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AUSTRALIA

Beach Operated Cooper-Eromanga Oil – Western Flank

Four exploration wells have been drilled in the Western Flank region during the report period.

PEL 92 (Beach 75%)

The Ensign#30 rig drilled the Elliston-1 well, in which three metres of oil was intersected in excellent-quality reservoir at the top of the Namur sandstone. Elliston-1 is located one kilometre east of Parsons and has been cased and suspended as a future oil producer.

The rig subsequently drilled Perlubie-2 which was plugged and abandoned after encountering an oil column deemed to be too small to be commercially viable.

Finally, the Germein-1 exploration well, located two kilometres south of the Butlers oilfield intersected small columns of oil at the top Namur and mid-Namur levels totalling three metres. The well is being cased and suspended for future oil production into the Butlers facility.

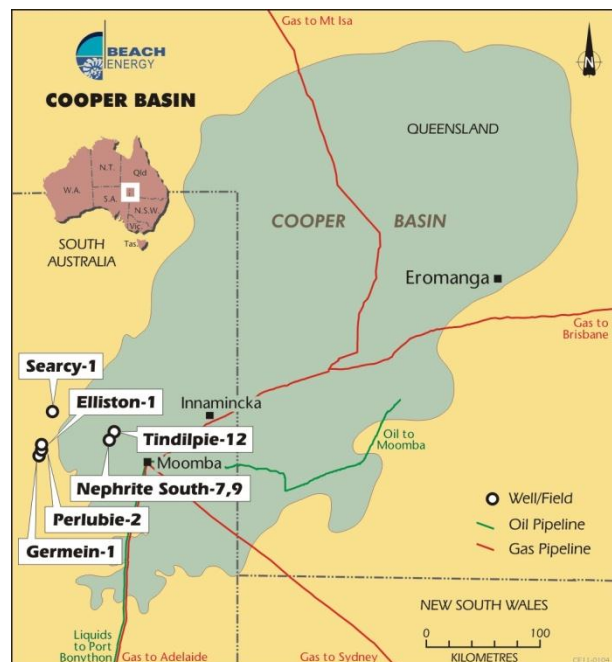
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PEL 91 (Beach 40%)

The Ensign#18 rig completed its campaign by drilling the Searcy-1 exploration well, which was plugged and abandoned after encountering only poor oil shows.

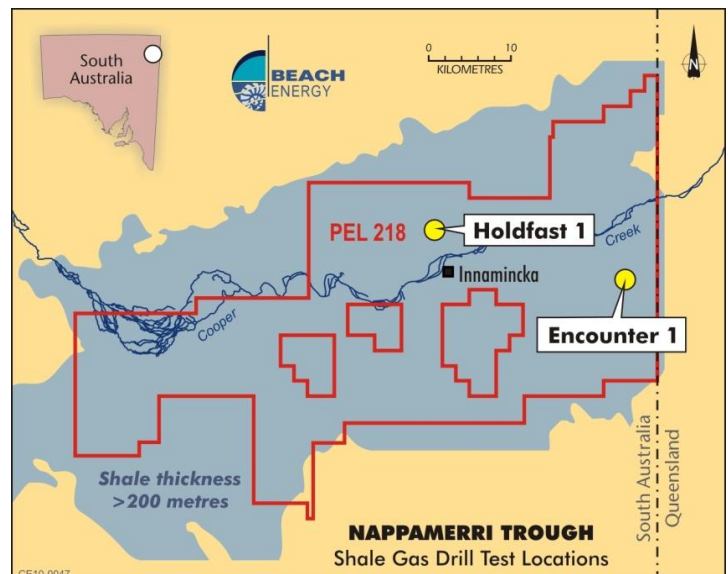
Ensign#18 has subsequently been released.

Santos Operated Cooper Basin Oil and Gas Development

Two gas development wells (Tindilpie-12 and Nephrite South-7) were drilled in the Greater Tindilpie Field area during the month (Beach 20.21%), with both wells cased and suspended as future Patchawarra Formation gas producers. Gas development drilling is continuing as Nephrite South-9 drills ahead and Hackett-2 and Dilchee-4 are preparing to spud.

Beach Operated Cooper Basin Shale Gas Exploration – PEL 218

Testing at Holdfast-1 continued during the month. Early in the month the well was shut-in and pressure build up data was collected. Holdfast-1 was reinstated to production towards the end of the month and a program of further production logging and gas testing undertaken before the well was again shut in. The Joint Venture is presently incorporating this data into the design of proposed horizontal pilot wells that are to be drilled in mid 2012.



Arrangements to stimulate and flow-test Encounter-1 later this year continue.

INTERNATIONAL

Kuwait Energy Operated – Abu Sennan Concession, Egypt (Beach 22%)

Exploration discoveries have been made at the first two exploration wells, GPZZ-4 and Al Ahmadi-1, in the Abu Sennan concession in the Western Desert

GPZZ-4 was drilled as the first well of a six-well program in the Abu Sennan concession. During initial drilling, hydrocarbon shows were encountered in the lower and upper Bahariya Formations, and the Abu Roash “G” Member. An extensive testing program of these formations is currently underway.

The second well, Al Ahmadi-1, has also encountered hydrocarbon shows within the Kharita Formation, the lower Bahariya Formation, the Abu Roash “G” Member and the Abu Roash “E” Member. Hydrocarbon zones highlighted by the wireline logging and testing will be followed up with a significant cased hole testing program.

Drilling Report – Period ending 7 September 2011

Well	Participants	Progress & Summary	Primary Targets
Germein-1 PEL 92 Oil Exploration C/E Basin, SA	BPT* 75.00% COE 25.00%	Report Time: 0600 hrs (CST) 7/09/2011 Depth: 1380m (TD) Operation: Well is cased and suspended as a future Namur Sandstone oil producer. Progress: 1380m	Namur Sandstone
Perlubie-2 PEL 92 Oil Appraisal C/E Basin, SA	BPT* 75.00% COE 25.00%	Report Time: 0600 hrs (CST) 7/09/2011 Depth: 1366m (TD) Operation: Well is plugged and abandoned. Progress: 1366m	Namur Sandstone
Elliston-1 PEL 92 Oil Exploration C/E Basin, SA	BPT* 75.00% COE 25.00%	Report Time: 0600 hrs (CST) 7/09/2011 Depth: 1845m (TD) Operation: Well is cased and suspended as a future Namur Sandstone oil producer. Progress: 1845m	Namur Sandstone
Searcy-1 PEL 91 Oil Exploration C/E Basin, SA	BPT* 40.00% DLS 60.00%	Report Time: 0600 hrs (CST) 7/09/2011 Depth: 2005m (TD) Operation: Well is plugged and abandoned. Progress: 2005m	Birkhead Formation
Nephrite South 9 PPL140 (PSW Block) Gas Development C/E Basin, SA	BPT 20.21% STO* 66.60% ORG 13.19%	Report Time: 0600 hrs (CST) 7/09/2011 Depth: 636m Operation: Surface casing is set. Preparing to drill main hole. Progress: 636m	Patchawarra Formation Tirrawarra Formation (s)
Nephrite South 7 PPL140 (PSW Block) Gas Development C/E Basin, SA	BPT 20.21% STO* 66.60% ORG 13.19%	Report Time: 0600 hrs (CST) 7/09/2011 Depth: 3266m (TD) Operation: Well is cased and suspended as a future Patchawarra Formation gas producer. Progress: 3266m	Patchawarra Formation Tirrawarra Sandstone (s)
Tindilpie 12 PPL140 Gas Development C/E Basin, SA	BPT 20.21% STO* 66.60% ORG 13.19%	Report Time: 0600 hrs (CST) 7/09/2011 Depth: 3395m (TD) Operation: Well is cased and suspended as a future Patchawarra Formation and Tirrawarra Sandstone gas producer. Progress: 3395m	Patchawarra Formation Tirrawarra Sandstone
Al Ahmadi 1X Abu Sennan Concession Oil Exploration Western Desert, Egypt	BPT 22.00% KEE* 50.00% DVPC 28.00%	Report Time: 0600 hrs local 6/09/2011 Depth: 3490m (TD) Operation: Conducting cased hole testing program. Progress: 348m	Kharita Formation Bahariya Formation
ZZ-4 Abu Sennan Concession Oil Exploration Western Desert, Egypt	BPT 22.00% KEE* 50.00% DVPC 28.00%	Report Time: 0600 hrs (local) 6/09/2011 Depth: 4715m (TD) Operation: Conducting cased hole testing program. Progress: 0m	Khatatba Formation Bahariya Formation

(*) Operator
BPT Beach Energy Ltd
ORG Origin Energy Resources

(s) Secondary Targets
COE Cooper Energy
STO Santos Limited

KEE Kuwait Energy
DVPC Dover Petroleum

DLS Drill Search Energy Limited

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