

### **FY16 Half Year Results**

**26 February 2016** 



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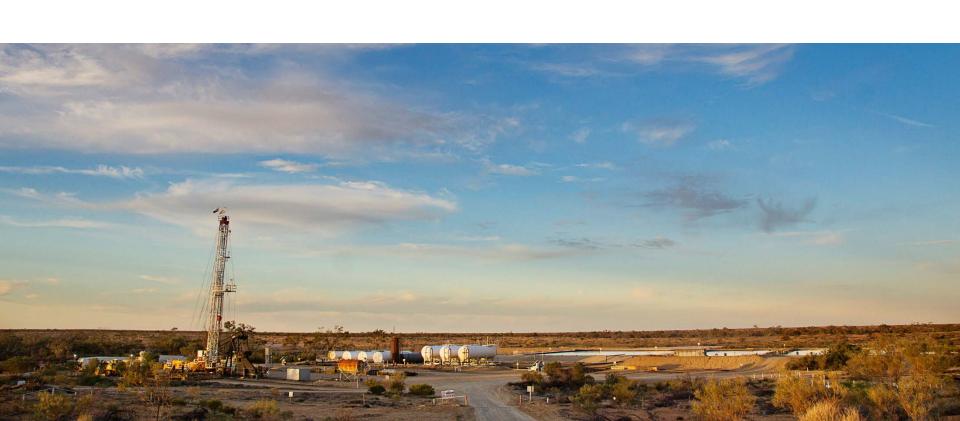
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## **Overview**

### **Neil Gibbins – Acting Chief Executive Officer**



## H1 FY16 highlights



- Strengthened Cooper Basin platform through merger with Drillsearch
  - All approvals obtained; integration to commence 1 March 2016
- > Ex PEL 91 oil production up 10% due to well connections and investment in infrastructure
- Exploration success, including five gas field discoveries in the Windorah Trough
- Transition of gas business underway with new long-term, oil-linked contract
  - Average realised gas price up 15% from prior corresponding period
- Demonstrated results from cost and capital expenditure reductions
  - Operating cash costs down 11% to \$23/boe
  - Cash of \$164 million held broadly constant over past six months
- Greater access to liquidity with new \$530 million debt facility

### H1 FY16 operations overview



- Production of 4.5 MMboe (-5%)
  - Higher ex PEL 91 oil production (+10%)
  - Gas well stock sustaining production
- Successful Windorah Trough exploration and well connection program
  - Five gas field discoveries; pipelines installed; development wells connected
- LTI<sup>1</sup> free operations for past 15 months

#### **Subsequent Events**

- Appointment of Matthew Kay as new CEO
  - Commencement date of 2 May 2016
- Shareholder and Court approvals received for Drillsearch merger

Production					
kboe	H1 FY15 H1 FY16 %				
Oil	2,420	2,277	(6%)		
Gas	1,975	1,904	(4%)		
Gas liquids	390	350	(10%)		
Total	4,785	4,531	(5%)		

Drilling					
Well Type	Wells	Successes	%		
Exploration	10	8	80%		
Appraisal	6	6	100%		
Development	18	18	100%		
Total	34	32	94%		

Continuing strong operational performance from core Cooper Basin

#### FY16 outlook



- Completion of Drillsearch integration
- High-grading of enlarged exploration portfolio; FY17 drilling program confirmed
- Western Flank field development activities and tie-in of well stock
- Detailed basin reviews ongoing
- Completion of Egyptian asset sale by financial year end targeted
- Production guidance of 8.0 8.6 MMboe
- Capital expenditure guidance of \$180 million
   \$210 million
  - c.\$60 million of deferrals and reductions from original guidance

# Activities underpinned by four-pillar growth strategy



**Optimise our core in the Cooper Basin** 



Build a complementary gas business in east coast basins



Pursue other compatible growth opportunities in Australia and nearby



Maintain financial strength



## **Financial**

## **Kathryn Presser – Chief Financial Officer**

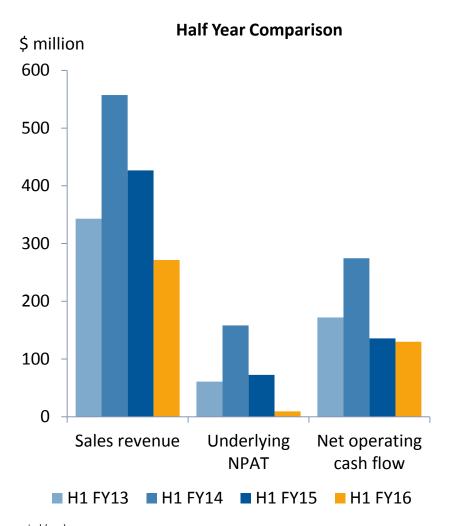


### H1 FY16 financial overview



- Sales volumes of 5.1 MMboe (-11%)
  - Lower production and third party sales;
     higher gas volumes to storage
- Results impacted by 49% price decline<sup>1</sup>
  - Sales revenue: \$272 million (-36%)
  - Underlying NPAT: \$9 million (-88%)
- Stable net operating cash flow from cost reductions and lower tax payments
- Net cash position broadly maintained
- New \$530 million corporate debt facility
- Dividend suspended to preserve capital

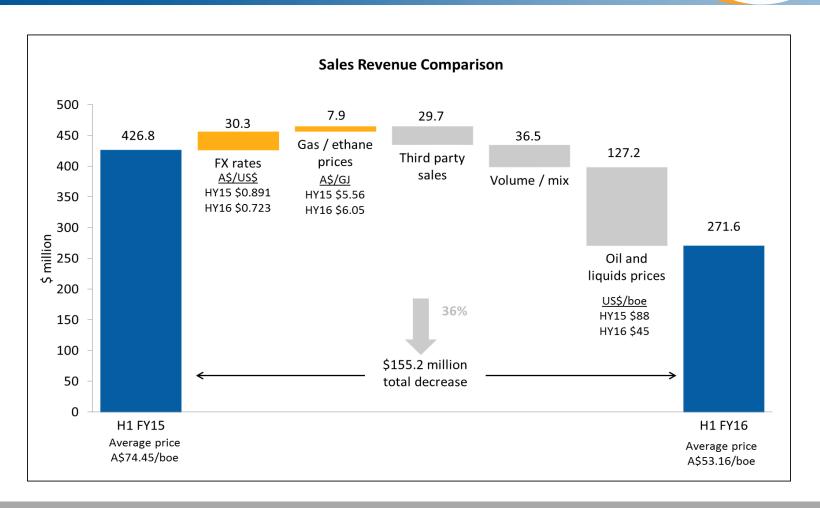
Maintaining financial strength through cost and capital expenditure reductions



<sup>1.</sup> Based on average realised US\$ oil and liquids price in H1 FY16 relative to the prior corresponding period (pcp)

### Sales revenue



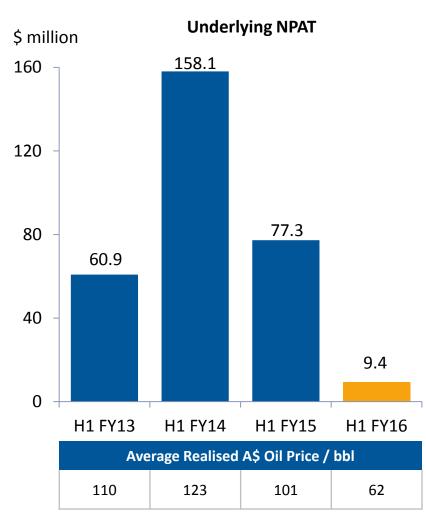


Lower revenue mainly driven by 49% decline in average US\$ oil and liquids price

## **Underlying NPAT**



- Underlying NPAT of \$9.4 million, down 88%, mainly due to:
  - 49% reduction in average realised US\$
     oil and liquids price; and
  - Sale of higher-cost inventory,
  - Partly offset by lower depreciation and operating cash costs
- Ongoing focus on costs across the business
  - Operating cash costs down 11% from pcp to \$23/boe
  - Headcount down 8% since 30 June 2015
  - Corporate costs down 34% from pcp



## **Impairments**



- Area of interest approach for impairment testing
- Impairments reflect lower oil prices and deferral of certain development plans
- Impairments primarily relate to:
  - Cooper Basin producing interests;
  - NTNG and international exploration interests; and
  - Mark-to-market of listed financial investments
- Decrease in H1 FY16 depreciation of \$22 million associated with FY15 impairments

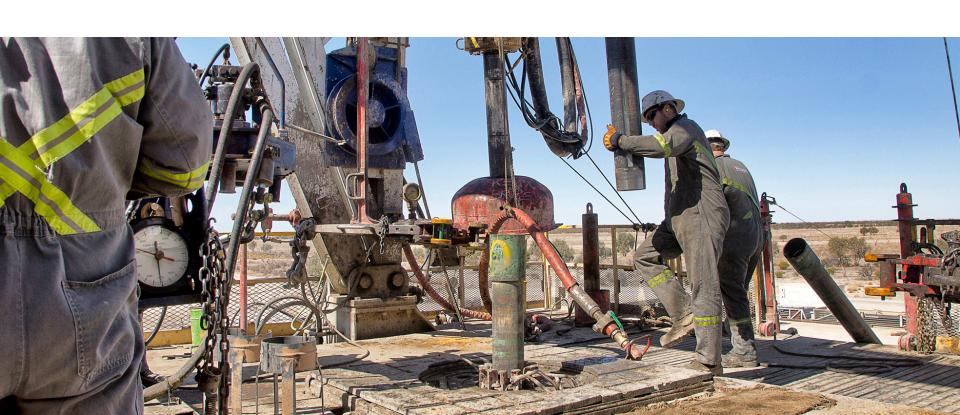
Non-cash Impairments (Before Tax)				
Category	\$ million			
Producing interests	525			
Exploration interests	83			
Financial assets	26			
Total	634			

Impairment Assumptions					
	31-0	Dec-14	31-Dec-15		
	Oil <sup>1</sup>	Oil¹ US\$/A\$		US\$/A\$	
CY16	70	0.80	40	0.70	
CY17	80	0.80	45	0.70	
CY18	90	0.80	55	0.70	
CY19+	90	0.80	70	0.70	



# **Operations**

Mike Dodd – Acting Chief Operating Officer



## Production by area

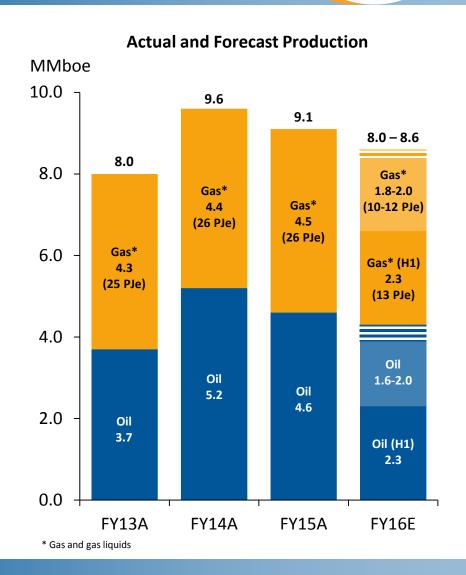


	Area	H1 FY15	H1 FY16	Change
	Cooper / Eromanga basins	2,370.2	2,189.2	(8%)
Oil (kbbl)	Egypt	49.5	87.8	77%
	Total oil	2,419.7	2,277.0	(6%)
	Cooper Basin	11.5	10.9	(5%)
Sales gas and ethane (PJ)	Egypt	-	0.2	-
LPG (kt)	Cooper Basin	24.2	21.8	(10%)
Condensate (kbbl)	Cooper Basin	198.9	176.9	(11%)
	Total gas / liquids (kboe)	2,365.6	2,253.9	(5%)
Total oil, gas and gas liquids (kboe)		4,785.3	4,530.9	(5%)

## Operating results



- Production of 4.5 MMboe (-5%)
  - Higher ex PEL 91 production and strong gas performance broadly offset natural field decline
- Production mix: 50% oil / 50% gas and gas liquids
- Western Flank average net oil production of 9,169 bopd (-7%)
  - Ex PEL 91 production up 10% from pcp due to investment in infrastructure and new wells online
- 34 wells drilled with overall success rate of 94%
  - 80% success rate from 10 exploration wells







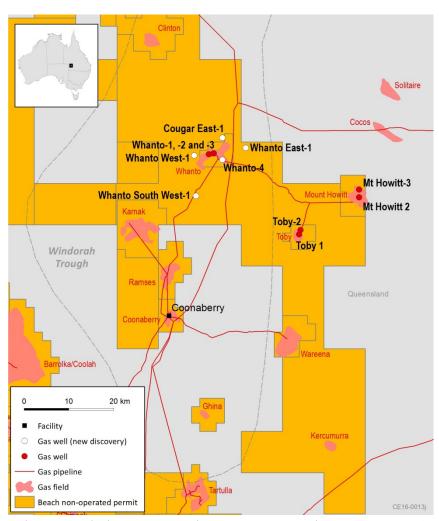
Capital Expenditure	Actual		FY16 Guidance		
(\$ million)	H1FY15	H1 FY16	Original	Revised	
DEVELOPMENT					
Cooper Basin (non-SACB and SWQ JVs)	20	10	45 – 50	20 – 30	
Cooper Basin (SACB and SWQ JVs)	150	83	145 – 160	115 – 130	
Other Development	5	-	_	-	
Total Development	175	93	190 – 210	135 – 160	
EXPLORATION					
Cooper Basin (non-SACB and SWQ JVs)	30	15	30 – 35	25 – 30	
Cooper Basin (SACB and SWQ JVs)	50	6	5 – 10	10	
Other Exploration	13	8	15	10	
Total Exploration	93	29	50 – 60	45 – 50	
TOTAL	268	122	240 – 270	180 – 210	

## Windorah Trough program



- Five-well exploration program completed
  - Five new field discoveries
  - Results encouraging for further drilling in Greater Whanto Structure
- Fracture stimulation and flow testing of two exploration wells in H2 FY16
- Pipeline installations completed
  - Previously stranded fields connected to Coonaberry facility
- Four development wells brought online
- Exploration wells to be progressively brought online

Production from initial four wells exceeding expectations

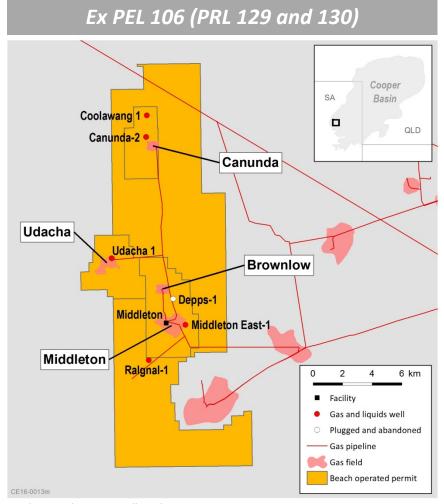


South West Queensland Joint Venture: Beach 23.2%, Santos 60.06% and operator, Origin 16.74%

## Ex PEL 106 gas liquids



- Subsequent to period end, Middleton East-1 exploration well cased and suspended
  - c.9 metres of gas pay over multiple zones
- Second well of campaign, Depps-1, plugged and abandoned
- Ralgnal-1 and Udacha-1 expected online in Q4 FY16
- Middleton compression project underway
  - Expected production post completion and tie-ins of c.25 MMscfd (+15 MMscfd)
  - Targeting completion by end Q2 FY17
- Negotiation of new gas sales agreement underway
  - Existing agreement expires March 2016



Beach 50% and operator, Drillsearch 50%



# **Drillsearch Merger Update**

**Neil Gibbins – Acting Chief Executive Officer** 







# A well supported transaction Integration to focus on cost reductions and portfolio optimisation

Scheme of Arrangement Process			Steps Post Implementation		
Agree merger terms	<b>√</b>		<ul> <li>Confirm optimal organisation structure</li> </ul>		
		_	<ul> <li>Confirm executive and management teams</li> </ul>		
First Court approval	✓		<ul> <li>Reduce headcount / duplicated</li> </ul>		
		-	positions		
Drillsearch shareholder approval	✓		<ul> <li>Eliminate corporate and operational duplications</li> </ul>		
		-	duplications		
Second Court approval	✓		<ul> <li>Close Sydney office</li> </ul>		
		_	<ul> <li>Detailed technical review of acreage</li> </ul>		
Scheme Implementation	1 March 2016		<ul> <li>High-grade enlarged exploration portfolio / confirm FY17 drilling program</li> </ul>		

## Indicative integration timeline



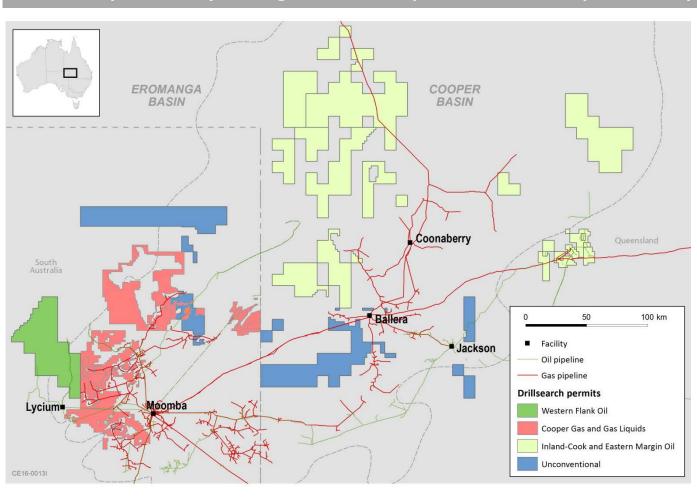
#### Large portion of expected \$20 million in synergies to be realised in FY17

Key Work Streams	March	April	May	June	FY17
Executive / management teams in place					
Rationalise duplicated headcount					
Detailed technical review of acreage					
Preparation of FY17 drilling program					
Closure of Sydney office					
Ongoing rationalisation / synergy realisation					

## Drillsearch acreage



#### Complementary acreage to increase production and exploration opportunities

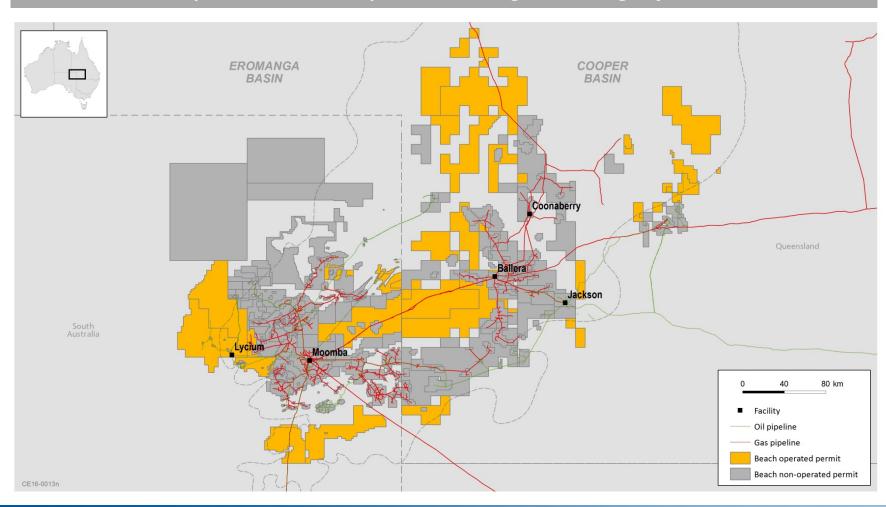


- ✓ Full ownership of Western Flank oil and gas permits
  - Ex PEL 91, 106
- Expanded gas and gas liquids footprint
- ✓ High-grading of enlarged exploration footprint
- ✓ Unconventional acreage adjacent to NTNG
- ✓ Gross acreage of c.19,000 km<sup>2</sup>

## Combined Cooper Basin acreage



#### Dominant position in the Cooper Basin with gross acreage of c.69,000 km<sup>2</sup>



### **Contact information**



