

## **ASX Announcement / Media Release**

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## **Butlers-9 Spuds**

Cooper Energy Limited (ASX: COE) reports that Butlers-9, an oil appraisal well located in PPL 245 (refer map following) on the western flank of the Cooper Basin, South Australia, spudded on 6 December 2016 at 21:00 hours. At 06:00 hours this morning, the rig was drilling ahead at 139 metres in 12-1/4 inch surface hole.

Butlers-9 is located 680 metres north-northeast of Butlers-3 and 920 metres north-northwest of Butlers-1. The well is being drilled vertically to a total depth of 1,804 metres in the Pre-Permian Basement and is anticipated to complete within 6 days.

The primary target of Butlers-9 is the Namur Sandstone, which is the main oil-producing reservoir in this field, as well as in the Callawonga, Parsons, Perlubie and Christies fields. The secondary targets are the Birkhead Formation and Hutton Sandstone, which are oil-bearing in the Christies and Silver Sands fields.

Cooper Energy Limited holds a 25% interest in PPL 245, with the balance held by the Operator, Beach Energy Limited.

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## Location of Butlers-9, PPL 245, Cooper Basin

