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Please find attached quarterly report and Appendix 5B for the period ended 30 September 2003.

For and on behalf of
Norwest Energy NL

Peter L Munachen
Company Secretary



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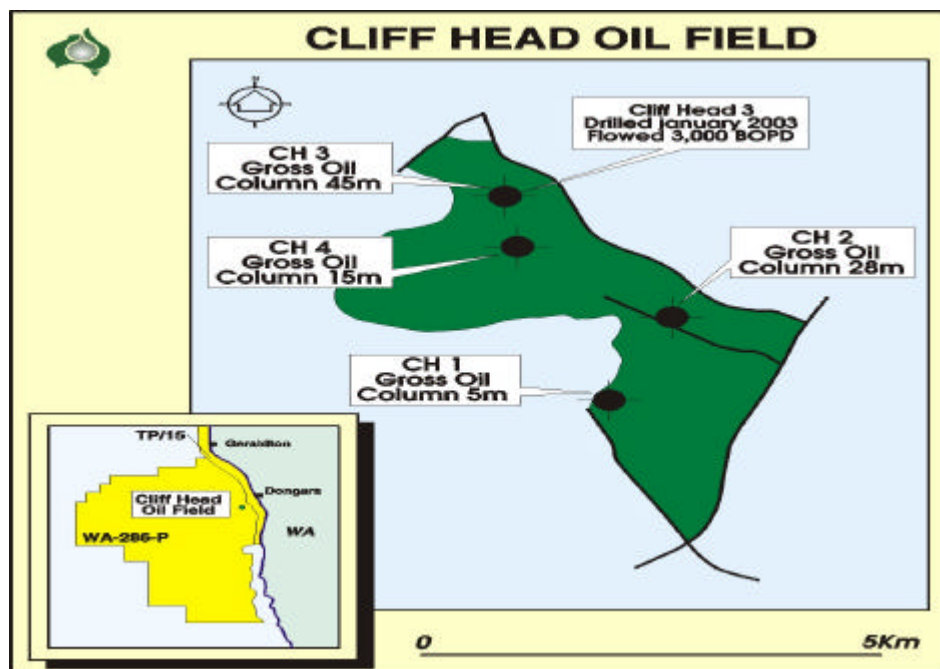
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REPORT FOR THE QUARTER ENDING 30TH SEPTEMBER 2003

Highlights:

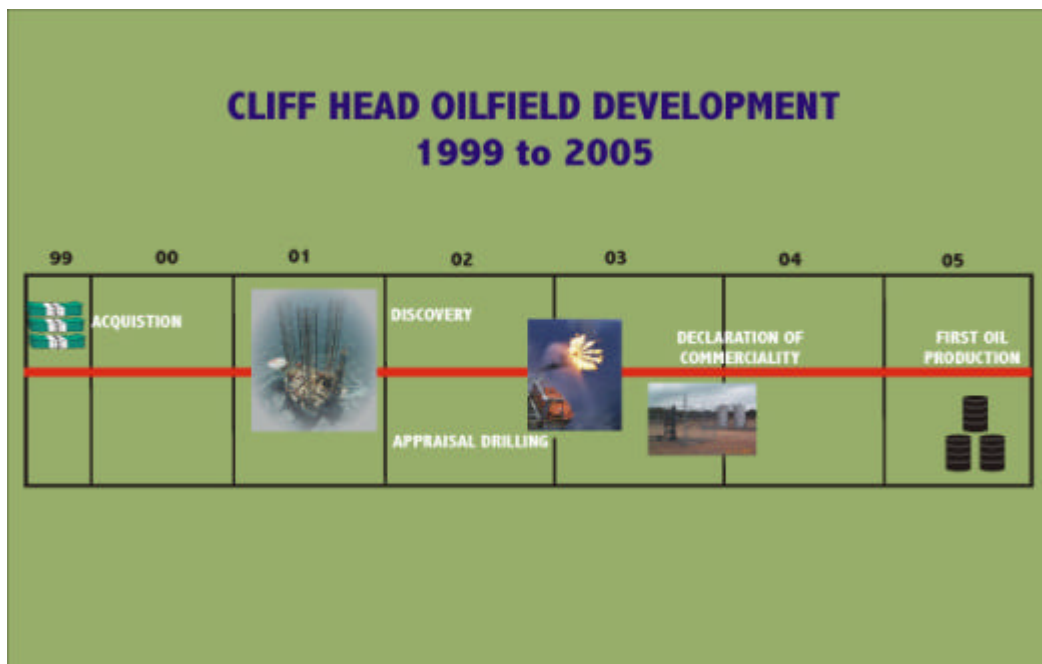
- Cliff Head Oil Field Commercially Viable, Front End Engineering & Design Commenced
- Jingemina 3 drilled as a water injector to maintain reservoir pressure during production
- Offered a 1/3 interest in an onshore Perth Basin Permit

WA-286-P and Cliff Head Oil Field Northern Offshore Perth Basin 5%

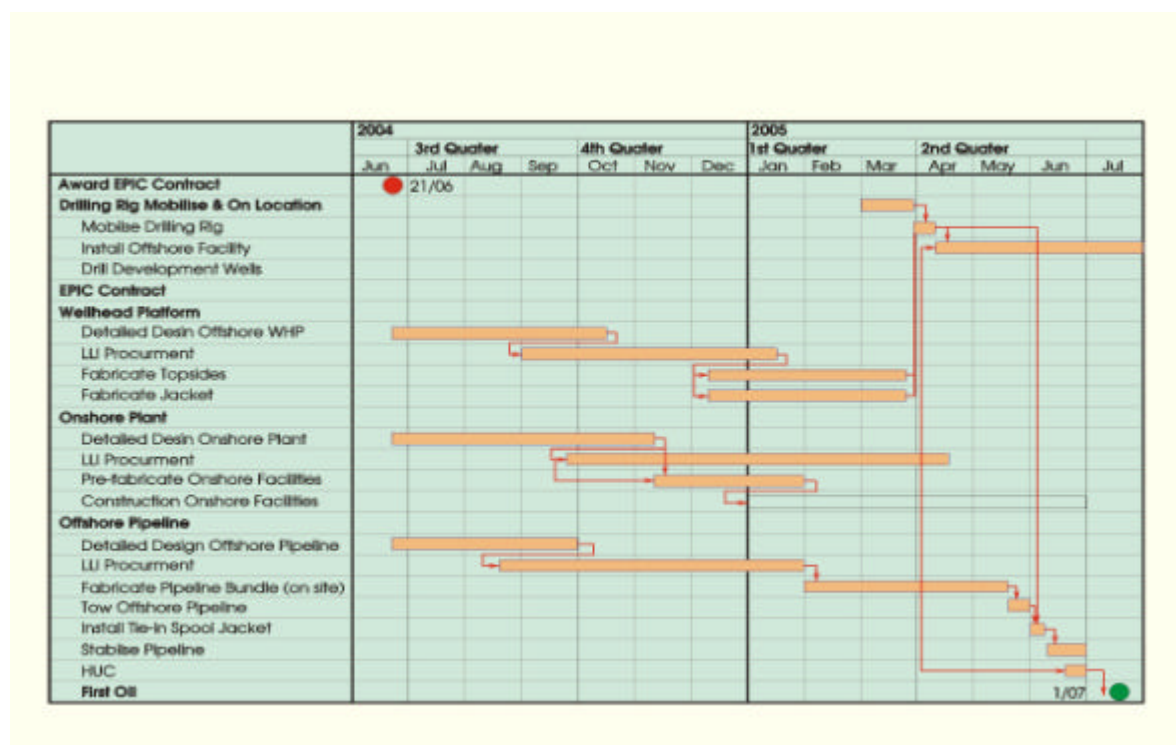


The Cliff Head Joint Venture has unanimously agreed that the Cliff Head Oil Field is commercially viable. Consequently, Front End Engineering and Design (FEED) has commenced and the contract to undertake these studies has been awarded to Worley Pty

Limited. The decision to proceed is based on a proven and probable reserve estimate for the Cliff Head Oil Field of 21 million barrels recoverable of oil.



The provisional estimate for capital expenditure associated with the development of the Cliff Head Oil Field is considered to be in the order of A\$140 million (Norwest 5% share - approx A\$7,000,000), although this figure will be defined more precisely through the FEED process.



Subject to satisfactory completion of FEED and receipt of regulatory and Joint Venture approvals, it is anticipated that a final investment decision for the project will be made

during the second quarter of 2004 and that first oil will be produced from Cliff Head during the second half of 2005.

Acquisition of the Cliff Head 3D Marine Seismic Survey commenced on 23rd October 2003 to better define the Cliff Head Oil Field and enable the sighting of development wells. A total of 31.798 square kilometers of data is being acquired using the MV Pacific Sword. By midnight 26th October 2003, about 49% of the survey had been completed.

The 2D Lillian Seismic Survey will be recorded immediately the Cliff Head 3D Seismic Survey is completed and will also be acquired by the Pacific Sword. This survey will be recorded in both TP/15 and WA-286-P and is designed to further define mapped prospects and evaluate areas with minimal seismic coverage.

A regional aero magnetic survey was also acquired over WA-286-P during the reported period. The survey is designed to highlight faults and structures within both WA-286-P and adjacent TP/15 and will minimize the need for transitional seismic acquisition in shallow waters.

The Company is considering its strategy and financing options with respect to Cliff Head. One option is to sell of the Company's interest in the project. A number of companies have look at the data for the project and offers are expected early November. Depending on the attractiveness of the offers received and alternative options, the board will make a decision as to whether to retain and develop the asset or sell it (with any necessary approval of shareholders).

TP/15

Northern Onshore Perth Basin acquiring 10%

A 2D seismic survey is planned to be recorded in conjunction with a similar project in the adjacent WA-286-P permit. This data will be acquired immediately following the Cliff Head 3D Marine Seismic Survey and will be designed to further evaluate mapped features within the permit and further investigate areas with little data.

EP-413 and Jingemia Oil Field Northern Onshore Perth Basin 1.278%

A Production license has been applied for over the Jingemia Oil Field. Development will commence on granting of this license.

Application has been submitted to undertake a further extended production test at Jingemia following completion of Jingemia 3 as a water injector. Production data from this test will enable determination of an optimum field development strategy. If granted, production from the field will be sold to Kwinana Refinery.

An extended production test on Jingemia 1 concluded on 4th August 2003. Production during this test ranged from a constrained 1,000 to 1,900 barrels of oil per day, and in excess of 125,000 barrels of oil was produced with no water. Norwest's share of production was sold to BP Kwinana.

Directionally drilled from the Jingemia 1 drill pad, Jingemia 2 appraisal well commenced on 24th August 2003. The well was designed to intersect the Dongara Sandstone oil reservoir about 1 kilometre to the southeast of the discovery well. The well intersected the

reservoir in poor quality sands which were considered unsuitable for injection. Jingemia 3 was drilled as a side track from the number 2 well and met its objectives. The well has subsequently been completed as a water injector to maintain reservoir pressure during production.

WA-226-P

Northern Offshore Perth Basin 7.5%

Acquisition of the approximate 520 square kilometers Macallan 3D Seismic Survey has been completed. This survey was designed to mature further prospects for drilling. Data from this survey are now being interpreted.

As previously announced Norwest sold an option to Roc Oil Company Limited in WA-226-P in return for an agreement whereby Roc would fund up to A\$525,000 of Norwest's 7.5% share of the Macallan Seismic Survey. In the event that Roc exercises this option, it will pay Norwest a further cash payment of A\$200,000. If a discovery is declared commercial, Roc will make a one-time payment to Norwest of A\$375,000.

EP-419

Northern Onshore Perth Basin 80% Operator

Approximately 260 kilometres of existing 2D seismic has been reprocessed and mapped. This work revealed the John Structure which could be one of the largest undrilled prospects remaining in the area.

EP-368

Northern Onshore Perth Basin 10%

Evaluation of data has been undertaken to investigate possible Hovea Style structures at the Dongara Sandstone Level. At the time of preparing this report seismic reprocessing is still in progress

AC/P32

Vulcan Sub-basin Timor Sea 65.39% reducing to 49% paying 41.85% Operator

The Joint Venture believes it is prudent to reprocess the 3D Onnia Seismic Data over prospects mapped within AC/P32 prior to selecting a drill location. Application is being made to the Designated Authority to enable reprocessing of these data prior to a decision to drill. Subsequent to quarter end processing contractors have been requested to tender for this project.

Technical assessment of the permit is continuing, particularly on hydrocarbon charge in the light of recently released data from the area to the south.

AC/P22

Vulcan Sub-basin Timor Sea 45% reducing to 10%

AC/P22 reached the end of its initial permit term on 29th September 2003. An application has been lodged to renew the permit for a further term of five years. On renewal 25% of the original area must be relinquished.

During the quarter ending 30th September 2003 the 150 square kilometres of Onnia 3D seismic data licensed by the Joint Venture was reprocessed. The purpose of this reprocessing was to refine the interpretation and mapping of a number of previously identified prospects on the Puffin Horst in order to select the next drilling location. Interpretation of the reprocessed data has demonstrated improvement both in image quality and confidence in mapping. Though increasing the Confidence of the Fairfield Prospect, which is located on an adjacent terrace to the main Puffin Horst, reprocessing has down graded prospects on the Puffin Horst.

Longview Resources LLC, and Concordia Resources LLC, fully funded the reprocessing to earn an option to drill a well in the permit. By funding the reprocessing Longview has earned an Initial Participation Interest of 10%. If the option to drill is exercised, Longview will earn a further 70% interest in AC/P22 by drilling and, if warranted, testing and suspending one well at no cost to Norwest.

EP-364

Offshore Carnarvon Basin 10%

Evaluation of the Cyrano discovery and other prospects in EP-364 continues. It is likely that the next well drilled within the permit will be located to investigate a bar sand interpreted from seismic and well data to cut across the Cyrano area.

New Permit Offered

Northern Onshore Perth Basin 33 1/3%

Norwest Energy together with Arc Energy and CalEnergy of the UK have been offered a petroleum exploration permit over gazetted area L02-6. The application is in the Native Title phase prior to formal award.

CORPORATE

- ❖ The Company's Annual General Meeting will be held in the Pavillion Room, The Sebel of Perth, 37 Pier Street at 11.30am on 28th November 2003.
- ❖ Subsequent to year end, the Company issued 5,000,000 shares to raise \$200,000 before costs at 4 cents per share.

EXPENDITURE

The group spent about \$222,000 on exploration and evaluation activities during the quarter ending 30th September 2003. Norwest Energy NL paid \$487,000 on the acquisition of its interest in Jingemgia EP-413.

REVENUE

Norwest received A\$51,000 from its share of production from the extended production test of Jingemgia 1.

Ivan BURGESS
Chief Executive Officer and Director

Rule 5.3

Appendix 5B

Mining exploration entity quarterly report

Introduced 1/7/96. Origin: Appendix 8. Amended 1/7/97, 1/7/98, 30/9/2001.

Name of entity

NORWEST ENERGY NL

ABN

65 078 301 505

Quarter ended ("current quarter")

30 September 2003

Consolidated statement of cash flows

Cash flows related to operating activities		Current quarter SA 000	Year to date (3 months) SA 000
1.1	Receipts from product sales and related debtors	51	51
1.2	Payments for (a) exploration and evaluation (b) development (c) production (d) administration	(222) (254)	(222) (254)
1.3	Dividends received		-
1.4	Interest and other items of a similar nature received	8	8
1.5	Interest and other costs of finance paid		-
1.6	Income taxes paid	-	-
1.7	Other (JV Management fees)	8	8
Net Operating Cash Flows		(409)	(409)
Cash flows related to investing activities			
1.8	Payment for purchases of: (a)prospects –deposit EP413 (b)equity investments (c) other fixed assets	(487) - -	(487) - -
1.9	Proceeds from sale of: (a)prospects (b)equity investments (c)other fixed assets	- - -	- - -
1.10	Loans to other entities		-
1.11	Loans repaid by other entities	-	-
1.12	Other (provide details if material)		-
Net investing cash flows		(487)	(487)

1.13	Total operating and investing cash flows (carried forward)	(896)	(896)
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1.13	Total operating and investing cash flows (brought forward)	(896)	(896)
Cash flows related to financing activities			
1.14	Proceeds from issues of shares, options, etc.	-	-
1.15	Proceeds from sale of forfeited shares	-	-
1.16	Proceeds from borrowings	-	-
1.17	Repayment of borrowings	-	-
1.18	Dividends paid	-	-
1.19	Other – cost of share issue	-	-
	Net financing cash flows	0	0
Net increase (decrease) in cash held			
		(896)	(896)
1.20	Cash at beginning of quarter/year to date	1200	1200
1.21	Exchange rate adjustments to item 1.20	-	-
1.22	Cash at end of quarter	304	304

Payments to directors of the entity and associates of the directors

Payments to related entities of the entity and associates of the related entities

		Current quarter \$A'000
1.23	Aggregate amount of payments to the parties included in item 1.2	90
1.24	Aggregate amount of loans to the parties included in item 1.10	NIL

1.25 Explanation necessary for an understanding of the transactions

Administration charges for the three months to 30 June 2003 by a director related entity.	
Director's fees and super	19
Director's salary and Super	35
Admin Management Fees	28
Corporate Secretary fees	8
Total	90

Non-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

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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

NIL

Financing facilities available

Add notes as necessary for an understanding of the position.

	Amount available \$A 000	Amount used \$A 000
3.1 Loan facilities	-	-
3.2 Credit standby arrangements	-	-

Estimated cash outflows for next quarter

		SA 000
4.1	Exploration and evaluation	698
4.2	Development (acquisition)- EP 413	
Total		698

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 SA 000	Previous quarter SA 000
5.1	Cash on hand and at bank	304	683
5.2	Deposits at call		517
5.3	Bank overdraft		
5.4	Other –		
Total: cash at end of quarter (item 1.22)		304	1200

Changes in interests in mining tenements

	Tenement reference	Nature of interest (note (2))	Interest at beginning of quarter	Interest at end of quarter
6.1	Interests in mining tenements relinquished, reduced or lapsed			
6.2	Interests in mining tenements acquired or increased			

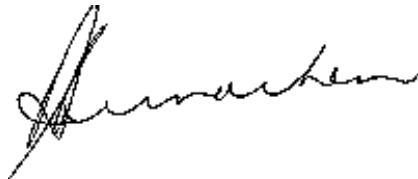
Issued and quoted securities at end of current quarter

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)	N/A			
7.2 Changes during quarter (a) Increases (b) Decreases				
7.3 *Ordinary securities	162,471,872	162,471,872		
7.4 Changes during quarter (a) Increases through issues (b) Decreases	N/A			
7.5 *Convertible debt securities (description)	N/A			
7.6 Changes during quarter (a) Increases (b) Decreases				
7.7 Options (description and conversion factor)	46,420,643	46,420,643	Exercise price 20 cents 25 cents 20 cents	Expiry date 31 December 2003 31 December 2004 28 November 2007
7.8 Issued during quarter	N/A			
7.9 Exercised during quarter	NIL	NIL		
7.10 Expired during quarter	NIL	NIL		
7.11 Debentures (totals only)	N/A	N/A		
7.12 Unsecured notes (totals only)	N/A	N/A		

Compliance statement

- 1 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 4).
- 2 This statement does give a true and fair view of the matters disclosed.



Sign here:
(Company Secretary)

Date: 31/10/03

Print name: Peter Munachen

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.
- 2 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.
- 3 **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.
- 4 The definitions in, and provisions of, *AASB 1022: Accounting for Extractive Industries* and *AASB 1026: Statement of Cash Flows* apply to this report.
- 5 **Accounting Standards** ASX will accept, for example, the use of International Accounting 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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