



ASX Release

23 July 2009

Jingemia 12 Oil Development Well, Northern Perth Basin, Western Australia

Jingemia 12

Progress and Status:

Origin Energy, on behalf of the L14 Joint Venture parties, advises that the Jingemia 12 oil development well commenced drilling on 18 July 2009 with the Weatherford drilling rig 826. A 311 millimetre (12¼ inch) surface section was drilled to section total depth of 536 metres measured depth and 244 millimetres (9⅝ inch) surface casing was run and cemented to a depth of 533 metres.

At 0830 hours Western Standard Time today, the well had reached 675 metres and was drilling ahead.

Well type and location:

Oil development well, Jingemia field, North Perth Basin, Western Australia (L14)

Jingemia-12 is being drilled as a directional well to intersect the oil-bearing Dongara Sandstone in a crestal location in the Jingemia Oil Field at around 2550 metres measured depth. Jingemia 12 surface location is approximately 80m south of Jingemia 11 surface location. The target location is 150m NNE of the Jingemia 11 intersection with the Dongara Sandstone target horizon.

Surface location

Latitude: 29° 20' 22.91" S
Longitude: 114° 59' 18.83" E

Target location

Latitude: 29° 20' 10.488" S
Longitude: 114° 59' 44.235" E

Initial Interests:

Origin Energy Developments Pty Limited*	49.189%
ARC Energy Limited**	44.141%
Victoria Petroleum Offshore Pty Ltd	5.00%
Norwest Energy NL	1.278%
Roc Oil (WA) Pty Limited	0.25%
John K Geary	0.142%

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For and on behalf of
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