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## ABBREVIATIONS

### Oil and Natural Gas Liquids

Bbl	barrel
Bbls	barrels
Mbbls	thousand barrels
MMbbls	million barrels
Bbls/d	barrels per day
BOPD	barrels of oil per day
NGLs	natural gas liquids

### Natural Gas

Mcf	thousand cubic feet
MMcf	million cubic feet
Mcf/d	thousand cubic feet per day
MMcf/d	million cubic feet per day
Bcf	billion cubic feet
MM	million
MMbtu	million British Thermal Units

### Other

AECO	a natural gas storage facility located at Suffield, Alberta.
API	American Petroleum Institute
°API	an indication of the specific gravity of crude oil measured on the API gravity scale.
BOE	barrel of oil equivalent of natural gas and crude oil on the basis of 1 BOE for 6 Mcf of natural gas (this conversion factor is an industry accepted norm and is not based on either energy content or current prices)
BOE/d	barrel of oil equivalent per day
GCA	gas cost allowance
mD	millidarcy
m	metres
m <sup>3</sup>	cubic metres
km	kilometres
km <sup>2</sup>	square kilometres
MBOE	1,000 barrels of oil equivalent
\$000s	thousands of dollars
\$M	thousands of dollars
\$MM	millions of dollars
WTI	West Texas Intermediate, the reference price paid in U.S. dollars at Cushing, Oklahoma for crude oil of standard grade

**Disclosure provided herein in respect of BOEs may be misleading, particularly if used in isolation. A BOE conversion ratio of 6 Mcf to: 1 Bbl is based on an energy equivalency conversion method primarily applicable at the burner tip and does not represent a value equivalency at the wellhead. Given that the value ratio based on the current price of crude oil as compared to natural gas is significantly different from the energy equivalency of 6:1, utilizing a conversion on a 6:1 basis may be misleading as an indication of value.**

**Where any disclosure of reserves data is made in this Annual Information Form that does not reflect all reserves of Bengal, the reader should note that the estimates of reserves and future net revenue for individual properties or groups of properties may not reflect the same confidence level as estimates of reserves and future net revenue for all properties, due to the effects of aggregation.**

## CONVERSIONS

To Convert From	To	Multiply By
Mcf	Cubic metres	28.174
Cubic metres	Cubic feet	35.494
Bbls	Cubic metres	0.159
Cubic metres	Bbls oil	6.290
Feet	Metres	0.305
Metres	Feet	3.281
Miles	Kilometres	1.609
Kilometres	Miles	0.621
Acres (British Columbia)	Hectares	0.405
Hectares (British Columbia)	Acres	2.471
Kilometres Square	Acres	247.105

## CERTAIN DEFINITIONS

In this Annual Information Form, the following words and phrases have the following meanings, unless the context otherwise requires:

"**ABCA**" means *Business Corporations Act* (Alberta).

"**ATP**" means Authority to Prospect.

"**Bengal**" or the "**Corporation**" means Bengal Energy Ltd.

"**Bengal International**" or "**BEII**" means Bengal Energy International Inc., a wholly-owned subsidiary of Bengal Energy Ltd. incorporated in Alberta on February 12, 2008.

"**Bengal Shares**" or "**Common Shares**" means the common shares in the capital of Bengal.

"**COGE Handbook**" means the Canadian Oil and Gas Evaluation Handbook prepared jointly by the Society of Petroleum Evaluation Engineers (Calgary chapter) and the Canadian Institute of Mining, Metallurgy & Petroleum. (Petroleum Society) as amended from time to time.

"**GLJ**" means GLJ Petroleum Consultants Ltd.

"**GLJ Report**" means the report of GLJ dated June 12, 2013 evaluating the crude oil, natural gas liquids and natural gas reserves of the Corporation as at March 31, 2013.

"**Gross**" means:

- (a) in relation to the Corporation's interest in production and reserves, its "company gross reserves", which are the Corporation's working interest (operating and non-operating) share before deduction of royalties and without including any royalty interest of the Corporation;
- (b) in relation to wells, the total number of wells in which the Corporation has an interest; and
- (c) in relation to properties, the total area of properties in which the Corporation has an interest.

"**Management Committee**" means the committee constituted under the Production Sharing Contract between the Government of India, GAIL India Ltd., Gujarat State Petroleum Corporation Ltd. and Bengal International.

"Net" means:

- (a) in relation to the Corporation's interest in production and reserves, the Corporation's working interest (operating and non-operating) share after deduction of royalty obligations, plus the Corporation's royalty interests in production or reserves;
- (b) in relation to wells, the number of wells obtained by aggregating the Corporation's working interest in each of its gross wells; and
- (c) in relation to the Corporation's interest in a property, the total area in which the Corporation has an interest multiplied by the working interest owned by the Corporation.

"NI 51-101" means National Instrument 51-101 - *Standards of Disclosure for Oil and Gas Activities*.

"PSC" means Production Sharing Contract.

"SEDAR" means the System for Electronic Document Analysis and Retrieval.

"TSX" or "Exchange" means the Toronto Stock Exchange.

Certain other terms used herein but not defined herein are defined in NI 51-101 and, unless the context otherwise requires, shall have the same meanings herein as in NI 51-101.

Unless otherwise specified, information in this Annual Information Form is as at the end of the Corporation's most recently completed financial year, being March 31, 2013.

All dollar amounts herein are in Canadian dollars, unless otherwise stated.

### FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS

Certain information regarding Bengal set forth in this document contains forward-looking statements. The use of any of the words "plan", "expect", "project", "intend", "believe", "should", "anticipate", "estimate" or other similar words, or statements that certain events or conditions "may" or "will" occur are typically intended to identify forward-looking statements. Forward-looking statements are not based on historical facts, but rather on Bengal's internal projections, estimates or beliefs concerning, among other things, future growth, results of operations, production, future capital and other expenditures (including the amount, nature and sources of funding thereof), competitive advantages, plans for and results of drilling activity, environmental regulation and related matters, business prospects and opportunities. These statements are only predictions, not guarantees, and actual events or results may differ materially. In particular, forward-looking statements included in this document include, but are not limited to, statements with respect to: production and performance characteristics of the Corporation's oil and natural gas properties; oil and natural gas production levels and reserve and resource estimates; the quantity of oil and natural gas reserves and recovery rates; the extent and results of testing and completion operations with respect to current and future wells, including with respect to the completion of the Cuisinier wells; tie in options; the Corporation's capital expenditure programs; estimated abandonment and reclamation costs and the timing thereof; supply and demand for oil and natural gas and commodity prices; drilling plans and strategy; including, without limitation the timing, location and targeted zones of current and future wells; availability of rigs, equipment and other goods and services; the utilization of the Rig (as defined herein) in the Corporation's drilling program; expectations regarding the Corporation's ability to raise capital and continually add to reserves through acquisitions, exploration and development; treatment under government regulatory regimes and tax laws; expected royalties that will be payable; anticipated work programs and land tenure; the granting of formal permits, licences or authorities to prospect or extensions thereof; timing of acquisitions; and the anticipated benefits of acquisitions, dispositions and the utilization of the Rig. In addition, statements relating to "reserves" or "resources" are by their nature forward-looking statements, as they involve the implied assessment, based on certain estimates and assumptions, that the resources and reserves described can be profitably produced in the future.

The forward-looking statements contained herein are subject to numerous known and unknown risks and uncertainties that may cause actual results to vary, including but not limited to risks associated with: the impact of general economic conditions in Canada, Australia, India and globally; industry conditions including changes in laws and regulations, including the adoption of new environmental laws and regulations, and changes in how they are interpreted and enforced, in Canada, Australia, India and globally; the level of competition; lack of availability of qualified personnel; the results of exploration and development drilling and related activities differing from management's expectations; imprecision in reserve and resource estimates; the production and growth potential of Bengal's assets; governmental regulation of the oil and gas industry; a failure to obtain required approvals of regulatory authorities, in Canada, Australia and India; risks associated with negotiating with foreign governments as well as country risk associated with conducting international activities; failure to settle native title issues where applicable; volatility in market prices for oil and natural gas; fluctuations in foreign exchange or interest rates; environmental risks; changes in income tax laws or changes in tax laws and incentive programs relating to the oil and natural gas industry; ability to access sufficient capital from internal and external sources; general risks and liabilities inherent in oil and natural gas operations; results of geological, geophysical and reservoir analysis and testing operations; risks associated with the marketing and transportation of oil and natural gas; inability to retain drilling rigs and other services necessary to the Corporation's business; incorrect assessment of the value of acquisitions and/or the failure to realize the anticipated benefits of acquisitions, including the acquisition of the Rig; delays resulting from Bengal's inability to obtain required regulatory approvals or other consents, waivers or extensions; imprecision of reserve and resource estimates; and other factors, many of which are beyond the control of the Corporation. Readers are cautioned that the foregoing list of factors is not exhaustive. Additional information on these and other factors that could affect Bengal's operations and financial results are included in the section entitled "*Risk Factors*" in this annual information form and in reports on file with Canadian securities regulatory authorities and may be accessed through the SEDAR website ([www.sedar.com](http://www.sedar.com)).

With respect to forward-looking statements contained in this document, Bengal has made assumptions regarding: the impact of increasing competition; the general stability of the economic and political environment in which Bengal operates; the timely receipt of any required regulatory approvals and extensions; the timely settlement of native title issues, where applicable; the timely execution of required contracts and agreements with appropriate government agencies; the ability of Bengal to obtain qualified staff, equipment and services in a timely and cost efficient manner; drilling results; the ability of the operator of the projects which Bengal has an interest in to operate the field in a safe, efficient and effective manner; the ability of Bengal to obtain financing on acceptable terms; the ability of the Corporation to utilize the Rig in its drilling operations and the benefits derived therefrom; field production rates and decline rates; the anticipated timing for spudding of the sixth well at Cuisinier; anticipated timing for down-hole completion of the five Cuisinier wells drilled to date in 2013; the anticipated timing of executing definitive farm-in and joint operating agreements with Beach Energy Ltd. ("**Beach**") in respect of the Tookoonooka Block (as defined herein) ATP 732P; the ability to replace and expand oil and natural gas reserves through acquisition, development and exploitation; the timing and costs of pipeline, storage and facility construction and expansion and the ability of Bengal to secure adequate product transportation; future oil and natural gas prices; currency, exchange and interest rates; the regulatory framework regarding royalties, taxes and environmental matters in the jurisdictions in which Bengal operates; and the ability of Bengal to successfully market its oil and natural gas products. Although the forward-looking statements contained in this document are based upon assumptions which management believes to be reasonable, there can be no assurance that actual results will be consistent with these forward-looking statements, as such undue reliance should not be placed on forward-looking statements.

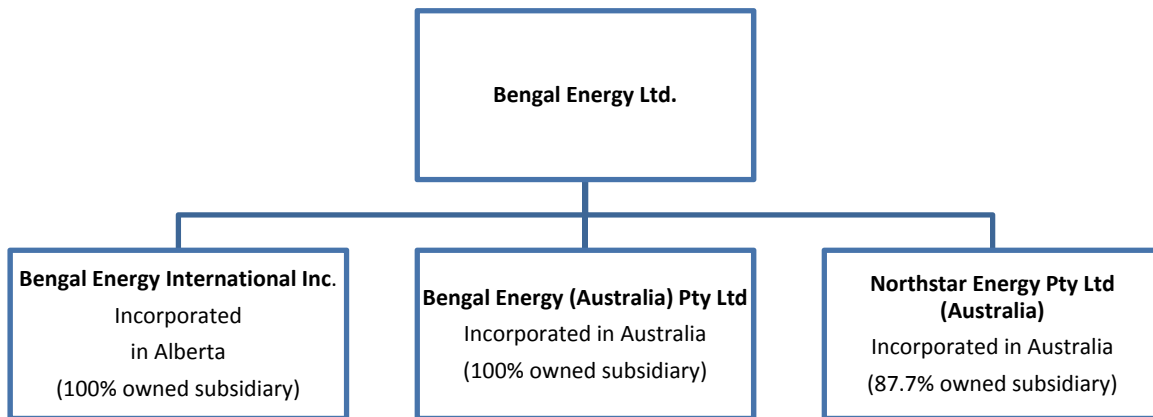
Management has included the above summary of assumptions and risks related to forward-looking statements provided in this document in order to provide shareholders with a more complete perspective on Bengal's current and future operations and such information may not be appropriate for other purposes. Bengal's actual results, performance or achievement could differ materially from those expressed in, or implied by, these forward-looking statements and, accordingly, no assurance can be given that any of the events anticipated by the forward-looking statements will transpire or occur, or if any of them do so, what benefits that Bengal will derive therefrom. These forward-looking statements are made as of the date of this document and Bengal disclaims any intent or obligation to update publicly any forward-looking statements, whether as a result of new information, future events or results or otherwise, other than as required by applicable securities laws.

## BACKGROUND AND CORPORATE STRUCTURE

The Corporation was incorporated under the ABCA on May 13, 1996, as "694460 Alberta Inc.". On June 18, 1996, the Corporation filed Articles of Amendment to change the Corporation's name to "Briggand Energy Corp.", and on October 8, 1996 to amend its share capital and to remove the private company restrictions from its Articles of Incorporation. Following the acquisition of Canop International Resource Ventures Inc. ("**Canop IRV**"), the Corporation changed its name to "Canop Worldwide Corp." on March 11, 1997. Canop Worldwide Corp. and Canop IRV were subsequently amalgamated on April 1, 1999. On September 25, 2002 the Corporation's name was changed to "Avery Resources Inc." and its outstanding shares were consolidated on a ten-for-one basis. On July 17, 2008, the Corporation's name was changed to "Bengal Energy Ltd." and the shares were consolidated on a five-for-one basis.

The Corporation has its registered office at 2400, 525 – 8th Avenue S.W., Calgary, Alberta T2P 1G1 and its head and principal office at 1810, 801 – 8th Avenue S.W., Calgary, Alberta T2P 3W2.

The Bengal Shares trade on the TSX under the symbol "BNG".



## DESCRIPTION OF THE BUSINESS AND OPERATIONS

### General

Bengal is an international junior oil and gas company based in Calgary, Alberta, Canada and engaged in the business of acquiring international oil and natural gas properties and exploring for, developing and producing oil and natural gas, primarily in India and Australia. The Corporation has an active inventory of oil and gas opportunities in India and Australia and also has natural gas production in British Columbia, Canada and oil production in the Cooper/Eromanga Basin in Australia.

### Corporate Strategy

The business objective of Bengal is to grow its production, reserves and resource base on a per-share basis in the international oil and gas industry, with the current focus in Australia and India. To accomplish this, Bengal will continue to pursue an integrated growth strategy including focused exploration, controlled exploitation, as well as strategic acquisitions within and in proximity to its primary areas of focus. Bengal intends to grow its resource and reserves base within its existing acreage, most of which were acquired through bid rounds in Australia and India. In

addition, Bengal intends to continue building strategic alliances with appropriate local partners and large operators in Bengal's primary areas of focus.

Management of the Corporation will consider asset and corporate acquisition opportunities that meet Bengal's business parameters. While Bengal believes that it has the skills and resources necessary to achieve its stated objectives, participation in the exploration and development of oil and gas has a number of inherent risks. See "*Risk Factors*" herein.

In reviewing potential drilling or acquisition opportunities, Bengal considers the following criteria:

- (a) risk capital to secure or evaluate the opportunity;
- (b) risked return versus cost of capital;
- (c) the performance characteristics of the Corporation's oil and natural gas properties;
- (d) oil and natural gas production levels;
- (e) the quality of oil and natural gas reserves and recovery rates;
- (f) the potential for additional reservoir development;
- (g) capital expenditure programs;
- (h) supply and demand for oil and natural gas and commodity prices;
- (i) drilling plans;
- (j) availability of rigs, equipment and other goods and services;
- (k) whether sufficient infrastructure exists to provide for planned activity;
- (l) expectations regarding the Corporation's ability to raise capital and to continually add to reserves through acquisitions, exploration and development;
- (m) treatment under governmental regulatory regimes and tax laws; and
- (n) realization of the anticipated benefits of acquisitions and dispositions.

In addition to the above criteria, in circumstances where Bengal seeks to acquire significant assets with proven reserves, prior to the investment decision being finalized, Bengal will look to obtain an independent engineering report (whether from the vendor of such assets or otherwise) relating to such reserves.

Bengal may approve asset or corporate acquisitions or investments that do not conform to these guidelines based upon its consideration of the qualitative aspects of the subject properties including risk profile, technical upside, reserve life, immediacy of production additions, asset quality and acquisition costs.

### **GENERAL DEVELOPMENT OF THE BUSINESS**

The following is a summary of the business operations of the Corporation for the periods shown.



## **Fiscal Year Ending March 31, 2011**

### ***CY-OSN-2009/1 Block, Cauvery Basin, Offshore India***

On June 30, 2010, the Corporation, through its wholly-owned subsidiary BEIL, received the formal award from the Government of India (the "GOI") for the CY-OSN-2009/1 block ("**CY-OSN-2009/1 Block**") in the Cauvery Basin, offshore India and entered into a PSC with the GOI. The PSC sets out the terms and conditions for the exploration and development of the CY-OSN-2009/1 Block.

### ***ATP 752P, Cooper/Eromanga Basin, Onshore Australia***

Production commenced in May 2010 from the Cuisinier-oil discovery located on ATP 752P in Australia's onshore Cooper/Eromanga Basin (the "**ATP 752P**"). The Cuisinier 1 well (the "**Cuisinier 1 Well**"), which was drilled under a staged farm-in agreement (the "**ATP 752P Farm-in Agreement**") among the Corporation and all of its partners respecting ATP 752P, is located on the approximately 360,033 acre Barta sub-block (the "**Barta Sub-Block**") of ATP 752P and within the 24,958 acre Production Licence on the Cuisinier block ("**PL 303**") was granted on April 25, 2013. The Barta Sub-Block is one of two sub-blocks that form the land covered by ATP 752P. The other sub-block is the Wompi sub-block (the "**Wompi Sub-Block**"), which is comprised of approximately 215,723 acres.

On November 12, 2010, the Barta North 1 exploration well ("**Barta North 1 Well**") was cased to 2,090 metres total depth by the operator of the well as a potential Murta zone oil well and, following the release of the rig on the Barta North 1 Well on November 13, 2010, Bengal increased its working interest in the Barta Sub-Block from 14.26% to 25%.

On November 26, 2010, the Cuisinier 2 appraisal well (the "**Cuisinier 2 Well**") was cased to 2,037 metres total depth by the operator of the well as a potential Murta zone oil well. The Cuisinier 2 Well is located on the Barta Sub-Block within ATP 752P and approximately 450 metres northeast of the Cuisinier 1 oil discovery. All drilling costs for the Cuisinier 2 Well were carried by the operator under the terms of the farm-in agreement relating thereto.

Australia's Cooper Basin experienced heavy rain and local flooding in December 2010 that continued through January 2011. The Cuisinier 1 Well was temporarily shut in due to road closures resulting from the flooding, which closures prevented the transportation of the Corporation's crude oil production to processing facilities. Prior to being shut-in, the Cuisinier 1 Well was producing approximately 460 barrels of oil per day (115 barrels of oil per day net to Bengal, calculated on a daily producing basis, being the average production rate for 12 producing days out of 30 days in November 2010). Production on the Cuisinier 1 Well recommenced on January 26, 2011.

The second appraisal well on the Barta Sub-Block (the "**Cuisinier 3 Well**"), located approximately 750 metres southwest of the Cuisinier 1 Well, was cased to 2,040 metres total depth by the operator of the well as another potential Murta Zone oil well on March 8, 2011. The Corporation continued to hold a 25% working interest through its fiscal year 2013 in the Barta Sub-Block.

### ***ATP 732P, Cooper/Eromanga Basin, Onshore Australia***

On March 13, 2011, Bengal completed the acquisition of a 100% working interest in an exploration block located onshore in Australia's Cooper/Eromanga Basin in the State of Queensland ("**ATP 732P**") pursuant to a purchase and sale agreement dated December 10, 2009. In connection with the completion of the acquisition, the Department of Natural Resources and Mines of the State of Queensland, Australia made the formal grant of ATP 732P to Bengal.

### ***General***

In August 2010, Messrs. Robert Steele and Richard A.N. Bonnycastle were appointed to the board of directors of the Corporation.

In September 2010, Bengal closed a short form prospectus offering of 12,000,000 Common Shares at a purchase price of \$1.00 per Common Share for gross aggregate proceeds of \$12,000,000. The offering was conducted through a syndicate of agents led by Wellington West Capital Markets Inc. and including Macquarie Capital Markets Canada Ltd., PI Financial Corp. and Toll Cross Securities Inc.

In October 2010, Bradley Johnson resigned as the Chief Executive Officer and as a director of the Corporation to pursue other opportunities. Following Mr. Johnson's resignation, Chayan Chakrabarty was appointed to President and Chief Executive Officer. Mr. Chakrabarty was formerly the President of the Corporation.

In January 2011, Bengal closed a short form prospectus offering, which was conducted on a bought-deal basis, of 7,525,000 Common Shares at an issue price of \$1.20 per Common Share, for aggregate gross proceeds of \$9,030,000. The offering was conducted through a syndicate of underwriters led by Mackie Research Capital Corporation and including Wellington West Capital Markets Inc. and Toll Cross Securities Inc.

In February 2011, Mr. Peter Gaffney was appointed to the board of directors of the Corporation.

### **Fiscal Year Ending March 31, 2012**

#### ***ATP 752P, Barta and Wompi Sub-Blocks, Cooper/Eromanga Basin, Onshore Australia***

At the end of August 2011, Bengal's Cuisinier 2 and 3 wells located on the Barta Sub-Block of ATP 752P were production tested and brought on stream. Both of these Cuisinier appraisal wells were placed on pump with oil pipelined to the Cuisinier 1 lease and an expanded tank system. In July 2011, the Barta North 1 well, also located on the Barta Sub-Block, was completed as a Murta oil producer approximately 4 km from the infrastructure associated with the Cuisinier 1, 2 and 3 wells.

Bengal holds a 25% interest in the Cuisinier oil discovery, the Barta North oil discovery and on the Barta Sub-Block of exploration permit ATP 752P.

Also in August 2011, the Sampdoria well (the "**Sampdoria Well**") was drilled onshore in the Cooper Basin on the Wompi Sub-Block (being the southern portion of ATP 752). The operator of the Wompi Sub-Block on ATP 752P paid 100% of the drilling costs of the Sampdoria Well pursuant to the Wompi Block farm-in agreement ("**ATP 752P Farm-in Agreement**"). This well targeted oil accumulations in the Namur, Mid Namur and Basal Birkhead formations. On August 29, 2011, the operator plugged and abandoned the Sampdoria Well.

#### ***ATP 732P Tookoonooka Block Cooper/Eromanga Basin, Onshore Australia***

The Corporation received the Ministerial Grant of ATP 732P from the Department of Natural Resources and Mines in Queensland, Australia with an effective date of April 1, 2011.

#### ***ATP 934P Barrolka Block Cooper/Eromanga Basin, Onshore Australia***

In May 2012, the final Environmental Authority application for the grant of the ATP 934P on the Barrolka Block was filed with the Queensland Government regulatory authority. No further activity is planned on this permit until the final Ministerial Grant of the tenement is received. The work program consists of 500 km of 2D seismic and up to seven wells. Final grant of the permit has been delayed while the regulatory authority reviewed the effect of recent wild river environmental regulation on Bengal's planned exploration activity on the Barrolka Block.

The Corporation holds a 50% operating interest in this 361,000 gross acre permit.

#### ***AC/P 47 Block, Bonaparte Basin, Timor Sea, Offshore Australia***

In November 2011, Bengal applied for an extension, from March 2012 to September 2013, to the term of the 864,000 acre offshore permit AC/P 47 from Australia's Northern Territory Government, Department of Resources.

The jurisdiction over the regulation of this permit changed on January 1, 2012 to the National Offshore Petroleum Titles Administration ("**NOPTA**") and the Corporation was then required to submit further information in support of the original application. A final submission relative to the extension application for AC/P 47 was filed by Bengal on June 1, 2012.

***AC/P 24 Block, Bonaparte Basin, Timor Sea, Offshore Australia***

In October 2011, the Kingtree 1 well was drilled to evaluate a potential oil target on the 81,000 gross acre offshore exploration permit Ashmore Cartier Permit] 24 ("**AC/P 24**") in the Ashmore Cartier area, off the north coast of Australia in the Timor Sea. The Kingtree 1 well was drilled approximately 12 kilometres east of Bengal's original Katandra oil discovery. The Corporation holds a 10% working interest in Permit AC/P 24 and the Kingtree 1 well and the net costs to Bengal for the Kingtree 1 well were approximately \$1 million. No commercial hydrocarbons were encountered and the well was plugged and abandoned. In December 2011, an extension request for the Kingtree prospect and application for a retention lease for the Katandra discovery were made to National Offshore Petroleum Safety and Environmental Management Authority ("**NOPSEMA**") and the NOPTA by the operator on the partners' behalf.

In March 2013, the Corporation's partner and operator received notification of grant of a five year petroleum retention lease over the Katandra oil field from the Australian government's NOPTA.

***CY-ONN-2005/1 Block, Cauvery Basin, Onshore India***

On Bengal's non-operated 30% working interest, 233,000 gross acre CY-ONN-2005/1 block (the "**CY-ONN-2005/1**") located onshore India in the Cauvery Basin, the Corporation (and its joint venture partners Gas Authority of India Ltd. and Gujarat State Petroleum Corporation) continued with the first year work program and reprocessing of the existing seismic data was completed. In September 2011, the seismic acquisition program of 600 km<sup>2</sup> of 3D seismic data commenced and was then suspended for late season monsoon rains. The program re-commenced in December 2011, was increased to 700 km<sup>2</sup> and was completed in August 2012. Airborne magnetometry work was completed in June 2012.

***CY-OSN-2009/1 Block, Cauvery Basin, Offshore India***

Evaluation work continued on the 340,000 acre Block CY-OSN-2009/1 block located in India's offshore Cauvery basin in respect of which Bengal has a 100% interest and is the operator. Activity during this first year work program included reprocessing all available seismic records and acquiring certain 2D and 3D regional surveys previously recorded by other operators. In early 2012, additional pre-existing seismic data was retrieved from government sources and integrated with the existing seismic data set.

***General***

In April 2011, Bengal closed a short form prospectus offering, conducted on a bought-deal basis, pursuant to which it issued 14,166,800 Common Shares at an issue price of \$1.80 per Common Share for aggregate gross proceeds of \$25,500,240. The offering was conducted through a syndicate of underwriters led by Wellington West Capital Markets Inc. and including Mackie Research Capital Corporation and Canaccord Genuity Corp.

In August of 2011, the following persons were appointed as officers of the Corporation: Garrett Wilson, P. Eng. (Vice President, Engineering and Operations); Richard Edgar, P. Geol. (Executive Vice President); and Gordon MacMahon, P. Geol. (Vice President of Exploration). Also in August 2011, the Corporation appointed Dr. John Jackson as its Australian Country Advisor and Mr. J.L. Narasimham, as Advisor of Indian Operations. In October 2011, Mr. Bonnycastle retired from the board of directors.

In January 2012, the following persons were appointed as independent directors to the Corporation's board of directors: Mr. Stephen N. Inbusch, Dr. Brian J. Moss and Mr. Bill Wheeler. The three new directors provide additional depth in international exploration, development and financial experience to the board of directors.

### **Fiscal Year Ending March 31, 2013**

#### ***ATP 752P, Barta and Wompi Sub-Blocks, Cooper/Eromanga Basin, Onshore Australia***

On May 20, 2012, the Cuisinier 4 appraisal well (the "**Cuisinier 4 Well**") was spud on the Barta Sub-Block. The Cuisinier 4 Well, the first in the 2012 Cuisinier four well drilling campaign is located 600 metres northwest of the Cuisinier 1 Well. The second appraisal well Cuisinier 5, (the "**Cuisinier 5 Well**"), located approximately 1.6 km south of Cuisinier 1, was spud on June 10, 2012. The third well in the campaign, the Cuisinier 6 appraisal well (the "**Cuisinier 6 Well**"), located approximately 1.25 km northeast from the Cuisinier 1 Well, was spud on June 23, 2012. The fourth well in the campaign, the Cuisinier North 1 appraisal well (the "**Cuisinier North-1 Well**") was spudded on July 2, 2012 and is located 2.9 km northeast of the Cuisinier 1 Well. The Cuisinier 4 Well, Cuisinier 5 Well, Cuisinier 6 Well and Cuisinier North-1 Well were all cased as future oil producers.

#### ***ATP 732P, Cooper/Eromanga Basin, Onshore Australia***

In April 2012, the Corporation completed the acquisition, processing and interpretation of approximately 400 line kilometres of 2D and 50 km<sup>2</sup> of 3D seismic data over ATP 732P. In conjunction with this seismic data acquisition, the Corporation also completed an evaluation of aeromagnetic and gravity data on ATP 732P, and integrated such information with its seismic data evaluation.

In November 2012, the Corporation confirmed that Caracal-1, the first exploration well in the Tookoonooka drilling campaign, was a new oil discovery. This new discovery established light oil on a new and unexplored trend with the Caracal-1 well being the first well to be drilled on the very large 654,335 acre ATP 732 (the "**Tookoonooka Block**") in the last 15 years.

### ***General***

On April 5, 2012, Bengal acquired an Ideco H-44 drilling rig (the "**Rig**") and its associated equipment. The Rig is a 750 HP carrier-mounted double with depth capabilities of 3,000 m with 3-1/2" drill pipe. As the owner and operator of the Rig, the Corporation planned its use initially in the exploratory drilling campaign on the ATP 732P Block located in the Cooper/Eromanga Basin of Queensland, Australia. The Rig was purchased for approximately US \$2.75 million

In January 2013, Bengal closed a non-brokered private placement of \$3.5 million of short-term, convertible notes (the "**Convertible Notes**") and non-convertible notes (the "**Non-Convertible Notes**" and, together with the Convertible Notes, the "**Notes**"). The purchase price for the Convertible Notes was \$1,000 per \$1,000 principal amount. Members of the Board of Directors of the Corporation subscribed for approximately 85% of the principal amount of the notes issued pursuant to the private placement (including \$1,000,000 principal amount of Convertible Notes acquired by a company controlled by William (Bill) Wheeler, a director of the Corporation.

### **Recent Developments**

In March 2013, the planned 2013 five-well development and appraisal drilling campaign commenced on the Corporation's 25%-owned Barta Sub-Block of ATP 752P. Each well in the Cuisinier drilling program targeted the primary Murta Formation and total drill depth averaged approximately 1,750 metres per well. All five wells, Cuisinier 7 through to Cuisinier 11 were cased as future oil producers. A sixth well, that was contingent on the success of the Cuisinier drilling program, could spud in July/August 2013 pending JV partner approval. Down-hole completion activities for all of the 2013 Cuisinier wells commenced June 2013.

In April 2013, the Corporation received the final grant of PL 303 from the Queensland Government in Australia. The Department of Natural Resources and Mines granted PL 303 for a term of 21 years commencing on April 8, 2013 and allows production from all current and future wells in the Cuisinier oil pool. PL 303 is 64.4 km<sup>2</sup> in size and located within the boundaries of the Barta sub-block of ATP 752P.

In April 2013, Bengal closed a brokered private placement of 9,500,666 Common Shares at a purchase price of \$0.60 per Common Share for aggregate gross proceeds of approximately C\$5,700,400. The offering was conducted through a syndicate of agents consisting of Toll Cross Securities Inc. and National Bank Financial Inc. A total of 2,400,300 Common Shares issued pursuant to the private placement were purchased by insiders of the Corporation.

In May 2013, the Corporation formed a strategic joint venture (the "**JV**") with Beach, an Australian energy company (ASX: BPT), for the exploration and development of its 100% owned Tookoonooka Block ATP 732P in the Cooper Basin of Australia. Beach will fund Bengal's share of a two well drilling and 3D seismic exploration and appraisal work program (the "**Work Program**"), to a maximum of AUD\$11.5 million, to acquire a 50% interest in ATP 732. Bengal will maintain a 50% interest in ATP 732 and retains operatorship through to the completion of the Work Program. Beach will manage the Work Program on behalf of Bengal and upon completion will have the right to become operator of the JV. Commencement of the JV is subject to regulatory approval, legal due diligence and finalizing definitive farm-in and joint operating agreements. Such agreements are anticipated to be finalized prior to July 31, 2013.

In June 2013, the Cuisinier to Cook liquids pipeline, located on the Barta Sub-Block of ATP 752P was commissioned and all eight Cuisinier oil wells commenced production. As a result, produced oil will be processed through the Cook oilfield production and de-watering infrastructure with approximately 1,600 barrels of oil being delivered to the sales point through the Cook to Merrimelia Oil Pipeline. The balance of the produced oil will be trucked from the Cook Trucking Terminal to the Jackson Oil Terminal and then pipelined to sales at the Moomba Gathering Facility.

## STATEMENT OF RESERVES DATA AND OTHER OIL AND GAS INFORMATION

The statement of reserves data and other oil and gas information set forth below (the "**Statement**") has an effective date of March 31, 2013 and a preparation date of June 12, 2013.

### Disclosure of Reserves Data

The Corporation engaged GLJ to provide an evaluation of the Corporation's proved, proved plus probable and proved plus probable plus possible reserves as at March 31, 2013. The reserves data set forth below (the "**Reserves Data**") is based upon the GLJ Report. GLJ is an independent reserves evaluator pursuant to NI 51-101 and the COGE Handbook. The Reserves Data summarizes the crude oil, natural gas liquids and natural gas reserves of the Corporation and the net present values of future net revenue for these reserves using forecast prices and costs. The GLJ Report has been prepared in accordance with the standards contained in the COGE Handbook and the reserve definitions contained in NI 51-101. The reserves committee of the board of directors of the Corporation has reviewed and approved the GLJ Report. The Report of Management and Directors on Oil and Gas Disclosure and the Report on Reserves Data by the Independent Qualified Reserves Evaluator are attached as Schedules "A" and "B" hereto, respectively.

The Corporation's reserves are located in Canada and Australia.

**All evaluations of future net production revenue set forth in the tables below are based on forecast prices and costs and are after direct lifting costs, normal allocated overhead and future capital investments. It should not be assumed that the estimates of future net revenues presented in the tables below represent the fair market value of the reserves. There is no assurance that the forecast prices and costs assumptions will be attained and variances could be material. The recovery and reserve estimates of the Corporation's crude oil, natural gas liquids and natural gas reserves provided herein are estimates only and there is no guarantee that the estimated reserves will be recovered. Actual crude oil, natural gas and natural gas liquid reserves may be greater than or less than the estimates provided herein.**

**Reserves Data (Forecast Prices and Costs)**

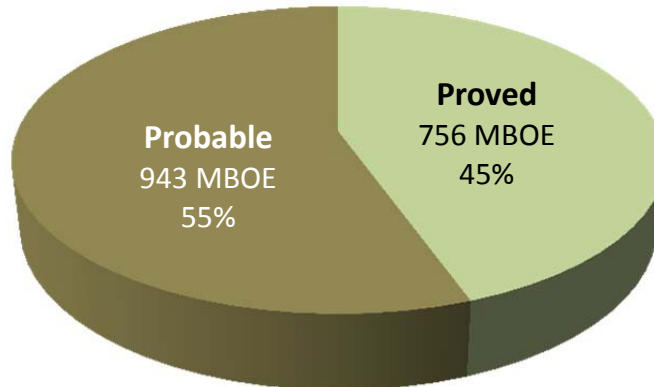
SUMMARY OF OIL AND GAS RESERVES  
AND NET PRESENT VALUES OF FUTURE NET REVENUE  
AS OF MARCH 31, 2013  
FORECAST PRICES AND COSTS

RESERVES CATEGORY	RESERVES									
	LIGHT AND MEDIUM OIL		HEAVY OIL		NATURAL GAS		NATURAL GAS LIQUIDS		TOTAL	
	Gross (Mbbbl)	Net (Mbbbl)	Gross (Mbbbl)	Net (Mbbbl)	Gross (MMcf)	Net (MMcf)	Gross (Mbbbl)	Net (Mbbbl)	Gross (MBOE)	Net (MBOE)
<b>TOTAL</b>										
Proved Developed										
Producing	150	138	-	-	425	342	5	3	225	198
Non-Producing	57	53	-	-	-	-	-	-	57	53
Proved Undeveloped	473	436	-	-	-	-	-	-	473	436
<b>Total Proved</b>	<b>680</b>	<b>627</b>	-	-	<b>425</b>	<b>342</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>755</b>	<b>687</b>
Probable	850	785	-	-	519	410	6	4	943	857
<b>Total Proved Plus Probable</b>	<b>1,530</b>	<b>1,412</b>	-	-	<b>943</b>	<b>752</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>1,698</b>	<b>1,544</b>
<b>CANADIAN PROPERTIES</b>										
Proved Developed										
Producing	-	-	-	-	425	342	5	3	76	60
Non-Producing	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Proved Undeveloped	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Total Proved</b>	-	-	-	-	<b>425</b>	<b>342</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>76</b>	<b>60</b>
Probable	-	-	-	-	519	410	6	4	92	72
<b>Total Proved Plus Probable</b>	-	-	-	-	<b>943</b>	<b>752</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>168</b>	<b>132</b>
<b>AUSTRALIAN PROPERTIES</b>										
Proved Developed										
Producing	150	138	-	-	-	-	-	-	150	138
Non-Producing	57	53	-	-	-	-	-	-	57	53
Proved Undeveloped	473	436	-	-	-	-	-	-	473	436
<b>Total Proved</b>	<b>680</b>	<b>627</b>	-	-	-	-	-	-	<b>680</b>	<b>627</b>
Probable	850	785	-	-	-	-	-	-	850	785
<b>Total Proved plus Probable</b>	<b>1,530</b>	<b>1,412</b>	-	-	-	-	-	-	<b>1,530</b>	<b>1,412</b>

## Notes:

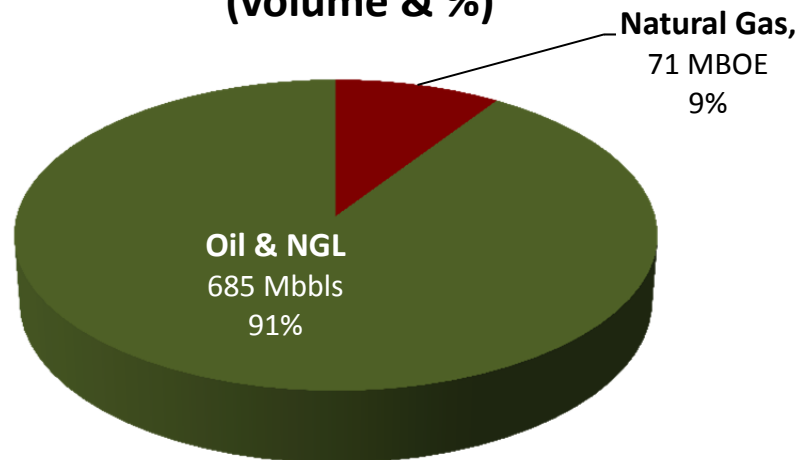
- (1) Estimates of reserves of natural gas include associated and non-associated gas.
- (2) "Gross Reserves" are Corporation's working interest reserves (operating and non-operating) before the deduction of royalties and without including any royalty interest of the Corporation.
- (3) "Net Reserves" are Corporation's working interest reserves (operating and non-operating) after deductions of royalty obligations plus the Corporation's royalty interests.
- (4) The numbers in this table may not add exactly due to rounding.
- (5) See definitions for reserve categories in the "Notes Regarding the Reserves Data Tables" below.

### Bengal Total Gross P+P\* Reserves volume (MBOE) & by category (%)

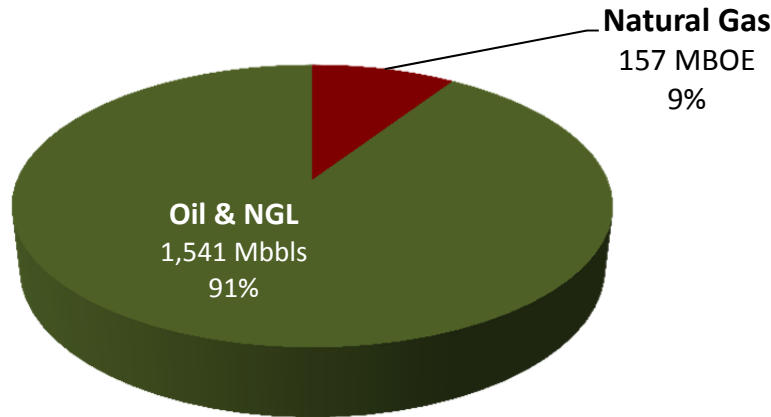


\*P+P = Proved plus Probable

### Bengal Gross Proved Reserves by product (volume & %)



## Bengal Gross Proved + Probable Reserves by product (volume & %)



### NET PRESENT VALUES OF FUTURE NET REVENUE

RESERVES CATEGORY	BEFORE INCOME TAXES DISCOUNTED AT					AFTER INCOME TAXES DISCOUNTED AT					UNIT VALUE
	(%/year)					(%/year)					BEFORE INCOME
	0	5	10	15	20	0	5	10	15	20	TAX
	(M\$)	(M\$)	(M\$)	(M\$)	(M\$)	(M\$)	(M\$)	(M\$)	(M\$)	(M\$)	DISCOUNTED AT
											10%/year
											(\$/BOE)
<b>TOTAL</b>											
Proved											
Developed											
Producing	9,674	8,895	8,268	7,751	7,316	9,674	8,895	8,268	7,751	7,316	41.79
Non-											
Producing	3,476	3,108	2,822	2,593	2,407	3,476	3,108	2,822	2,593	2,407	53.29
Proved											
Undeveloped	12,428	9,237	6,947	5,265	4,005	12,428	9,237	6,947	5,265	4,005	15.93
<b>Total Proved</b>	<b>25,578</b>	<b>21,240</b>	<b>18,036</b>	<b>15,609</b>	<b>13,728</b>	<b>25,578</b>	<b>21,240</b>	<b>18,036</b>	<b>15,609</b>	<b>13,728</b>	<b>26.26</b>
Probable	38,696	28,966	22,589	18,192	15,031	27,998	21,513	17,211	14,199	11,995	26.36
<b>Total Proved</b>											
<b>Plus Probable</b>	<b>64,274</b>	<b>50,205</b>	<b>40,625</b>	<b>33,801</b>	<b>28,759</b>	<b>53,577</b>	<b>42,753</b>	<b>35,247</b>	<b>29,807</b>	<b>25,723</b>	<b>26.32</b>
<b>CANADIAN</b>											
<b>PROPERTIES</b>											
Proved											
Developed											
Producing	141	130	119	109	100	141	130	119	109	100	1.98
Non-											
Producing	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Proved											
Undeveloped	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Total Proved</b>	<b>141</b>	<b>130</b>	<b>119</b>	<b>109</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>141</b>	<b>130</b>	<b>119</b>	<b>109</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>1.98</b>
Probable	385	264	184	130	94	385	264	184	130	94	2.56
<b>Total Proved</b>											
<b>Plus Probable</b>	<b>526</b>	<b>393</b>	<b>302</b>	<b>239</b>	<b>194</b>	<b>526</b>	<b>393</b>	<b>302</b>	<b>239</b>	<b>194</b>	<b>2.27</b>



RESERVES CATEGORY <b>AUSTRALIAN PROPERTIES</b>	BEFORE INCOME TAXES DISCOUNTED AT (%/year)					AFTER INCOME TAXES DISCOUNTED AT (%/year)					UNIT VALUE BEFORE INCOME TAX DISCOUNTED AT 10%/year (\$/BOE)	
	0	5	10	15	20	0	5	10	15	20		
	(M\$)	(M\$)	(M\$)	(M\$)	(M\$)	(M\$)	(M\$)	(M\$)	(M\$)	(M\$)		
Proved												
Developed												
Producing	9,533	8,765	8,149	7,642	7,216	9,533	8,765	8,149	7,642	7,216	59.05	
Non-												
Producing	3,476	3,108	2,822	2,593	2,407	3,476	3,108	2,822	2,593	2,407	53.25	
Proved												
Undeveloped	12,428	9,237	6,947	5,265	4,005	12,428	9,237	6,947	5,265	4,005	15.93	
<b>Total Proved</b>	<b>25,437</b>	<b>21,110</b>	<b>17,917</b>	<b>15,500</b>	<b>13,628</b>	<b>25,437</b>	<b>21,110</b>	<b>17,917</b>	<b>15,500</b>	<b>13,628</b>	<b>28.58</b>	
Probable	38,311	28,702	22,405	18,062	14,937	27,614	21,249	17,027	14,068	11,901	28.66	
<b>Total Proved plus Probable</b>	<b>63,748</b>	<b>49,812</b>	<b>40,323</b>	<b>33,562</b>	<b>28,565</b>	<b>53,051</b>	<b>42,359</b>	<b>34,944</b>	<b>29,568</b>	<b>25,529</b>	<b>28.56</b>	

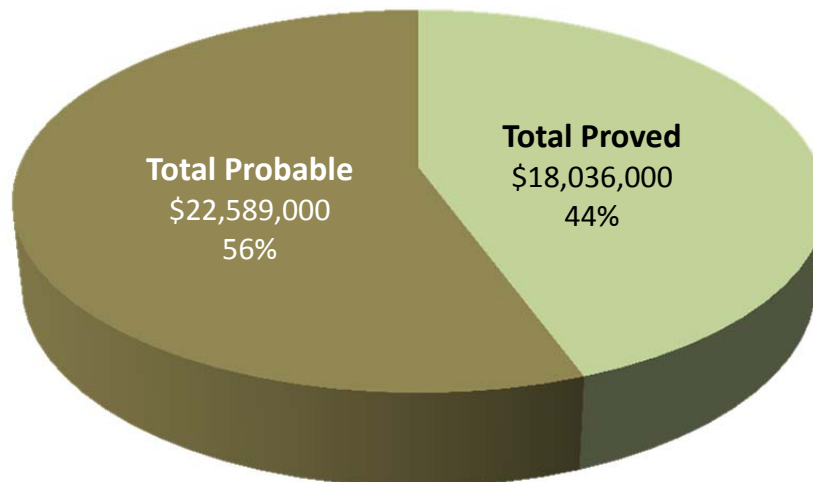
## Notes:

- (1) Net present value of future net revenue includes all resource income: sale of oil, gas by-product reserves; processing of third party reserves; and other income.
- (2) Income taxes includes all resource income, appropriate income tax calculations and prior tax pools.
- (3) The unit values are based on net reserve volumes before income tax (BFIT).
- (4) The numbers in this table may not add exactly due to rounding.
- (5) See definitions for reserve categories in the "Notes Regarding the Reserves Data Tables" below.

## 2P Reserves Value 10% NPV (Before Income Tax)

### Total Proved + Probable

\$40,625,000 = 100%



TOTAL FUTURE NET REVENUE

(UNDISCOUNTED)  
AS OF MARCH 31, 2013  
FORECAST PRICES AND COSTS

RESERVES CATEGORY	REVENUE (M\$)	ROYALTIES (M\$)	OPERATING COSTS (M\$)	DEVELOP- MENT COSTS (M\$)	WELL ABANDON- MENT COSTS (M\$)	FUTURE NET REVENUE BEFORE INCOME TAXES (M\$)	INCOME TAXES (M\$)	FUTURE NET REVENUE AFTER INCOME TAXES (M\$)
<b>Total Proved</b>	<b>76,118</b>	<b>6,089</b>	<b>26,993</b>	<b>16,928</b>	<b>529</b>	<b>25,578</b>	-	<b>25,578</b>
<b>Total Proved plus Probable</b>	<b>173,341</b>	<b>13,880</b>	<b>62,752</b>	<b>31,524</b>	<b>911</b>	<b>64,274</b>	10,697-	<b>53,577</b>
<b>Canadian Properties</b>								
Proved	2,348	400	1,661	88	58	141	-	141
Proved plus probable	5,795	969	3,735	469	96	526	-	526
<b>Australian Properties</b>								
Proved	73,770	5,688	25,332	16,841	472	25,437		25,437
Proved plus probable	167,546	12,911	59,017	31,055	815	63,748	10,697	53,051

## Notes:

- (1) BT = Before Taxes and AT = After Taxes.
- (2) Reference Item 2.1(3) of Form 51-101F1.
- (3) The numbers in this table may not add exactly due to rounding.

FUTURE NET REVENUE  
BY PRODUCTION GROUP  
AS OF MARCH 31, 2013  
FORECAST PRICES AND COSTS

RESERVES CATEGORY	PRODUCTION GROUP	FUTURE NET REVENUE BEFORE INCOME TAXES (discounted at 10%/year) (M\$)	UNIT VALUE BEFORE INCOME TAX DISCOUNTED AT 10%/year (1) (\$/BOE)
Proved Reserves	Light and Medium Crude Oil (including solution gas and associated by-products)	17,917	\$28.57
	Heavy Oil (including solution gas and associated by-products)	-	-
	Natural Gas (including associated by-products)	119	\$1.99
<b>Total Proved</b>		<b>18,036</b>	<b>\$26.26</b>
Proved Plus Probable Reserves	Light and Medium Crude Oil (including solution gas and associated by-products)	40,323	\$28.56
	Heavy Oil (including solution gas and associated by-products)	-	-
	Natural Gas (including associated by-products)	302	\$2.30
<b>Total Proved Plus Probable</b>		<b>40,625</b>	<b>\$26.32</b>

Note:

- (1) Unit values are based on the Corporation's net reserves.

**Notes Regarding the Reserves Data Tables:**

- Numbers may not add due to rounding.
- The crude oil, natural gas liquids and natural gas reserve estimates presented in the GLJ Report are based on the definitions and guidelines contained in the COGE Handbook. A summary of those definitions are set forth below:

Reserves estimates have been prepared by GLJ in accordance with standards contained in the Canadian Oil and Gas Evaluation ("COGE") Handbook. The following reserves definitions are set out by the Canadian Securities Administrators in NI 51-101 (in Part 2 of the Glossary to NI 51-101) with reference to the COGE Handbook.

**Reserves Categories**

Reserves are estimated remaining quantities of oil and natural gas and related substances anticipated to be recoverable from known accumulations, as of a given date, based on:

- analysis of drilling, geological, geophysical, and engineering data;
- the use of established technology; and
- specified economic conditions<sup>1</sup>, which are generally accepted as being reasonable, and shall be disclosed.

1. For securities reporting, the key economic assumptions will be the prices and costs used in the estimate. The required assumptions may vary by jurisdiction, for example:

- forecast prices and costs, in Canada under NI 51-101
- constant prices and costs, based on the average of the first day posted prices in each of the 12 months of the reporting issuer's financial year, under US SEC rules (this is optional disclosure under NI 51-101).

Reserves are classified according to the degree of certainty associated with the estimates.

#### *Proved Reserves*

Proved reserves are those reserves that can be estimated with a high degree of certainty to be recoverable. It is likely that the actual remaining quantities recovered will exceed the estimated proved reserves.

#### *Probable Reserves*

Probable reserves are those additional reserves that are less certain to be recovered than proved reserves. It is equally likely that the actual remaining quantities recovered will be greater or less than the sum of the estimated proved plus probable reserves.

#### *Possible Reserves*

Possible reserves are those additional reserves that are less certain to be recovered than probable reserves. It is unlikely that the actual remaining quantities recovered will exceed the sum of the estimated proved plus probable plus possible reserves.

Other criteria that must also be met for the classification of reserves are provided in Section 5.5 of the COGE Handbook.

### **Development and Production Status**

Each of the reserves categories (proved, probable and possible) may be divided into developed and undeveloped categories.

#### *Developed Reserves*

Developed reserves are those reserves that are expected to be recovered from existing wells and installed facilities or, if facilities have not been installed, that would involve a low expenditure (for example, when compared to the cost of drilling a well) to put the reserves on production. The developed category may be subdivided into producing and nonproducing.

#### *Developed Producing Reserves*

Developed producing reserves are those reserves that are expected to be recovered from completion intervals open at the time of the estimate. These reserves may be currently producing or, if shut in, they must have previously been on production, and the date of resumption of production must be known with reasonable certainty.

#### *Developed Non-producing Reserves*

Developed non-producing reserves are those reserves that either have not been on production, or have previously been on production, but are shut in, and the date of resumption of production is unknown.

#### *Undeveloped Reserves*

Undeveloped reserves are those reserves expected to be recovered from known accumulations where a significant expenditure (for example, when compared to the cost of drilling a well) is required to render them capable of production. They must fully meet the requirements of the reserves category (proved, probable and possible) to which they are assigned.

In multi-well pools, it may be appropriate to allocate total pool reserves between the developed and undeveloped categories or to subdivide the developed reserves for the pool between developed producing and developed non-producing. This allocation should be based on the estimator's assessment as to the

reserves that will be recovered from specific wells, facilities, and completion intervals in the pool and their respective development and production status.

### 3. **Levels of Certainty for Reported Reserves**

The qualitative certainty levels referred to in the definitions above are applicable to individual reserves entities (which refers to the lowest level at which reserves calculations are performed) and to Reported Reserves (which refers to the highest level sum of individual entity estimates for which reserves estimates are presented). Reported Reserves should target the following levels of certainty under a specific set of economic conditions:

- at least a 90 percent probability that the quantities actually recovered will equal or exceed the estimated proved reserves;
- at least a 50 percent probability that the quantities actually recovered will equal or exceed the sum of the estimated proved plus probable reserves;
- at least a 10 percent probability that the quantities actually recovered will equal or exceed the sum of the estimated proved plus probable plus possible reserves.

A quantitative measure of the certainty levels pertaining to estimates prepared for the various reserves categories is desirable to provide a clearer understanding of the associated risks and uncertainties. However, the majority of reserves estimates are prepared using deterministic methods that do not provide a mathematically derived quantitative measure of probability. In principle, there should be no difference between estimates prepared using probabilistic or deterministic methods.

Additional clarification of certainty levels associated with reserves estimates and the effect of aggregation is provided in Section 5.5.3 of the COGE Handbook.

*Forecast Costs and Price Assumptions*

4. GLJ employed the following pricing, exchange rate and inflation rate assumptions in estimating Bengal's reserves data using forecast prices and costs as at March 31, 2013.

**SUMMARY OF PRICING AND INFLATION RATE ASSUMPTIONS  
FORECAST PRICES AND COSTS (CANADIAN PROPERTIES AS OF MARCH 31, 2013)**

Year	OIL				Natural Gas BC Westcoast Station 2 Price (\$Cdn/MMBtu)	Natural Gas Alberta Spot Gas Price (\$Cdn/Mcf)	Pentanes Plus Edmonton (\$Cdn/Bbl)	Butanes Price Edmonton (\$Cdn/Bbl)	Inflation Rates <sup>(1)</sup> %/Year	Exchange Rate <sup>(2)</sup> (\$US/\$Cdn)
	Brent Blend FOB North Sea (\$US/Bbl)	WTI Cushing Oklahoma (\$US/Bbl)	Edmonton Oil Price 40°API (\$Cdn/Bbl)	Hardisty Heavy 12°API (\$Cdn/Bbl)						
Forecast 2013 (9 mos Est)	107.50	95.00	90.83	62.72	3.53	3.68	104.46	72.67	2.0	1.000
2014	105.00	95.00	94.00	70.02	3.68	3.83	103.40	73.32	2.0	1.000
2015	102.50	95.00	94.00	70.58	4.13	4.28	101.52	73.32	2.0	1.000
2016	102.50	97.50	96.50	73.06	4.57	4.72	102.29	75.27	2.0	1.000
2017	100.00	97.50	96.50	73.64	4.80	4.95	100.36	75.27	2.0	1.000
2018	100.00	97.50	96.50	73.64	5.07	5.22	100.36	75.27	2.0	1.000
2019	101.35	98.54	97.54	74.45	5.17	5.32	101.44	76.08	2.0	1.000
2020	103.38	100.51	99.51	75.97	5.28	5.43	103.49	77.62	2.0	1.000
2021	105.45	102.52	101.52	77.53	5.39	5.54	105.58	79.19	2.0	1.000
2022	107.55	104.57	103.57	79.11	5.49	5.64	107.71	80.78	2.0	1.000
2023+										

Escalate oil, gas and product prices at 2.0% per year thereafter.

## Notes:

- (1) 2013 forecast pricing is for last nine months (April 1 - Dec. 31) of 2013.
- (2) Inflation rates for forecasting prices and costs.
- (3) Exchange rates used to generate the benchmark reference prices in this table.

**SUMMARY OF PRICING AND INFLATION RATE ASSUMPTIONS**  
**FORECAST PRICES AND COSTS (AUSTRALIAN PROPERTIES AS OF MARCH 31, 2013)**

<b>Year</b>	<b>BRENT (CDN\$/bbl)</b>	<b>\$US/\$CDN (Exchange Rate)</b>	<b>BRENT (US\$/bbl)</b>
Historical			
2010	82.63	0.971	80.25
2011	109.59	1.012	110.86
2012	111.61	1.001	111.71
2013 (3 months actual, Jan.– Mar.)	113.81	0.991	112.74
Forecast			
2013 (9 months estimate, Apr.-Dec.)	107.50	1.000	107.50
2014	105.00	1.000	105.00
2015	102.50	1.000	102.50
2016	102.50	1.000	102.50
2017	100.00	1.000	100.00
2018	100.00	1.000	100.00
2019	101.35	1.000	101.35
2020	103.38	1.000	103.38
2021	105.45	1.000	105.45
2022	107.55	1.000	107.55
2023+	+2.0%	1.000	+2.0%
Thereafter escalate price at:	2.00%		

## Notes:

- (1) Crude oil pricing has been estimated by GLJ as BRENT blend in US dollars. Historical futures contract price is an average of the daily settlement price of the near month contract over the calendar month.
  - (2) 2013 forecast pricing is for the last nine months (April 1 – Dec. 31) of 2013.
  - (3) Weighted average historical prices realized by the Corporation for the year ended March 31, 2013, were \$2/61/Mcf for natural gas, \$112.84/Bbl for light crude oil and \$57.37/Bbl for NGLs
5. Well abandonment costs for wells with reserves or without reserves assigned have been included. Additional abandonment costs associated with lease reclamation costs and facility abandonment and reclamation expenses have not been included in this analysis.
  6. The forecast price and cost assumptions assume the continuance of current laws and regulations.
  7. The extent and character of all factual data supplied to GLJ were accepted by GLJ as represented. No field inspection was conducted.

**Reserves Reconciliation**

**RECONCILIATION OF CORPORATION GROSS RESERVES  
BY PRINCIPAL PRODUCT TYPE FORECAST PRICES AND COSTS**

(CANADIAN PROPERTIES AS AT MARCH 31, 2013)

FACTORS	LIGHT AND MEDIUM OIL			HEAVY OIL		
	Gross Proved (Mbbbl)	Gross Probable (Mbbbl)	Gross Proved Plus Probable (Mbbbl)	Gross Proved (Mbbbl)	Gross Probable (Mbbbl)	Gross Proved Plus Probable (Mbbbl)
<b>March 31, 2012</b>	-	-	-	-	-	-
Discoveries	-	-	-	-	-	-
Extensions and Improved Recovery	-	-	-	-	-	-
Infill Drilling <sup>(1)</sup>	-	-	-	-	-	-
Improved Recovery	-	-	-	-	-	-
Technical Revisions <sup>(2)</sup>	-	-	-	-	-	-
Acquisitions <sup>(3)</sup>	-	-	-	-	-	-
Dispositions <sup>(3)</sup>	-	-	-	-	-	-
Economic Factors <sup>(4)</sup>	-	-	-	-	-	-
Production	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>March 31, 2013</b>	-	-	-	-	-	-

FACTORS	NATURAL GAS LIQUIDS			NATURAL GAS			TOTAL		
	Gross Proved (Mbbbl)	Gross Probable (Mbbbl)	Gross Proved Plus Probable (Mbbbl)	Gross Proved (MMcft)	Gross Probable (MMcft)	Gross Proved Plus Probable (MMcft)	Gross Proved (MBOE)	Gross Probable (MBOE)	Gross Proved Plus Probable (MBOE)
<b>March 31, 2012</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>415</b>	<b>621</b>	<b>1,036</b>	<b>75</b>	<b>111</b>	<b>186</b>
Discoveries	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Extensions and Improved Recovery	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Infill Drilling <sup>(1)</sup>	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Improved Recovery	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Technical Revisions <sup>(2)</sup>	-	(2)	(2)	75	(102)	(27)	13	(19)	(6)
Acquisitions <sup>(3)</sup>	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Dispositions <sup>(3)</sup>	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Economic Factors <sup>(4)</sup>	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Production	(1)	-	(1)	(65)	-	(65)	(12)	-	(12)
<b>March 31, 2013</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>425</b>	<b>519</b>	<b>944</b>	<b>76</b>	<b>92</b>	<b>168</b>

## Notes:

- (1) The above change categories correspond to standard set out in the COGE Handbook. For reporting under NI 51-101, reserves additions under Infill Drilling, Improved Recovery and Extensions should be combined and reported as Extensions and Improved recovery.
- (2) Includes technical revisions due to reservoir performance, geological and engineering changes..
- (3) Includes production attributable to any acquired interests from the acquisition date to effective date of the report and production realized from disposed interests from the opening balance date to the effective date of disposition.
- (4) Includes economic revisions due to changes in economic limits; and working interest changes resulting from the timing of interest reversions and related to price and royalty factor changes.



RECONCILIATION OF CORPORATION GROSS RESERVES  
BY PRINCIPAL PRODUCT TYPE FORECAST PRICES AND COSTS

(AUSTRALIAN PROPERTIES AS AT MARCH 31, 2013)

FACTORS	LIGHT AND MEDIUM OIL			HEAVY OIL		
	Gross Proved (Mbbbl)	Gross Probable (Mbbbl)	Gross Proved Plus Probable (Mbbbl)	Gross Proved (Mbbbl)	Gross Probable (Mbbbl)	Gross Proved Plus Probable (Mbbbl)
<b>March 31, 2012</b>	<b>81</b>	<b>369</b>	<b>450</b>	–	–	–
Discoveries	–	–	–	–	–	–
Extensions and Improved Recovery	168	60	227	–	–	–
Infill Drilling <sup>(1)</sup>	–	–	–	–	–	–
Improved Recovery	–	–	–	–	–	–
Technical Revisions <sup>(2)</sup>	484	421	905	–	–	–
Acquisitions <sup>(3)</sup>	–	–	–	–	–	–
Dispositions <sup>(3)</sup>	–	–	–	–	–	–
Economic Factors <sup>(4)</sup>	–	–	–	–	–	–
Production	(53)	–	(53)	–	–	–
<b>March 31, 2013</b>	<b>680</b>	<b>850</b>	<b>1,530</b>	–	–	–

FACTORS	NATURAL GAS LIQUIDS			NATURAL GAS			TOTAL		
	Gross Proved (Mbbbl)	Gross Probable (Mbbbl)	Gross Proved Plus Probable (Mbbbl)	Gross Proved (MMcf)	Gross Probable (MMcf)	Gross Proved Plus Probable (MMcf)	Gross Proved (MBOE)	Gross Probable (MBOE)	Gross Proved Plus Probable (MBOE)
<b>March 31, 2012</b>	–	–	–	–	–	–	<b>81</b>	<b>369</b>	<b>450</b>
Discoveries	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
Extensions and Improved Recovery	–	–	–	–	–	–	168	59	227
Infill Drilling <sup>(1)</sup>	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
Improved Recovery	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
Technical Revisions <sup>(2)</sup>	–	–	–	–	–	–	484	422	906
Acquisitions <sup>(3)</sup>	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
Dispositions <sup>(3)</sup>	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
Economic Factors <sup>(4)</sup>	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
Production	–	–	–	–	–	–	(53)	–	(53)
<b>March 31, 2013</b>	<b>–</b>	<b>–</b>	<b>–</b>	<b>–</b>	<b>–</b>	<b>–</b>	<b>680</b>	<b>850</b>	<b>1,530</b>

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- (3) Includes production attributable to any acquired interests from the acquisition date to effective date of the report and production realized from disposed interests from the opening balance date to the effective date of disposition.
- (4) Includes economic revisions due to changes in economic limits; and working interest changes resulting from the timing of interest reversions and related to price and royalty factor changes.

## Additional Information Relating to Reserves Data

### *Undeveloped Reserves*

The following discussion generally describes the basis on which Bengal attributes proved and probable undeveloped reserves and its plans for developing those undeveloped reserves.

### *Proved Undeveloped Reserves*

Proved undeveloped reserves are associated with both undrilled locations and drilled wells that have not yet been logged, or tested as of the effective date of the reserve evaluation. Proved undeveloped reserves partially relate to planned infill drilling locations. The majority of the proved undeveloped locations are scheduled to be on production within a five year time frame. The Corporation had no attributed proved undeveloped reserves prior to March 31, 2012.

As of March 31, 2013, Bengal's proved undeveloped reserves represented 63% of the Bengal's total proved reserves, with proved plus probable (P+P) undeveloped reserves representing 77% of its P+P reserves. In light of the timing of Bengal's drilling program relative to its year end reserves evaluation, a portion of these undeveloped reserves will be converted to proved developed through calendar 2013. In addition, given that the focus of Bengal's drilling program was on appraisal and pool delineation rather than development, the reserve evaluation inherently includes greater development potential which is reflected within the report. Further, through an ongoing planned drilling program in Australia over the next six years, it is anticipated that a majority of the proved undeveloped reserves will be converted to proved developed, and the majority of probable undeveloped to probable.

Year Ending March 31	Light and Medium Oil (Mbbbl)	Natural Gas (MMcf)	NGLs (Mbbbl)	Total (MBOE)
Prior thereto	0	0	0	0
2011	0	0	0	0
2012	0	0	0	0
2013	473			473

### *Probable Undeveloped Reserves*

The following table sets forth the volumes of probable undeveloped reserves that were first attributed in each of Bengal's three most recent financial years and before that time, in aggregate:

Year Ending March 31	Light and Medium Oil (Mbbbl)	Natural Gas (MMcf)	NGLs (Mbbbl)	Total (MBOE)
Prior thereto	6	577	6	108
2011	6	584	5	108
2012	0	525	7	95
2013	760	449	5	840

Probable undeveloped reserves are generally those reserves tested or indicated by analogy to be productive, infill drilling locations and lands contiguous to production. The majority of these reserves are planned to be on stream within a six year timeframe.

In general, once probable undeveloped reserves are identified they are scheduled into Bengal's development plans.

A number of factors could result in delayed or cancelled development plans. Such factors may include changing economic conditions due to oil and natural gas pricing, operating and capital expenditure fluctuations. Changing technical conditions resulting in production anomalies such as premature water break through or higher than anticipated production declines may result in the delay or cancellation of development plans. In wells that have encountered multiple zones, a prospective zone completion may be delayed until the initial completion is no longer economic. Larger development program may need to be spread out over several years to optimize capital allocation and facility utilization. Surface access issues associated with landowners, weather conditions or regulatory approvals could also influence development plans.

The GLJ Report indicates that Bengal has 760 thousand barrels of light oil, 449 million cubic feet of natural gas and 5 thousand barrels of natural gas liquids reserves defined as "probable undeveloped". The change in "probable undeveloped" light oil reserves year over year results from technical revisions associated with the Murta formation within the Cuisinier property. The Probable Undeveloped natural gas and NGLs reserves are associated with the Oak-Cecil property in North East British Columbia. These reserves are associated with a proposed step out location offsetting current natural gas producers. These reserves are scheduled to be developed in 2017.

#### ***Significant Factors or Uncertainties Affecting Reserves Data***

The process of evaluating reserves is inherently complex. It requires significant judgments and decisions based on available geological, geophysical, engineering and economic data. These estimates may change substantially as additional data from ongoing development activities and production performance becomes available and as economic conditions impacting oil and gas prices and costs change. The reserve estimates contained herein are based on current production forecasts, prices and economic conditions and other factors and assumptions that may affect the reserve estimates and the present worth of the future net revenue therefrom. These factors and assumptions include, among others: (i) historical production in the area compared with production rates from analogous producing areas; (ii) initial production rates; (iii) production decline rates; (iv) ultimate recovery of reserves; (v) success of future development activities; (vi) marketability and pricing of production; (vii) effects of government regulations; and (viii) other government levies imposed over the life of the reserves.

As circumstances change and additional data becomes available, reserve estimates also change. Estimates are reviewed and revised, either upward or downward, as warranted by the new information. Revisions are often required due to changes in well performance, prices, economic conditions and government restrictions. Revisions to reserve estimates can arise from changes in year-end prices, reservoir performance and geologic conditions or production. These revisions can be either positive or negative.

The Corporation does not anticipate any unusually high development costs or operating costs, the need to build a major pipeline or other major facility before production of reserves can begin, or contractual obligations to produce and sell a significant portion of production at prices substantially below those which could be realized but for those contractual obligations.

For additional details of important economic factors or significant uncertainties that may affect the components of the reserves data in this Statement, see the Corporation's management's discussion and analysis of financial condition results of operations and cash flows for the fiscal year ended 2013 as well as the "Risk Factors" and "Principal Properties" sections herein.

#### ***Future Development Costs***

The following table sets forth development costs deducted in the estimation of the Corporation's future net revenue attributable to the reserve categories noted below:

Year	Forecast Prices and Costs (M\$)	
	Proved Reserves	Proved Plus Probable Reserves
<b>TOTAL</b>		
2013	836	3,343
2014	7,124	9,345
2015	7,214	9,532
2016	1,447	7,358
2017	307	1,851
2018	0	56
2019	0	0
2020	0	0
2021	0	39
Thereafter	0	0
<b>Total Undiscounted</b>	<b>16,928</b>	<b>31,524</b>
<b>CANADIAN PROPERTIES</b>		
2013	0	0
2014	51	0
2015	0	0
2016	0	0
2017	36	374
2018	0	56
2019	0	0
2020	0	0
2021	0	39
Thereafter	0	0
<b>Total Undiscounted</b>	<b>88</b>	<b>469</b>
<b>AUSTRALIAN PROPERTIES</b>		
2013	836	3,343
2014	7,073	9,345
2015	7,214	9,532
2016	1,447	7,358
2017	271	1,476
2018	0	0
2019	0	0
2020	0	0
2021	0	0
Thereafter	0	0
<b>Total Undiscounted</b>	<b>16,841</b>	<b>31,055</b>

Notes:

- (1) Future Development Costs shown are associated with booked reserves in the GLJ Report and do not necessarily represent the Corporation's full exploration and development budget.
- (2) The numbers in this table may not add exactly due to rounding.

On an ongoing basis, Bengal will use internally generated cash flow from operations, debt and new equity issues if available on favourable terms to finance its capital expenditure program. Bengal estimates that \$16,928 will be sufficient to fund the future development costs of its proved reserves disclosed above and \$31,524 will be sufficient to fund the future development costs of the proved plus probable reserves disclosed above. The cost of funding is not expected to have any effect on disclosed reserves or future net revenue or make the development of a property uneconomic for the Corporation.

## Other Oil and Gas Information

### *Principal Properties*

The Corporation is engaged in the exploration for and development and production of crude oil and natural gas in Western Canada, Australia and India.

The following is a description of the Corporation's principal oil and natural gas properties as at March 31, 2013, unless otherwise stated. Production stated is gross production to the Corporation and, unless otherwise stated, is

average daily production during the year ended March 31, 2013 based on operator statements. The reserve amounts stated are gross reserves, as at March 31, 2013 based on forecast costs and prices as evaluated in the GLJ Report (see "*Reserves Data*"). The estimates of reserves and future net revenue for individual properties may not reflect the same confidence level as estimates of reserves and future net revenue for all properties, due to the effects of aggregation.

### ***Cooper/Eromanga Basin, Onshore, Australia***

Bengal has a large acreage position across the onshore Cooper/Eromanga Basin of Australia approaching 2 million gross acres. Bengal's Cooper/Eromanga acreage is split among five separate blocks of land that are covered by: PEL 113, PEL 103A, ATP 732P, ATP 752P and ATP 934P.

#### *ATP 752P, Queensland, Australia*

Bengal has multiple interests in ATP 752P. ATP 752P is located on the Cooper/Eromanga Basin and is subdivided into the Wompi Sub-Block (Bengal 30% working interest) and Barta Sub-Block (Bengal 25% working interest). In 2012, Bengal increased its interest in the Wompi sub-block from 19.5% by drilling Cuisinier North 1 at Barta as the Wompi option well and paying 60% of all drilling costs on the Cuisinier North 1 well. As a result Bengal increased its interests in the Wompi Sub-Block to 30%.

The end of the first four-year permit term of ATP 752P was July 31, 2010. The ATP 752P permit was renewed for another four year term on July 1, 2010 and is renewable for another four year term after that, subject to negotiation of new work program commitments with the governmental authority and a partial block relinquishment. Pursuant to the expiry of the initial four year term Bengal, together with its joint venture partners, relinquished 33% of the ATP 752P; the bulk of the relinquished area was assessed as poorly prospective or at least having very high exploration risk. The relinquishment does not affect any existing lead or prospects identified by either Bengal or its partners.

The joint venture partners are prepared, and have agreed, to accelerate activity beyond any minimal work program obligation as drilling success and results should warrant.

The Barta Sub-Block comprises 344,218 acres broken into north-eastern and south-western parcels as well as the 3,954 acre PL 303. The Cook oil field sits immediately east of the south-western parcel and an oil discovery (James-1) offsets the block's west boundary. Two wells drilled on the south-western parcel had oil shows. Existing and new seismic data has identified numerous, large, prospective structures on the sub-block.

Bengal increased its working interest in the Barta Sub-Block to 25% by funding 16.7% of the Cuisinier discovery well, 83.3% of the second exploration well (the "**Hudson 1 Well**") and 55.0% of the third exploration well the Barta North well. The first two of the initial Barta farm-in wells were drilled in 2008. The first well, Cuisinier 1 Well, was drilled and although found to be wet in the principal target zone, discovered oil in an uphole zone called the Murta sandstone member of the Mooga Formation, a zone previously not known to be productive in the area. The second, the Hudson 1 Well, proved wet and was abandoned.

In May 2010, production commenced from the Corporation's Cuisinier 1 oil discovery. The Cuisinier 1 Well was the first well drilled on the Cuisinier structure. The Cuisinier structure has been interpreted from 3D seismic data to be one of several culminations in the area. The producing interval is the Murta Sandstone, which is well developed with 8.7 metres net pay over a 12 metre interval (1,622 to 1,634 m depth). Cuisinier 1 is located approximately six km west of the Santos operated Cook Oil Field in southwest Queensland, near the South Australian border. The adjacent Cook Oil Field produces oil from the prolific Hutton reservoir. The Hutton zone has not yet been found to be productive at Cuisinier. Another oil discovery (James-1) offsets the block's west boundary.

Cuisinier 2 and 3 were drilled in 2010 and 2011, respectively to follow up on the Cuisinier 1 discovery. In 2012, Cuisinier 4, 5 and 6 plus the Cuisinier North 1 well were drilled, cased, completed and equipped bringing the total to eight oil wells. In 2012 all wells were flow lined to the central Cuisinier 1 facility (see detailed well descriptions in the "*Exploration and Development Activities*").

The previously equipped Barta North 1 well was tied into the existing Cuisinier 1 facility via 4.5 km of pipeline and the well was commissioned in Q4 of 2012. In addition to the infrastructure work for Barta North 1, strategies to improve the operability and on-stream times of the existing production at Cuisinier have been implemented, including the connection of the facility at Cuisinier 1 to nearby existing infrastructure at Cook and the potential expansion of the existing Cook facility to include water handling infrastructure. The pipeline to Cook was completed in December 2012 and following further engineering and mechanical work the pipeline is expected to become fully operational in Q2 2013. In April 2013, Bengal received the final grant of PL 303 from the Queensland Government in Australia, allowing all eight Cuisinier oil wells to produce. In June 2013, the Cuisinier to Cook pipeline was commissioned enabling the production from all eight wells to be delivered to sales points through a pipeline, rather than trucking.

In December 2012, the operator completed the acquisition of an additional 220 km<sup>2</sup> of 3D seismic extending the existing 3D seismic coverage northward from Cuisinier North 1 in order to pursue and newly generated exploration leads and prospects. Based on this new 3D seismic, the intent is to pursue both existing and generate new exploration leads and prospects for drilling in 2014.

The Wompi Sub-Block comprises a total of 215,723 acres. Pursuant to the original farm-in agreement, the operator completed the acquisition of over 200 km<sup>2</sup> of new 3D seismic over the Wompi Sub-Block of ATP 752P. The 3D data (the Bowen and Genoa 3D surveys) was processed, merged with previous 3D datasets and interpreted by the operator. The operator identified two principle drilling locations and drilled one of these wells (the Sampdoria Well) in 2011, under an amended farm-in agreement. Bengal's drilling costs were fully carried on this first Wompi farm-in well at Sampdoria; however the well was unsuccessful and subsequently abandoned.

The Corporation is now re-evaluating the entire Wompi Sub-Block to high grade the prospects and to delineate new potential prospects based on recent drilling activity immediately offsetting the permit at Zeus.

The land is subject to a 10% royalty payable on production to the Queensland government along with a 1% royalty reserved to the native title owners.

*ATP 732P Tookoonooka, Queensland, Australia*

Bengal completed the purchase of a 100% interest in ATP 732P and become the operator thereof following the formal grant of the permit by the Queensland Government in March 2011. Native title and cultural heritage agreements have already been arranged with the Boonthamurra aboriginal peoples enabling exploration activities on ATP 732P to commence. The initial four year term of the permit requires only a basic work commitment: basic geological work and seismic reprocessing, 100 km of new 2D seismic acquisition, and a single well. The ATP can be renewed twice for a total tenure period of twelve years subject to the negotiation of an additional work program. The land is subject to a 10% royalty payable on production to the Queensland government along with an added 1% royalty payable to the native title (aboriginal) persons.

Permit ATP 732P is large in size (654,335 acres) and has been tested by only eight explorations wells to date. The permit is surrounded by existing Permian gas fields and Jurassic and Cretaceous oil fields. The block therefore has good oil potential from the shallow sequence and Bengal has also identified large prospective gas in deeper Permian strata on the Permit. Thick coals interbedded with the Permian sands may also offer an associated coal-seam-gas opportunity. The center of the block was the site of what is believed to have been an ancient (Cretaceous) meteor impact structure. Such impact structures are known to be productive for oil and gas in other parts of the world.

Multiple formations are proven productive within the vicinity of the ATP 732 permit. These formations often occur as stacked reservoirs producing in the same pool. Below is a partial list of the prospective reservoirs at Tookoonooka.

The Cretaceous Wyandra Sandstone is interpreted to have been deposited in either fluvial or shore face environment with sands exhibiting porosities ranging from 12% to 33%. The Cretaceous Murta Sandstones was deposited in a meandering fluvial, overbank and lacustrine environment and the Murta sandstones are interbedded with siltstone,

shale and minor coal. Sands are up to 10 m thick and can be extremely variable in composition. Porosity in area wells ranges from 23% to 26%, and permeability reaches up to 65 mD.

Jurassic Westbourne, Birkhead Sandstones were deposited in a meandering fluvial, overbank and lacustrine environment, the sandstones are interbedded with siltstone, shale and minor coal. Jurassic Hutton Sandstones were deposited in a braided fluvial, environment and the Hutton sandstones are clean quartzose sandstones with well-developed porosities up to 25 percent, permeability up to 2500 mD.

Permian Toolachee sandstones are multi-zone, high-sinuosity fluvial (and overbank) deposits that range from poor to moderate quality reservoirs in the vicinity of ATP 732P. Sands are stacked and interbedded with coals and shales. Sandstone porosities in area wells range from 9% up to 21%.

In the calendar year 2011 Bengal completed a seismic acquisition program comprised of 420 km of new 2D seismic and 50 km<sup>2</sup> of new 3D seismic, an amount greatly in excess of the actual required work commitments. This seismic was processed and interpreted to allow for drilling in Q3/Q4 2012. The seismic acquired was concentrated first on the Permian gas plays plus a test area where a Cretaceous oil show was identified. Three firm and three contingent drilling locations were selected with multiple zones targeted in each location. In addition to the formations listed above Bengal believes that fractured basement is also prospective, especially in proximity to the impact site. Basement potential will be fully evaluated while drilling, with wells drilled sufficiently into basement to allow for proper assessment of its potential on the permit.

In 2012, Bengal commenced drilling on the Toookoonooka permit with the Caracal 1 exploration well. The Caracal well encountered good oil shows in the Wyandra sandstone and the formation was subsequently cored. When the core was recovered oil was observed bleeding from the core into the core barrel. Preliminary petrophysical analysis determined there was approximately 9.5 metres of potential pay in the Wyandra. Upon completion the zone swabbed and recovered 5 barrels of 53 degree API oil (see detailed well description in the "*Exploration and Development Activities*").

The Caracal well was drilled into the Murta formation and then cased before reaching the originally prognosed total depth. This was done to mitigate any potential formation damage in the Wyandra due to some of the clays known to exist at the level. The deeper Birkhead, Hutton and Basement targets remain and plan to be evaluated during future appraisal drilling at Caracal.

In May 2013, Bengal announced the formation of a strategic joint venture with established Cooper Basin explorer, Beach, which will accelerate both appraisal and exploration activities on this large, under explored permit.

Marketing options for any future commercial oil and gas production from the ATP 732P permit have been investigated through an independent specialist consultant. The results of the study are currently being reviewed. These results, along with the confirmation of initial drill locations, will be utilized in the scoping and final engineering design of any production facilities and associated infrastructure that may be required to bring any commercial production to appropriate markets.

#### *ATP 934P Barrolka, Queensland, Australia*

Bengal and its partners were provisionally awarded a 361,268 acre onshore block of land located in the Cooper/Eromanga Basin in the State of Queensland, Australia. Bengal has a 50% working interest in the Authority ATP 934P ("**ATP 934P**") block and is the operator. ATP 934P sits in the heart of the Cooper/Eromanga Basin and is surrounded by known gas fields. ATP 934P flanks the east margin of the large Barrolka gas field. Recent activity west of ATP 934P has resulted in some new oil discoveries. Bengal believes that ATP 934P is prospective for deep basin-centered and tight gas prospects. To date, five undrilled structural leads have been identified as conventional gas drilling opportunities. Bengal and its partners are negotiating a joint operating agreement to be entered into once the permit is formally awarded.

Bengal successfully completed negotiations and has entered into an agreement with the Wongkumara people regarding native title on ATP 934P. The formal grant of the permit will be made following submission of the native title agreement and the completion of an environmental assessment. The Corporation completed the environmental assessment and submitted the final documents late in 2012. Upon formal grant of the permit the Corporation can commence exploration activities. The work program on ATP 934P will entail at least 500 km<sup>2</sup> of new 2D seismic acquisition in year one, three wells in year two, and three wells or a combination of wells and seismic through years three and four. The exploration term only begins following the execution of a native title agreement and the formal grant of the ATP by the government. The Authority To Prospect for ATP 934P can be renewed twice for a total tenure period of twelve years subject to the negotiation of additional work program. The Queensland Wild Rivers legislation that was recently enacted may compromise the original work program that was bid by Bengal. In this regard Bengal may enter into negotiation with the regulating authority relative to a revised work program.

The land will be subject to a 10% royalty payable on production to the Queensland government and management expects an additional royalty of between 1% to 1.75%, subject to certain conditions, will be reserved to the native title owners.

*PEL 113, Murteree, South Australia*

Pursuant to the terms of a farm-in agreement, the Corporation earned a 35% interest in a 13,097 acre sub-block ("**PEL 113M**") of the larger Petroleum Exploration Licence 113 ("**PEL 113**") in the South Australian portion of the Cooper/Eromanga Basin. Bengal earned this interest by funding 3D seismic and subsequently funding the drilling of two wells operated by Stuart Petroleum Ltd. PEL 113M is operated by Senex Energy Limited (65% working interest). Bengal has production from a single oil well, called Toporoa 1, covered by Petroleum Production Licence ("**PPL**") 215, issued from PEL 113. From October of 2006 the Toporoa 1 well has produced over 306,097 barrels of oil to the end of November 2012 (32.67% net revenue to Bengal). The lands are subject to a 10% royalty to the Queensland government and a 1% royalty is reserved to the native title owners. Bengal retains the option to participate in any new wells drilled within defined area on the PEL offsetting PPL 215.

Bengal's net oil production at Toporoa for the year ended March 31, 2013 averaged 13.4 Bbls/d (up marginally from 12 Bbls/d the year before). The nearly consistent average oil rate observed in comparison to last year indicates the well has stabilized. The Corporation's interest in this land is not subject to any further work commitments at present.

*PEL 103A, Aspen, South Australia*

Bengal formerly participated in the drilling of two unsuccessful exploration wells on Petroleum Exploration Licence ("**PEL 103**") in South Australia from which Bengal earned a 25% working interest in a 13,838 acre sub-block ("**PEL 103A**") of PEL 103. In 2008, Bengal chose not to exercise its option to earn an additional 25% working interest in another small sub-block on PEL 103. Consequently, Bengal has retained a 25% working interest in PEL 103A. The majority of PEL 103A is situated across much of an ancient geological structure called the Innamincka Dome.

In 2009, the operator agreed to conduct an evaluative work program PEL 103A to test the Innamincka Dome for coal seam gas (coal bed methane) in the shallow coals of the Cretaceous Winton Formation. The operator subsequently drilled three continuously-cored, stratigraphic test holes named Merninie 1, 2 and 3. Within PEL 103A, two test holes, Merninie 2 and 3 were drilled to depths 516 m and 600 m in late October and early November 2009 respectively. The Winton coals appear to be low rank and thin in both wells. Unfortunately, the initial evaluation is that the Winton Formation is likely a sub-economic coal-seam-gas zone where it is located on the Innamincka Dome. The Corporation presently understands that no further coal seam gas evaluation is presently contemplated by the operator on the permit. The lands are subject to a 10% royalty to the South Australia Government, a 1% royalty reserved to the native title owners along with an additional 12% to third parties. This property does not have any production or reserves associated with it.



## **Ashmore Cartier Area, Timor Sea, Offshore Australia**

### *Permit AC/P47*

On March 3, 2009, Bengal was awarded a 100% interest in exploration permit AC/P47. AC/P47 occupies an area of 3,485 km<sup>2</sup> (Bengal net 866,104 acres) in the Ashmore Cartier area of Timor Sea. The water depth averages less than 400 metres. The anticipated target reservoir zones are high quality Triassic sandstones, as demonstrated to be present by an offsetting well sitting at moderate depths ranging between 1,800 and 2,600 metres. The same Triassic sandstones are productive for oil in the adjoining Vulcan Graben.

Bengal's technical evaluation of the block, based on an existing grid of 2D seismic data, indicated the existence of substantial untested structures, some in excess of 40 km<sup>2</sup> in size, and with potentially in excess of 240 metres of possible closure. The existing lone well drilled in 1973 was evidenced to have been drilled largely off-structure and as such constitutes an incomplete and invalid test of the true hydrocarbon potential of the block.

AC/P47 has an initial six-year term, divided into two three-year phases. The first year of the work program (commencing on March 3, 2009) was varied under the approval of the government regulator whereby a combination of 2D seismic data was reprocessed and 300 km of new 2D seismic data was acquired. The year-one work program has been completed and the permit is currently in the third year. In years two and three, Bengal has committed to acquire and process a minimum of 750 km<sup>2</sup> of new 3D seismic.

The expiry of the first phase officially occurred on March 3, 2012. During 2011, and in advance of this expiry date, Bengal was in frequent communication with the applicable regulatory body respecting the delayed progress in acquisition of the 3D seismic.

The Corporation has been unsuccessful in attracting a prospective joint venture partner on the permit and given the evolving technical risks associated with the area the Corporation has decided to pursue relinquishment proceedings with the NOPTA. See "*Exploration and Development Activities*".

The Corporation filed notification of being the registered titleholder of AC/P 47 as at January 1, 2012 with the newly formed Australian government departments: the NOPSEMA and the NOPTA.

This permit is subject to the reservation of a 10% royalty to the Ashmore-Cartier Territory and Petroleum Resources Rent Tax ("**PRRT**") to the Australian commonwealth.

### *Permit AC/P24*

Bengal holds a 10% working interest in exploration permit AC/P24 located in the Ashmore Cartier area offshore Australia. Bengal is partnered with PTTEP Australia Timor Sea Pty Ltd. (90% working interest), the operator. Bengal's interest was earned by the drilling of a discovery oil well at Katandra-1 in December 2004. AC/P24 comprises an area of 329 km<sup>2</sup> (gross 81,298 acres) and is penetrated by only the single Katandra-1 well. Though successfully demonstrating that recoverable light oil exists on the Katandra structure, the gross oil column penetrated by the Katandra-1 well, being 8 metres thick at the well, is not economically viable at the present time to propose commercial development without further successful appraisal drilling.

The Kingtree-1 well was drilled in September 2011 targeting a large untested structural feature located 14 km southeast of Katandra. The well found only residual evidence of hydrocarbons and was abandoned. The Kingtree-1 well came in well under budget at AUD\$10 million (net AUD\$1 million to Bengal at 10% working interest).

The operator subsequently applied for an extension and suspension for the term of the tenement and it was successfully extended to February 7, 2013. In addition, an application was successfully lodged effective April 4, 2012 to have Blocks 3303 and 3304 containing the Katandra deposit declared a location. Notice of intent to grant a five year Petroleum Retention Lease was received by the Corporation's partner and operator in March 2013 from NOPTA.

This permit is subject to the reservation of a 10% royalty to the Ashmore-Cartier Territory and PRRT to the Australian commonwealth. The PRRT will begin to be paid when production commences.

#### ***Oak, British Columbia, Canada***

The Oak area of British Columbia is located in the Peace River Block in Townships 86 and 87-17W6. The Oak area is characterized by multi-zone, gas-prone reservoirs which include the Halfway, Baldonnel and Dunlevy/Gething formations each of which produce gas for Bengal from the property. The Corporation holds 41.9% working interest in Section 30 86-17W6M from P&NG to base of the Charlie Lake formation and 29.7% from below the base of Charlie Lake to the base of the Artex-Halfway-Doig formation. The Corporation also holds 30% working interest in Section 31 86-17W6M and 50% in Section 20 87-17W6M. As per the Dominion Land Survey, each full section is comprised of 640 acres. Additionally, Bengal has a 12.2% interest in a gas compressor and related gas gathering system in the local area which offers some competitive advantage. Bengal has identified additional development and the potential for down-spacing opportunities. The Corporation currently has 3 producing gas wells. Bengal's net gas production for the year ended March 31, 2013 averaged 32 BOE/d (6:1 conversion) from the Oak property down from 45 BOE/d from the year ended March 31, 2012).

#### ***Cauvery Basin, Onshore India (CY-ONN-2005/1)***

Bengal and its joint venture partners were awarded CY-ONN-2005/1 in December 2008 upon the signing of a PSC with the GOI on December 22, 2008. CY-ONN-2005/1 is located onshore in the Cauvery Basin, in the state of Tamil Nadu, India. Pursuant to a joint operating agreement, Bengal has a 30% working interest and is partnered with GSPC (30% interest) and GAIL (40% interest), the operator. CY-ONN-2005/1 measures 946 km<sup>2</sup> in area (233,762 gross acres). The State of Tamil Nadu awarded a petroleum exploration licence in March, 2010. The permit CY-ONN-2005/1 is now currently within its second year work term. All available older 2D seismic data (732 km) has been reprocessed and additional interpretation work is underway by the operator.

Under the minimum work program, 575 km<sup>2</sup> of new 3D seismic and 3 new exploration wells are required through the first four year phase of tenure, expiring March 2, 2014. The recently completed work program included acquisition and processing of 2,300 line kilometres of aeromagnetic data, an initial environmental impact review and the expanded acquisition of 600 km<sup>2</sup> of new 3D seismic (including a high resolution seismic survey). The processing and interpretation of this new geophysical data in conjunction with existing geological and geophysical data has resulted in the identification of numerous exploration prospects. The joint venture partners are currently in the final stages of prospect selection which will lead to the drilling of three wells starting Q3 2013. These lands are subject to 12.5% royalty payable to the GOI on production.

#### ***Cauvery Basin, Offshore India (CY-OSN-2009/1)***

In October 2009, Bengal bid on and was awarded 100% working interest in exploration permit CY-OSN-2009/1 located in the offshore portion of the Cauvery Basin, in the Gulf of Mannar, State of Tamil Nadu, India. The Production Sharing Contract with the GOI was formally signed in June 2010. The Indian State of Tamil Nadu granted a Petroleum Exploration Licence for the CY-OSN-2009/1 block in August, 2010. The permit is granted for an initial (Phase 1) term of four years, with three one-year extensions being available (three years total Phase 2) afterward. A royalty payment of 10% is due to the GOI on any successful production. In the event a discovery is drilled in waters deeper than 400 metres, the royalty to the GOI is reduced to 5%. The Phase 1 (permit years 1 through 4) work program entails a minimum 310 km of new 2D seismic and 81 km<sup>2</sup> of new 3D seismic acquisition. Phase 2 will require one exploratory well be drilled for each extension year that the block is retained. The permit measures 340,000 acres in size and despite its large size, has been previously tested by only 3 wells. Most of the permit sits in shallow waters.

Bengal has itself identified several seismically defined prospects from the older existing 2D and 3D seismic data. The primary prospect of interest is located in the SE corner of the permit which has an average water depth of approximately 275 m. The best case prospect area is estimated to cover approximately 22 km<sup>2</sup> with three prospect horizons of interest. The primary target formations are the Cretaceous Nannilam and Bhuvanigiri formations which

are capped by a volcanic layer. Sub-volcanic targets have proved to be successful in the nearby Cairn Sri Lanka discoveries at Barracuda and Dorado.

New 3D seismic to be acquired in late 2013 or early 2014 is aimed at identifying potential future drilling candidates. In the block immediately adjacent to Bengal's block, the operator has committed to three new exploratory wells within the permit's initial four year term. In certain circumstances, success of any of these adjacent exploratory wells on the adjoining permit may prove up plays on Bengal's own permit.

### *Oil and Gas Wells*

The following table sets forth the number and status of oil and gas wells in which the Corporation had a working interest as at March 31, 2013. As at March 31, 2013, the Corporation had an interest in 12 gross (3.46 net) oil and natural gas wells as follows, all such wells are onshore wells.

	Oil Wells				Natural Gas Wells			
	Producing		Non-Producing		Producing		Non-Producing	
	Gross	Net	Gross	Net	Gross	Net	Gross	Net
<b>Total</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>1.57</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>0.75</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>1.14</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
Canada	0	0	0	0	3	1.14	0	0
Australia	6	1.57	3	0.75	0	0	0	0

### *Properties with no Attributable Reserves*

The following table sets out the Corporation's developed and undeveloped land holdings as at March 31, 2013.

	Developed Acres		Undeveloped Acres		Total Acres	
	Gross	Net	Gross	Net	Gross	Net
<b>Total</b>	<b>27,098</b>	<b>14,983</b>	<b>3,071,272</b>	<b>2,260,396</b>	<b>3,098,370</b>	<b>2,275,379</b>
Canada	1,920	628	-	-	1,920	628
Australia	25,178	14,355	2,500,953	1,853,710	2,526,131	1,868,065
India	-	-	570,319	406,686	570,319	406,636

Note:

- (1) Bengal calculates both its gross and net acres on a per lease basis.

The Corporation does not expect that any rights to explore, exploit or develop its current oil and gas acreage will necessarily expire before March 31, 2014, unless the Corporation should deem such relinquishment as appropriate or prudent.

### ***Significant Factors or Uncertainties Relevant to Properties with No Attributable Reserves***

For further information relative to economic factors and economic uncertainties that may affect the Bengal properties with no attributable reserves please refer to the "Risk Factors" section of this annual information form.

### ***Forward Contracts and Marketing***

Although Bengal has no set policy, management of Bengal may use financial instruments to reduce corporate risk in certain situations. Risk management policies will be developed over time as Bengal builds a production base to support sustainable growth. Management will further develop a strategy over time to hedge existing liquids and natural gas production to help protect a base development capital program, guarantee a return or to facilitate financings when concluding a business transaction. Currently, Bengal has no hedging commitments due to the nature of its current asset portfolio.

### ***Additional Information Concerning Abandonment and Reclamation Costs***

Estimated future abandonment costs related to a property have been taken into account by GLJ in determining reserves that should be attributed to a property and in determining the aggregate future net revenue therefrom. The Corporation uses its internal historical costs to estimate its abandonment and reclamation costs when available. The costs are estimated on an area by area basis. The industry's historical costs are used when available. If representative comparisons are not readily available, an estimate is prepared based on the various regulatory abandonment requirements. As at March 31, 2013, the Corporation had 3.46 net wells for which it expects to incur zonal abandonment costs. The total abandonment costs as at March 31, 2013 in respect of proved and probable reserves using forecast prices is \$911,000 (undiscounted) and \$203,000 (discounted at ten percent). One hundred percent of such amounts were deducted as abandonment costs in estimated future net revenues of Bengal in respect of proved and probable reserves as disclosed above. The following table sets forth abandonment costs deducted in the estimation of the Corporation's future net revenue:

Year	Forecast Prices and Costs (M\$)	
	Total Proved	Total Proved plus Probable
	Abandonment Costs (Undiscounted)	Abandonment Costs (Undiscounted)
2014	0	0
2015	0	0
2016	0	0
Thereafter	529	911
<b>Total Undiscounted</b>	<b>529</b>	<b>911</b>
Total Discounted @ 10%	193	203

Bengal expects to pay approximately \$0 in the next three financial years in respect of its abandonment and reclamation costs. .

### ***Tax Horizon***

The Corporation does not expect to pay current income tax for the 2014 fiscal year. Depending on production, commodity prices and capital spending levels, management believes that the Corporation will not begin paying current income taxes until 2017 or beyond.

### Capital Expenditures

The following table summarizes capital expenditures related to the Corporation's activities for the year ended March 31, 2013:

	Canada	Australia	India	Total
	(M\$)	(M\$)	(M\$)	(M\$)
<b>Property acquisition costs- Proven</b>	-	-	-	-
<b>Property acquisition costs- Unproven</b>	-	-	-	-
<b>Exploration:</b>				
Geological and Geophysical	-	1,489	2,743	4,232
Drilling	-	12,822	-	12,822
Completions	-	-	-	-
Exploration Subtotal	-	14,311	2,743	17,054
<b>Development:</b>				
Geological and Geophysical	-	-	-	-
Drilling	-	2,703	-	2,703
Completions	-	4,023	-	4,023
Drilling Rig	-	4,511	-	4,511
Development Subtotal	-	11,327	-	11,327
<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURES</b>	-	<b>25,638</b>	<b>2,743</b>	<b>28,381</b>

Note:

- (1) The numbers in this table may not add due to rounding.

### Exploration and Development Activities

The following table sets forth the gross and net exploratory and development wells in which the Corporation participated during the year ended March 31, 2013:

	Exploratory Wells		Development Wells	
	Gross	Net	Gross	Net
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>Canadian Properties</b>				
Light and Medium Oil	-	-	-	-
Heavy Oil	-	-	-	-
Natural Gas	-	-	-	-
Dry	-	-	-	-
Service/Other	-	-	-	-
Stratigraphic Test	-	-	-	-
<b>Total Canadian</b>	-	-	-	-

	<b>Exploratory Wells</b>		<b>Development Wells</b>	
	<b>Gross</b>	<b>Net</b>	<b>Gross</b>	<b>Net</b>
<b>Australian Properties</b>				
Light and Medium Oil	1	1	4	1
Heavy Oil	–	–	–	–
Natural Gas	–	–	–	–
Dry	–	–	–	–
Service/Other	–	–	–	–
Stratigraphic Test	–	–	–	–
<b>Total Australian</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>1</b>

In the fiscal year ended March 31, 2013, the Corporation participated in the drilling of 5 (2 net) oil wells. In October 2012, the Caracal 1 well was drilled on ATP 732P and the Cuisinier 4, 5,6 and Cuisinier North 1wells were drilled on the Barta Sub-Block of ATP 752P from May to July 2012.

No other drilling was undertaken. Bengal did not relinquish any exploration acreage during the fiscal year ended March 31, 2013.

#### *Canada*

No new activity occurred on the Oak property in British Columbia.

## *Australia*

See "*General Development of the Business – Fiscal Year Ended March 31, 2012*", "*General Development of the Business – Recent Developments*" and "*Statement of Reserves Data and Other Oil and Gas Information – Other Oil and Gas Information – Principal Properties*" for a summary of the current and expected exploration and development activities for Bengal's Australia properties.

In 2010, the Corporation fulfilled its earning obligations on the Barta Sub Block by funding 55% of the cost of the Barta North 1 Well. Bengal now holds a 25% non-operated working interest in the greater Barta Sub-Block and the existing Cuisinier 1 Murta-zone oil discovery. The Cuisinier 1 well began producing in May 2010 and has produced 120,000 Bbls of oil as of April 30, 2012 without any appreciable water cut. At the direction of the Department of Employment, Economic Development and Innovation, the well was shut-in on January 13, 2012 while the approval of a PL for Cuisinier was sought by the Operator. Immediately prior to the shut-in, the well-illustrated a capability of 250 bopd (62 bopd net to Bengal) of clean, 52° API oil. The well had previously operated under annual extended production tests ("EPT") until the expiration of the most recent EPT on December 17, 2011.

The Cuisinier 2 and Cuisinier 3 Wells were drilled offsetting the Cuisinier 1 Murta-zone oil discovery. The Cuisinier 2 Well was drilled approximately 450m northeast of the Cuisinier 1 Well and encountered three separate Murta pay sands to a depth 27m below the perforations at the Cuisinier 1 Well. Swab results from the lowest pay sand recovered 95 Bbls oil over approximately a 6 hour swab period. The upper Murta zones, including the equivalent pay zone at the Cuisinier 1 discovery, showed poor inflow and may require reservoir stimulation before they can produce. The Cuisinier 3 Well was drilled 700m southwest from Cuisinier 1. Cuisinier 3 encountered two apparent log-pay sands. Early swabbing results from the lower sand recovered a combination of oil and water. The origin and nature of the water recovery is as yet undetermined. Swabbing of the upper Murta pay sand, the equivalent to the producing Murta pay sand in Cuisinier 1, recovered 37 Bbls of oil over an approximately 5 hour period (mechanical difficulties prevented full evaluation). The swab results require further analysis. Production from Cuisinier 2 and 3 commenced in September and August of 2011 respectively, with initial combined production rates of approximately 240 bopd (60 bopd net to Bengal). Production from Barta North 1 commenced October 1, 2012 after the 4.5 km pipeline tie-in is completed to the Cuisinier 1 site.

The Barta North 1 Well was drilled approximately five km southwest of Cuisinier 1 on what was initially mapped as a separate structure. The well was cased by the operator as a potential oil producer with an apparent 5m gross log-pay zone. The Barta North 1 well was pipeline connected and commenced production in October 2012. The Barta North 1 Well demonstrates that oil has migrated through a large fairway of varying quality Murta reservoir and therefore indicates that numerous additional exploration plays and leads can be found from which to target the Murta sandstone over a very large area of the Barta Sub-Block. Detailed seismic attribute analysis of the 3D which covers Cuisinier and Barta North has provided a better understanding of reservoir sand geometry specifically within the Upper Murta sand. This analysis was used in the selection of well locations for the 2012 drilling campaign with all three appraisal wells targeting seismic amplitude expression similar to that found at the Cuisinier 1 location. Cuisinier 1 has the best developed Upper Murta sand of all wells drilled to date.

The 2012 appraisal drilling campaign commenced on May 19, 2012 and saw the drilling of 4 successful oil wells. The first well in the program, Cuisinier 4 had core cut across the entire Murta section. The Murta DC70 sand encountered 12 metres of sandstone and approximately 9.4 metres of pay. Cuisinier 4 is located 600 metres northwest of the Cuisinier 1 discovery well.

Cuisinier 5 was drilled towards the south part of the pool, approximately 1.6 km south from Cuisinier 1. Cuisinier 5 encountered 2.6 metres of sandstone and approximately 2.0 metres of net pay. Cuisinier 6 located 1.25 km northeast of Cuisinier 1, followed and encountered 5.6 metres of sandstone and 3.8 metres of net pay. Geological evaluation of the core in Cuisinier 4 established that the top 5 to 7 meter cycle of the DC70 was interpreted to lie within a shoreline sequence, however the sands were very fine grained in Cuisinier 4. This is a key piece of information as it suggested that a more porous shoreline facies could exist in the local Cuisinier area. This seems to have been confirmed with Cuisinier 6 given where the sand is situated within the section, how clean the sand appears on well logs and by the high deliverability observed upon completion despite there being only 3.8 metres of pay. The

production performance of Cuisinier 6 starting in October 2012 has been very strong and confirmed that it encountered well developed permeability.

Cuisinier North 1 was drilled as the final well in the 2012 campaign and is currently the most northerly well in the pool; located 2.9 km northeast of the Cuisinier 1 discovery well. Cuisinier North 1 encountered 2.0 metres of sandstone with 2.0 metres of net pay.

The well results at Cuisinier to date indicate at least a 26 m gross oil column exists within the original upper Murta DC70 discovery zone. Additional deeper, lower Murta oil pay, as has been demonstrated at Cuisinier 2, looks to extend the oil window even deeper; however the different Murta pay zones may prove to have different oil-water contacts. Further analysis and appraisal drilling is required to determine and more fully understand the extent of the oil discovered to date.

As a condition of permit ATP 752P moving into the second of three (four year) terms, one third of the original permit area was mandatorily relinquished. However, the portion of the Barta Sub Block that was retained remains very large (1,457.1 km<sup>2</sup>). Bengal now holds a 25% working interest in the Barta Sub-Block and by electing to pay for 60% of the Cuisinier North 1 well Bengal was able to increase the Corporation's interest in the Wompi Sub-Block to 30%. The permit is valid for another eight years to July 31, 2018. The expected work commitments as applied for under the second permit term entail 100 km 2D seismic reprocessing, 50 km of new 2D seismic and a single exploration well. The government's confirmation of the application for the work program remains pending, however, the exploration activity undertaken thus far since July 31, 2010 will likely prove in excess of the required work program necessary to hold the permit in good standing.

#### *Tookoonooka - ATP 732P*

Bengal has a 100% interest in the Tookoonooka, ATP 732P permit. This permit is located on the southeast flank of the Cooper Basin and covers some 654,335 acres. In 2011, the Corporation acquired 420 km of 2D and 50 km<sup>2</sup> of 3D seismic on the permit. In addition, the Corporation acquired government areomagnetic and gravity data across its Queensland permits, including ATP 732P. This data was integrated with existing and newly acquired seismic to delineate prospects and define drilling locations. At this time the Corporation has identified 3 firm and 3 contingent drilling locations targeting gas in the Permian Toolachee Formation and oil in the Jurassic Hutton and Birkhead Formations as well as oil in the Cretaceous Murta and Wyandra Formations.

In 2012, Bengal commenced drilling on the Tookoonooka permit with the Caracal 1 exploration well. This well was situated on the Corporation acquired 3D seismic approximately 3.8 km south-southwest of the Triodia 1 well. The Triodia well encountered oil shows in both the Wyandra and Murta sandstones when it was drilled in 1997. These shows were the key reason for locating the 3D seismic where it is. The Caracal well encountered the Wyandra Formation 47 metres higher than the Triodia 1 well with good oil shows in the Wyandra which was cored. When the core was recovered on the lease there oil was observed bleeding from the core into the core barrel. Preliminary petrophysical analysis determined there was approximately 9.5 metres of potential pay in the Wyandra. Upon completion the zone swabbed and recovered 5 barrels of 53 degree API oil.

Subsequent special core analysis has shown that certain parts of the Upper Wyandra sandstone contain volcanic rock fragments. These rock fragments contain micro-porosity within the grains which is largely ineffective. On the other hand, the lowermost sandstone encountered in core at Caracal 1 has only trace amounts of the volcanic fragments in a more quartz rich sandstone. Detailed analysis of existing area Wyandra pools shows this same 'two-sand' model. A better understanding of this geological model has refined the seismic model leading to the selection of Caracal appraisal locations to be pursued later in 2013.

#### *AC/P47*

Bengal completed its seismic reprocessing efforts and managed its first year work program regarding permit AC/P47 in the Timor Sea. Planning for a 750 km<sup>2</sup> new 3D survey in the second year work program has commenced, but the 3D acquisition has not been undertaken. Instead the Corporation has sought to find a partner or prospective farmee



for the permit in order to mitigate the Corporation's capital exposure and ultimately, to better possibly accelerate drilling on the permit. Bengal currently still holds a 100% working interest in AC/P47.

The permit and associated prospects were initially marketed on behalf of the Corporation by IndigoPool (Schlumberger) however a joint venture partner was not identified through this process. Late in calendar year 2011 Bengal defined an alternate exploration model on the permit which is focussed SE of the North Hibernia -1 well in an area where both Jurassic and Triassic sections are preserved and where a more favourable structural style has been identified. Additional seismic reprocessing has further supported this revamped model. The Corporation felt that prospective partners would more favourably receive this new model, however after lengthy discussions with several potential partners a revision of the previous seismic interpretation was prompted.

Bengal's initial interpretation mapped considerable displacement across several of the faults in the area. The magnitude of the throw on these faults was sufficient to allow for the interpretation of a fairly thick section of Jurassic source rock section to be present on the block; with Jurassic potentially preserved on the downthrown side of the faults and adjacent to prospective structures. The current revised interpretation shows the throw on these faults is less than initially mapped which in turn reduces the chance of Jurassic section being present. A reduction in the Jurassic source rock section would therefore imply that a long distance oil migration model is necessary, further increasing the risks associated with the key prospect areas.

In the final analysis, the Corporation has been unsuccessful in attracting a prospective joint venture partner on the permit and given the evolving technical risks associated with the area the Corporation has decided to pursue relinquishment proceedings with the National Offshore Petroleum Tenure Administrator (NOPTA).

### ***India***

See "*Statement of Reserves Data and Other Oil and Gas Information – Principal Properties*" for a summary of the current and expected exploration and development activities for Bengal's Indian properties.

#### *CYN-ONN-2005/1*

Bengal holds a 30% interest in a permit located in the onshore portion of the Cauvery Basin, in southeast India and the permit covers some 946 km<sup>2</sup>. The operator of the permit GAIL has acquired approximately 600 km<sup>2</sup> of 3D seismic covering most of the prospective areas on the block. In addition to the seismic the operator acquired 2,300 km of aeromagnetic data over the permit to better evaluate regional structure and to further integrate the existing 2D and new 3D seismic.

The 3D data has been processed and interpreted with a number of potential prospects identified. The Joint Venture are now in the final stages of prospect ranking with a goal of selecting 3 drill locations for a campaign planned to commence Q4 2013.

#### *CYN-OSN-2009/1*

Bengal has a 100% interest in offshore Cauvery permit CYN-OSN-2009/1. Located in the shallow waters of the Gulf of Mannar, at the south-eastern end of India between India and Sri Lanka, this permit covers 1,362 km<sup>2</sup>. In the last year Bengal has acquired all available 2D and 3D seismic data over the permit concluding a preliminary seismic interpretation. Late in calendar year 2011 two preliminary geological exploration models were developed. In early 2012 detailed seismic mapping and seismic reprocessing of some 500 km of 2D have further enhanced these preliminary models to where there are now deemed to represent valid exploration prospects. The primary targets on these prospects are within the Cretaceous Nannilam and Bhuvanigiri formations as well as the pre-Cretaceous Karoo formation.

In the fall of calendar year 2011 Cairn India's subsidiary, Cairn Sri Lanka announced two gas condensate discoveries in Sri Lanka waters, approximately 50-60 kilometres southeast of Bengal's block. Subsequently Cairn has announced commerciality of their Sri Lanka permit with further activity to follow.

Bengal has now initiated the process to acquire 3D seismic on the prospects identified with data acquisition to occur late in calendar year 2013 or early 2014 depending on vessel availability. In conjunction with planning and execution of data acquisition, Bengal will be seeking a joint venture partner on the block and to this end has initiated discussions with several parties interested in the area.

### *Production Estimates*

The following tables disclose, by product, the total volume of the Corporation's gross production estimated by GLJ for the calendar year 2013 in the reserves forecast for the proved and proved plus probable reserves.

From Gross Proved Reserves:	Light and Medium Oil (Bbls/d)	Heavy Oil (Bbls/d)	Natural Gas (Mcf/d)	Natural Gas Liquids (Bbls/d)	BOE (BOE/d)	%
<b>Total</b>	<b>268</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>229</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>308</b>	<b>100</b>
Canadian Properties-Oak	-	-	229	3	41	13
Australian Properties:						
Cuisinier	258	-	-	-	258	84
Toporoa	9	-	-	-	9	3
From Gross Proved plus Probable Reserves						
<b>Total</b>	<b>361</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>231</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>402</b>	<b>100</b>
Canadian Properties-Oak	-	-	231	3	41	10
Australian Properties:						
Cuisinier	351	-	-	-	351	87
Toporoa	10	-	-	-	10	3

Note:

- (1) The numbers in this table may not add due to rounding.

### Production History

The following tables summarize certain information in respect of production, product prices received, royalties paid, operating expenses and resulting netback for the periods indicated below:

	Quarter Ended			
	2013 March 31	2012 Dec. 31	2012 Sept. 30	2012 June 30
<b>Average Daily Production<sup>(1)</sup></b>				
<b>Total</b>				
Oil (Bbls/d)	287	184	35	47
Natural Gas Liquids (Bbls/d)	-	1	3	4
Natural Gas (Mcf/d)	229	110	159	225
<b>Total (BOE/d)</b>	<b>325</b>	<b>203</b>	<b>65</b>	<b>89</b>
<b>Canadian Properties</b>				
Natural Gas Liquids (Bbls/d)	-	1	3	4
Natural Gas (Mcf/d)	229	110	159	225
<b>Total (BOE/d)</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>42</b>
<b>Australian Properties</b>				
Oil (Bbls/d)	287	184	35	47
<b>Total (BOE/d)</b>	<b>287</b>	<b>184</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>47</b>
<b>Average Price Received (net of transportation)</b>				
<b>Total</b>				
Oil (\$/Bbls)	114.02	112.22	121.32	101.83
Natural Gas Liquids (\$/Bbls)	-	8.00	68.59	70.08
Natural Gas (\$/Mcf)	3.25	3.47	2.11	1.90
<b>Total (\$/BOE)</b>	<b>102.88</b>	<b>103.33</b>	<b>73.90</b>	<b>61.95</b>
<b>Canadian Properties</b>				
Natural Gas Liquids (\$/Bbls)	-	8.00	68.59	70.08
Natural Gas (\$/Mcf)	3.25	3.47	2.11	1.90
<b>Total (\$/BOE)</b>	<b>19.50</b>	<b>19.93</b>	<b>18.36</b>	<b>17.16</b>
<b>Australian Properties</b>				
Oil (\$/Bbls)	114.02	112.22	121.32	101.83
<b>Total (\$/BOE)</b>	<b>114.02</b>	<b>112.22</b>	<b>121.32</b>	<b>101.83</b>
<b>Royalties Paid</b>				
<b>Total</b>				
Oil (\$/Bbls)	10.25	10.09	10.97	9.17
Natural Gas Liquids (\$/Bbls)	-	8.22	11.34	14.02
Natural Gas (\$/Mcf)	0.35	-	-	0.04
<b>Total (\$/BOE)</b>	<b>9.25</b>	<b>9.18</b>	<b>6.43</b>	<b>5.60</b>
<b>Canadian Properties</b>				
Natural Gas Liquids (\$/Bbls)	-	8.22	11.34	14.02
Natural Gas (\$/Mcf)	0.35	-	-	0.04
<b>Total (\$/BOE)</b>	<b>2.10</b>	<b>0.55</b>	<b>1.10</b>	<b>1.58</b>
<b>Australian Properties</b>				
Oil (\$/Bbls)	10.25	10.09	10.97	9.17
<b>Total (\$/BOE)</b>	<b>10.25</b>	<b>10.09</b>	<b>10.97</b>	<b>9.17</b>

	Quarter Ended			
	2013	2012		
	March 31	Dec. 31	Sept. 30	June 30
<b>Operating Expenses</b>				
<b>Total</b>				
Oil (\$/Bbls)	24.09	35.95	34.17	40.22
Natural Gas and NGLs (\$/BOE)	20.70	7.75	19.46	20.07
<b>Total (\$/BOE)</b>	<b>23.70</b>	<b>43.70</b>	<b>27.40</b>	<b>30.73</b>
<b>Canadian Properties</b>				
Natural Gas and NGLs (\$/Mcf)	3.45	1.29	3.24	3.34
Total (\$/BOE)	20.70	7.75	19.46	20.07
<b>Australian Properties</b>				
Oil (\$/Bbls)				
Transportation	20.54	18.77	20.38	19.29
Operating Expenses	3.55	17.18	13.79	20.93
Total (\$/BOE)	24.09	35.95	34.17	40.22
<b>Netback Received<sup>(2)(3)</sup></b>				
<b>Total</b>				
Oil (\$/Bbls)	79.68	66.18	76.18	52.44
Natural Gas and NGLs (\$/BOE)	(3.50)	11.63	(2.20)	(4.49)
<b>Total (\$/BOE)</b>	<b>69.93</b>	<b>60.92</b>	<b>40.07</b>	<b>25.62</b>
<b>Canadian Properties</b>				
Natural Gas and NGLs (\$/Mcf)	(3.50)	1.94	(2.20)	(4.49)
Total (\$/BOE)	(3.50)	1.94	(2.20)	(4.49)
<b>Australian Properties</b>				
Oil (\$/Bbls)	79.68	66.18	76.18	52.44
Total (\$/BOE)	79.68	66.18	76.18	52.44

## Notes:

- (1) Before deduction of royalties.
- (2) Amounts from physical gas contracts are included in the gas prices shown.
- (3) Netbacks are calculated by subtracting royalties, and operating and transportation costs from revenues. GCA is excluded.

The following table indicates the Corporation's average daily production from its important fields for the year ended March 31, 2013:

	Light and Medium	Heavy Oil	Gas	NGLs	BOE
	Crude Oil				
	(Bbls/d)	(Bbls/d)	(Mcf/d)	(Bbls/d)	(BOE/d)
<b>Total</b>	<b>138</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>180</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>170</b>
Cuisinier and Toporoa	138	-	-	-	138
Oak	-	-	180	2	32

## Notes:

- (1) Natural gas volumes are non-associated sales gas volumes.
- (2) The totals shown above may not match the corporate totals due to rounding.

The Corporation's production for the year ended March 31, 2013 was 81.2% light quality crude oil (32° API or greater), 0% heavy oil, 17.6% natural gas, and 1.2% liquids.

For the twelve months ended March 31, 2013, approximately 96.3% of the Corporation's gross revenue was derived from crude oil production and 3.7% was derived from natural gas and natural gas liquids production.

## **DIVIDEND POLICY**

Bengal has not paid any dividends on outstanding Bengal Shares. The board of directors of Bengal will determine the actual timing, payment and amount of dividends, if any, that may be paid by Bengal from time to time based upon, among other things, the cash flow, results of operations and financial condition of Bengal, the needs for funds to finance ongoing operations and other business considerations as the board of directors of Bengal considers relevant. Payment of dividends is subject to the consent of the Corporation's lenders.

## **DESCRIPTION OF CAPITAL STRUCTURE**

Bengal is authorized to issue an unlimited number of Common Shares, of which 61,610,843 Common Shares are issued and outstanding as of the date hereof, and an unlimited number of preferred shares ("**Preferred Shares**"), of which none are issued and outstanding as of the date hereof. There are 4,029,999 options to purchase Common Shares outstanding with an average exercise price of \$0.97 of which 2,343,338 options to purchase Common Shares are vested

The holders of Common Shares are entitled to receive notice of, to attend and vote at any meetings of the Shareholders, to receive such dividends declared by Bengal and to receive the remaining property of Bengal on dissolution after creditors of Bengal and holders of any Preferred Shares outstanding at the time have been satisfied.

The Preferred Shares are issuable in series, with each series consisting of such number of shares and having such rights, privileges, restrictions and conditions as may be determined by the board of directors prior to the issuance thereof. With respect to the payment of dividends and the distribution of assets in the event of liquidation, dissolution or winding-up of Bengal, whether voluntary or involuntary, the Preferred Shares are entitled to preference over the Common Shares and any other shares ranking junior to the preferred shares and may also be given such other preferences over the Common Shares and any other shares ranking junior to the Preferred Shares as may be determined at the time of creation of each series. The Preferred Shares do not have the right to vote at meetings shareholders, except as may be provided for under applicable law.

## **MARKET FOR SECURITIES**

### **Trading Price Volume**

The Bengal Shares are listed and posted for trading on the TSX under the symbol "BNG". The following sets forth the price range and trading volume of the Bengal Shares (as reported by such exchange) for the periods indicated.

<u>Period</u>	<u>High (\$)</u>	<u>Low (\$)</u>	<u>Volume</u>
<u>2012</u>			
March	1.19	0.95	1,167,477
April	1.01	0.79	1,214,453
May	1.05	0.64	1,461,073
June	0.80	0.52	650,431
July	0.90	0.59	1,245,574
August	0.78	0.58	501,342
September	0.79	0.59	1,547,906
October	1.09	0.71	1,749,093
November	0.81	0.485	3,662,978
December	0.67	0.54	3,338,881
<u>2013</u>			
January	0.62	0.53	2,018,406
February	0.64	0.50	932,337
March	0.80	0.54	609,307
April	0.75	0.58	1,754,704
May	0.79	0.69	606,626
June	0.78	0.63	1,454,134
July 1-2	0.65	0.62	24,138

### Prior Sales

During the year ended March 31, 2013, Bengal issued an aggregate of 1,150,000 options to acquire Common Shares with an exercise price of \$0.58. In January 2013, Bengal also issued an aggregate of \$1.75 million principal Non-Convertible Notes and \$1.75 million principal amount of Convertible Notes. No additional unlisted securities were issued during the year ended March 31, 2012.

### Escrowed Securities

As of March 31, 2013, no securities of the Corporation were subject to escrow.

## DIRECTORS AND OFFICERS

The names, municipalities of residence, positions with the Corporation, and principal occupation of the directors and officers of the Corporation are set out below and in the case of directors, the period each has served as a director of the Corporation.

<u>Name and Municipality of Residence</u>	<u>Office Held</u>	<u>Director Since</u>	<u>Principal Occupation During Last Five Years</u>
Chayan Chakrabarty Calgary, Alberta, Canada	President, Chief Executive Officer and Director	February 13, 2008	Appointed Chief Executive Officer of Bengal on November 26, 2010. President of Bengal since February 13, 2008. Vice President, International with Daylight Resources Trust, previously Sequoia Oil & Gas Ltd., from February 2006 to November 2007.
Ian J. Towers <sup>(3)</sup> Calgary, Alberta, Canada	Director (Chairman)	November 24, 2005	President, Chief Executive Officer and Director of Dolomite Energy Inc., a private oil and gas company, since February 2005.

Name and Municipality of Residence	Office Held	Director Since	Principal Occupation During Last Five Years
Peter D. Gaffney <sup>(2) (3)</sup> Alton, Hampshire, United Kingdom	Director	January 30 2011	Independent advisor to international oil and gas industry. Director of Dominie Enterprises Ltd. from November 2005 to present. Director of GCA Holdings Inc. (a foreign trust), GCA Enterprises Inc., Brooklands Investments Inc., and Silverstone Energy Inc. Previously a director of Gaffney, Cline & Associates Services from 1987 to December 2009 and senior partner of GCA Enterprises Inc. (formerly Gaffney, Cline & Associates Ltd.) from 1963 to April 2008.
James B. Howe <sup>(1)</sup> Calgary, Alberta, Canada	Director	November 24, 2005	From January 1982 to present, President of Bragg Creek Financial Consultants Ltd. (a private financial consulting corporation). Director of Ensign Energy Services Inc., Pason Systems Inc. and Wrangler West Energy Inc..
Stephen Inbusch <sup>(1) (2)</sup> The Woodlands, Texas, USA	Director	January 6, 2012	From April 2011 to present, President of Dynamic Energy Partners, an oil and gas investment company, and from November 2009 to present, Chief Financial Officer of Dynamic Global Advisors. Previously held position of Managing Director of CIBC World Markets Inc. from November 2005 to July 2009.
Brian Moss <sup>(2) (3)</sup> Calgary, Alberta, Canada	Director	January 6, 2012	Appointed Executive Vice President and Chief Operating Officer of Crown Point Ventures Ltd., a public oil and gas exploration and development company, in June 2012 and named to the board of directors of Crown Point Ventures Ltd. in May 2012. From January 2008 to May 2012, Executive Vice President (Latin America) of Antrim Energy Inc. Director of Antrim Energy Inc. from April 2006 to June 2012. Prior to January 2008 President and Chief Executive Officer of Los Altares Resources Ltd.
Robert Steele <sup>(1) (3)</sup> Calgary, Alberta, Canada	Director	August 27, 2010	Independent businessman since March 2010. A member of the board of directors of Raise Production Inc. (formerly Global Energy Services Ltd.) since June, 2011. Director of Marquee Energy Ltd (formerly Skywest Energy Ltd.) from June 2010 to June 2013. From 2001 to May 2011, a Director of Technicoil Corporation. Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of Berens Energy Ltd. from February 2002 to March 2010.
William (Bill) Wheeler <sup>(1)</sup> Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada	Director	January 6, 2012	Private investor. Co-founder of Leith Wheeler Investment Counsel. Director of Azabache Energy Inc. from June, 2010. President of Texada Capital Management Ltd., a private investment company, since September 2011.

<u>Name and Municipality of Residence</u>	<u>Office Held</u>	<u>Director Since</u>	<u>Principal Occupation During Last Five Years</u>
Richard Edgar Calgary, Alberta, Canada	Executive Vice President	N/A	President of Poplar Creek Resources Inc., a public oil and gas exploration and development company, since July 2009. Director of Shelton Petroleum AB since December 2009. Chairman of Shelton Canada Corp. from June 1998 to December 2009. Executive Chairman of Arrow Energy Ltd. from April 2008 to April 2009. Prior thereto, President of Avery Resources Inc. from November 2005 to February 2008.
Bryan Goudie Calgary, Alberta, Canada	Chief Financial Officer	N/A	Chief Financial Officer of Bengal since April 2006.
Gordon MacMahon Calgary, Alberta, Canada	Vice President, Exploration	N/A	Vice President, Exploration of Bengal since September 2011. Independent consultant to oil and gas industry from March 2008 to August 2011. Vice President, Exploration Trident Exploration Corp. from January 2006 to Feb 2008.

## Notes:

- (1) Member of the Audit Committee.
- (2) Member of the Reserves Committee.
- (3) Member of the Compensation Committee.

The term of office of each director expires at the next annual meeting of shareholders of the Corporation.

As at July 3, 2013, the directors and officers of Bengal set forth above, as a group, beneficially owned, directly or indirectly, or exercised control or direction over, 9,810,752 Bengal Shares or approximately 15.92 % of the issued and outstanding Bengal Shares, and 15,754,323 Bengal Shares or approximately 24% of the issued and outstanding Bengal Shares on a fully diluted basis (including the exercise of outstanding options and the conversion of outstanding convertible notes at the current conversion price, being \$0.56 per Bengal Share).

### **Cease Trade Orders, Bankruptcies, Penalties or Sanctions**

Other than as disclosed herein, no director or executive officer of the Corporation: (i) is, or has been in the last 10 years, a director, chief executive officer or chief financial officer of an issuer (including the Corporation) that, (a) while that person was acting in that capacity was the subject of a cease trade order or similar order or an order that denied the issuer access to any exemptions under securities legislation, that was in effect for a period of more than 30 consecutive days (an "order"), (b) was subject to an order that was issued after the proposed director ceased to be a director, chief executive officer or chief financial officer and which resulted from an event that occurred while that person was acting in the capacity as director, chief executive officer or chief financial officer, (ii) is, or has been in the last 10 years, a director or executive officer of an issuer (including the Corporation) that while that person was acting in such capacity or within a year of that person ceasing to act in that capacity, became bankrupt, made a proposal under any legislation relating to bankruptcy or insolvency or was subject to or instituted any proceedings, arrangement or compromise with creditors or had a receiver, receiver manager or trustee appointed to hold its assets; (iii) has, within the last 10 years, become bankrupt, made a proposal under any legislation relating to bankruptcy or insolvency, or become subject to or instituted any proceedings, arrangements or compromises with creditors, or had a receiver, receiver manager or trustee appointed to hold his or her assets; or (iv) has been subject to: (a) any penalties or sanctions imposed by a court relating to securities legislation or by a securities regulatory authority or has entered into a settlement agreement with a securities regulatory authority, or (b) any other penalties or sanctions



imposed by a court or regulatory body that would likely be considered important to a reasonable security holder in deciding whether to vote for a proposed director.

Mr. Edgar was a director of Shelton Canada Corp. which company was listed on the TSX Venture Exchange. Shelton Canada Corp. was suspended from trading for failure to file its 2008 annual financial statements within the timeframe allowed. Shelton Canada Corp. has since filed its annual financial statements and was relisted in June 2009 and subsequently delisted January 4, 2010.

Mr. Wheeler was a director of Azabache Energy Inc. ("**Azabache**") when the company was subject to a cease trade order by the Alberta Securities Commission (the "**ASC**") on November 5, 2010 for failure to file annual audited financial statements within the time frame allowed. Azabache subsequently filed its annual audited financial statements and the order was lifted by the ASC on December 16, 2010.

Dr. Moss was an independent director of Richards Oil & Gas Limited ("**Richards**") which was listed on the TSX Venture Exchange when it faced severe liquidity problems in early 2010 as a result the collapse in natural gas prices, causing its senior lender to enforce its security. Richards was issued cease trade orders by the ASC, British Columbia Securities Commission and Ontario Securities Commission on May 7, 2010, May 11, 2010, and May 26, 2010, respectively, for failing to make required annual continuous disclosure filings for the year ended December 31, 2009. Richards was granted protection from its creditors under the *Bankruptcy and Insolvency Act* ("**BIA**") on May 5, 2010. Richards' shares were de-listed from the TSX Venture Exchange on July 9, 2010 for failure to pay corporate sustaining fees. Richards filed a proposal under the BIA on September 24, 2010 naming Alger & Associates Inc. as the trustee, which was accepted by the Company's creditors on September 24, 2010 and the Alberta Court of Queen's Bench on October 22, 2010. The cease trade orders by the ASC and Ontario Securities Commission were varied in December 2010 to allow certain trades as part of the proposal. After assisting the Company with its successful restructuring process, Dr. Moss, along with the rest of the board of directors of Richards, resigned on December 31 2010.

## **AUDIT COMMITTEE INFORMATION**

### **Audit Committee Mandate and Terms of Reference**

The Mandate and Terms of Reference of the Audit Committee of the board of directors is attached hereto as Schedule "C".

### **Composition of the Audit Committee**

The members of the Audit Committee are James Howe (Chairman), Stephen Inbusch, William (Bill) Wheeler and Robert Steele. The members of the Audit Committee are all independent (in accordance with National Instrument 52-110 – *Audit Committees*) and are financially literate. The following is a description of the education and experience of each member of the Audit Committee.

#### *Mr. James Howe, Chairman*

Mr. Howe is a Chartered Accountant and currently serves on the Board of Directors, including Audit Committees, for various public and private companies. Mr. Howe graduated from the University of Western Ontario with a Bachelor of Arts (Honours) in Business Administration in 1973.

#### *Mr. Robert Steele*

Mr. Steele graduated with a degree in Electrical Engineering from the University of Saskatchewan in 1970. Mr. Steele is a professional engineer and independent businessman. From June 2010 to Jun 2013, Mr. Steele was a member of the Board of Directors, Reserves & Environmental Health and Safety Committee and the Corporate Governance, Compensation and Nomination Committee of Marquee Energy Ltd. (TSXV: MQL) (formerly Skywest Energy Ltd.). He also has been a member of the Board of Directors of Raise Production Inc. (formerly Global

Energy Services Ltd.) (TSXV: RPC) since June 2011. Mr. Steele served on the Board of Directors for Technicoil Corporation until the May 2011 sale and also served as both Chairman of the Board and Chief Executive Officer of Berens Energy Ltd.

*Mr. Stephen Inbusch*

Mr. Inbusch received his Bachelor of Arts degree from Colgate University in 1971. He is currently the Chief Financial Officer of Dynamic Global Advisors and has held that position since 2009. He also has been President of Dynamic Energy Partners since April 2011. During his career, Mr. Inbusch held the position of Managing Director at CIBC World Markets Inc. and other various senior positions with Canadian and U.S. banking firms and public oil and gas companies.

*Mr. William (Bill) Wheeler*

Mr. Wheeler holds a Chartered Financial Analyst designation and received his Bachelor of Commerce degree from the University of British Columbia in 1970. Mr. Wheeler co-founded Leith Wheeler Investment Counsel in 1982. He also sits on the Board of Directors of Azabache and is President of Texada Capital Management Ltd., a private company.

### **Pre-Approval of Policies and Procedures**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Audit Committee charter, the Corporation has adopted policies and procedures with respect to the pre-approval of audit and permitted non-audit services as described in the Audit Committee Mandate and Terms of Reference as set forth in Schedule "C" attached hereto.

### **External Auditor Service Fees**

	Financial Year Ending March 2013	Financial Year Ending March 2012
Audit Fees	\$162,950	\$115,500
Audit Related Fees	\$126,000	\$45,000
Tax Fees	\$36,960	\$42,305
All Other Fees	\$-	\$-

Notes:

- (1) "Audit Fees" include fees necessary to perform the annual audit and quarterly reviews of the Corporation's consolidated financial statements. Audit Fees include fees for review of tax provisions and for accounting consultations on matters reflected in the financial statements. Audit Fees also include audit or other attest services required by legislation or regulation, such as comfort letters, consents, reviews of securities filings and statutory audits.
- (2) "Audit-Related Fees" include services that are traditionally performed by the auditor. These audit-related services include employee benefit audits, due diligence assistance, accounting consultations on proposed transactions, internal control reviews and audit or attest services not required by legislation or regulation.
- (3) "Tax Fees" include fees for all tax services other than those included in "Audit Fees" and "Audit-Related Fees". This category includes fees for tax compliance, tax planning and tax advice. Tax planning and tax advice includes assistance with tax audits and appeals, tax advice related to mergers and acquisitions, and requests for rulings or technical advice from tax authorities.
- (4) "All Other Fees" include all other non-audit services including the audit of a company acquired by the Corporation.

### **CONFLICTS OF INTEREST**

The directors or officers of the Corporation may also be directors or officers of other oil and gas companies or otherwise involved in natural resource exploration and development and situations may arise where they are in a conflict of interest with the Corporation. Conflicts of interest, if any, which arise will be subject to and governed by

procedures prescribed by the ABCA which require a director or officer of a corporation who is a party to, or is a director or an officer of, or has a material interest in any person who is a party to, a material contract or proposed material contract with the Corporation disclose his or her interest and, in the case of directors, to refrain from voting on any matter in respect of such contract unless otherwise permitted under the ABCA.

### **HUMAN RESOURCES**

As at March 31, 2013, Bengal employed 8 full-time employees and 4 part-time consultants at the head office. The Corporation also uses consulting services from a number of service providers on an as need basis. Bengal intends to add additional professional and administrative staff as the need arises.

### **AUDITORS, TRANSFER AGENT AND REGISTRAR**

The auditors of the Corporation are KPMG LLP, Chartered Accountants, Suite 2700, 205 – 5 Avenue S.W., Calgary, Alberta, T2P 4B9.

Valiant Trust Company, at its principal offices in Calgary, Alberta and Toronto, Ontario, is the transfer agent and registrar of the Bengal Shares.

### **LEGAL PROCEEDINGS AND REGULATORY ACTIONS**

There are no legal proceedings that Bengal is or was a party to, or that any of its property is or was a subject of, during the last completed financial year that were or are material to the Corporation, nor are any such material legal proceedings known to Bengal to be contemplated, that were material.

During the year ended March 31, 2013, there were no (i) penalties or sanctions imposed against the Corporation by a court relating to securities legislation or by a securities regulatory authority; (ii) penalties or sanctions imposed by a court or regulatory body against the Corporation that would likely be considered important to a reasonable investor in making an investment decision; or (iii) settlement agreements the Corporation entered into with a court relating to securities legislation or with a securities regulatory authority.

### **INTEREST OF MANAGEMENT AND OTHERS IN MATERIAL TRANSACTIONS**

Other than as set forth herein, there were no material interests, direct or indirect, of directors or executive officers of the Corporation, of any shareholder who beneficially owns or controls or directs, directly or indirectly, more than 10% of the outstanding voting securities of the Corporation, or any other Informed Person (as defined in National Instrument 51-102) or any known associate or affiliate of such persons, in any transaction within the three most recently completed financial years or during the current financial year that has materially affected or is reasonably expected to materially affect the Corporation or any of its subsidiaries.

Certain directors of the Corporation subscribed for approximately 85% of the \$1.75 million principal amount of Convertible Notes and \$1.75 million of Non-Convertible Notes issued by the Corporation pursuant to the private placement which closed in January 2013. Certain directors also subscribed for approximately 25% of the Common Shares issued pursuant to the private placement which closed in April 2013.

### **MATERIAL CONTRACTS**

Except for contracts entered into in the ordinary course of business (unless otherwise required by applicable securities requirements to be disclosed), neither the Corporation nor any of its subsidiaries has entered into any material contracts within the most recently completed financial year, or before the most recently completed financial year which are still in effect.

## INTERESTS OF EXPERTS

There is no person or company whose profession or business gives authority to a statement made by such person or company and who is named as having prepared or certified a statement, report or valuation described or included in a filing, or referred to in a filing, made under National Instrument 51-102 by the Corporation during, or related to, the Corporation's most recently completed financial year other than GLJ, the Corporation's independent engineering evaluators, and KPMG LLP, the Corporation's auditors. None of the "designated professionals" (as defined in Item 16.2(1.1) of Form 51-102F2 of National Instrument 51-102 of the Canadian Securities Administrators) of GLJ have or are to receive any registered or beneficial interest, direct or indirect, in any of Bengal's securities or other property of Bengal or of Bengal's associates or affiliates, either at the time GLJ prepared the report, valuation, statement or opinion or any time thereafter. KPMG LLP, Chartered Accountants, are independent within the meaning of the Rules of Professional Conduct of the Institute of Chartered Accountants of Alberta.

In addition, none of the aforementioned persons or companies, nor any director, officer or employee of any of the aforementioned persons or companies, is or is expected to be elected, appointed or employed as a director, officer or employee of the Corporation or of any associate or affiliate of the Corporation.

## INDUSTRY CONDITIONS

Companies operating in the oil and natural gas industry are subject to extensive regulation and control of operations (including land tenure, exploration, development, production, refining and upgrading, transportation, and marketing) as a result of legislation enacted by various levels of government and with respect to the pricing and taxation of oil and natural gas through agreements among the governments of Canada, Alberta, British Columbia, Saskatchewan and foreign countries, such as India and Australia, all of which should be carefully considered by investors in the oil and gas industry. It is not expected that any of these regulations or controls will affect the Corporation's operations in a manner materially different than they will affect other oil and natural gas companies of similar size. All current legislation is a matter of public record and the Corporation is unable to predict what additional legislation or amendments may be enacted. Outlined below are some of the principal aspects of legislation, regulations and agreements governing the oil and gas industry in western Canada.

### Pricing and Marketing

#### *Canada:*

##### *Oil*

The producers of oil are entitled to negotiate sales contracts directly with oil purchasers, with the result that the market determines the price of oil. Worldwide supply and demand primarily determines oil prices. The specific price depends in part on oil quality, prices of competing fuels, distance to market, the availability of transportation, the value of refined products, the supply/demand balance and contractual terms of sale. Oil exporters are also entitled to enter into export contracts with terms not exceeding one year in the case of light crude oil and two years in the case of heavy crude oil, provided that an order approving such export has been obtained from the National Energy Board of Canada (the "**NEB**"). Any oil export to be made pursuant to a contract of longer duration (to a maximum of 25 years) requires an exporter to obtain an export licence from the NEB. The NEB is currently undergoing a consultation process to update the current regulations governing the issuance of export licences. The updating process is necessary to meet the criteria set out in the federal *Jobs, Growth and Long-term Prosperity Act*, which received Royal Assent on June 29, 2012 (the "**Prosperity Act**"). In this transitory period, the NEB has issued, and is currently following an "Interim Memorandum of Guidance concerning Oil and Gas Export Applications and Gas Import Applications under Part VI of the *National Energy Board Act*".

##### *Natural Gas*

Alberta's natural gas market has been deregulated since 1985. Supply and demand determine the price of natural gas and price is calculated at the sale point, being the wellhead, the outlet of a gas processing plant, on a gas

transmission system such as the Alberta "NIT" (Nova Inventory Transfer), at a storage facility, at the inlet to a utility system or at the point of receipt by the consumer. Accordingly, the price for natural gas is dependent upon such producer's own arrangements (whether long or short term contracts and the specific point of sale). As natural gas is also traded on trading platforms such as the Natural Gas Exchange (NGX) or the New York Mercantile Exchange (NYMEX) in the United States, spot and future prices can be set by such supply and demand. Natural gas exported from Canada is subject to regulation by the NEB and the Government of Canada. Exporters are free to negotiate prices and other terms with purchasers, provided that the export contracts must continue to meet certain other criteria prescribed by the NEB and the Government of Canada. Natural gas (other than propane, butane and ethane) exports for a term of less than two years or for a term of two to 20 years (in quantities of not more than 30,000 m<sup>3</sup>/day) must be made pursuant to an NEB order. Any natural gas export to be made pursuant to a contract of longer duration (to a maximum of 25 years) or for a larger quantity requires an exporter to obtain an export licence from the NEB.

The governments of Alberta, British Columbia and Saskatchewan also regulate the volume of natural gas that may be removed from those provinces for consumption elsewhere based on such factors as reserve availability, transportation arrangements, and market considerations.

### *Australia*

There is a free market for oil, condensate and liquid petroleum gas in Australia. As a result, there are no price controls and export or import approvals are not applied. Markets for crude oil and condensate exist in Australia and low-sulphur light crude oil finds a ready domestic and overseas market.

### *India*

Under the terms of the PSCs to which the Corporation is a party, the Corporation is required to sell all of its oil to the GOI in order to meet total national demand. The oil price is determined by reference to an internationally recognized crude oil of similar properties and adjusted for differences in specific gravity and impurities. Natural gas is to be sold into the Indian domestic market at competitive fair market arm's length prices. The Corporation has the right to invest and repatriate foreign currency freely.

### **The North American Free Trade Agreement**

The North American Free Trade Agreement ("**NAFTA**") among the governments of Canada, the United States and Mexico became effective on January 1, 1994. In the context of energy resources, Canada continues to remain free to determine whether exports of energy resources to the United States or Mexico will be allowed, provided that any export restrictions do not: (i) reduce the proportion of energy resources exported relative to the total supply of goods of the party maintaining the restriction as compared to the proportion prevailing in the most recent 36 month period; (ii) impose an export price higher than the domestic price (subject to an exception with respect to certain measures which only restrict the volume of exports); and (iii) disrupt normal channels of supply.

All three signatory countries are prohibited from imposing a minimum or maximum export price requirement in any circumstance where any other form of quantitative restriction is prohibited. The signatory countries are also prohibited from imposing a minimum or maximum import price requirement except as permitted in enforcement of countervailing and anti-dumping orders and undertakings. NAFTA requires energy regulators to ensure the orderly and equitable implementation of any regulatory changes and to ensure that the application of those changes will cause minimal disruption to contractual arrangements and avoid undue interference with pricing, marketing and distribution arrangements, all of which are important for Canadian oil and natural gas exports. NAFTA contemplates the reduction of Mexican restrictive trade practices in the energy sector and prohibits discriminatory border restrictions and export taxes.

## Royalties and Incentives

### *General*

In addition to federal regulation, each province has legislation and regulations which govern royalties, production rates and other matters. The royalty regime in a given province is a significant factor in the profitability of oil sands projects, crude oil, natural gas liquids, sulphur and natural gas production. Royalties payable on production from lands other than Crown lands are determined by negotiation between the mineral freehold owner and the lessee, although production from such lands is subject to certain provincial taxes and royalties. Royalties from production on Crown lands are determined by governmental regulation and are generally calculated as a percentage of the value of gross production. The rate of royalties payable generally depends in part on prescribed reference prices, well productivity, geographical location, field discovery date, method of recovery and the type or quality of the petroleum product produced. Other royalties and royalty-like interests are carved out of the working interest owner's interest, from time to time, through non-public transactions. These are often referred to as overriding royalties, gross overriding royalties, net profits interests, or net carried interests.

Occasionally the governments of the western Canadian provinces create incentive programs for exploration and development. Such programs often provide for royalty rate reductions, royalty holidays or royalty tax credits and are generally introduced when commodity prices are low to encourage exploration and development activity by improving earnings and cash flow within the industry.

### *British Columbia*

Producers of oil and natural gas from Crown lands in British Columbia are required to pay annual rental payments, currently at a rate of \$3.50 per hectare, and make monthly royalty payments in respect of oil and natural gas produced. The amount payable as a royalty in respect of oil depends on the type and vintage of the oil, the quantity of oil produced in a month and the value of that oil. Generally, oil is classified as either light or heavy and the vintage of oil is based on the determination of whether the oil is produced from a pool discovered before October 31, 1975 ("**old oil**"), between October 31, 1975 and June 1, 1998 ("**new oil**"), or after June 1, 1998 or through an Enhanced Oil Recovery ("**EOR**") Scheme ("**third-tier oil**"). The royalty calculation takes into account the production of oil on a well-by-well basis, the specified royalty rate for a given vintage of oil, the average unit selling price of the oil and any applicable royalty exemptions. Royalty rates are reduced on low productivity wells, reflecting the higher unit costs of extraction, and are the lowest for third-tier oil, reflecting the higher unit costs of both exploration and extraction.

The royalty payable in respect of natural gas produced on Crown lands is determined by a sliding scale formula based on a reference price, which is the greater of the average net price obtained by the producer and a prescribed minimum price. For non-conservation gas (not produced in association with oil), the royalty rate depends on the date of acquisition of the oil and natural gas tenure rights and the spud date of the well and may also be impacted by the select price, a parameter used in the royalty rate formula to account for inflation. Royalty rates are fixed for certain classes of non-conservation gas when the reference price is below the select price. Conservation gas is subject to a lower royalty rate than non-conservation gas. Royalties on natural gas liquids are levied at a flat rate of 20% of the sales volume.

Producers of oil and natural gas from freehold lands in British Columbia are required to pay monthly freehold production taxes. For oil, the level of the freehold production tax is based on the volume of monthly production. It is either a flat rate, or, at certain production levels, is determined using a sliding scale formula based on the reference price similar to that applied to oil production on Crown land. For natural gas, the freehold production tax is either a flat rate, or, at certain production levels, is determined using a sliding scale formula based on the reference price similar to that applied to natural gas production on Crown land, and depends on whether the natural gas is conservation gas or non-conservation gas. The freehold production tax rate for natural gas liquids is a flat 12.25%.

British Columbia maintains a number of targeted royalty programs for key resource areas intended to increase the competitiveness of British Columbia's natural gas low productivity wells. These include both royalty credit and royalty reduction programs, including the following:

- *Summer Royalty Credit Program* providing a royalty credit equal to 10% of the goods and services costs up to \$100,000 for wells drilled between April 1 and November 30 of each year;
- *Deep Royalty Credit Program* providing a royalty credit defined in terms of a dollar amount applied against royalties, is well specific and applies to drilling and completion costs for vertical wells with a true vertical depth greater than 2,500 metres and horizontal wells with a true vertical depth greater than 2,300 metres (or 1,900 metres if spud after August 1, 2009) and if certain other criteria are met and is intended to reflect the higher drilling and completion costs that relate to locations specific factors;
- *Deep Re-Entry Royalty Credit Program* providing royalty credit for deep re-entry wells with a true vertical depth to the top of pay of the re-entry well event that is greater than 2,300 metres and a re-entry date subsequent to December 1, 2003; or if the well was spud on or after January 1, 2009, with a true vertical depth to the completion point of the re-entry well event being greater than 2,300 metres;
- *Deep Discovery Royalty Credit Program* providing the lesser of a 3-year royalty holiday or 283,000,000 m<sup>3</sup> of royalty free gas for deep discovery wells with a true vertical depth greater than 4,000 metres whose surface locations are at least 20 kilometres away from the surface location of any well drilled into a recognized pool within the same formation;
- *Natural Gas Royalty Reduction* providing a reduced royalty on wells drilled on land rights acquired after June 1, 1998 and completed within five years of the date the rights are issued;
- *Coalbed Gas Royalty Reduction and Credit Program* providing a royalty reduction for coalbed gas wells with average daily production less than 17,000 m<sup>3</sup> as well as a royalty credit for coalbed gas wells equal to \$50,000 for wells drilled on Crown land and a tax credit equal to \$30,000 for wells drilled on freehold land;
- *Marginal Royalty Reduction Program* providing monthly royalty reductions for low productivity non-conservation natural gas wells with average monthly production under 25,000 m<sup>3</sup> during the first 12 production months and average daily production less than 23 m<sup>3</sup> for every metre of marginal well depth;
- *Ultra-Marginal Royalty Reduction Program* providing additional royalty reductions for low productivity shallow non-conservation natural gas wells with a true vertical depth of less than 2,500 metres in the case of vertical wells, and a total vertical depth of less than 2,300 metres in the case of a horizontal well, average monthly production under 60,000 m<sup>3</sup> during the first 12 production months and average daily production less than 11.0 m<sup>3</sup> (development wells) or 17 m<sup>3</sup> (exploratory wildcat wells) for every 100 metres of marginal well depth; and
- *Net Profit Royalty Reduction Program* providing reduced initial royalty rates to facilitate the development and commercialization of technically complex resources such as coalbed gas, tight gas, shale gas and enhanced-recovery projects, with higher royalty rates applied once capital costs have been recovered.

Oil produced from an oil well that is located on either Crown or freehold land and completed in a new pool discovered subsequent to June 30, 1974 may also be exempt from the payment of a royalty for the first 36 months of production or 11,450 m<sup>3</sup> of production, whichever comes first.

The Government of British Columbia also maintains an Infrastructure Royalty Credit Program (the "**Infrastructure Royalty Credit Program**") which provides royalty credits for up to 50% of the cost of certain approved road construction or pipeline infrastructure projects intended to facilitate increased oil and gas exploration and production in under-developed areas and to extend the drilling season.

In August 2012, the Government of British Columbia announced that it is bringing in a nominal 2% royalty on both oil and natural gas on the revenue for the first year of production for wells drilled from September 2012 through to June 2013.

### *Australia*

In Australia taxes are payable to the Federal Government and royalties are also payable to the government of the State in which production is taking place. The principal federal taxes potentially applicable are Income Tax and the recently introduced Petroleum Resource Rent Tax (PRRT). The general income tax rate applying to corporations is 30% of taxable income where income of the Corporation is subject to the Australian tax regime. From 1 July 2012, PRRT will apply to on shore oil and gas projects (having previously only applied to off shore projects). If PRRT applies, PRRT is payable at a rate of 40% of a project's taxable profit which is determined after deducting certain project expenses (including exploration and drilling costs). PRRT payments are deductible for company income tax purposes. Credits also apply for current State royalties paid by a corporation and native title compensation. Due to significant deductions available it is generally anticipated that it would be many years into the life of a project before PRRT becomes payable. Depending on the circumstances, an excise licence and excise duty may apply to exports of crude oil once a threshold of 30 million barrels is reached and if then exceed 3 million barrels annually. A credit is allowed for the purposes of PRRT.

The current royalty imposed by State governments on oil and gas production in Australia is generally 10% of wellhead value. The royalty is based on gross revenue less an allowance for certain operating expenses and capital. The amount on which the 10% royalty is payable is generally the arm's length market price for the petroleum less operating costs that relate directly to treating, processing, refining or transporting petroleum (including wages, accommodation, catering and consumables) and less a depreciation allowance (depending on the specific regulations of the relevant State government

In onshore areas that are effected by native title (which has been recognised since the mid-1990s) additional compensation may be payable to recognized indigenous Australian title holders. This compensation is negotiable and generally varies from project to project. Compensation may be payable as a lump sum, by payments over time or in the form of a royalty. Native title holders do not own petroleum. Compensation payments relate to the impact of activities on traditional Aboriginal rights. Compensation is typically negotiated on a good faith basis at the beginning of a project. The Courts may determine compensation if parties cannot agree or in limited circumstances may determine that a project may not proceed without the consent of native title holders.

In Australia, landholders are also entitled to compensation for the impacts of exploration or drilling activities on their land (for example, impacts on farming or grazing). Landholders do not own petroleum and are not entitled to a royalty on this basis. Compensation may be determined by the Courts if landholders and a petroleum tenement holder are not able to agree.

### *India*

In case of onshore blocks, the royalty payable to the appropriate state government is 12.5% of the well-head value of crude oil and natural gas. For offshore blocks, the royalty payable to the GOI is 10% of the well-head value of crude oil and natural gas. A PSC with the GOI will provide, among other things, for the sharing of the production from profitable wells drilled on the basis of accumulated net income to accumulated investment as a ratio. This ratio determines the portion of production attributable to the government which is determined on a year by year basis. All royalty payments paid to the GOI or a state government are included under costs that are considered allowable for cost recovery purposes under a PSC with the GOI.



## Land Tenure

### *Canada*

The respective provincial governments predominantly own crude oil and natural gas located in the western provinces. Provincial governments grant rights to explore for and produce oil and natural gas pursuant to leases, licences, and permits for varying terms, and on conditions set forth in provincial legislation including requirements to perform specific work or make payments. Private ownership of oil and natural gas also exists in such provinces and rights to explore for and produce such oil and natural gas are granted by lease on such terms and conditions as may be negotiated.

Each of the provinces of Alberta, British Columbia and Saskatchewan has implemented legislation providing for the reversion to the Crown of mineral rights to deep, non-productive geological formations at the conclusion of the primary term of a lease or licence. On March 29, 2007, British Columbia expanded its policy of deep rights reversion for new leases to provide for the reversion of both shallow and deep formations that cannot be shown to be capable of production at the end of their primary term.

### *Australia*

For the most part, mineral ownership in Australia is governed by the respective state governments who grant tenements for the exploration of petroleum and natural gas. While not exactly the same, largely the process from state to state is similar. Oil and gas companies typically submit applications to the applicable state government for exploration permits or an ATP in response to invitations to bid made in government gazettals (onshore and offshore). Within the applications, companies outline a schedule of work programs which include both an estimate of the financial commitments to be spent on the property(s) year over year along with a certain amount of seismic and/or exploration wells to be drilled. Depending on the location of the permit, state governments will award the permits subject to the Corporation successfully negotiating native title agreements with Aboriginal surface owners. After a successfully negotiated native title agreement, the Corporation is then formally granted the ATP or exploration permit by the State. The permits typically provide the Corporation with at least four (4) years and in some States, up to a maximum of 12 years to conduct its proposed work program with the opportunity for potential extensions. Generally, each state government will reserve unto itself a royalty when production commences which runs with the life of the relevant Production Licence (see comments above). It should also be noted that for each ATP or exploration permit issued there is a minimum work program which the applicable state authority expects to be met or exceeded. If the minimum work commitment set forth in the work program is not completed then there is a risk that the ATP or exploration permit is terminated. In most States a small amount is payable by way of annual fee or rent. Failure to pay may also result in termination.

In most cases ATP's held by the Corporation are granted for a period of twelve years. All phases of the oil and gas exploration, development and production activities are regulated in varying degrees by the Australian government. Where the ATP has an initial term of twelve years, this period may be subdivided into three, four year periods. During the first four year period, work commitments are completed and at the end of the period one third of the land that was originally granted must be relinquished back to the state. Following such relinquishment the next four year period commences and at the end of the last period remaining land must be relinquished. Alternatively, the conditions of an ATP may require relinquishment of 8.33% of area per year over a 12 year period. Generally at the end of the twelfth year, all of the land will have been relinquished that has not been a part of a commercial discovery. Commercial discoveries are held under 'Production Licences' which are exempt from relinquishment and stay active until final field abandonment or the end of the specified term of the Production Licence (generally 30 years).

### *India*

The oil and gas industry in India is subject to extensive regulations governing its operations including land tenure, exploration, development, production, refining, transportation and marketing through legislation enacted by various levels of government. Although the GOI has ultimate ownership and responsibility for oil and gas operations, various state governments also have input into industry activities. During the past several years, the GOI regulations

have been revised to include tax holidays and permit foreign ownership levels of up to one hundred percent in the Indian oil and natural gas industry. In response to invitations to bid made by the GOI through the New Exploration Licensing Policy ("NELP") bid rounds in India, domestic and international oil and gas companies submit bids to win tenements for the exploration of petroleum and natural gas. Within the bid applications, companies outline a schedule of work activities along with an estimate of associated financial commitments on each tenement on an annual basis; in addition, companies submit a fiscal package which offers the economic terms under which a company would operate the tenement. The fiscal or economic terms and the duration of the land tenure are confirmed at the time of signing a PSC between a company and the GOI. Most PSCs in India grant the companies 20-25 year tenure with a provision for up to two 5 year extensions.

There is usually an initial exploration period and at the end of it and after having conducted a minimum work program a company may relinquish its entire interest or continue with a subsequent exploration period. As in Australia, commercial discoveries are held through the production phase and no relinquishments are required.

### **Environmental Regulation**

The oil and natural gas industry is currently subject to environmental regulations pursuant to a variety of provincial and federal legislation, all of which is subject to governmental review and revision from time to time. Such legislation provides for restrictions and prohibitions on the release or emission of various substances produced in association with certain oil and gas industry operations, such as sulphur dioxide and nitrous oxide. In addition, such legislation sets out the requirements for the satisfactory abandonment and reclamation of well and facility sites. Compliance with such legislation can require significant expenditures and a breach of such requirements may result in suspension or revocation of necessary licences and authorizations, civil liability for pollution damage, and the imposition of material fines and penalties.

On a Federal level and pursuant the *Prosperity Act*, the Government of Canada amended or appealed several pieces of federal environmental legislation and in addition, created a new federal environment assessment regime. The changes to the environmental legislation under the *Prosperity Act* are intended to provide for more efficient and timely environmental assessments of projects that previously had been subject to overlapping legislative jurisdiction

The Corporation is subject to significant environmental and other regulations in respect of its exploration activities in Australia and India and has tried to earnestly undertake its operations in an environmentally responsible manner and to maintain compliance with the relevant regulations. Rehabilitation of individual field projects is completed progressively to ensure necessary rehabilitation restoration is kept to a minimum at any particular time.

In British Columbia, the *Oil and Gas Activities Act* (the "OGCA") impacts conventional oil and gas producers, shale gas producers, and other operators of oil and gas facilities in British Columbia. Under the OGCA, the British Columbia Oil and Gas Commission has broad powers, particularly with respect to compliance and enforcement and the setting of technical safety and operational standards for oil and gas activities. The *Environmental Protection and Management Regulation* establishes the government's environmental objectives for water, riparian habitats, wildlife and wildlife habitat, old-growth forests and cultural heritage resources. The OGCA requires the Commission to consider these environmental objectives in deciding whether or not to authorize an oil and gas activity. In addition, although not an exclusively environmental statute, the *Petroleum and Natural Gas Act* requires proponents to obtain various approvals before undertaking exploration or production work, such as geophysical licences, geophysical exploration project approvals, and permits for the exclusive right to do geological work and geophysical exploration work, and well, test hole, and water-source well authorizations. Such approvals are given subject to environmental considerations and licences and project approvals can be suspended or cancelled for failure to comply with this legislation or its regulations.

In Australia the Queensland Wild Rivers legislation that was recently enacted regulates new development and the taking of natural resources from within a declared wild river and its catchment area. Wild river areas are relatively untouched areas in near natural condition with all or also most all of their natural values intact. To preserve these river systems Wild River Areas have been declared. A wild river declaration means extra protection for the river system. From nomination to potential declaration as a wild river, there is a lengthy process of consultation between the Queensland Government and residents, businesses and interested parties. All parties have an opportunity to

submit any issues or views about proposed wild rivers. All issues and views raised are considered before a final decision on a declaration is made.

The Wild Rivers legislation may compromise the original work program that was bid by Bengal on its ATP 934 as well as drilling operations on parts of the Corporations ATP 732. In this regard Bengal may enter into negotiation with the regulating authority relative to a revised work program and will stay committed to understanding and supporting the Wild Rivers legislation intent and purpose.

Management is satisfied that no material breaches of the environmental legislation have occurred with respect to any of the Corporation's properties. No notices of any material breaches have been received from any authority by the Corporation.

## **Climate Change Regulation**

### *Federal*

On April 26, 2007, the Government of Canada released "Turning the Corner: An Action Plan to Reduce Greenhouse Gases and Air Pollution" (the "**Action Plan**") which set forth a plan for regulations to address both greenhouse gases ("**GHGs**") and air pollution. An update to the Action Plan, "Turning the Corner: Regulatory Framework for Industrial Greenhouse Gas Emissions" was released on March 10, 2008 (the "**Updated Action Plan**"). The Updated Action Plan outlines emissions intensity-based targets, which will be applied to regulated sectors on a facility-specific, sector-wide or a company-by-company basis. Facility-specific targets apply to the upstream oil and gas, oil sands, petroleum refining and natural gas pipelines sectors. Unless a minimum regulatory threshold applies, all facilities within a regulated sector will be subject to the emissions intensity targets. Although the intention was for draft regulations for the implementation of the Updated Action Plan to become binding on January 1, 2010, the only regulations announced pertain to carbon dioxide emissions from coal-fired generation of electricity (finalized in summer 2012). Further, representatives of the Government of Canada have indicated that the proposals contained in the Updated Action Plan will be modified to ensure consistency with the direction ultimately taken by the United States with respect to GHG emissions regulation. As a result, it is unclear to what extent implementation of the proposals contained in the Updated Action Plan will occur.

The United States Environmental Protection Agency (the "**EPA**") has indicated its intention to impose GHG emissions standards for fossil fuel-fired power plants by specifying that it would issue final regulations by May 26, 2012, and with respect to refineries, specifying that it would issue proposed regulations by December 10, 2011 and finalized regulations by November 10, 2012. The EPA did not meet the December 10, 2011 or November 10, 2012 deadline. Although EPA did not specify a new deadline for issuing the standards, it is expected that these standards will not be issued until after EPA completes proposed GHG performance standards for the power sector. However, in March 2012, the EPA proposed a strict GHG standard on new power plants only. While it is expected that this rule could encourage building new natural gas power plants rather than coal plants, the actual effect of the new rule will not be able to be quantified for some time.

### *British Columbia*

In February 2008, British Columbia announced a revenue-neutral carbon tax that took effect July 1, 2008. The tax is consumption-based and applied at the time of retail sale or consumption of virtually all fossil fuels purchased or used in British Columbia. The current tax level is \$30 per tonne of CO<sub>2</sub> equivalent. The final scheduled increase took effect on July 1, 2012. There is no plan for further rate increases or expansions at this time. In order to make the tax revenue-neutral, British Columbia has implemented tax credits and reductions in order to offset the tax revenues that the Government of British Columbia would otherwise receive from the tax.

In their 2012 Budget, British Columbia announced the government will undertake a comprehensive review of the carbon tax and its impact on British Columbians. The review will cover all aspects of the carbon tax, including revenue neutrality, and will consider the impact on the competitiveness of British Columbia businesses such as those in the agriculture sector, and in particular, British Columbia's food producers. Under this comprehensive review,

British Columbians can make written submissions to British Columbia's Minister of Finance, and these will be considered as part of the 2013 Budget process.

On April 3, 2008, British Columbia introduced the *Greenhouse Gas Reduction (Cap and Trade) Act* (the "**Cap and Trade Act**") which received royal assent on May 29, 2008 and partially came into force by regulation of the Lieutenant Governor in Council. It sets a province-wide target of a 33% reduction in the 2007 level of GHG emissions by 2020 and an 80% reduction by 2050. Unlike the emissions intensity approach taken by the federal government and the Government of Alberta, the Cap and Trade Act establishes an absolute cap on GHG emissions. The Cap and Trade Act sets out the requirements for the reporting of the greenhouse gas emissions from facilities in British Columbia emitting 10,000 tonnes or more of carbon dioxide equivalent emissions per year beginning on January 1, 2010. Those reporting operations with emissions of 25,000 tonnes or greater are required to have emissions reports verified by a third party. Recent amendments to the Act repealed past requirements on public-sector organizations, including Crown corporations, to be carbon neutral by 2010, and they are now only required to produce annual carbon reduction plans and reports. Additional regulations that will further enable British Columbia to implement a cap and trade system are currently under further development.

### *Australia*

In Australia, the Federal Government is implementing the Clean Energy Futures package, a set of measures aimed at reducing greenhouse gas emissions and increasing the use of renewable energy. The package includes a carbon pricing mechanism, which from July 1, 2012 will impose a price on emissions of greenhouse gases.

The carbon pricing mechanism applies to four of the six greenhouse gases covered by the Kyoto Protocol. Most sectors are included, other than agriculture, which instead is given an incentive to undertake projects to reduce or store emissions. Most sectors are covered by an emissions trading scheme established under the Clean Energy Act 2011, other than transport, where an equivalent carbon price will be applied through reductions to fuel excise and rebate arrangements.

In the first three years, the emissions trading scheme operates as a tax, after which it moves to a conventional cap-and-trade model. Broadly, two activities give rise to liability under the emissions trading scheme. The first is having operational control of a facility (defined as an activity or series of activities forming a single undertaking or enterprise) with annual emissions of at least 25,000 tonnes (measured in CO<sub>2</sub> equivalent). The second is being a supplier of natural gas for use, where the gas is withdrawn from a natural gas pipeline for the purposes of the use. There is also an opt-in mechanism, principally intended for the aviation sector, and some limited flexibility to transfer liability. Unincorporated joint ventures are covered by rules that enable liability to be allocated to the joint venture participants. The scheme includes some flexibility to transfer liability.

In the case of facilities, liability is based on direct emissions from the facility, such as emissions from the combustion of gas or coal. For gas suppliers, liability is based on the potential emissions embedded in the gas they supply. Emissions from large gas consuming facilities such as power stations are captured under the facilities mechanism, rather than through the gas supplier.

For each tonne of emissions, a liable entity must either surrender one eligible emissions unit, or pay the shortfall charge. The charge is set high enough for there to be a strong incentive to buy and surrender units.

The price for carbon units is fixed for the first three years of the scheme, initially at AUD\$23 per unit. During that first phase, carbon units are available in unlimited quantities. From July 1, 2015, the scheme enters the flexible price phase. The scheme's regulator will issue carbon units by auction and the total number of carbon units will be capped at a level to be set by Government. For at least the first three years of the flexible price phase, auctions will be subject to a price ceiling, initially AUD\$20 per unit above international prices. A price floor will also apply, being initially AUD\$15.00 per unit.

The carbon pricing mechanism is linked to Australia's Carbon Farming Initiative ("**CFI**"); a scheme for land based projects to reduce or store greenhouse gas emissions and earn tradeable credits. Liable entities will be able to use eligible credits from the CFI for up to 5% of liability in the fixed price phase and in unlimited quantities after that.

As to international markets, some classes of international units will also be eligible for surrender, but only in the flexible price phase and, at least initially, only for up to 50% of liability. International units will also be subject to a surrender charge to ensure the effective price is equivalent to the auction floor price.

### *India*

On June 30, 2008, Prime Minister Manmohan Singh released India's first National Action Plan on Climate Change outlining existing and future policies and programs addressing climate mitigation and adaptation. The plan identifies eight core "national missions" running through 2017 building on the Energy Conservation Act 2001.

## **RISK FACTORS**

Investors should carefully consider the risk factors set out below and consider all other information contained herein and in the Corporation's other public filings before making an investment decision.

### **Exploration, Development and Production Risks**

Oil and natural gas operations involve many risks that even a combination of experience, knowledge and careful evaluation may not be able to overcome. The long-term commercial success of the Corporation depends on its ability to find, acquire, develop and commercially produce oil and natural gas reserves. Without the continual addition of new reserves, the Corporation's existing reserves, and the production from them, will decline over time as the Corporation produces from such reserves. A future increase in the Corporation's reserves will depend on both the ability of the Corporation to explore and develop its existing properties and on its ability to select and acquire suitable producing properties or prospects. There is no assurance that the Corporation will be able continue to find satisfactory properties to acquire or participate in. Moreover, management of the Corporation may determine that current markets, terms of acquisition, participation or pricing conditions make potential acquisitions or participations uneconomic. There is also no assurance that the Corporation will discover or acquire further commercial quantities of oil and natural gas.

Future oil and natural gas exploration may involve unprofitable efforts from dry wells as well as from wells that are productive but do not produce sufficient petroleum substances to return a profit after drilling, completing (including hydraulic fracturing), operating and other costs. Completion of a well does not assure a profit on the investment or recovery of drilling, completion and operating costs.

Drilling hazards, environmental damage and various field operating conditions could greatly increase the cost of operations and adversely affect the production from successful wells. Field operating conditions include, but are not limited to, delays in obtaining governmental approvals or consents, and shut-ins of connected wells resulting from extreme weather conditions, insufficient storage or transportation capacity or other geological and mechanical conditions. While diligent well supervision and effective maintenance operations can contribute to maximizing production rates over time, it is not possible to eliminate production delays and declines from normal field operating conditions, which can negatively affect revenue and cash flow levels to varying degrees.

Oil and natural gas exploration, development and production operations are subject to all the risks and hazards typically associated with such operations, including, but not limited to, fire, explosion, blowouts, cratering, sour gas releases, and spills or other environmental hazards. These typical risks and hazards could result in substantial damage to oil and natural gas wells, production facilities, other property, the environment and personal injury. Particularly, the Corporation may explore for and produce sour natural gas in certain areas. An unintentional leak of sour natural gas could result in personal injury, loss of life or damage to property and may necessitate an evacuation of populated areas, all of which could result in liability to the Corporation.

Oil and natural gas production operations are also subject to all the risks typically associated with such operations, including encountering unexpected formations or pressures, premature decline of reservoirs and the invasion of water into producing formations. Losses resulting from the occurrence of any of these risks may have a material adverse effect on the Corporation's business, financial condition, results of operations and prospects.

As is standard industry practice, the Corporation is not fully insured against all risks, nor are all risks insurable. Although the Corporation maintains liability insurance in an amount that it considers consistent with industry practice, liabilities associated with certain risks could exceed policy limits or not be covered. In either event the Corporation could incur significant costs.

### **Global Financial Crisis**

Recent market events and conditions, including disruptions in the international credit markets and other financial systems and the American and European sovereign debt levels have caused significant volatility in commodity prices. These events and conditions have caused a decrease in confidence in the broader United States and global credit and financial markets and have created a climate of greater volatility, less liquidity, widening of credit spreads, a lack of price transparency, increased credit losses and tighter credit conditions. Notwithstanding various actions by governments, concerns about the general condition of the capital markets, financial instruments, banks, investment banks, insurers and other financial institutions caused the broader credit markets to further deteriorate and stock markets to decline substantially. While there are signs of economic recovery, these factors have negatively impacted company valuations and are likely to continue to impact the performance of the global economy going forward. Petroleum prices are expected to remain volatile for the near future as a result of market uncertainties over the supply and demand of these commodities due to the current state of the world economies, actions taken by OPEC and the ongoing global credit and liquidity concerns. This volatility may in the future affect the Corporation's ability to obtain equity or debt financing on acceptable terms.

### **Risks Associated with Foreign Operations**

International operations are subject to political, economic and other uncertainties including, among others, risk of war, risk of terrorist activities, border disputes, expropriation, renegotiations or modification of existing contracts, restrictions on repatriation of funds, import, export and transportation regulations and tariffs, taxation policies including royalty and tax increases and retroactive tax claims, exchange controls, limits on allowable levels of production, currency fluctuations, labour disputes, sudden changes in laws, government control over domestic oil and gas pricing and other uncertainties arising out of foreign government sovereignty over the Corporation's international operations. With respect to taxation matters, the governments and other regulatory agencies in the foreign jurisdictions in which Bengal operates and intends to operate in the future may make sudden changes in laws relating to taxation or impose higher tax rates which may affect Bengal's operations in any significant manner. These governments and agencies may not allow certain deductions in calculating tax payable that Bengal believes should be deductible under applicable laws or may have differing views as to values of transfer properties. This can result in significantly higher tax payable than initially anticipated by Bengal. In many circumstances, readjustments to tax payable imposed by these governments and agencies may occur years after the initial tax amounts were paid by Bengal which can result in the Corporation having to pay significant penalties and fines. The Corporation's international operations may also be adversely affected by laws and policies of Canada and the United States and other jurisdictions affecting foreign trade, taxation and investment. For example, the Corporation may be at a disadvantage in that it may be required to compete against corporations or other entities from countries that are not subject to Canadian laws and regulations, including the *Foreign Corrupt Practices Act* or similar legislation in other jurisdictions, including the United States. Residents or nationals of countries not subject to such legal regimes may offer inducements to foreign public officials to entice such governments and officials to deal with them to the disadvantage of the Corporation. Furthermore, in the event of a dispute arising from international operations, the Corporation may be subject to the exclusive jurisdiction of foreign courts or may not be successful in subjecting foreign persons to the jurisdiction of courts in Canada. The Corporation operates in such a manner as to minimize and mitigate its exposure to these risks; however, there can be no assurances that Bengal will be successful in protecting itself from the impact of all of these risks.

### **Prices, Markets and Marketing**

The factors beyond the Corporation's control do, and will continue to affect the marketability and price of oil and natural gas acquired or discovered by the Corporation. The Corporation's ability to market its oil and natural gas may depend upon its ability to acquire space on pipelines that deliver natural gas to commercial markets. Deliverability uncertainties related to the distance the Corporation's reserves are to pipelines, processing and storage

facilities, operational problems affecting pipelines and facilities as well as government regulation relating to prices, taxes, royalties, land tenure, allowable production, the export of oil and natural gas and many other aspects of the oil and natural gas business may also affect the Corporation.

Prices for oil and natural gas are subject to large fluctuations in response to relatively minor changes in the supply of and demand for oil and natural gas, market uncertainty and a variety of additional factors beyond the control of the Corporation. These factors include economic conditions, in the United States, Canada and Europe, the actions of OPEC, governmental regulation, political stability in the Middle East, Northern Africa and elsewhere, the foreign supply of oil and natural gas, risks of supply disruption, the price of foreign imports and the availability of alternative fuel sources. Prices for oil and natural gas are also subject to the availability of foreign markets and the Corporation's ability to access such markets. A material decline in prices could result in a reduction of the Corporation's net production revenue. The economics of producing from some wells may change because of lower prices, which could result in reduced production of oil or natural gas and a reduction in the volumes of the Corporation's reserves. The Corporation might also elect not to produce from certain wells at lower prices.

All these factors could result in a material decrease in the Corporation's expected net production revenue and a reduction in its oil and natural gas acquisition, development and exploration activities. Any substantial and extended decline in the price of oil and natural gas would have an adverse effect on the Corporation's carrying value of its reserves, borrowing capacity, revenues, profitability and cash flows from operations and may have a material adverse effect on the Corporation's business, financial condition, results of operations and prospects.

Oil and natural gas prices are expected to remain volatile for the near future because of market uncertainties over the supply and the demand of these commodities due to the current state of the world economies, OPEC actions, and sanctions imposed on certain oil producing nations by other countries and the ongoing credit and liquidity concerns. Volatile oil and natural gas prices make it difficult to estimate the value of producing properties for acquisitions and often cause disruption in the market for oil and natural gas producing properties, as buyers and sellers have difficulty agreeing on such value. Price volatility also makes it difficult to budget for and project the return on acquisitions and development and exploitation projects.

### **Market Price of Common Shares**

The trading price of securities of oil and natural gas issuers is subject to substantial volatility often based on factors related and unrelated to the financial performance or prospects of the issuers involved. Factors unrelated to the Corporation's performance could include macroeconomic developments nationally, within North America or globally, domestic and global commodity prices or current perceptions of the oil and gas market. Similarly, the market price of the Common Shares could be subject to significant fluctuations in response to variations in the Corporation's operating results, financial condition, liquidity and other internal factors. The price at which the Common Shares will trade cannot be accurately predicted.

### **Variations in Foreign Exchange Rates and Interest Rates**

Bengal receives Canadian dollars for gas sales from its Oak property. These Canadian dollars are then expended on operations and administration in Canada. The Corporation's expenses on Canadian operations are denominated in Canadian dollars and the Corporation's operating income is therefore not generally impacted by the Canadian to US dollar exchange rate.

The exchange rate for the Australian dollar has strengthened against the Canadian dollar throughout the year. Bengal, through its subsidiary Bengal Energy (Australia) Pty Ltd., received revenue from Australian oil sales in US dollars. These US dollars are then converted to Australian dollars and remain in Australian dollars until expended on operations or capital in Australia and therefore the Australian dollar to Canadian dollar exchange rates do not materially impact the Corporation's overall profitability. Historically, declines in world oil prices which are denominated in US dollars have been offset by increases in the value of the Australia versus the US dollar. As a result, Bengal's Australian netbacks are not overly affected by the Australian dollar to US dollar exchange rates.

## **Hedging**

From time to time, the Corporation may enter into agreements to receive fixed prices on its oil and natural gas production to offset the risk of revenue losses if commodity prices decline. However, to the extent that the Corporation engages in price risk management activities to protect itself from commodity price declines, it may also be prevented from realizing the full benefits of price increases above the levels of the derivative instruments used to manage price risk. In addition, the Corporation's hedging arrangements may expose it to the risk of financial loss in certain circumstances, including instances in which:

- production falls short of the hedged volumes;
- there is a widening of price-basis differentials between delivery points for production and the delivery point assumed in the hedge arrangement;
- the counterparties to the hedging arrangements or other price risk management contracts fail to perform under those arrangements; or
- a sudden unexpected event materially impacts oil and natural gas prices.

Similarly, from time to time the Corporation may enter into agreements to fix the exchange rate of Canadian to United States dollars in order to offset the risk of revenue losses if the Canadian dollar increases in value compared to the United States dollar. However, if the Canadian dollar declines in value compared to the United States dollar, the Corporation will not benefit from the fluctuating exchange rate.

## **Additional Funding Requirements**

The Corporation's cash flow from its reserves may not be sufficient to fund its ongoing activities at all times and from time to time, the Corporation may require additional financing in order to carry out its oil and natural gas acquisition, exploration and development activities. There is risk that if the economy and banking industry experienced unexpected and/or prolonged deterioration, the Corporation's access to additional financing may be affected.

Because of the global economic volatility, the Corporation may from time to time have restricted access to capital and increased borrowing costs. Failure to obtain such financing on a timely basis could cause the Corporation to forfeit its interest in certain properties, miss certain acquisition opportunities and reduce or terminate its operations. If the Corporation's revenues from its reserves decrease as a result of lower oil and natural gas prices or otherwise, it will affect the Corporation's ability to expend the necessary capital to replace its reserves or to maintain its production. To the extent that external sources of capital become limited, unavailable, or available on onerous terms, the Corporation's ability to make capital investments and maintain existing assets may be impaired, and its assets, liabilities, business, financial condition and results of operations may be affected materially and adversely as a result. In addition, the future development of the Corporation's petroleum properties may require additional financing and there are no assurances that such financing will be available or, if available, will be available upon acceptable terms. Failure to obtain any financing necessary for the Corporation's capital expenditure plans may result in a delay in development or production on the Corporation's properties.

## **Issuance of Debt**

From time to time, the Corporation may enter into transactions to acquire assets or shares of other organizations. These transactions may be financed in whole or in part with debt, which may increase the Corporation's debt levels above industry standards for oil and natural gas companies of similar size. Depending on future exploration and development plans, the Corporation may require additional debt financing that may not be available or, if available, may not be available on favourable terms. Neither the Corporation's articles nor its by-laws limit the amount of indebtedness that the Corporation may incur. The level of the Corporation's indebtedness from time to time, could impair the Corporation's ability to obtain additional financing on a timely basis to take advantage of business opportunities that may arise.



## Reserve Estimates

There are numerous uncertainties inherent in estimating quantities of oil, natural gas and natural gas liquids reserves and the future cash flows attributed to such reserves. The reserve and associated cash flow information set forth in this document are estimates only. Generally, estimates of economically recoverable oil and natural gas reserves and the future net cash flows therefrom are based upon a number of variable factors and assumptions, such as:

- historical production from the properties;
- production rates;
- ultimate reserve recovery;
- timing and amount of capital expenditures;
- marketability of oil and natural gas;
- royalty rates; and
- the assumed effects of regulation by governmental agencies and future operating costs (all of which may vary materially from actual results).

For those reasons, estimates of the economically recoverable oil and natural gas reserves attributable to any particular group of properties, classification of such reserves based on risk of recovery and estimates of future net revenues associated with reserves prepared by different engineers, or by the same engineers at different times may vary. The Corporation's actual production, revenues, taxes and development and operating expenditures with respect to its reserves will vary from estimates thereof and such variations could be material.

The estimation of proved reserves that may be developed and produced in the future are often based upon volumetric calculations and upon analogy to similar types of reserves rather than actual production history. Recovery factors and drainage areas were estimated by experience and analogy to similar producing pools. Estimates based on these methods are generally less reliable than those based on actual production history. Subsequent evaluation of the same reserves based upon production history and production practices will result in variations in the estimated reserves. Such variations could be material.

In accordance with applicable securities laws, the Corporation's independent reserves evaluator has used forecast prices and costs in estimating the reserves and future net cash flows as summarized herein. Actual future net cash flows will be affected by other factors, such as actual production levels, supply and demand for oil and natural gas, curtailments or increases in consumption by oil and natural gas purchasers, changes in governmental regulation or taxation and the impact of inflation on costs.

Actual production and cash flows derived from the Corporation's oil and natural gas reserves will vary from the estimates contained in the reserve evaluation, and such variations could be material. The reserve evaluation is based in part on the assumed success of activities the Corporation intends to undertake in future years. The reserves and estimated cash flows to be derived therefrom and contained in the reserve evaluation will be reduced to the extent that such activities do not achieve the level of success assumed in the reserve evaluation. The reserve evaluation is effective as of a specific effective date and, except as may be specifically stated, has not been updated and thus does not reflect changes in the Corporation's reserves since that date.

## Seismic Data

Even when properly used and interpreted, seismic data and visualization techniques are only tools used to assist geoscientists in identifying subsurface structures, as well as eventual hydrocarbon indicators, and do not enable the interpreter to know whether hydrocarbons are, in fact, present in those structures. In addition, the use of seismic and other advanced technologies requires greater pre-drilling expenditures than traditional drilling strategies, and the Corporation could incur losses as a result of such expenditures. As a result, some of the Corporation's drilling activities may not be successful or economical, and the Corporation's overall drilling success rate or its drilling

success rate for activities in a particular area could decline, which could have a material adverse effect on expected results of operations and financial condition of the Corporation.

### **Substantial Capital Requirements**

The Corporation anticipates making substantial capital expenditures for the acquisition, exploration, development and production of oil and natural gas reserves in the future. As future capital expenditures will be financed out of cash generated from operations, borrowings and possible future equity sales, the Corporation's ability to do so is dependent on, among other factors:

- the overall state of the capital markets;
- the Corporation's credit rating (if applicable);
- interest rates;
- royalty rates;
- tax burden due to current and future tax laws; and
- investor appetite for investments in the energy industry and the Corporation's securities in particular.

Further, if the Corporation's revenues or reserves decline, it may not have access to the capital necessary to undertake or complete future drilling programs. There can be no assurance that debt or equity financing, or cash generated by operations will be available or sufficient to meet these requirements or for other corporate purposes or, if debt or equity financing is available, that it will be on terms acceptable to the Corporation. The inability of the Corporation to access sufficient capital for its operations could have a material adverse effect on the Corporation's business financial condition, results of operations and prospects.

### **Project Risks**

The Corporation manages a variety of small and large projects in the conduct of its business. Project delays may delay expected revenues from operations. Significant project cost over-runs could make a project uneconomic. The Corporation's ability to execute projects and market oil and natural gas depends upon numerous factors beyond the Corporation's control, including:

- the availability of processing capacity;
- the availability and proximity of pipeline capacity;
- the availability of storage capacity;
- the availability of, and the ability to acquire, water supplies needed for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, or the Corporation's ability to dispose of water used or removed from strata at a reasonable cost and within applicable environmental regulations;
- the supply of and demand for oil and natural gas;
- the availability of alternative fuel sources;
- the effects of inclement weather;
- the availability of drilling and related equipment;
- unexpected cost increases;
- accidental events;
- currency fluctuations;
- changes in regulations;
- the availability and productivity of skilled labour; and
- the regulation of the oil and natural gas industry by various levels of government and governmental agencies.

Because of these factors, the Corporation could be unable to execute projects on time, on budget, or at all, and may be unable to market the oil and natural gas that it produces effectively.

Some of Bengal's oil and gas interests are in offshore properties. Offshore operations involve a significant degree of risk including all of the risks associated with all petroleum operations which can be magnified due to operating in remote offshore locations. Fires and explosions on drilling rigs and other offshore platforms are more likely to result in personal injury, loss of life and damage to property due to the remote locations and time required for rescue personnel to get to the locations. Blow-outs and spills are more likely to result in significant environmental damage to the marine environment, can be difficult to contain and difficult and expensive to remediate. Although Bengal intends to operate in accordance with all recommended and required health, safety and environment practices, which will reduce such risks, there can be no assurance that these risks can be avoided. The occurrence of any of these events could have a materially adverse effect on the Corporation.

### **Infrastructure**

Infrastructure development in many of the countries in which the Corporation operates is limited. These factors may affect the Corporation's ability to explore and develop its properties and to store and transport its oil and gas production. There can be no assurance that future instability in one or more of the countries in which the Corporation operates, actions by companies doing business there, or actions taken by the international community will not have a material adverse effect on the countries in question and in turn on the Corporation's financial conditions or operations.

### **Gathering and Processing Facilities and Pipeline Systems**

The Corporation delivers its products through gathering, processing and pipeline systems some of which it does not own. The amount of oil and natural gas that the Corporation can produce and sell is subject to the accessibility, availability, proximity and capacity of these gathering, processing and pipeline systems. The lack of availability of capacity in any of the gathering, processing and pipeline systems, and in particular the processing facilities, could result in the Corporation's inability to realize the full economic potential of its production or in a reduction of the price offered for the Corporation's production. Although pipeline expansions are ongoing, the lack of firm pipeline capacity continues to affect the oil and natural gas industry and limit the ability to produce and to market oil and natural gas production. In addition, the pro-rationing of capacity on inter-provincial pipeline systems also continues to affect the ability to export oil and natural gas. Any significant change in market factors or other conditions affecting these infrastructure systems and facilities, as well as any delays in constructing new infrastructure systems and facilities could harm the Corporation's business and, in turn, the Corporation's financial condition, results of operations and cash flows.

A portion of the Corporation's production may, from time to time, be processed through facilities owned by third parties and over which the Corporation does not have control. From time to time these facilities may discontinue or decrease operations either as a result of normal servicing requirements or as a result of unexpected events. A discontinuation or decrease of operations could materially adversely affect the Corporation's ability to process its production and to deliver the same for sale.

### **Aboriginal Claims**

Aboriginal peoples have claimed aboriginal title and rights to portions of western Canada. The Corporation is not aware that any claims have been made in respect of its properties and assets; however, if a claim arose and was successful such claim may have a material adverse effect on the Corporation's business, financial condition, results of operations and prospects.

Bengal has entered into agreements with respect to various permit areas in Australia. The formal grant of some of these permits by Australian government authorities is conditional on and subject to the successful conclusion of Native Title negotiations. Accordingly, there is a risk that the native claims may not be resolved and the permits may not be issued.

There are no such aboriginal claims in India.

## **Expiration of Licences and Leases**

The Corporation's properties are held in the form of licences and leases and working interests in licences and leases. If the Corporation or the holder of the licence or lease fails to meet the specific requirement of a licence or lease, the licence or lease may terminate or expire. There can be no assurance that any of the obligations required to maintain each licence or lease will be met. The termination or expiration of the Corporation's licences or leases or the working interests relating to a licence or lease may have a material adverse effect on the Corporation's business, financial condition, results of operations and prospects.

## **Dilution**

The Corporation may make future acquisitions or enter into financings or other transactions involving the issuance of securities of the Corporation which may be dilutive.

## **Regulatory**

Various levels of governments impose extensive controls and regulations on oil and natural gas operations (exploration, production, pricing, marketing and transportation). Governments may regulate or intervene with respect to exploration and production activities, prices, taxes, royalties and the exportation of oil and natural gas. Amendments to these controls and regulations may occur from time to time in response to economic or political conditions. See: "*Industry Conditions*". The implementation of new regulations or the modification of existing regulations affecting the oil and natural gas industry could reduce demand for crude oil and natural gas and increase the Corporation's costs, either of which may have a material adverse effect on the Corporation's business, financial condition, results of operations and prospects. In order to conduct oil and natural gas operations, the Corporation will require licences from various governmental authorities. There can be no assurance that the Corporation will be able to obtain all of the licences and permits that may be required to conduct operations that it may wish to undertake. In addition to regulatory requirements pertaining to the production, marketing and sale of oil and natural gas mentioned above, the Corporation's business and financial condition could be influenced by federal legislation affecting, in particular, foreign investment, through legislation such as the *Competition Act* (Canada) and the *Investment Canada Act* (Canada).

### *Australia*

All phases of the oil and gas exploration, development and production activities are regulated in varying degrees by the Australian Federal government and relevant State government, either directly or through one or more governmental entities. The areas of government regulation include matters relating to restrictions on production, , income taxes, PRRT, royalties, expropriation of property, environmental protection, land access, rig safety, workplace health and safety and fair employment conditions. In addition, the award of an ATP or PEL and matters relating to the implementation and conduct of operations under these agreements are subject to the consent of the relevant government. Generally all future drilling and production programs by the Corporation in Australia must also be approved by or be subject to review by the Australian Federal government and relevant State governments. This regulatory environment and possible delays inherent in that environment may increase the risks associated with the Corporation's exploration and production activities and increase the Corporation's costs of doing business.

### *India*

All phases of the oil and gas exploration, development and production activities are regulated in varying degrees by the Indian government, either directly or through one or more governmental entities. The areas of government regulation include matters relating to restrictions on production, price controls, export controls, income taxes, expropriation of property, environmental protection and rig safety. In addition, the award of a PSC and matters relating to the implementation and conduct of operations under the PSC are subject to Government of India consent. As a consequence, all future drilling and production programs and by the Corporation in India must be approved by the Indian government. This regulatory environment and possible delays inherent in that environment may increase the risks associated with the Corporation's exploration and production activities and increase the Corporation's costs of doing business.

The Corporation and its partners are required under the NELP fiscal regime to submit annual expenditure budgets to the Government of India for approval on all Indian fields and blocks. Expenditures in excess of the budget are subject to approval by the Government of India. In the case of cost over-runs, those expenditures not ratified by the Government of India, the allowable expenditure limit for any given year may be reduced and this would affect the investment multiple, potentially affecting the petroleum profit share calculation.

The Corporation will be required to submit a bank guarantee of the first year's estimated expenditure.

The Corporation has performance security guarantees to the Government of India. The Government of India has the right to collect on the guarantees if the Corporation does not carry out the work commitment required under the various concession agreements.

### **Hydraulic Fracturing**

Hydraulic fracturing involves the injection of water, sand and small amounts of additives under pressure into rock formations to stimulate hydrocarbon (oil and natural gas) production. Specifically, hydraulic fracturing is used to produce commercial quantities of oil and natural gas from reservoirs that were previously unproductive. Any new laws, regulations or permitting requirements regarding hydraulic fracturing could lead to operational delays, increased operating costs, third party or governmental claims, and could increase the Corporation's costs of compliance and doing business as well as delay the development of oil and natural gas resources from shale formations, which are not commercial without the use of hydraulic fracturing. Restrictions on hydraulic fracturing could also reduce the amount of oil and natural gas that the Corporation is ultimately able to produce from its reserves.

### **Competition**

The petroleum industry is competitive in all its phases. The Corporation competes with numerous other entities in the search for, and the acquisition of, oil and natural gas properties and in the marketing of oil and natural gas. The Corporation's competitors include oil and natural gas companies that have substantially greater financial resources, staff and facilities than those of the Corporation. The Corporation's ability to increase its reserves in the future will depend not only on its ability to explore and develop its present properties, but also on its ability to select and acquire other suitable producing properties or prospects for exploratory drilling. Competitive factors in the distribution and marketing of oil and natural gas include price, methods, and reliability of delivery and storage.

### **Seasonality**

The level of activity in the Canadian oil and natural gas industry is influenced by seasonal weather patterns. Wet weather and spring thaw may make the ground unstable. Consequently, municipalities and provincial transportation departments enforce road bans that restrict the movement of rigs and other heavy equipment, thereby reducing activity levels. Also, certain oil and natural gas producing areas are located in areas that are inaccessible other than during the winter months because the ground surrounding the sites in these areas consists of swampy terrain. Seasonal factors and unexpected weather patterns may lead to declines in exploration and production activity and corresponding declines in the demand for the goods and services of the Corporation as the demand for natural gas rises during cold winter months and hot summer months. In both India and Australia the level of activity and production may be influenced by seasonal weather fluctuations such as, but not limited to, flooding and monsoons. During these flooding and monsoon events it is usual that access roads and oil hauling roads are impacted for periods of time with the resulting down time for oil production activities. In Australia, access to roads and properties may be restricted or prohibited during times of severe flooding. Seasonal factors and unexpected weather patterns may lead to declines in exploration and production activity and corresponding declines in the demand for the goods and services of the Corporation.

### **Third Party Credit Risk**

The Corporation may be exposed to third party credit risk through its contractual arrangements with its current or future joint venture partners, marketers of its petroleum and natural gas production and other parties. In the event such entities fail to meet their contractual obligations to the Corporation, such failures may have a material adverse effect on the Corporation's business, financial condition, results of operations and prospects. In addition, poor credit conditions in the industry and of joint venture partners may affect a joint venture partner's willingness to participate in the Corporation's ongoing capital program, potentially delaying the program and the results of such program until the Corporation finds a suitable alternative partner.

### **Environmental**

All phases of the oil and natural gas business present environmental risks and hazards and are subject to environmental regulation pursuant to a variety of federal, provincial and local laws and regulations. Environmental legislation provides for, among other things, restrictions and prohibitions on spills, releases or emissions of various substances produced in association with oil and natural gas operations. The legislation also requires that wells and facility sites be operated, maintained, abandoned and reclaimed to the satisfaction of applicable regulatory authorities.

Compliance with environmental legislation can require significant expenditures and a breach of applicable environmental legislation may result in the imposition of fines and penalties, some of which may be material. Environmental legislation is evolving in a manner expected to result in stricter standards and enforcement, larger fines and liability and potentially increased capital expenditures and operating costs. The discharge of oil, natural gas or other pollutants into the air, soil or water may give rise to liabilities to governments and third parties and may require the Corporation to incur costs to remedy such discharge. Although the Corporation believes that it will be in material compliance with current applicable environmental regulations, no assurance can be given that environmental laws will not result in a curtailment of production or a material increase in the costs of production, development or exploration activities or otherwise have a material adverse effect on the Corporation's business, financial condition, results of operations and prospects.

### **Reliance on Key Personnel**

The Corporation's success depends in large measure on certain key personnel. The loss of the services of such key personnel may have a material adverse effect on the Corporation's business, financial condition, results of operations and prospects. The Corporation does not have any key person insurance in effect for the Corporation. The contributions of the existing management team to the immediate and near term operations of the Corporation are likely to be of central importance. In addition, the competition for qualified personnel in the oil and natural gas industry is intense and there can be no assurance that the Corporation will be able to continue to attract and retain all personnel necessary for the development and operation of its business. Investors must rely upon the ability, expertise, judgment, discretion, integrity and good faith of the management of the Corporation.

### **Title to Assets**

Although title reviews may be conducted prior to the purchase of oil and natural gas producing properties or the commencement of drilling wells, such reviews do not guarantee or certify that an unforeseen defect in the chain of title will not arise to defeat the Corporation's claim. The actual interest of the Corporation in properties may, therefore, vary from the Corporation's records. If a title defect does exist, it is possible that the Corporation may lose all or a portion of the properties to which the title defect relates, which may have a material adverse effect on the Corporation's business, financial condition, results of operations and prospects. There may be valid challenges to title, or proposed legislative changes which affect title, to the oil and natural gas properties the Corporation controls that, if successful or made into law, could impair the Corporation's activities on them and result in a reduction of the revenue received by the Corporation.

## **Insurance**

The Corporation's involvement in the exploration for and development of oil and natural gas properties may result in the Corporation becoming subject to liability for pollution, blow outs, leaks of sour natural gas, property damage, personal injury or other hazards. Although the Corporation maintains insurance in accordance with industry standards to address certain of these risks, such insurance has limitations on liability and may not be sufficient to cover the full extent of such liabilities. In addition, certain risks are not, in all circumstances, insurable or, in certain circumstances, the Corporation may elect not to obtain insurance to deal with specific risks due to the high premiums associated with such insurance or other reasons. The payment of any uninsured liabilities would reduce the funds available to the Corporation. The occurrence of a significant event that the Corporation is not fully insured against, or the insolvency of the insurer of such event, may have a material adverse effect on the Corporation's business, financial condition, results of operations and prospects.

## **Geo-Political Risks**

The events throughout the world that cause disruptions in the supply of oil continue to affect the marketability and price of oil and natural gas acquired or discovered by the Corporation. Conflicts, or conversely peaceful developments, arising outside of Canada have a significant impact on the price of oil and natural gas. Any particular event could result in a material decline in prices and result in a reduction of the Corporation's net production revenue.

In addition, the Corporation's oil and natural gas properties, wells and facilities could be subject to a terrorist attack. If any of the Corporation's properties, wells or facilities are the subject of terrorist attack it may have a material adverse effect on the Corporation's business, financial condition, results of operations and prospects. The Corporation does not have insurance to protect against the risk from terrorism.

## **Political and Economic Risks in India**

Investments in India can be considered speculative, and therefore may offer higher potential for gains and losses than investments in developed markets of the world. Political and economic structures in India generally lack the social, political and economic stability of more developed nations. The share prices of companies in India tend to be volatile and there is a significant possibility of loss. Governmental actions can have a significant effect on the economic conditions in India, which could adversely affect the value and liquidity of the Corporation's investments. Although the government of India has recently begun to institute economic reform policies, there can be no assurance that it will continue to pursue such policies or, if it does, that such policies will succeed.

The laws of India relating to limited liability of corporate shareholders, fiduciary duties of officers and directors and the bankruptcy of state enterprises are generally less well developed or different from such laws in the United States. The risk of loss may also be increased because there may be less information available about Indian issuers since they are not subject to the extensive accounting, auditing and financial reporting standards and practices which are applicable in the United States. There is also a lower level of regulation and monitoring of the Indian securities market and its participants than in other more developed markets.

It may be more difficult to obtain or enforce a judgment in the courts of India than it is in North America. In addition, unanticipated political and social developments may affect the value of the Corporation's investments in India and the availability to the Corporation of additional investments. Monsoons and other natural disasters also can affect the value of the Corporation's investments.

The growing interconnectivity of global economies and financial markets has increased the possibilities that conditions in one country or region might adversely impact the issuers of securities in a different country or region. In particular, the adoption or continuation of protectionist trade policies by one or more countries, or a slowdown in the U.S. economy, could lead to a decrease in demand for Indian products and reduced flows of private capital to the Indian economy.

The political, economic and social structures of many developing countries, including India, may be less stable and more volatile than those in the U.S. investments in these countries may be subject to the risks of internal and external conflicts, currency devaluations, foreign ownership limitations and tax increases. It is possible that a government may take over the assets or operations of a company or impose restrictions on the exchange or export of currency or other assets. Some countries also may have different legal systems that may make it difficult for the Corporation to vote proxies, exercise shareholder rights and pursue legal remedies with respect to its foreign investments. Diplomatic and political developments, including rapid and adverse political changes, social instability, regional conflicts, terrorism and war, could affect the economies, industries, securities and currency markets, and the value of the Corporation's investments, in non-U.S. countries. Religious and border disputes persist in India, and India has from time to time experienced civil unrest and hostilities with countries such as Pakistan. The longstanding dispute with Pakistan over the bordering Indian state of Jammu and Kashmir, a majority of whose population is Muslim, remains unresolved. The Indian population is comprised of diverse religious, linguistic and ethnic groups, and from time to time, India has experienced internal disputes between religious groups within the country. The Indian government has confronted separatist movements in several Indian states. These factors are extremely difficult, if not impossible, to predict and take into account with respect to the Corporation's investments.

### **Failure to Realize Anticipated Benefits of Acquisitions and Dispositions**

The Corporation considers acquisitions and dispositions of businesses and assets in the ordinary course of business. Achieving the benefits of acquisitions depends on successfully consolidating functions and integrating operations and procedures in a timely and efficient manner and the Corporation's ability to realize the anticipated growth opportunities and synergies from combining the acquired businesses and operations with those of the Corporation. The integration of acquired businesses may require substantial management effort, time and resources diverting management's focus from other strategic opportunities and operational matters. Management continually assesses the value and contribution of services provided and assets required to provide such services. In this regard, non-core assets may be periodically disposed of so the Corporation can focus its efforts and resources more efficiently. Depending on the state of the market for such non-core assets, certain non-core assets of the Corporation, if disposed of, may realize less than their carrying value on the financial statements of the Corporation.

### **Operational Dependence**

Other companies operate some of the assets in which the Corporation has an interest. The Corporation has limited ability to exercise influence over the operation of those assets or their associated costs, which could adversely affect the Corporation's financial performance. The Corporation's return on assets operated by others depends upon a number of factors that may be outside of the Corporation's control, including, but not limited to, the timing and amount of capital expenditures, the operator's expertise and financial resources, the approval of other participants, the selection of technology and risk management practices.

#### *India*

The PSCs contain certain terms that may affect the revenues and create additional risks for the Corporation. These terms include, possibly among others, the following:

- The Corporation and its partners are required to complete certain minimum work programs during the three or four year phases of the terms of the PSCs. In the event the venture participants fail to fulfill any of these minimum work programs, the Corporation and its partners must pay to the Government of India their proportionate share of the amount that would be required to complete the minimum work program. Accordingly, the Corporation could be called upon to pay its proportionate share of the estimated costs of any incomplete work programs.
- Until such time as the GOI attains self-sufficiency in the production of crude oil and condensate and is able to meet its national demand, the Corporation and its partners are required to sell in the Indian domestic market their entitlement under the PSCs to crude oil and condensate produced from the exploration blocks. In addition, the Indian domestic market has the first call on natural gas produced from the exploration



blocks and the discovery and production of natural gas must be made in the context of the government's policy of utilization of natural gas and take into account the objectives of the government to develop its resources in the most efficient manner and promote conservation measures. Accordingly, this provision could interfere with our ability to realize the maximum price for our share of production of hydrocarbons.

- The Corporation, which is not an Indian company, is required to negotiate technical assistance agreements with the Government of India or its nominee whereby such foreign company can render technical assistance and make available commercially available technical information of a proprietary nature for use in India by the government or its nominee, subject, among other things, to confidentiality restrictions. Although not intended, this could increase the Corporation's cost of operations.
- The Corporation and its partners are required to give preference, including the use of tender procedures, to the purchase and use of goods manufactured, produced or supplied in India provided that such goods are available on equal or better terms than imported goods, and to employ Indian subcontractors having the required skills insofar as their services are available on comparable standards and at competitive prices and terms. Although not intended, this could increase the Corporation's cost of operations.
- Bengal cannot guarantee its ability to obtain the required consents, waivers and extensions from the Director General of Hydrocarbons or Government of India as and when required to maintain compliance with the Corporation's PSCs. Any delays experienced in receiving those consents, waivers and extensions may result in liabilities incurred under the PSCs for failure to maintain compliance with and timely completion of the related work programs, or that the Corporation's partners may not be successful in its efforts to obtain payment from Bengal on account of exploration costs it has expended for which they assert the Corporation is liable or otherwise seek to hold it in breach of that PSC or commence arbitration proceedings against the Corporation.

### **Climate Change**

The Corporation's exploration and production facilities and other operations and activities emit greenhouse gases and which may require the Corporation to comply with greenhouse gas emissions legislation in Alberta and British Columbia or that may be enacted in other provinces. Climate change policy is evolving at regional, national and international levels, and political and economic events may significantly affect the scope and timing of climate change measures that are ultimately put in place. As a signatory to the *United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change* (the "UNFCCC") and as a participant to the Copenhagen Agreement (a non-binding agreement created by the UNFCCC), the Government of Canada announced on January 29, 2010 that it will seek a 17% reduction in GHG emissions from 2005 levels by 2020. These GHG emission reduction targets are not binding, however. Although it is not the case today, some of the Corporation's significant facilities may ultimately be subject to future regional, provincial and/or federal climate change regulations to manage GHG emissions. The direct or indirect costs of compliance with these regulations may have a material adverse effect on the Corporation's business, financial condition, results of operations and prospects. Given the evolving nature of the debate related to climate change and the control of greenhouse gases and resulting requirements, it is not possible to predict the impact on the Corporation and its operations and financial condition. See "*Industry Conditions – Climate Change Regulation*".

### **Availability of Drilling Equipment and Access**

Oil and natural gas exploration and development activities are dependent on the availability of drilling and related equipment (typically leased from third parties) in the particular areas where such activities will be conducted. Demand for such limited equipment or access restrictions may affect the availability of such equipment to the Corporation and may delay exploration and development activities.

### **Management of Growth**

The Corporation may be subject to growth related risks including capacity constraints and pressure on its internal systems and controls. The ability of the Corporation to manage growth effectively will require it to continue to

implement and improve its operational and financial systems and to expand, train and manage its employee base. The inability of the Corporation to deal with this growth may have a material adverse effect on the Corporation's business, financial condition, results of operations and prospects.

### **Dividends**

The Corporation has not paid any dividends on its outstanding shares. Payment of dividends in the future will be dependent on, among other things, the cash flow, results of operations and financial condition of the Corporation, the need for funds to finance ongoing operations and other considerations, as the Board of Directors of the Corporation considers relevant.

### **Litigation**

In the normal course of the Corporation's operations, it may become involved in, named as a party to, or be the subject of, various legal proceedings, including regulatory proceedings, tax proceedings and legal actions, related to personal injuries, property damage, property tax, land rights, the environment and contract disputes. The outcome of outstanding, pending or future proceedings cannot be predicted with certainty and may be determined adversely to the Corporation and as a result, could have a material adverse effect on the Corporation's assets, liabilities, business, financial condition and results of operations.

### **Conflicts of Interest**

Certain directors or officers of the Corporation may also be directors or officers of other oil and natural gas companies and as such may, in certain circumstances, have a conflict of interest. Conflicts of interest, if any, will be subject to and governed by procedures prescribed by the ABCA which require a director or officer of a corporation who is a party to, or is a director or an officer of, or has a material interest in any person who is a party to, a material contract or proposed material contract with the Corporation disclose his or her interest and, in the case of directors, to refrain from voting on any matter in respect of such contract unless otherwise permitted under the ABCA. See "*Directors and Officers – Conflicts of Interest*".

### **Forward-Looking Information May Prove Inaccurate**

Shareholders and prospective investors are cautioned not to place undue reliance on the Corporation's forward-looking information. By its nature, forward-looking information involves numerous assumptions, known and unknown risk and uncertainties, of both a general and specific nature, that could cause actual results to differ materially from those suggested by the forward-looking information or contribute to the possibility that predictions, forecasts or projections will prove to be materially inaccurate.

Additional information on the risks, assumption and uncertainties are found under the heading "*Forward-Looking Statements*" of this annual information form.

## **ADDITIONAL INFORMATION**

Additional information relating to the Corporation can be found on SEDAR at [www.sedar.com](http://www.sedar.com). Additional information, including directors' and officers' remuneration and indebtedness, principal holders of the Corporation's securities and securities authorized for issuance under equity compensation plans is contained in the Corporation's information circular for the Corporation's most recent annual meeting of security holders that involved the election of directors. Additional financial information is contained in the Corporation's consolidated financial statements and the related management's discussion and analysis for the Corporation's most recently completed financial year.

**SCHEDULE "A"**  
**FORM 51-101F3**  
**REPORT OF MANAGEMENT AND DIRECTORS ON OIL AND GAS DISCLOSURE**

Management of Bengal Energy Ltd. (the "**Corporation**") is responsible for the preparation and disclosure of information with respect to the Corporation's oil and gas activities in accordance with securities regulatory requirements. This information includes reserves data which are estimates of proved reserves and probable reserves and related future net revenue as at March 31, 2013, estimated using forecast prices and costs.

An independent qualified reserves evaluator has evaluated the Corporation's reserves data. The report of the independent qualified reserves evaluator is presented below.

The Reserves Committee of the board of directors of the Corporation has:

- (a) reviewed the Corporation's procedures for providing information to the independent qualified reserves evaluator;
- (b) met with the independent qualified reserves evaluator to determine whether any restrictions affected the ability of the independent qualified reserves evaluator to report without reservation; and
- (c) reviewed the reserves data with management and the independent qualified reserves evaluator.

The Reserves Committee of the board of directors has reviewed the Corporation's procedures for assembling and reporting other information associated with oil and gas activities and has reviewed that information with management. The board of directors has, on recommendation of the Reserves Committee, approved:

- (a) the content and filing with securities regulatory authorities of the reserves data and other oil and gas information;
- (b) the filing of Form 51-102F2 which is the report of the independent qualified reserves evaluator on the reserves data; and
- (c) the content and filing of this report.

Because the reserves data are based on judgments regarding future events, actual results will vary and the variations may be material.

DATED as of this 3rd day of July, 2013.

(signed) "*Chayan Chakrabarty*"  
Chayan Chakrabarty  
President and Chief Executive Officer

(signed) "*Bryan C. Goudie*"  
Bryan C. Goudie  
Chief Financial Officer

(signed) "*Peter Gaffney*"  
Peter Gaffney  
Chairman of the Reserves Committee

(signed) "*Brian Moss*"  
Brian Moss  
Director and Reserves Committee Member

**SCHEDULE "B"**  
**FORM 51-101F2**  
**REPORT ON RESERVES DATA**  
**BY INDEPENDENT QUALIFIED RESERVES EVALUATORS**

**Report on Reserves Data**

To the Board of Directors of Bengal Energy Ltd. (the "**Company**"):

1. We have evaluated the Company's Reserves Data as at March 31, 2013. The reserves data are estimates of proved reserves and probable reserves and related future net revenue as at March 31, 2013, estimated using forecast prices and costs.
2. The reserves data are the responsibility of the Company's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the reserves data based on our evaluation.

We carried out our evaluation in accordance with standards set out in the Canadian Oil and Gas Evaluation Handbook (the "**COGE Handbook**"), prepared jointly by the Society of Petroleum Evaluation Engineers (Calgary Chapter) and the Canadian Institute of Mining, Metallurgy & Petroleum (Petroleum Society).

3. Those standards require that we plan and perform an evaluation to obtain reasonable assurance as to whether the reserves data are free of material misstatement. An evaluation also includes assessing whether the reserves data are in accordance with principles and definitions presented in the COGE Handbook.
4. The following table sets forth the estimated future net revenue (before deduction of income taxes) attributed to proved plus probable reserves, estimated using forecast prices and costs and calculated using a discount rate of 10 percent, included in the reserves data of the Company evaluated by us for the year ended March 31, 2013, and identifies the respective portions thereof that we have evaluated and reported on to the Company's board of directors:

<b>Independent Qualified Reserves Evaluator</b>	<b>Description &amp; Preparation Date of Evaluation Report</b>	<b>Location of Reserves (Country)</b>	<b>Net Present Value of Future Net Revenue (before income tax, 10% discount rate – CAN\$)</b>			
			<b>Audited (M\$)</b>	<b>Evaluated (M\$)</b>	<b>Reviewed (M\$)</b>	<b>Total (M\$)</b>
GLJ Petroleum Consultants Ltd.	Bengal Energy Ltd. Corporate Evaluation May 13,2013	Canada	-	302	-	302
		Australia	-	40,323	-	40,323
<b>Total</b>			<b>-</b>	<b>40,625</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>40,625</b>

5. In our opinion, the reserves data respectively evaluated by us have, in all material respects, been determined and are in accordance with the COGE Handbook, consistently applied. We express no opinion on the reserves data that we reviewed but did not audit or evaluate.
6. We have no responsibility to update our reports referred to in paragraph 4 for events and circumstances occurring after their respective preparation dates.
7. Because the reserves data are based on judgements regarding future events, actual results will vary and the variations may be material.

**Executed as to our report referred to above:**

GLJ Petroleum Consultants Ltd., Calgary, Alberta, dated June 12, 2013.

GLJ PETROLEUM CONSULTANTS LTD.

(Originally Signed by) "Terry L. Aarsby"  
Terry L. Aarsby, P. Eng.  
Vice President

**SCHEDULE "C"**  
**AUDIT COMMITTEE**  
**MANDATE AND TERMS OF REFERENCE**

**Role and Objective**

The Audit Committee (the "**Committee**") is a committee of the board of directors (the "**Board**") of Bengal Energy Ltd. (the "**Corporation**") to which the Board has delegated its responsibility for oversight of the nature and scope of the annual audit, management's reporting on internal accounting standards and practices, financial information and accounting systems and procedures, financial reporting and statements and recommending, for approval of the Board, the audited financial statements, interim financial statements and other mandatory disclosure releases containing financial information. The primary objectives of the Committee are as follows:

1. To assist directors on meeting their responsibilities in respect of the review and approval of the financial statements of the Corporation and related documentation;
2. To provide a communication link between independent directors and external auditors;
3. To enhance the external auditor's independence;
4. To increase the credibility and objectivity of financial reports; and
5. To strengthen the role of the outside directors by facilitating in depth discussions between directors on the Committee, management and external auditors.

**Membership of Committee**

1. The Committee shall be comprised of at least three (3) directors of the Corporation, none of whom are members of management of the Corporation and all of whom "independent" (as such term is used in National Instrument 52-110 — Audit Committees ("**NI 52-110**") unless the Board shall have determined that the exemption contained in NI 52-110 is available and has determined to rely thereon.
2. The Board shall appoint the Committee Chair, who shall be an independent director.
3. All of the members of the Committee shall be "financially literate" (as defined in NI 52-110) unless the Board shall determine that an exemption under NI 52-110 from such requirement in respect of any particular member is available and has determined to rely thereon in accordance with the provisions of NI 52-110.

### **Mandate and Responsibilities of Committee**

1. The Committee shall provide oversight on the work of the external auditors, including resolution of disagreements between management and the external auditors regarding financial reporting.
2. The Committee shall satisfy itself on behalf of the Board with respect to the Corporation's Internal Control Systems and its ability to:
  - identify, monitor and mitigate business risks; and
  - ensure compliance with legal, ethical and regulatory requirements.
3. The primary responsibility of the Committee is to review the annual and interim financial statements of the Corporation and related management's discussion and analysis ("**MD&A**") prior to their submission to the Board for approval. The process should include but not be limited to:
  - reviewing changes in accounting principles and policies, or in their application, which may have a material impact on the current or future years' financial statements;
  - reviewing significant accruals, reserves or other estimates such as the ceiling test calculation;
  - reviewing accounting treatment of unusual or non-recurring transactions;
  - reviewing disclosure requirements for commitments and contingencies;
  - reviewing adjustments raised by the external auditors, whether or not included in the financial statements;
  - reviewing unresolved differences between management and the external auditors; and
  - obtaining explanations of significant variances with comparative reporting periods.
4. The Committee is to review the financial statements, prospectuses, MD&A, annual information forms and all public disclosure containing audited or unaudited financial information (including, without limitation, annual and interim press releases and any other press releases disclosing earnings or financial results) before release and prior to Board approval. The Committee must be satisfied that adequate procedures are in place for the review of the Corporation's disclosure of all other financial information.
5. With respect to the appointment of external auditors by the Board, the Committee shall:
  - recommend to the Board the external auditors to be nominated;
  - recommend to the Board the terms of engagement of the external auditor,
  - including the compensation of the auditors and a confirmation that the external auditors shall report directly to the Committee;
  - on an annual basis, review and discuss with the external auditors all significant relationships such auditors have with the Corporation to determine the auditors' independence;
  - when there is to be a change in auditors, review the issues related to the change and the information to be included in the required notice to securities regulators of such change; and
  - review and pre-approve any non-audit services to be provided to the Corporation or its subsidiaries by the external auditors and consider the impact on the independence of such auditors.

The Committee may delegate to one or more independent members the authority to pre-approve non-audit services, provided that the member report to the Committee at the next scheduled meeting such pre-approval and the member comply with such other procedures as may be established by the Committee from time to time.

6. Review with external auditors (and internal auditor if one is appointed by the Corporation) their assessment of the internal controls of the Corporation, their written reports containing recommendations for improvement, and management's response and follow-up to any identified weaknesses. The Committee shall also review annually with the external auditors their plan for their audit and, upon completion of the audit, their reports upon the financial statements of the Corporation and its subsidiaries.
7. The Committee shall review risk management policies and procedures of the Corporation (e.g. hedging, litigation and insurance).
8. The Committee shall establish a procedure for:
  - the receipt, retention and treatment of complaints received by the Corporation regarding accounting, internal accounting controls or auditing matters; and
  - the confidential, anonymous submission by employees of the Corporation of concerns regarding questionable accounting or auditing matters.
9. The Committee shall review and be apprised of any intent of the Corporation regarding the hiring of partners and employees who work on the Corporation's account and former partners and employees of the present and former external auditors of the Corporation.
10. The Committee shall have the authority to investigate any financial activity of the Corporation. All employees of the Corporation are to cooperate as requested by the Committee.
11. The Committee may retain persons having special expertise and/or obtain independent professional advice to assist in fulfilling their responsibilities at the expense of the Corporation without any further approval of the Board.

#### **Meetings and Administrative Matters**

1. At all meetings of the Committee every motion shall be decided by a majority of the votes cast. In case of an equality of votes, the Chair of the meeting shall not be entitled to a second or casting vote.
2. The Chair shall preside at all meetings of the Committee, unless the Chair is not present, in which case the members of the Committee present shall designate from among the members present the Chair for purposes of the meeting.
3. A quorum for meetings of the Committee shall be a majority of its members, and the rules for calling, holding, conducting and adjourning meetings of the Committee shall be the same as those governing the Board unless otherwise determined by the Board.
4. Meetings of the Committee should be scheduled to take place at least four times per year. Minutes of all meetings of the Committee shall be taken. The Chief Financial Officer shall attend meetings of the Committee, unless otherwise excused from all or part of any such meeting by the Chair.
5. The Committee shall meet with the external auditor at least once per year (in connection with the preparation of the yearend financial statements) and at such other times as the external auditor and the Committee consider appropriate. At each of these meetings, the Committee will have an "in-camera" session with the external auditors.



6. Agendas, approved by the Chair, shall be circulated to Committee members along with background information on a timely basis prior to the Committee meetings.
7. The Committee may invite such officers, directors and employees of the Corporation as it may see fit from time to time to attend at meetings of the Committee and assist thereat in the discussion and consideration of the matters being considered by the Committee.
8. Minutes of the Committee will be recorded and maintained and circulated to directors who are not members of the Committee or otherwise made available at a subsequent meeting of the Board.
9. The Committee may retain persons having special expertise and/or obtain independent professional advice to assist in fulfilling its responsibilities at the expense of the Corporation.
10. Any members of the Committee may be removed or replaced at any time by the Board and shall cease to be a member of the Committee as soon as such member ceases to be a director. The Board may fill vacancies on the Committee by appointment from among its members. If and whenever a vacancy shall exist on the Committee, the remaining members may exercise all its powers so long as a quorum remains.
11. Any issues arising from these meetings that bear on the relationship between the Board and management should be communicated to the Chair of the Board by the Committee Chair.

**Definitions** — In these Terms of Reference:

**"Financially literate"** means the ability to read and understand a set of financial statements that present a breadth and level of complexity of accounting issues that are generally comparable to the breadth and complexity of the issues that can reasonably be expected to be raised by the Corporation's financial statements.

**Review of Terms of Reference**

The Committee shall review and assess these Terms of Reference periodically as it deems appropriate and recommend changes to the Board.

Approved and adopted by the Board: June 10, 2009