

# **ASX/MEDIA RELEASE**





Utopia 14 Development Well – Utopia Oil Field

Oil Fluorescence Utopia 12 Development Well

# **Quarterly Activities Report – End March 2013**

#### Highlights:

- Utopia 14 development well hits gross oil column of 9 metres with net pay of 7 metres in excellent porous sands. Cased awaiting completion as an oil producer.
- Utopia 14 well has proven a large extension to the Utopia Field with potential for an additional 1.8 MMbo recoverable.
- Oil Business strategy otherwise on track to provide further growth:-
  - Bounty commences major seismic reprocessing project to develop well location on 100% owned AC/P32, Timor Sea with potential;
  - 20 80 million bbl oil target at Wisteria West.
- **Gas/Condensate Business:-**
  - Progress towards construction of pipelines and infrastructure to produce gas in 2014 from Kiliwani North Development Block, Tanzania.

#### **Oil Business**

#### **Production:**

Bounty produces from two areas – Naccowlah Block and Utopia Oil Field in SW Queensland. The Downlands Field in the Surat Basin Queensland is shut in pending lease renewal and development.

Production this quarter was reduced as the first flush production from new wells at Naccowlah continued to decline. However new wells at Naccowlah coming online and workovers at Utopia had returned production to August 2012 levels by Quarter end. Bounty achieved oil sales of 4890 bbls (Second quarter 2012/13: 5883 bbls). Oil revenue decreased slightly to \$517,320 (Second quarter 2012/13: \$557,254).

Production and Revenue increases are expected from Utopia in Second quarter 2013 as new development wells come on stream.

Bounty's petroleum production and sales for the quarter ended 30 March 2013 are summarised below.

#### Revenue:

Q2	1 January – 31 March 2013	\$
PL214, Utopia	Bounty Share (40% Interest)	164,327
ATP 259	Bounty Share (2% Interest)	352,993
PL119 Downlands	Bounty Share (100% Interest) boe	-
	Total Revenue subject to adjustments (1)	517,320

<sup>(1)</sup> GST exclusive.

# Production:

Q2	1 January – 31 March 2013	boe
PL214, Utopia	Bounty Share (40% Interest) bbls	1,851
ATP 259	Bounty Share (2% Interest) bbls	2,988
PL119 Downlands	Bounty Share (100% Interest) boe	-
	Total Production boe	4,839

#### Sales

Q2	1 January – 31 March 2013	boe
PL 214, Utopia	Bounty Share (40% Interest) bbls	1,630
ATP 259	Bounty Share (2% Interest) bbls	3,260
PL119 Downlands	Bounty Share (100% Interest) boe	-
	Total Sales boe	4,890

#### **Development:**

#### Utopia Block; PL 214 and ATP 560P Eromanga Basin, SW Queensland – Bounty 40%

Location: 30 km south/east of Tarbat/Ipundu oil fields and 45km south/east of Eromanga.

#### **Background**

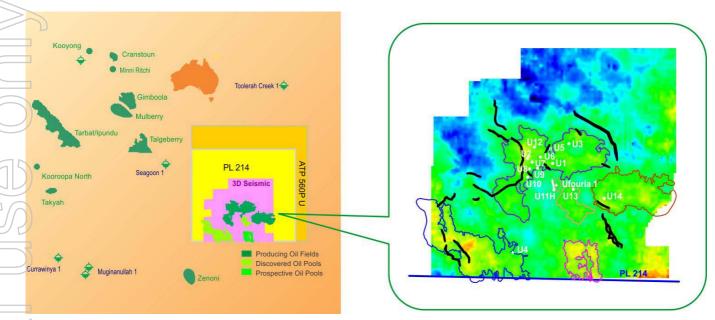


Figure 1

#### Significant Activities during Quarter

As result of the ongoing workover programme production rose this quarter to 23 bopd net to Bounty and further increases are anticipated as the new U12 and U14 development wells come on line in the next quarter.

During the period Bounty participated in two successful oil development wells. Utopia 12 extended the field to the north of existing production and Utopia 14 confirmed a 2 MMbo (Pmean) eastern extension of the field in good reservoir rocks.

Utopia 14 hit a gross oil column of 9 metres with net pay of 7 metres in excellent porous sands in the Murta Zone reservoir and was cased and is awaiting completion as an oil producer.

thopia 12 hit a gross oil column of 9.4 metres with net pay of 5.8 metres in good porous sands. It was also cased and is awaiting completion as an oil producer.

The operator drilled a third well Utopia 13 in which Bounty elected to go non-consent. It holds generous back-in rights under the JOA. Drilling results from Utopia 13 indicate a 2-3 metre oil column above the oil water contact.

Re-mapping post drill has confirmed that recoverable oil from proven oil pools now stands at between 2.0 MMbo (P90) and 10.0 MMbo (P10). Bounty has a 40% working interest in these reserves.

#### Significant Activities next Quarter

Utopia 12 and 14 will be bought on stream early next quarter and the results will help determine the location of two or three more development wells proposed for the last quarter 2013.

#### ATP 259P Naccowlah Block and Associated PL's SW Queensland - Bounty 2%

Location: Surrounding Jackson, Naccowlah and Watson Oilfields

#### Background - Significant Activities during Quarter

The Naccowlah Block comprises 2,544 km<sup>2</sup> approximately 40% of which is covered by ATP 259P (N) and the remainder in 22 production licences (PL's) covering producing fields. This area currently delivers 40 bopd net to Bounty with Irtalie East 3 coming on line this quarter at 263 bopd and additional production from optimisation at the Jackson field contributed to arresting the production decline in this project.

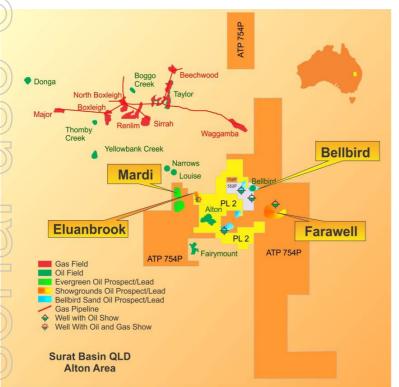
#### **Significant Activities next Quarter**

Planning for a new pipeline to tie in the Irtalie Field, the Cooroo field and surrounding fields to the Jackson-Moomba oil pipeline continued and is due to be completed and online in second quarter 2013.

#### **Future Work**

Two oil development wells to step out from Irtalie East 3 will be drilled later in 2013. The wells are targeting 2P undeveloped reserves of 250,000 bbls and potential production increases of 400 bopd.

# **Exploration:**



#### **Southern Surat Basin Onshore Queensland**

ATP 552P – Bellbird - Bounty 33.33%, ATP 754P – Bounty 50%, PL 2A/B – Bounty 24.25%, PL 2C – Bounty 36.5%

**Location:** 40 km northeast of St. George, SE Queensland.

#### **Significant Activities during the Quarter**

#### ATP 745P:

The Farawell 3D survey has been interpreted and identified several targets at the Evergreen and Permian Levels.

#### ATP 552P:

Bounty is awaiting renewal of ATP 552P. It is continuing engineering reviews in preparation for a program of re-entries into 2 wells which produced oil.

#### PL2:

Renewal of PL 2 was still pending.

#### PEL 218 Eromanga Basin, NE South Australia – Bounty 23.28% in section above the Permian

Location: 50 Km northeast of Moomba, SA

#### Significant Activities during the Quarter

There was no material joint venture activity although progress was made on finalising a comprehensive joint operating agreement to cover the fact that there are two joint ventures in PEL 218.

Wakefield 1 remains suspended pending a joint venture decision to undertake cased hole testing.

Beach Energy has completed 3 vertical unconventional gas wells into the Permian section and is planning a further 7 vertical and 2 horizontal unconventional gas wells in PEL 218. Bounty has no interest in these wells and does not contribute to the costs but the wells penetrate the section where Bounty has a 23.28% interest and are providing data to the base of the Triassic age section to guide exploration for oil, gas and coal seam gas in this very large permit.

The Halifax 1 well in the adjacent ATP 855P to the east flowed gas to surface from sands in the basal Nappamerrie Group, in which Bounty has an interest in PEL 218. There are indication from seismic attribute studies that similar concentrations are present in the post Permian sequence in which Bounty has an interest.

EP 412 (Bounty 65%) and EP 435, Production Licence 04-5L and EP 359 (Bounty 10% in each) – Onshore Carnarvon Basin, Western Australia

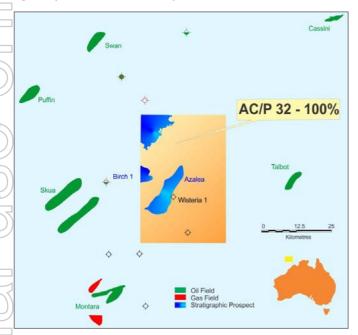
Location: Surrounding Rough Range Oil Field, 60Km south of Exmouth

#### **Significant Activities during the Quarter**

There is shale gas potential in the Patterson Trough running through EP 359 and 435 and during 2012 the joint venture negotiated a farm out to a USA based group to drill a test for this unconventional gas.

EP 412 was renewed during the quarter.

#### **High Impact oil Growth Projects:**



AC/P 32 – Offshore Vulcan Sub-basin, Ashmore and Cartier Territory - Bounty 100%

Location: Offshore 500 Km northwest of Darwin, NT.

#### **Background**

This permit is located within the prolific Vulcan Sub-basin and is surrounded by oil and gas fields. The Permit was renewed for a further two years in 2012. Bounty has identified two stratigraphic prospects and one lead which have the potential to contain very significant oil resources.

#### Significant Activities during the Quarter

The seismic reprocessing programme designed to assist in defining these prospects is well underway and associated specialist studies related to seismic inversion and AVO have commenced.

Depending on these detailed studies Bounty expects to define major potential oil targets in the 20-80 MMbo recoverable range. The reprocessing is anticipated to be completed in the next quarter and the inversion and AVO

studies by the end of the following quarter.

Bounty is seeking joint venture partners to participate in this high growth project.

#### Gas/Condensate Business (incl. associated Oil development)

#### **Development:**

Downlands PL 119; PPL 58 (Bounty 100%) and ATP 471 (Spring Grove) Bounty 24.748%, ATP 470P Bounty 100%, PL 71 Bounty 20% (exploration rights only); Surat Basin, Queensland –

**Location:** 2km north of the town of Surat

#### Significant Activities during the Quarter

During the quarter Bounty continued work on obtaining regulatory approval of transfers to complete the acquisition of the 75.522 % of PL 119 Downlands and Pipeline Licence 58. At the end of the quarter it was close to obtaining approval of these transfers. Bounty now holds 100% of these proved developed reserves including gas pipelines, gas compression unit and all production infrastructure.

The Prospective oil reserves at PL 119 Downlands are:

TOTAL Recoverable Oil (MMstb)			
P90 P10 PMean			
1.7	16.2	7.5	

In the second half of 2013 Bounty will move to develop the Tinowan Formation oil discovery in Downlands 3 and review whether it further produces the Downlands 2 gas/condensate well. A DST of Downlands 3 recovered oil to surface at in excess of 500 BOPD and Bounty has identified the area as a material oil and other hydrocarbon opportunity.

During the quarter Bounty was also awaiting renewal of ATP 470P (Formosa Downs Block) where it is targeting sands of the Tinowan Formation immediately overlying the basement and draining a basement high under the Parklands and Namara Gas Fields. Bounty now holds 100% of the gas reserves at Weribone East and gas in other wells in the Tinowan Formation in this area.

#### **Growth Projects:**

'Nyuni Block – Offshore Mandawa Basin Tanzania – PSA: Bounty 5%; Kiliwani North Development: Bounty 10%

tocation: 30 Km offshore from Rufiji Delta Tanzania

#### Background



The Nyuni Joint Venture has drilled three wells to date for two new field gas discoveries at Nyuni 1 and Kiliwani North 1. Kiliwani North 1 tested at 40 MMcfg/day in the Kiliwani North Pool located only 3.5 km. from the Songo Songo gas plant and pipeline to Dar es Salaam. The project is adjacent to recent deep water gas discoveries and has within it seismic amplitude anomalies which may be due to gas in similar settings to the adjacent block.

#### **Significant Activities during the Quarter**

Kiliwani North Development - Bounty 10%

#### **Development Update**

During 2012 the Tanzanian Government announced the start of the new Tanzanian gas infrastructure project funded by the Chinese Export Bank and comprising a 517 km 36" pipeline from Mtwara to Dar es Salaam, a new 24" offshore spur line to Songo Songo Island and two gas processing plants including one on Songo Songo Island. Preliminary discussions took place with the Tanzanian Petroleum Development Corporation (TPDC) in November 2012 to address the tie-in of Kiliwani North to the new processing plant and pipeline in 2014, when commissioning of the new infrastructure is expected to be completed. The engineering design for the previously planned tie-in to the existing plant on Songo Songo is complete but will require minor modifications to meet the specifications of the proposed new plant. 6" line pipe to connect the KN-1 well to the processing plant has been purchased and delivered.

#### Nyuni Block Exploration - 2012/13

The Joint Venture is now evaluating various strategies for acquiring 500 sq. km. of new 3D seismic over the deep water in the eastern part of the PSA. 3D seismic is the proven exploration technique in this offshore area. It is designed to detail the up dip extension of Lead 3 in the adjacent Ophir/RakGas East Pande permit which independent consultants recently suggested could contain 1.3 TCF gas within the Nyuni PSA area. There are numerous other deep water channel/fan features in the limited seismic coverage available with associated seismic anomalies. The 3D is aimed to firm up these targets into drillable prospects.

The updated estimated undiscovered gas in place in the Nyuni PSA Block is:

NYUNI AREA PSA - Undiscovered Gas (BCF GIIP, Unrisked)								
Lead Classification	Gross		Net 5% Buy					
Lead Classification	P90	P90 P50 P10		Pmean	P90	P50	P10	Pmean
Top Neocomian (1)	1,082	1,636	2,597	1,767	54	82	130	88
Other Structural				682				34
Stratigraphic	1,274	2,167	4,335	2,620	64	108	217	131
Other Amplitude Anomalies				599				30
	То	tal Undiscove	red	5,668	Tot	al Undiscove	red	283

<sup>(1)</sup> Neocomian – earliest Lower Cretaceous age

#### PEP 11, Offshore Sydney Basin, New South Wales - Bounty 15%

#### **Background**

PEP 11 covers 4,576 km² of the offshore Sydney Basin immediately adjacent to the largest gas market in Australia and is a high impact exploration project.

#### 2012/2013 Exploration

During the Quarter post well seismic studies on the seismic databases continued. The ongoing programme is to reprocess seismic and acquire new 2D (or possibly 3D) seismic to define a drilling target to test Permian Gas targets.

# Corporate

#### Cash Position – 31 March 2013

During the quarter Bounty expended \$1.009 million on exploration, development and production assets principally drill and complete costs for Utopia development drilling. At the end of the quarter cash and held for sale investments exceeded \$6 million.

During the quarter Bounty raised \$2 million before issue costs at \$0.02 per share by private placement of 100 million fully paid ordinary shares.

Appendix 5B is attached.

Bounty's schedule of permits: See table on Bounty's website: www.bountyoil.com

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Abbreviations

AVO: Specialised processing of seismic amplitude data compared to offset (distance along seismic lines).

BCF: Billion cubic feet (of natural gas)

BBLS: Barrels of oil
Bopd barrels of oil per day

CSG: Coal seam gas

OST Drillstem test with a drill rig to test if hydrocarbons flow to the surface from a reservoir.

MDRT Measured Depth below Rotary Table

MMBO: Million barrels of oil.

MMBOE: Million barrels of oil equivalent.

MMcf/d Millions of cubic feet per day of natural gas  $\vec{P}_{mean}$  The average (mean) probability of occurrence

P90 90% probability of occurrence
P10 10% probability of occurrence
PSA: Production Sharing Agreement
TCF: Trillion cubic feet (of natural gas)

Contingent Resources Discovered resources, not yet fully commercial

Prospective Resources Undiscovered resources

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Rule 5.3

# **Appendix 5B**

# Mining exploration entity quarterly report

Introduced 1/7/96. Origin: Appendix 8. Amended 1/7/97, 1/7/98, 30/9/01, 01/06/10,17/12/10

Name of entity

#### **BOUNTY OIL & GAS NL**

ABN

Quarter ended ("current quarter")

82 090 625 353

31 March 2013

## Consolidated statement of cash flows

		Current quarter	Year to date
Cash flows related to operating activities		\$A	\$A
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1.1	Receipts from product sales and related debtors	518,598	1,549,419
1.2	Payments for (a) exploration and evaluation	(131,663)	(1,427,769)
	(b) development	(1,640)	(51,326)
	(c) production assets	(875,994)	(1,231,840)
	(d) production expenses	(152,387)	(366,111)
	(d) administration	(328,618)	(1,229,576)
1.3	Dividends received	-	-
1.4	Interest and other items of a similar nature received	9,773	18,526
1.5	Interest and other costs of finance paid	_	_
1.6	GST (refund)/paid	61,055	74,542
1.7	Other (provide details if material)	-	- 1,6 12
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	Net Operating Cash Flows	(900,876)	(2,664,135)
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	Cash flows related to investing activities		
1.8	Payment for purchases of:		
	(a) prospects	_	_
	(b) equity investments	(40,400)	(707,451)
	(c) other fixed assets	(10,100)	(409,595)
	(d) petroleum tenement	_	(105,858)
1.9	Proceeds from sale of:		
1.,,	(a) prospects	_	_
	(b) equity investments	_	2,227,223
	(c) other fixed assets	_	-
1.10	Loans to other entities	_	(75,000)
1.11	Loans repaid by other entities	30,000	30,000
1.12	Other (provide details if material)	50,000	-
1.12	Other (provide details if material)		
	Net investing cash flows	(10,400)	1,065,177
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1.13	Total operating and investing cash flows		
	(carried forward)	(911,276)	(1,598,958)
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<sup>+</sup> See chapter 19 for defined terms.

			Current quarter \$A
•	yments to directors of the entity and a yments to related entities of the entity		
1.22	Cash at end of quarter	3,220,040	3,220,040
1.20 1.21	Cash at beginning of quarter/year to date Exchange rate adjustments to item 1.20	2,252,716 304	2,446,104 (33,324)
	Net increase (decrease) in cash held	967,020	807,260
	Net financing cash flows	1,878,296	2,406,218
1.19	Other (share issue expenses)	(121,704)	(134,431)
1.17 1.18	Repayment of borrowings Dividends paid	-	-
1.16	Proceeds from borrowings (other entities)	-	-
1.14 1.15	Cash flows related to financing activities Proceeds from issues of shares, options, etc. Proceeds from sale of forfeited shares	2,000,000	2,540,649
1.13	Total operating and investing cash flows (brought forward)	(911,276)	(1,598,958)

1.25	Explanation necessary for an understanding of the transactions

Aggregate amount of loans to the parties included in item 1.10

No	on-cash financing and investing activities
2.1	Details of financing and investing transactions which have had a material effect on consolidated assets and liabilities but did not involve cash flows
2.2	Details of outlays made by other entities to establish or increase their share in projects in which the reporting entity has an interest

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<sup>+</sup> See chapter 19 for defined terms.

# Financing facilities available

Add notes as necessary for an understanding of the position.

3.1 Loan facilities

3.2 Credit standby arrangements

Amount available	Amount used
\$A	\$A
-	-
-	-

## Estimated cash outflows for next quarter

4.1 Exploration and evaluation

4.2 Development

4.3 Production

4.4 Administration

Total:

\$A	
	200,000
	400,000
	180,000
	320,000
	1,100,000

# **Reconciliation of cash**

Reconciliation of cash at the end of the quarter (as shown in the consolidated statement of cash flows) to the related items in the accounts is as follows.		Current quarter \$A	Previous quarter \$A
5.1	Cash on hand and at bank	3,150,602	2,183,278
5.2	Deposits at call	69,438	69,438
5.3	Bank overdraft	-	-
5.4	Other (provide details)	-	-
	Total: cash at end of quarter (item 1.22)	3,220,040	2,252,716

# Changes in interests in mining tenements

- 6.1 Interests in mining tenements relinquished, reduced or lapsed
- 6.2 Interests in mining tenements acquired or increased

Tenement reference	Nature of interest (note (2))	Interest at beginning of quarter	Interest at end of quarter

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# Issued and quoted securities at end of current quarter

Description includes rate of interest and any redemption or conversion rights together with prices and dates.

		Total number	Number quoted	Issue price per security (see note 3) (cents)	Amount paid up per security (see note 3) (cents)
7.1	Preference +securities (description)				
7.2	Changes during quarter (a) Increases through issues (b) Decreases through returns of capital, buy-backs, redemptions				
7.3	<sup>+</sup> Ordinary securities	938,400,982	938,400,982		
7.4	Changes during quarter (a) Increases through issues (b) Decreases through returns of capital, buy-backs	100,000,000	-	0.02	\$0.02
7.5	<sup>+</sup> Convertible debt securities (description)				
7.6	Changes during quarter (a) Increases through issues (b) Decreases through securities matured, converted				
7.7	Options (description and conversion factor)	20,000,000	-	Exercise price \$0.032	Expiry date 28.07.2014
7.8	Issued during quarter				
7.9	Exercised during quarter				
7.10	Expired during quarter				
7.11	<b>Debentures</b> (totals only)				
7.12	Unsecured notes (totals only)				

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- This statement has been prepared under accounting policies which comply with accounting standards as defined in the Corporations Act or other standards acceptable to ASX (see note 5).
- 2 This statement does give a true and fair view of the matters disclosed.

Sign here:[signed]	Date:	29 April 2013
(Director and Company Secretary)		

Print name: J. G. HIGGINBOTHAM

#### **Notes**

- 1 The quarterly report provides a basis for informing the market how the entity's activities have been financed for the past quarter and the effect on its cash position. An entity wanting to disclose additional information is encouraged to do so, in a note or notes attached to this report.
- The "Nature of interest" (items 6.1 and 6.2) includes options in respect of interests in mining tenements acquired, exercised or lapsed during the reporting period. If the entity is involved in a joint venture agreement and there are conditions precedent which will change its percentage interest in a mining tenement, it should disclose the change of percentage interest and conditions precedent in the list required for items 6.1 and 6.2.
- Issued and quoted securities: The issue price and amount paid up is not required in items 7.1 and 7.3 for fully paid securities.
- The definitions in, and provisions of, AASB 6: Exploration for and Evaluation of Mineral Resources and AASB 107: Statement of Cash Flows applies to this report.
- Accounting Standards ASX will accept, for example, the use of International Financial Reporting Standards for foreign entities. If the standards used do not address a topic, the Australian standard on that topic (if any) must be complied with.

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