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**INVESTOR PRESENTATION UPDATE  
SEPTEMBER 2009**

Please find attached a copy of a presentation providing investors and analysts with an update on Tap Oil Limited's activities.

A copy of this presentation is available at the ASX and can be viewed on the Company's website [www.tapoil.com.au](http://www.tapoil.com.au) under the heading "Investor Centre".

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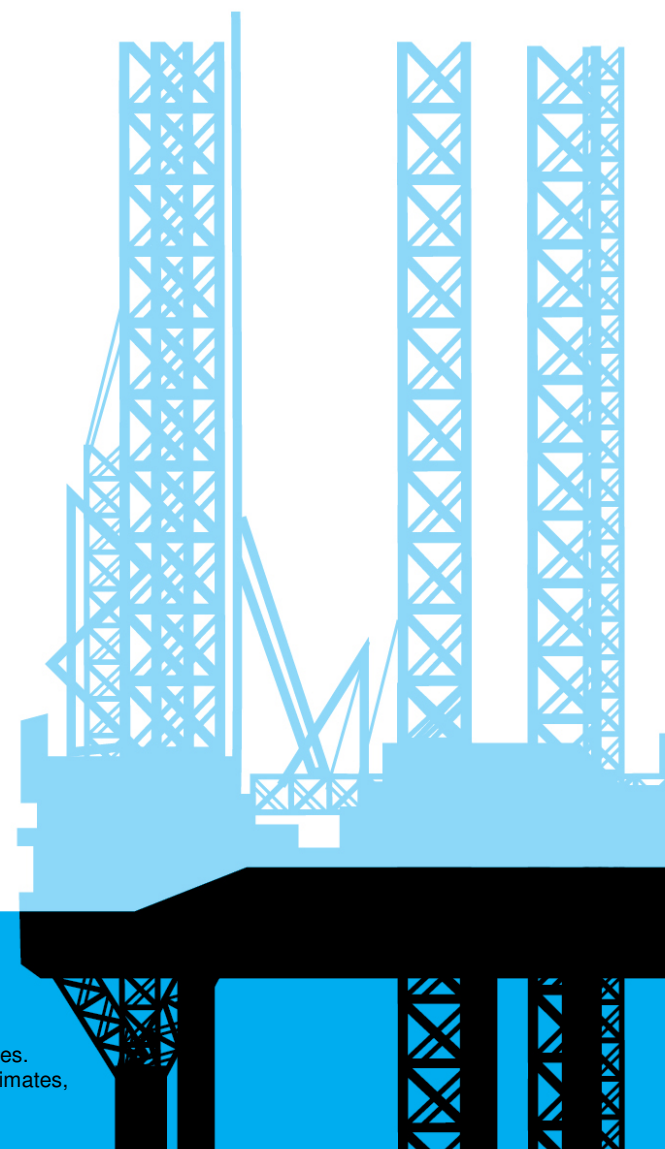


# Tap Oil Limited

**Investor Presentation  
September 2009**

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Tap Oil is an upstream Oil and Gas Company with a strong balance sheet, established production and quality exploration opportunities with a focus on Australia and South East Asia

## Key Strengths

- Established E&P portfolio
  - Developed reserves with diversified revenue streams
  - Additional contracted gas delivering fixed, high margin revenue
  - 100+ mmboe high impact exploration targets
- Strong financial position
  - Cash balance of A\$54 million equivalent (as at 30 June 2009)
  - No debt
  - Balance of oil production and fixed price gas sales
- Focused on delivering value and growth
  - Managing production assets and gas contracts
  - Exploration funded from internal cash
  - Seeking to acquire value adding assets

# Tap Oil: Capital Structure

## Top 20 Shareholders as at 31 December 2008

Name	Shares	%
ANZ Nominees Limited	23,226,499	14.84
National Nominees Limited	20,923,721	13.37
Citicorp Nominees Pty Limited	14,901,175	9.52
HSBC Custody Nominees (Australia) Ltd	13,974,016	8.93
JP Morgan Nominees Australia Limited	11,063,106	7.07
Citicorp Nominees Pty Limited	2,169,642	1.39
Merrill Lynch (Australia) Nominees Pty Ltd	1,983,433	1.27
Weswood Pty Ltd	1,429,767	0.91
McRae Investments Pty Ltd	1,002,234	0.64
UBS Wealth Management Australia Nominees Pty Ltd	841,624	0.54
Hedon Pty Ltd	806,372	0.52
Berne No 132 Nominees Pty Ltd	772,534	0.49
HSBC Custody Nominees (Australia) Limited	685,176	0.44
Keepa Pty Ltd	675,000	0.43
Humboldt Capital Corporation	580,000	0.37
UBS Nominees Pty Ltd	545,698	0.35
Citicorp Nominees Pty Ltd	533,233	0.34
Tap Oil Share Plan Pty Ltd	478,244	0.31
Australian Reward Investment Alliance	468,963	0.30
Brazil Farming Pty Ltd	400,000	0.26
<b>TOTAL TOP 20</b>	<b>97,460,437</b>	<b>62.29%</b>

## As at 31 December 2008

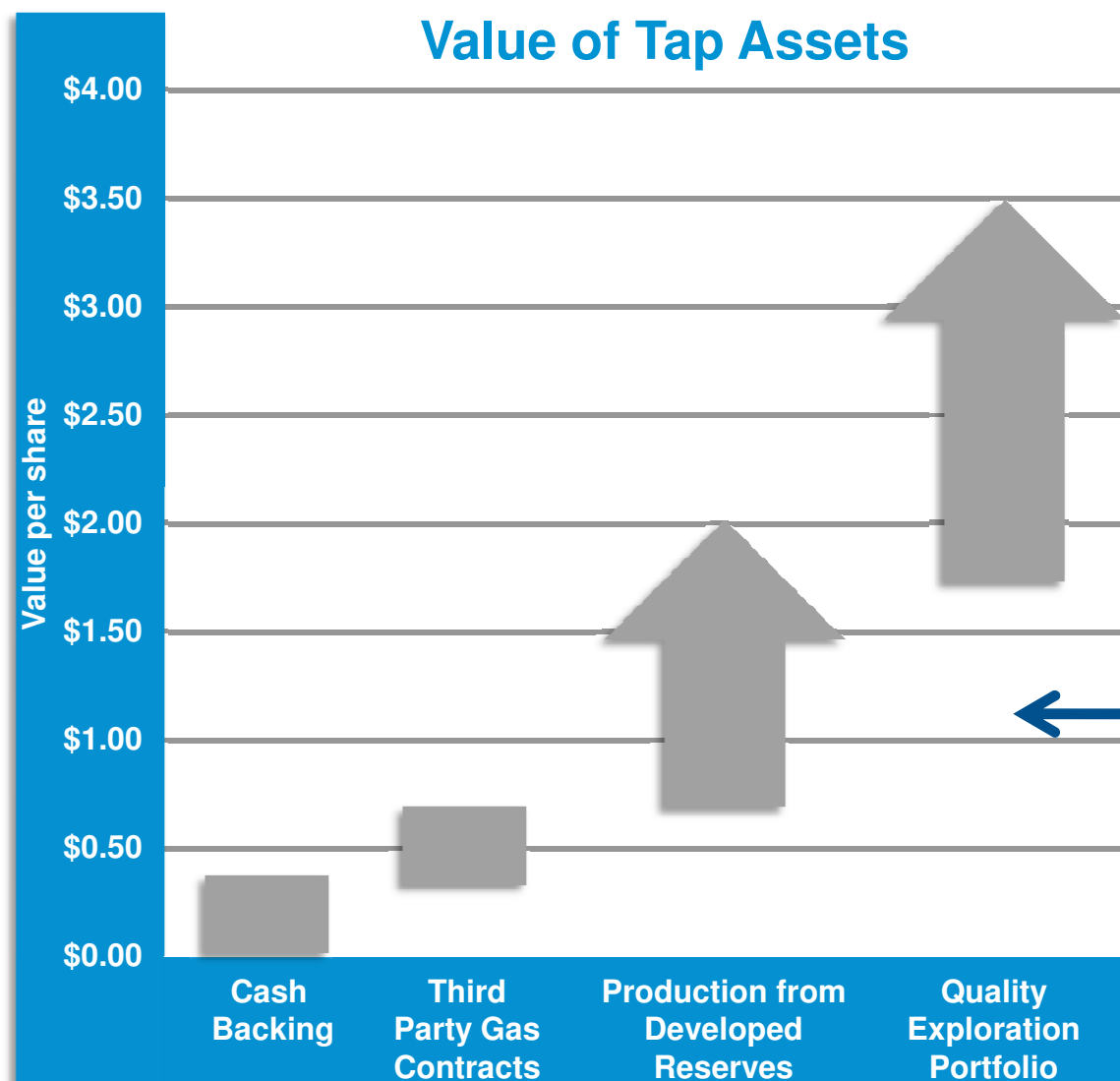
- Shares on issue 156 million
- Market Capitalisation \$120 million (@0.77cps)
- Cash at bank \$53 million
- Net 2P Reserves 5.8 mmboe
- Plus contracted gas 5.1 mmboe

## Board of Directors

- Neale Taylor – Chairman
- Peter Stickland – MD & CEO
- Peter Lane – Non-executive
- Michael Sandy – Non-executive

- Listed on the ASX since 1996
- 156.5 million shares on issue
- Tap's last equity raising 1999
- Top 20 shareholders hold > 60%
- Institutional holders ~55%
- Wide Broker Coverage
  - Argonaut Securities
  - BGF Capital
  - Euroz Securities
  - Goldman Sachs JBWere
  - Hartleys Limited
  - Macquarie Equities
  - Merrill Lynch
  - Patersons Securities
  - UBS Securities Australia

# Tap Oil: Strong Value Proposition



- \$0.72 per share value from just cash and value of locked in 3rd party gas contracts (as at 30 June 2009)
- Tap's diversified production portfolio, producing oil, gas, condensate and quality exploration portfolio are not fully reflected in current share price

Share Price at market close August 31<sup>st</sup> 2009

**\$1.13**

# Tap Oil Cash Flow:

## Multiple assets, multiple product streams



### Harriet JV Multi-Field Production

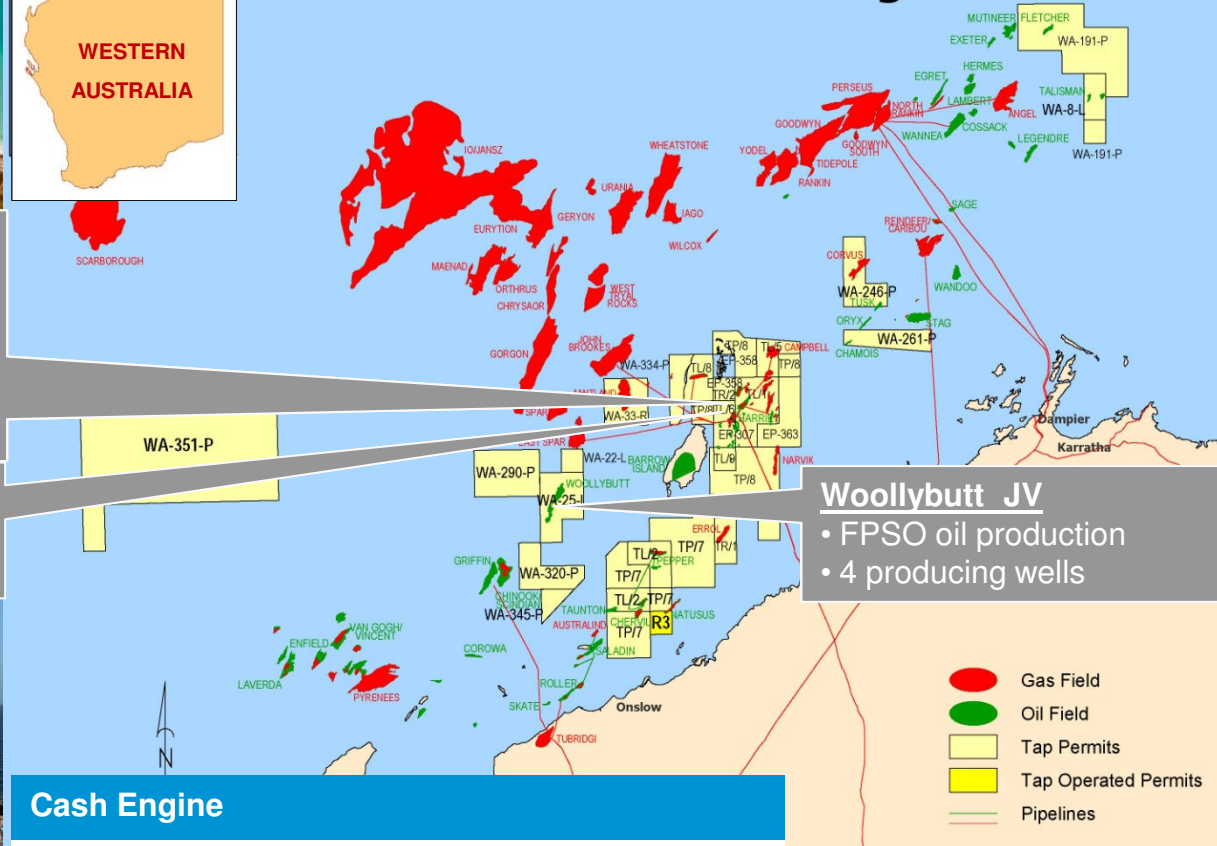
- Multi well, multi platform, multi pipeline production area
- 2 gas export pipelines to mainland
- Oil Production export
- Gas Production into Domgas contracts

### Varanus Island Facilities

- Processing of HJV oil and gas
- Processing of third party contracted gas



## TAP OIL LIMITED Carnarvon Basin Acreage



### Woollybutt JV

- FPSO oil production
- 4 producing wells

### Cash Engine

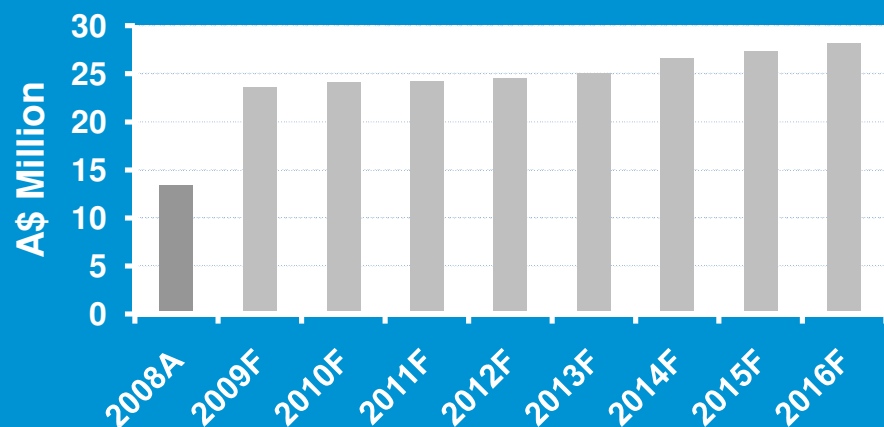
	12mths to 30/06/09 (A\$' Million)
Operating Revenue	72.4
Operating Profit	50.1
Cashflow from Operations	44.0



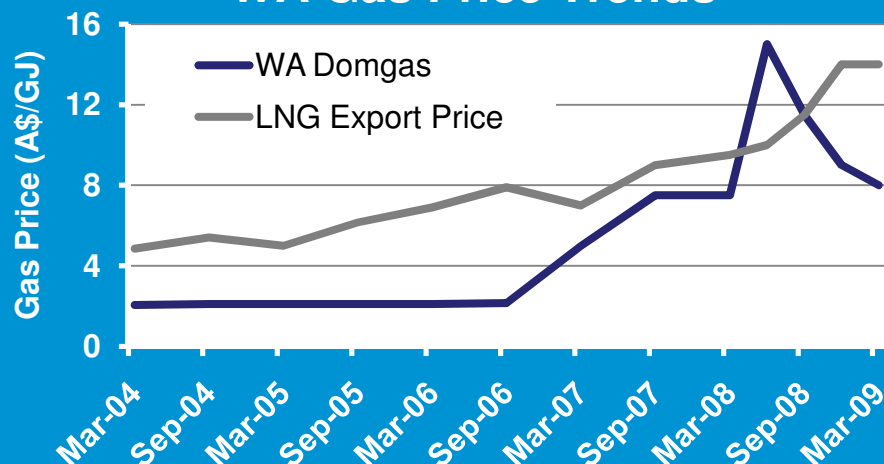
# Tap Contracted Third Party Gas



## Third Party Gas Revenues

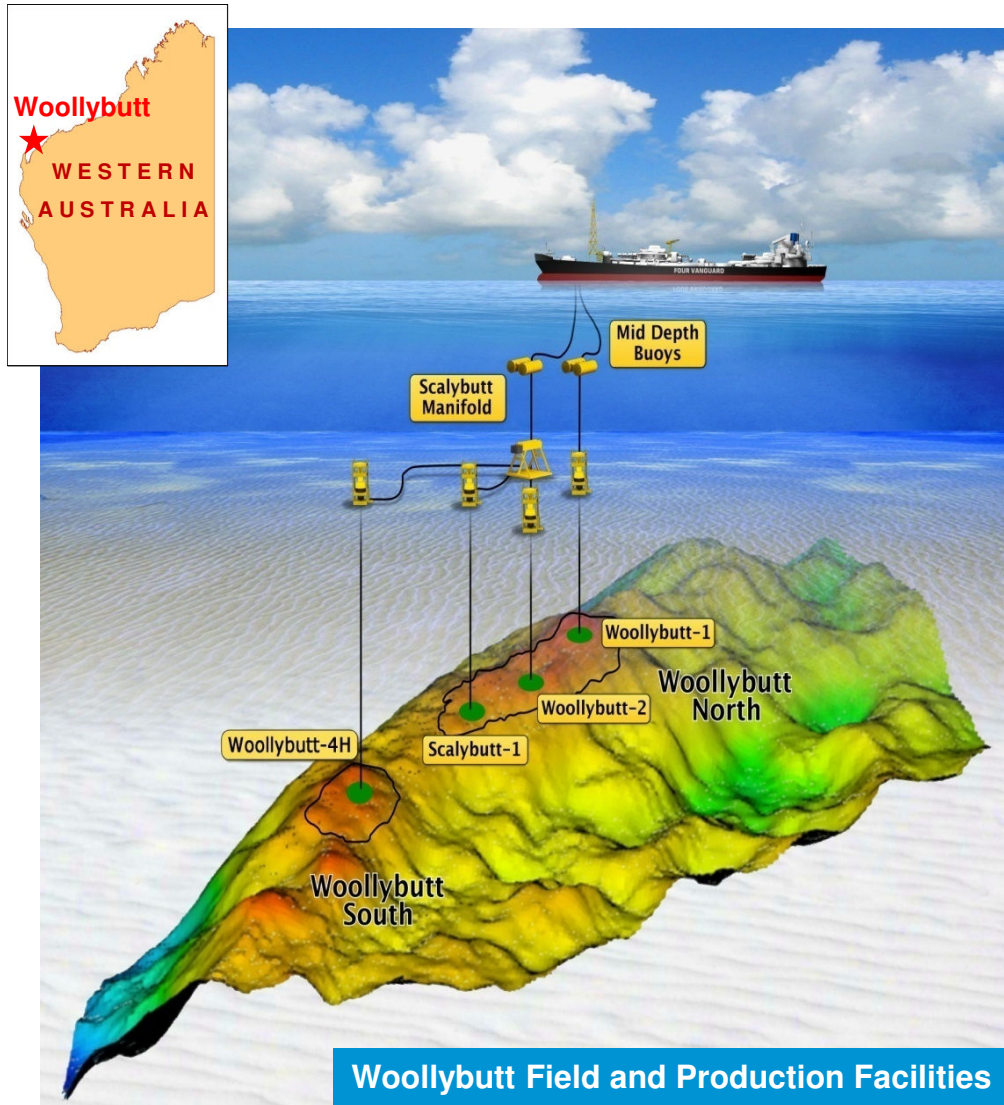


## WA Gas Price Trends



- Tap secured 33PJ of gas in 2005 from the John Brookes JV (JBJV)
- Tap's JBJV sales contracts commenced in September 2007 at domestic market rates substantially higher than Tap's purchase cost
- Contract prices increased mid 2008 in accordance with the contract terms
- This gas is 95% contracted at a locked-in price
- **The forward value of these contracts to Tap, post-tax and discounted at a rate of 10%, is A\$65 million** (as at 31 Dec 2008)

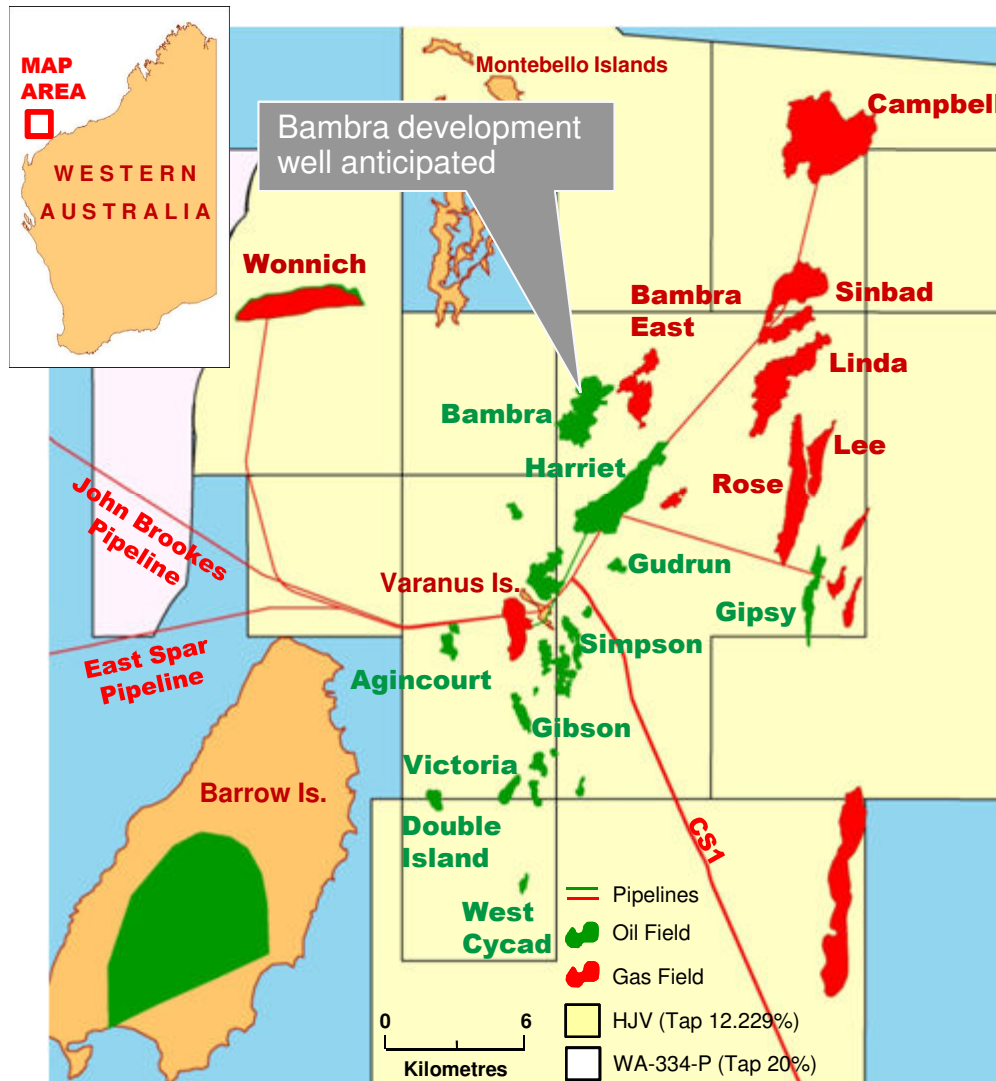
# Woollybutt Oil Field (Tap 15%)



- Production commenced in May 2003 with recovery initially estimated to be 25 MMbbls over 5 years (from 2 wells)
- Woollybutt South commenced in July 2008, enhancing production and extending field life
- 30 MMbbls produced by January 2009 and expected ultimate recovery now ~40 MMbbls
- Dry-dock for leased FPSO in process for life extension of vessel classification to 2013+
- Expecting vessel to return to field toward the end of 2009
- Expecting production to resume at 8 to 9,000 bopd



# Harriet Joint Venture - Oil and Gas Producing Assets (Tap 12.22%)



- Established HJV infrastructure and strategic position – rapid field development
- HJV Current Production rates
  - Gas ~85 TJ/d
  - Oil ~6,000 bbl/d
- Tap has received interim insurance payments to date of US\$11 million (A\$16.1 million). Tap has further claims outstanding and expects to receive a further substantial final insurance payment
- Prolific hydrocarbon province with high drilling success rates and short lead times to production
- Potential boost to oil production in 2010. Development well planning underway following successful Bamba-9 appraisal in late 2008.

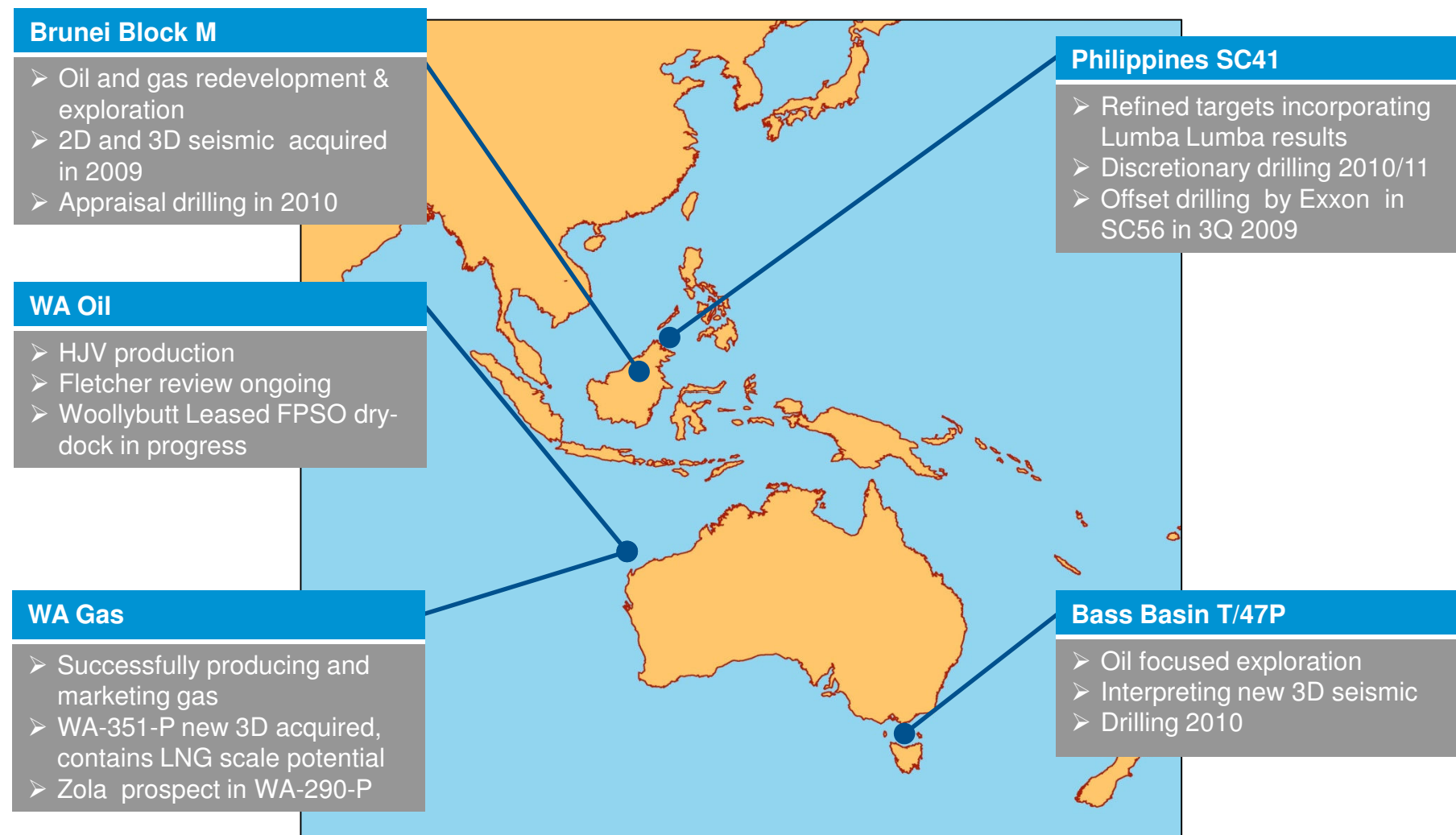


## Tap has ...

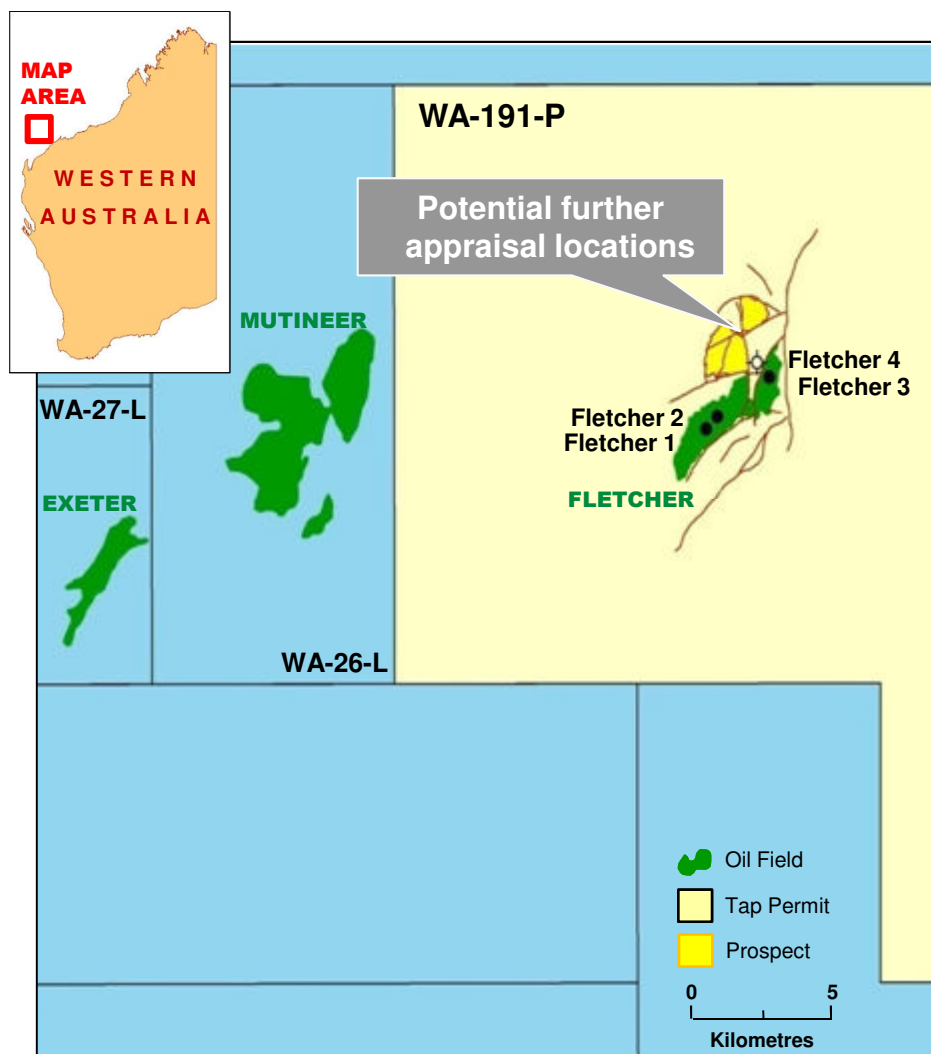
- Solid cash reserves and no debt
- Production assets generating positive diversified cash flow
- Existing cash reserves enable:
  - Continued operations independent of external funding market conditions
  - Delivery of high quality exploration results with greater leverage to successful results
  - Pursuit of standout asset opportunities

... critical mass to achieve real growth

# Tap Oil: Exploration Assets Summary

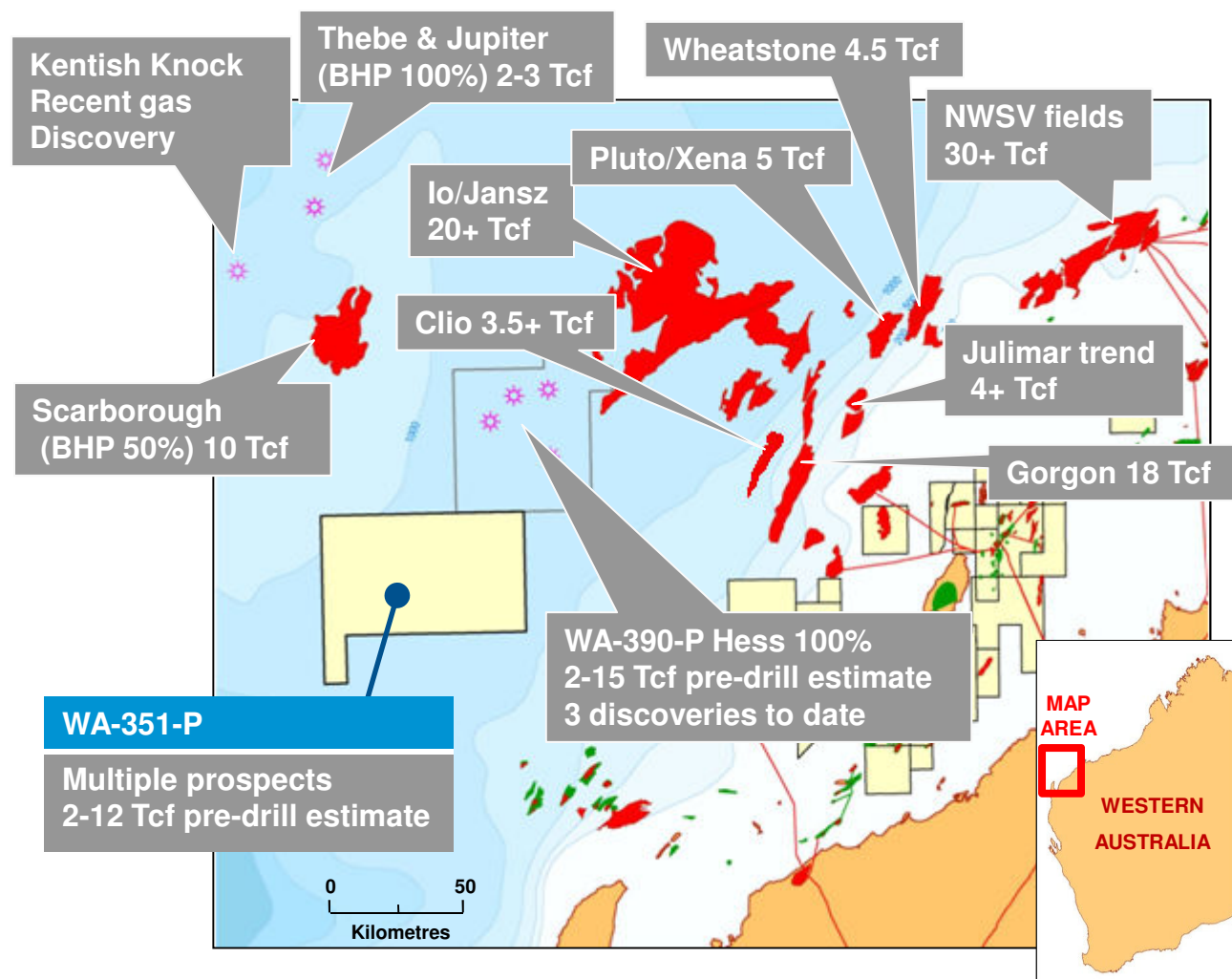


## WA-191-P: Fletcher Remapping (Tap 8.2% in permit)



- Fletcher recoverable volumes 5-10 mmbbl
- Tap's equity interest in Fletcher-3 & 4 is 10.9333%
- Fletcher-3 successfully intersected high quality reservoir sands with 20 metres oil pay
- Fletcher-4 intersected good quality water wet reservoir sands in a separate fault block
- Development through a 17km tie-back to Santos' Exeter-Mutineer facilities under consideration
- Potential of undrilled fault blocks in north-western Fletcher and adjacent region is under review; successful drilling could result in valuable near-field resource additions

## North West Shelf “Home of the Giants”

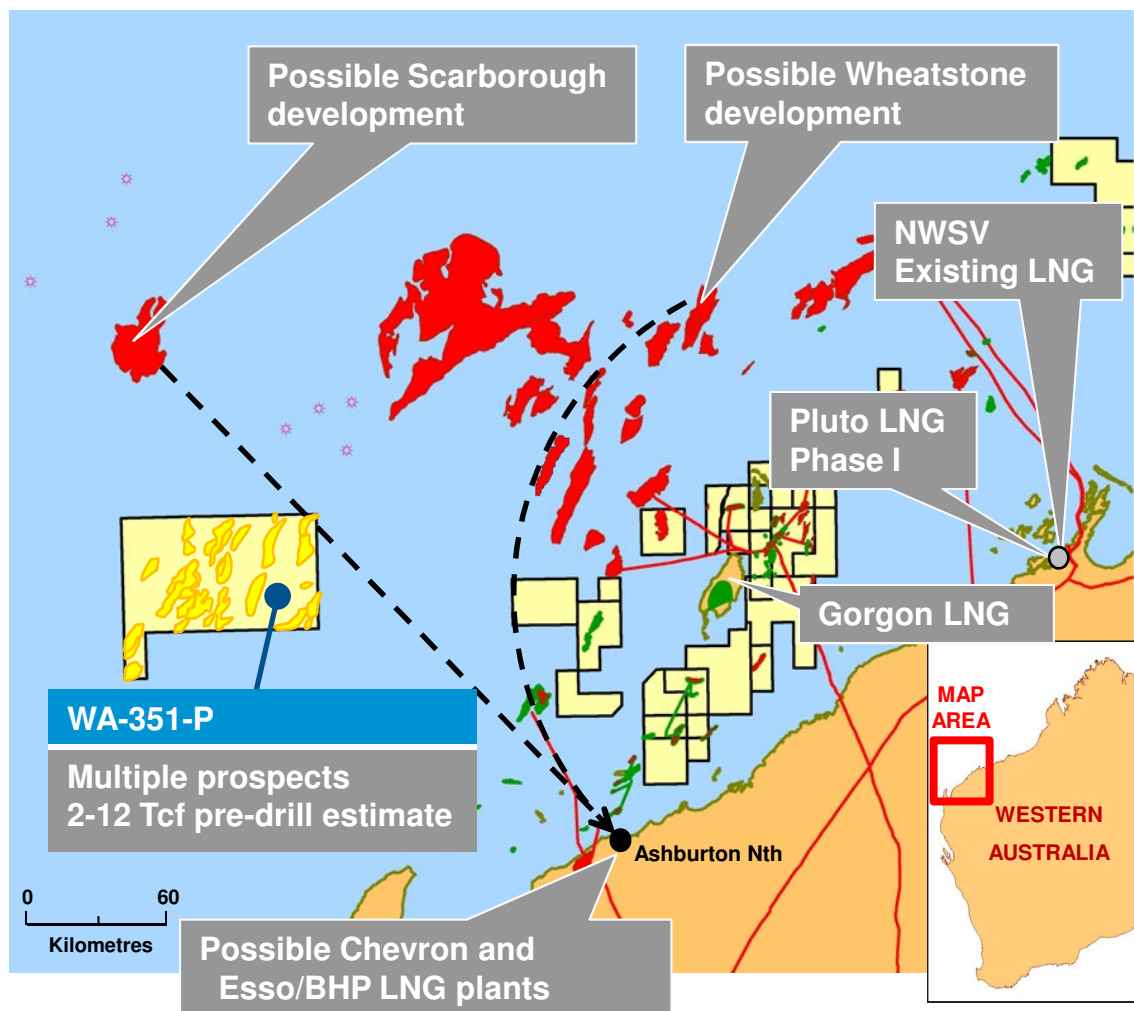


- Proven province with many large gas fields discovered in this region
- Extremely active region
- Multinationals dominate resources and acreage:
  - Exxon
  - Shell
  - Woodside
  - BHP Billiton
  - Hess
  - Chevron
- WA-351-P is on trend with major discoveries, 3D seismic acquired with attractive prospects now being matured for drilling

**Tap has a quality position in a world class location**



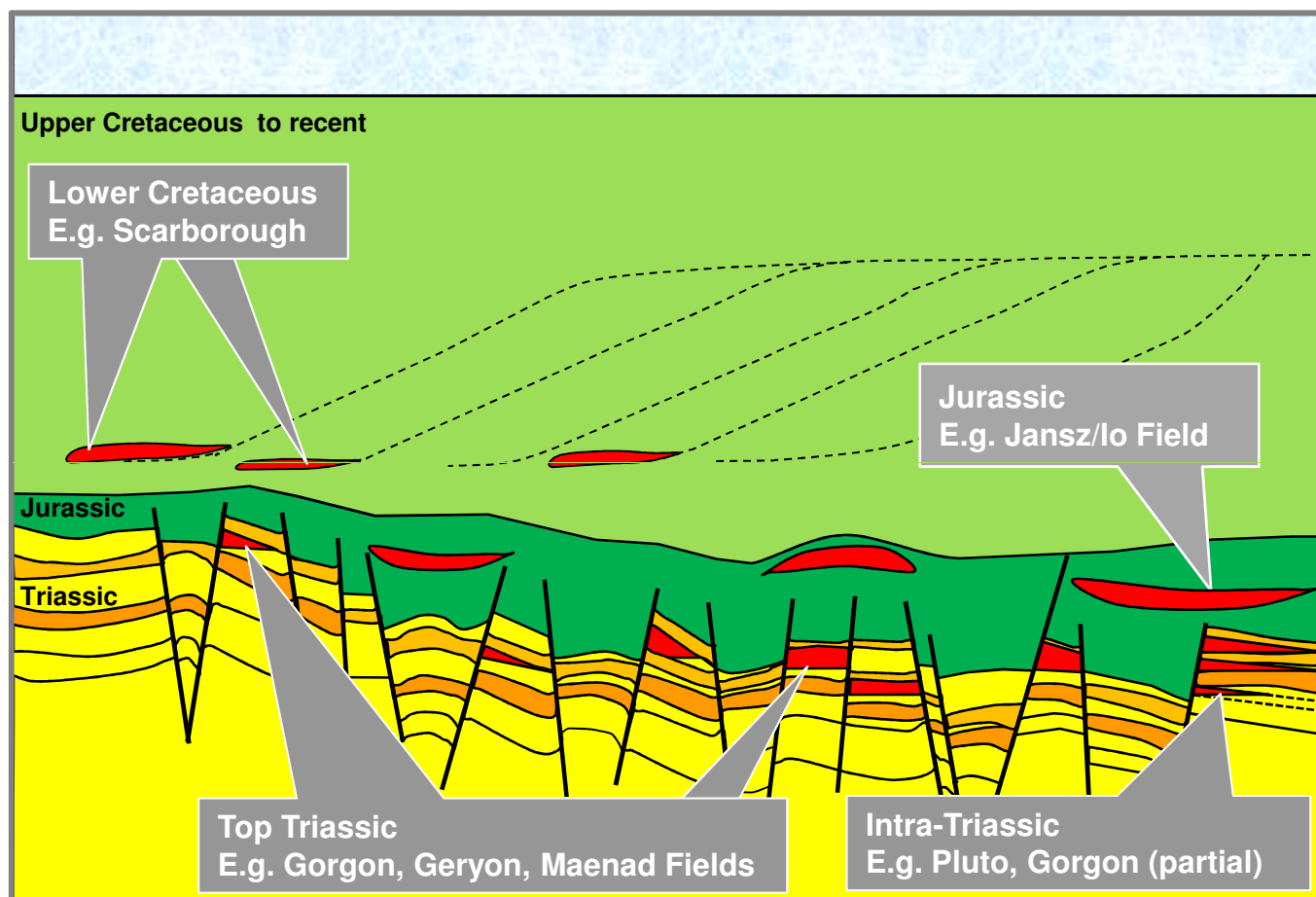
## WA-351-P “Right time right place”



- Significant existing and planned LNG processing capacity in the region;
  - NWSV 16.3 Mtpa (existing)
  - Pluto Phase I 4.3 Mtpa (construction)
  - Gorgon 15 Mtpa (FID in 2009)
  - Pluto Phase II 4.3 Mtpa (FID in 2010)
  - Pluto Phases III+ 12.9 Mtpa (possible)
  - Wheatstone 8.6 Mtpa (planned FID in 2011)
  - Esso/BHPB Ashburton Nth 4.3 to 8.6 Mtpa (possible)
- WA Govt approved strategic industrial area, Ashburton Nth, specifically for future gas processing facilities
- WA-351-P ideally located for either stand alone or joint LNG development
- Value Potential \$2.00 - \$3.00 /share

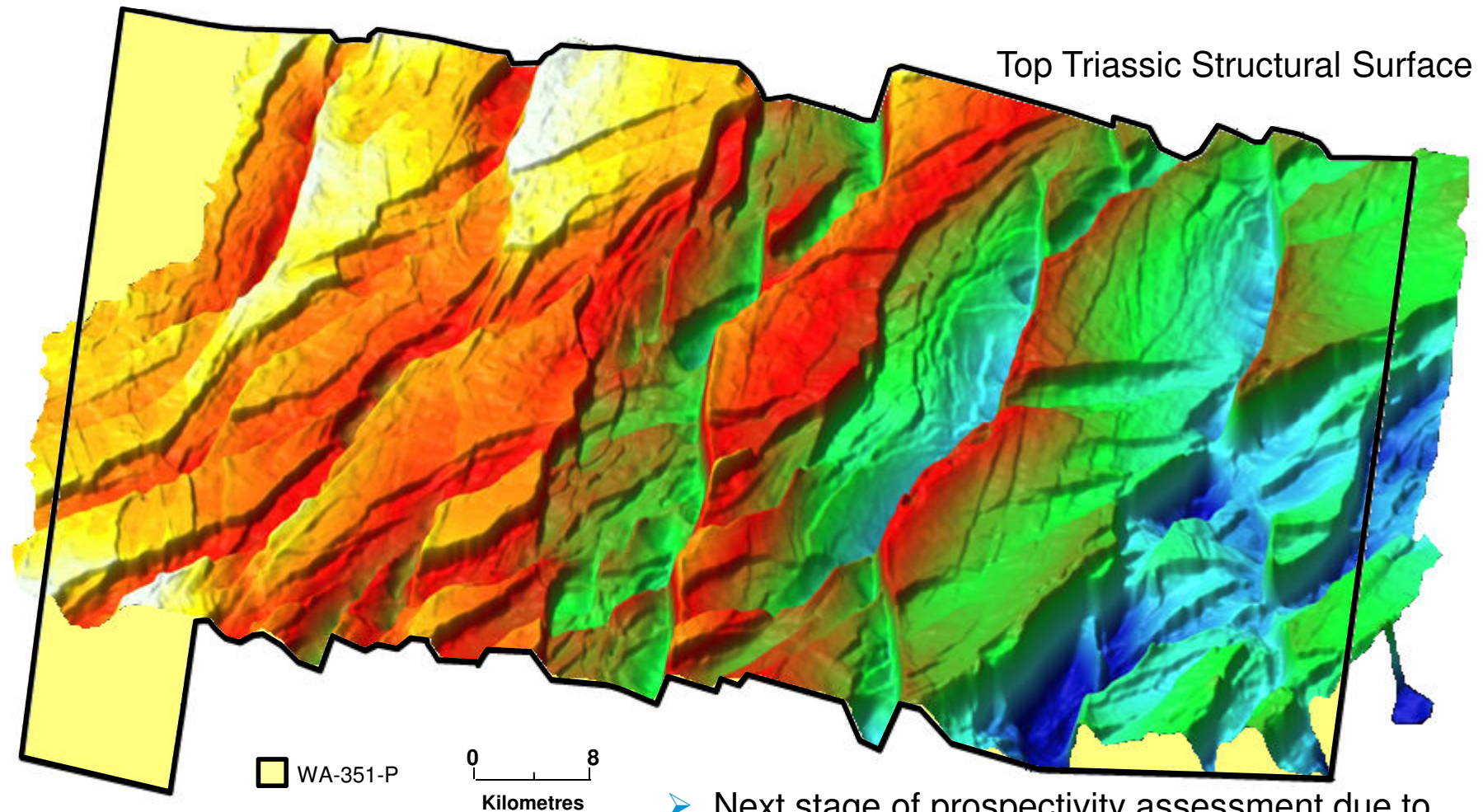
**Success could see Tap supplying gas to an LNG development**

## WA-351-P Four Proven Independent Play Types



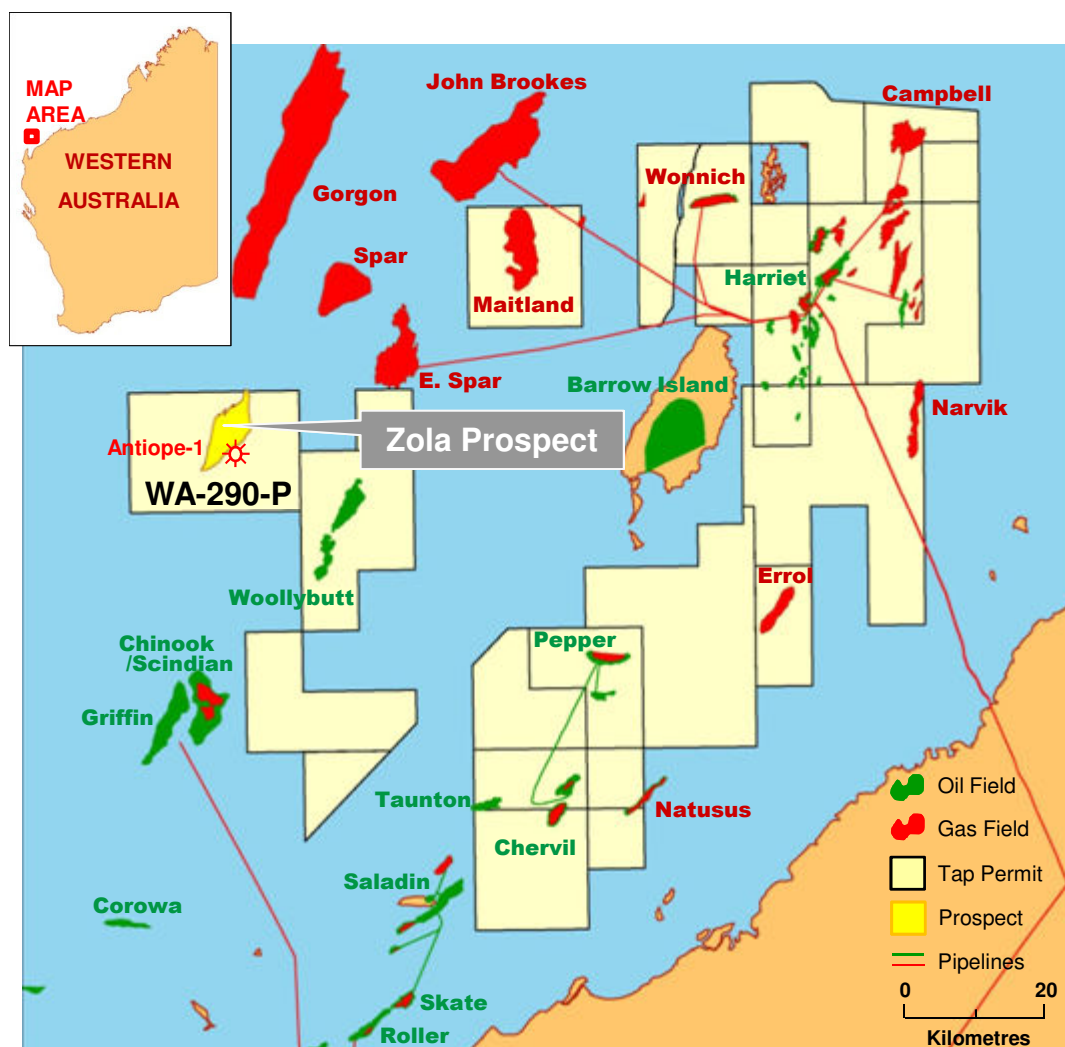
- 2-12 Tcf of prospective resource identified on 2D seismic
- Initial 3D seismic interpretation indicates four proven play types may be present
- Each play type has nearby multi-Tcf proven analogues
- 20+ leads and prospects in WA-351-P under analysis
- Potential for dual objective drilling

## WA-351-P: Preliminary 3D seismic interpretation



- Next stage of prospectivity assessment due to be completed by end 2009
- Potential drilling in 2010

# WA-290-P: Zola High Impact Gas Exploration Well (Tap 20%)

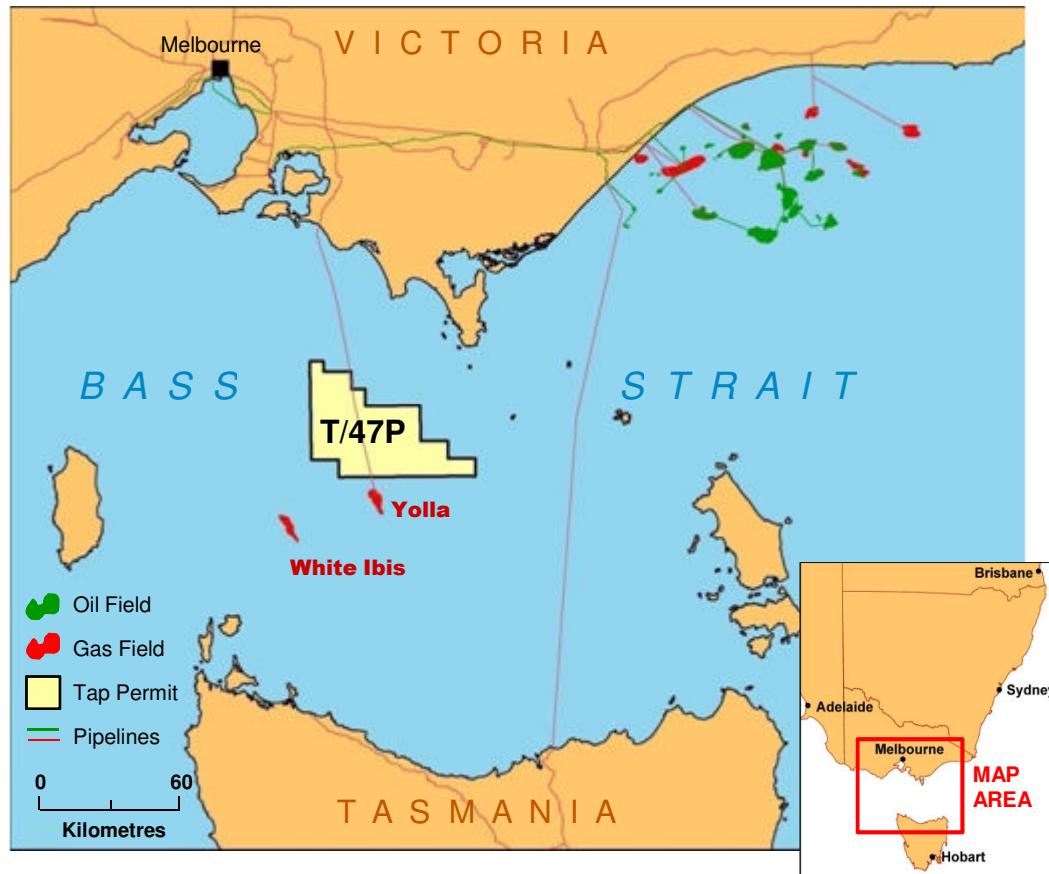


- Large ~1 Tcf target (recoverable)
- Moderate risk:
  - Proven Triassic play type
  - Immediately south of Gorgon field
- Antiope ~120 Bcf stranded shallow gas resource could be aggregated in success case
- Undergoing final prospect assessment for anticipated drilling 2010
- Seeking to prove commercial gas volumes
- Multiple development options
- Tap seeking to farm down to manage costs



# Bass Basin T/47P: Overlooked Oil Potential

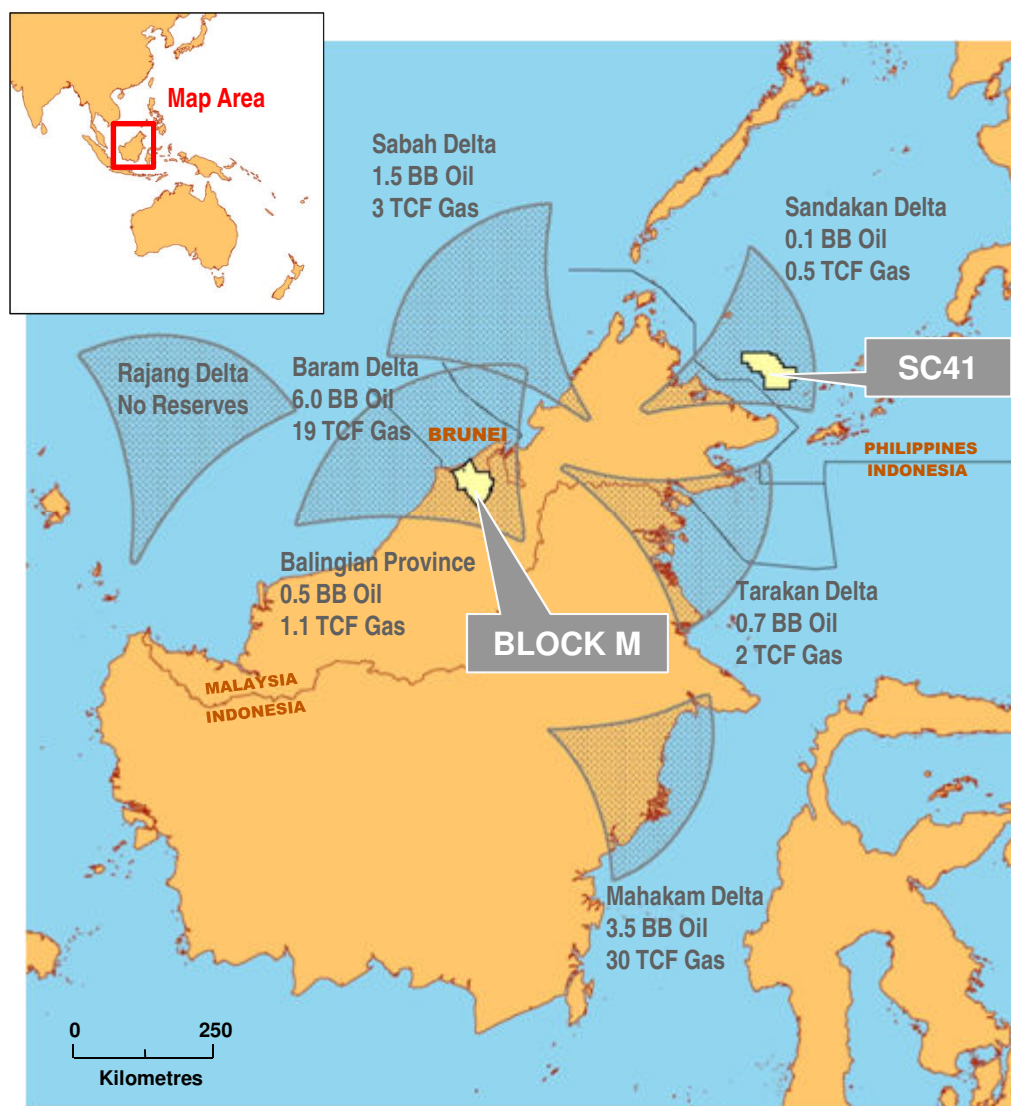
(Tap 40%, Operator)



- Oil discovered on block at Cormorant-1 (1970)
- Labatt 3D seismic survey acquired December 2007 over key leads with significant oil potential
- Molson 2D seismic acquisition completed in March 2008
- Mature low-mod risk prospects
- Drilling rig secured for drilling two wells in Q3 2010
- Tap seeking to farm down to manage costs



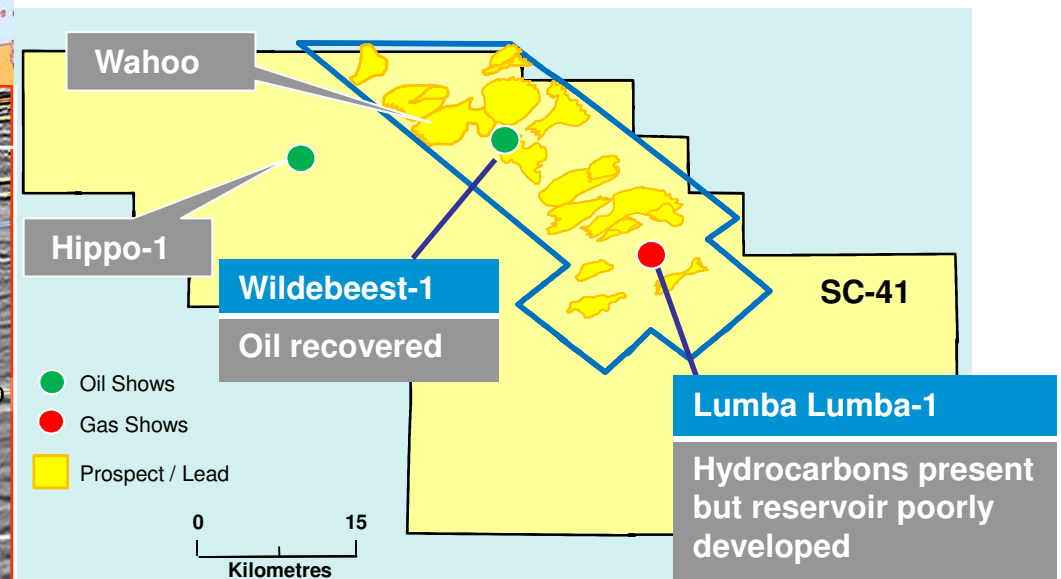
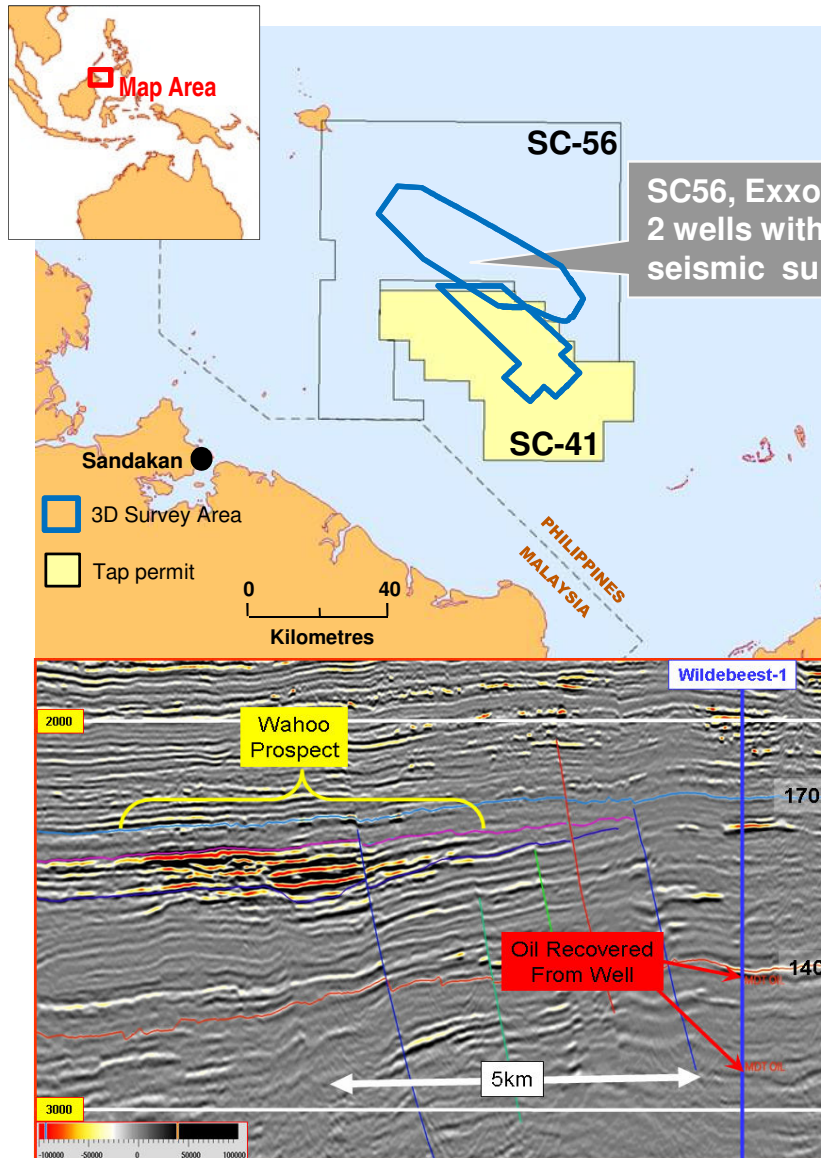
## South East Asia – Building a Circum-Borneo Portfolio



- Borneo basins have yielded billions of barrels
- Tap has a multi-national strategy capturing under-explored areas or overlooked resources
- SC 41 (Tap 50% & operator)
  - Very high potential block with excellent Filipino fiscal terms
  - Multiple play types remain with further drilling 2010
- Brunei Block M (Tap 39% & operator)
  - Belait oil & gas field to be appraised with 3D seismic mid-2009
  - Significant exploration potential in remainder of block

# Philippines SC41 (Tap 50%, Operator)

- Very high potential block with excellent fiscal terms
- Multiple play types remain with drilling anticipated in 2010, e.g. Wahoo 100-200 mmbbl prospect
- ExxonMobil drilling 2 wells in SC56, spudding mid Sept 2009 targeting multi-hundred million barrel prospects on trend with SC-41



## Brunei Block M (Tap 39%, Operator)

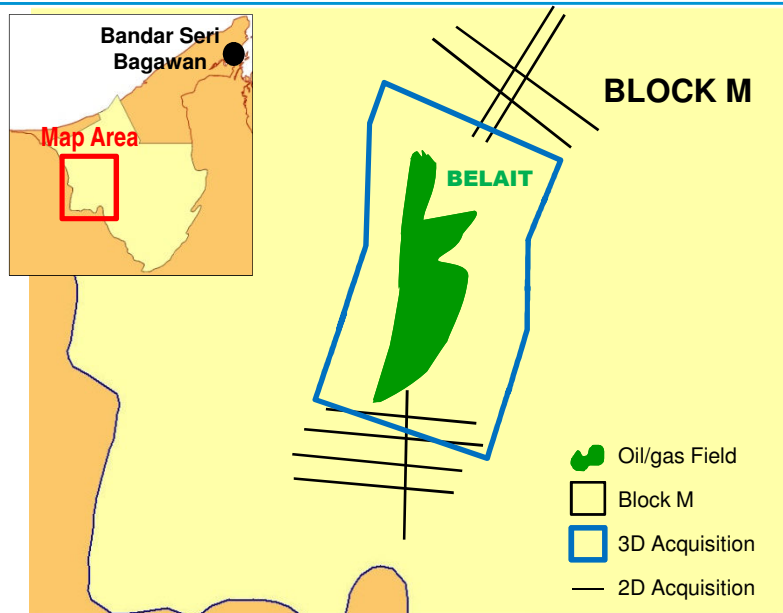


- Tap awarded 39% and operator role of Block M in October 2007
- 3,011km<sup>2</sup> onshore block located in the prolific Baram Delta
- Tap plans aggressive 3-pronged appraisal and block-wide exploration programme:
  1. Appraise Belait
    - 2D and 3D seismic acquired 2009
    - Drill 2 appraisal wells early 2010
  2. Explore remaining Belait Trend & Seria South Flank
    - 2D seismic acquired 2009
    - Exploration drilling in 2011
  3. Assess remaining Block potential
    - Airborne geophysical survey acquired
    - Seismic acquisition in 2010

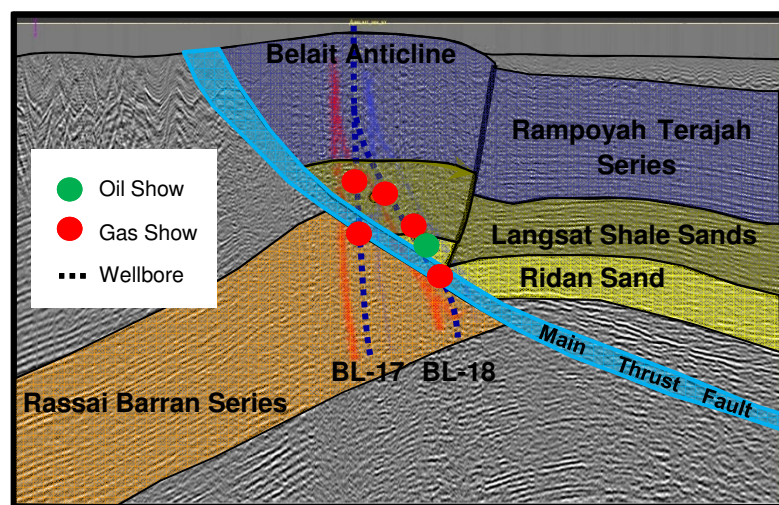
**Tap's strategy in action: high equity, operatorship, in a proven basin**

# Brunei Block M: Belait Appraisal

(Tap 39%, Operator)



- 8 to 64 mmboe contingent resource
- Belait produced oil and gas during 1920/30's with 18 wells drilled, 14 drilled without seismic control
- Recently completed new 2D and 3D seismic acquisition
- Tap's largest ever operated onshore seismic acquisition programme, involving more than 1,000 contractor personnel
- 2 Belait wells are planned to be drilled in 2010 targeting undrained fault compartments
- Additional potential for large deep prospects to be evaluated with new seismic data





# Tap Indicative Drilling Schedule

	2009		2010				2011	
	3Q	4Q	1Q	2Q	3Q	4Q	1Q	2Q
Australia								
Carnarvon Basin			Harriet JV ■		WA-351-P ■	Zola-1 ■	WA-351-P ■	
Bass Basin					T/47P ■			
Brunei				Block M ■				Block M ■
Philippines						SC41 ■		

■ Firm well

■ Contingent / discretionary well

Active drilling programme in 2010 and 2011



### Key Strengths

- Multiple assets producing a balance of oil and gas
- Strong financial position; A\$54 million cash, no debt
- Focused on delivering value and growth through:
  - Maintenance and enhancement of core production assets
  - High quality exploration portfolio, fully funded
  - Exposure to a number of high impact exploration targets, including unique leverage to world class LNG scale gas exploration