	37.4	12.0	212%
Financial Assets							
Cash and term deposits	\$MM	50.0	41.1	22%	50.0	47.3	6%
Available for sale financial assets ³	\$MM	29.7	25.2	18%	29.7	25.4	17 %
Total financial assets	_	79.7	66.3	20%	79.7	72.7	10%
Capital							
Issued shares	million	329.2	329.2	0%	329.2	329.1	0%
Performance rights	million	14.7	14.7	0%	14.7	8.3	77%

Notes:

- (1) Current quarter and year to date includes preliminary production figures for PEL 92 in the Cooper Basin
- (2) Prior periods have been updated for final reconciled production figures
- (3) Available for sale financial assets shown at fair value at the reporting date.

Production, Exploration & Development

Australia

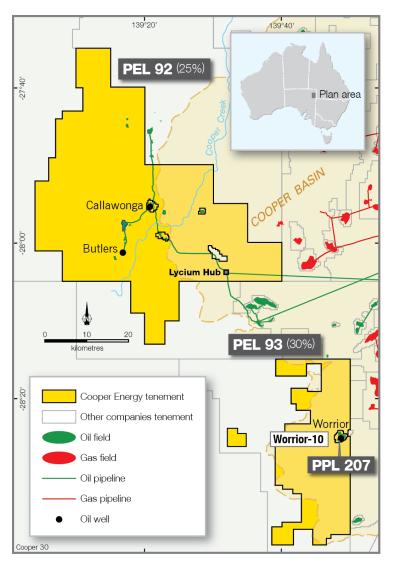
Production - Cooper Basin

The Company's share of oil production from its Cooper Basin tenements for the March quarter was 142 kbbl (average 1,587 bopd) compared to 141 kbbl (average 1,533 bopd) in the preceding quarter and 119 kbbl in the previous corresponding period.

Exploration and Development - Cooper Basin

One oil appraisal well, Worrior-10, was drilled in PPL 207 (Cooper Energy 30%) in March 2014. Worrior-10 was drilled to appraise the north-western extent of the Patchawarra formation oil accumulation identified in Worrior-8 which flowed 670 barrels of oil per day with 0.7 million standard cubic feet of gas on production test in 2013.

Worrior-10 intersected 4.5 metres of net oil pay in the Patchawarra Formation and 4.9 metres of calculated net oil pay in the Murta Formation and has been cased and suspended as a future oil producer. An extended production test is scheduled to commence in the June quarter



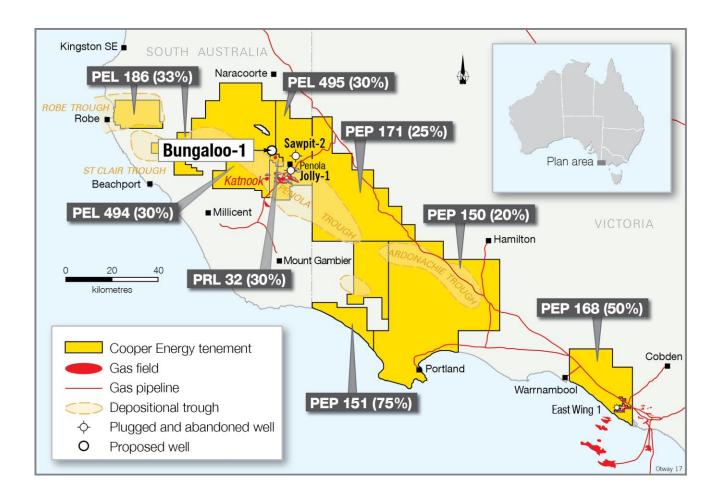
Otway Basin

During the quarter Jolly-1 was drilled in the onshore Otway Basin PEL 495 (Cooper Energy 30%). The well was drilled outside of structural closure, targeting the gas potential of the Casterton Formation in the Penola Trough. Jolly-1 was drilled to a total depth of 4,026 metres, which is the deepest petroleum well in the onshore Otway Basin.

Elevated mud gas readings were observed during the drilling of Jolly-1 over a gross interval of 340 metres of the Lower Sawpit Shale (from 3,430 metres to 3,770 metres) which contains extensive sandstone intervals.

Conventional core recovered from the Lower Sawpit (27 metres) and Casterton Formations (51 metres) at Jolly-1 is being analysed for porosity, permeability and gas content and this, together with information gathered at the next well, Bungaloo-1, will form the basis of an assessment of the gas potential of the Penola Trough.

In PEP 151 the joint venture commenced acquisition of 112 km of 2D seismic data.



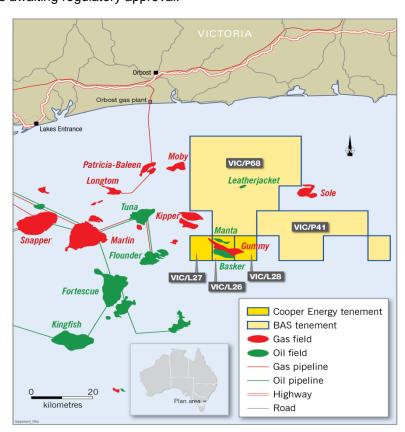
Gippsland Basin

BMG Project

Cooper Energy signed agreements to acquire a 65% interest and Operator responsibility for the Basker/Manta/Gummy gas and liquids project (BMG) in the offshore Gippsland Basin through acquisition of a 65% interest in each of the production licences: Vic/L26; Vic/L27; and Vic/L28. Completion of the acquisition, which is effective from 1 January 2014, is awaiting regulatory approval.

The project comprises the Basker oil and gas field, Manta oil and gas field and the Gummy gas discovery in water depths ranging from 150 to 350 metres. The BMG fields were previously developed for oil production (which included gas production and reinjection) and have been in a non-productive phase since 2010. The BMG resource estimate will be updated and included in the year-end review of reserves and resources.

The BMG joint venture equity structure following the completion of the transaction will comprise Cooper Energy (65% and Operator) and Beach Energy (35%).



Bass Strait Oil Company Limited (BAS)

Cooper Energy increased its shareholding in Bass Strait Oil Company to 22.95%. BAS has interests in the Gippsland Basin permits Vic/P41 and Vic/P68 which are located adjacent to the BMG project.

Indonesia

Production

Cooper Energy's share of production from the Sukananti KSO (Cooper Energy 55%) was 12.5 kbbl (139 bopd), which is in-line with the previous quarter's 12.7 kbbl (138 bopd).

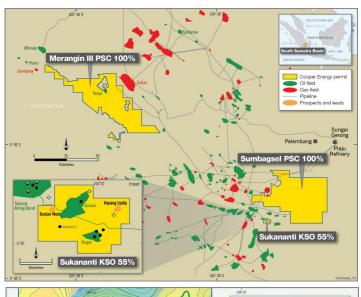
Exploration and Development

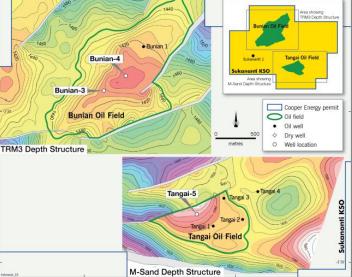
Workovers of Sukananti-1 and Tangai-3 are planned to be undertaken in the June quarter, with the aim of assessing potential bypassed oil zones in these suspended ex-Pertamina wells. Additionally, it is intended these wells be used to increase produced water re-injection capacity, reducing an existing oil production constraint.

Planning continues for the drilling of 3 development wells, Bunian-3, Bunian-4 and Tangai-5, in the Sukananti KSO, which are expected to commence in the September quarter.

Processing of the 257km 2D seismic survey acquired in the Sumbagsel PSC (Cooper Energy 100%) in the previous quarter was completed. The objective of the survey is to delineate exploration targets for future drilling.

Reprocessing of 1,490km of 2D seismic data from the Merangin III PSC (Cooper Energy 100%) was completed during the quarter, with the objective of maturing targets for seismic acquisition in FY15.



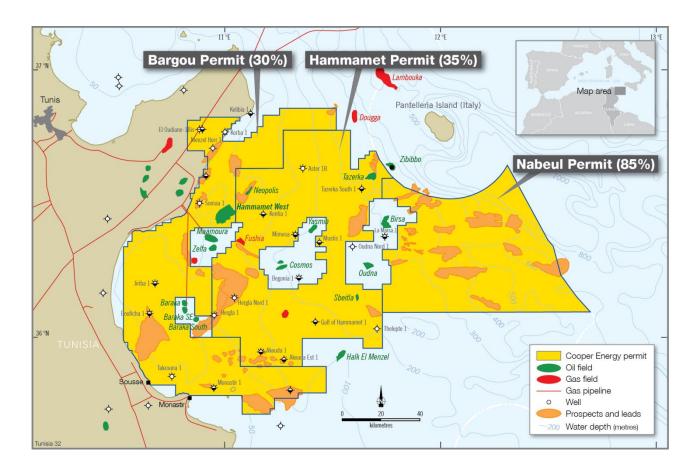


Tunisia

Exploration

The Bargou Permit (Cooper Energy 30% and Operator) is located offshore Tunisia. During the quarter, the Bargou joint venture activities focused on securing a rig to re-enter Hammamet West-3 and drill and test a second sidetrack well, Hammamet West ST-2. It is expected that operations at Hammamet West-3 will re-commence in early 2015, subject to rig availability and government regulatory approvals.

The objective of the second sidetrack well is to confirm oil productivity from the naturally fractured Abiod Formation, through drilling and testing a highly deviated wellbore. The second sidetrack is being drilled after production testing of Hammamet West-3 ST-1 could not be completed due to recurrent blockages of the production test equipment.



An assessment of the Contingent Resource of the Hammamet West discovery was completed and reported to the ASX on 28 April 2014 (Announcement). Cooper Energy has assessed its net 2C Contingent Resource in the Abiod Formation of the Hammamet West Field to be 11.3 million boe. Cooper Energy confirms that it is not aware of any new information or data that materially affects the information included in the Announcement and that all the material assumptions and technical parameters underpinning the estimates in the Announcement continue to apply and have not materially changed.

The Contingent Resource Estimates (refer table below) has been determined by Cooper Energy, having considered the results of an independent assessment by Senergy, a global integrated energy services company.

Contingent Resource Estimates in the Abiod Formation, Hammamet West Field, offshore Tunisia

Gross¹ Contingent Resource Estimates		1C (P90)	2C (P50)	3C (P10)				
Oil	MMbbl	11.6	34.5	99.8				
Gas	Bcf	5.3	17.9	59.7				
Total	MMboe ²	12.6	37.7	110.4				
Net ³ Contingent Resource Estimates for Cooper Energy								
Oil	MMbbl	3.5	10.4	29.9				
Gas	Bcf	1.6	5.4	17.9				
Total	MMboe ²	3.8	11.3	33.1				

The assessment has reinforced confidence in the likelihood of the commercial development of the Hammamet West field. The gross 1C Contingent Resource assessed for the field of 11.6 MMbbl of oil exceeds the threshold of 8 to 10 MMbbl reserves of oil that Cooper Energy's calculations indicate is required for the field to be considered economic. The drilling and production testing of the second sidetrack on Hammamet West-3 is expected to provide key information for further assessment of the resource base and development options.

Geological studies continue in the Hammamet Permit (Cooper Energy 35%) and Nabeul Permit (Cooper Energy 85%).

The data room for the divestment of Cooper Energy's Tunisian portfolio was opened in March 2014. At present a number of interested parties are reviewing the opportunity and the data room process is anticipated to remain open during most of the June quarter of 2014. In the absence of a compelling offer, Cooper Energy considers that the greatest value will be realised through a sale after the drilling and production testing of the planned Hammamet West-3 ST-2 noted above.

Poland

Cooper Energy has withdrawn from and exited the company's remaining tenements in Poland.

¹ Gross: Contingent Resources attributable to 100% joint venture interest in Bargou Permit, Tunisia

² MMboe: Million barrels of oil equivalent. Conversion factor of 1 boe = 5,620 scf (1 Bcf = 0.178 MMboe)

³ **Net:** Contingent Resources attributable to Cooper Energy's 30% interest in Bargou Permit, Tunisia

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- 2D, 3D: two dimensional, three dimensional (with respect to seismic surveys)
- bbl: barrels
- Bcf: Billion cubic feet (of gas)
- bopd: barrels of oil per day
- Financial year: 12 months ending 30 June
- FY14: financial year ending 30 June 2014
- kbbl: thousand barrels
- m: metres
- mMDRT: measured depth in metres below the rotary table or drilling floor
- MM: million
- MMboe: Million barrels of oil equivalent. Conversion factor of 1 boe = 5,620 scf (1 Bcf = 0.178 MMboe)
- pcp: prior corresponding period
- PEL: Petroleum Exploration License
- PEP: Petroleum Exploration Permit
- PSC: Production Sharing Contract
- scf: Standard cubic feet (of gas)