

# **ANNUAL REPORT**

PETROLEUM EXPLORATION LICENCE (PEL) No. 94
PERMIT YEAR 3
SECOND RENEWAL TERM
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#### Introduction

Petroleum Exploration Licence No. 94 (**PEL 94**) is located on the southern margin of the Cooper/Eromanga Basin, South Australia.

This Annual Report details the work conducted during Licence Year 3 of the second renewal term which corresponds to the 12 month period commencing on 5 November 2014. The Annual Report for PEL 94 has been prepared in accordance with Regulation 33 of the *Petroleum and Geothermal Energy Act 2000* (the Act).

## **Licence Summary**

PEL 94 was originally granted on 5 November 2001 to:

Beach Petroleum NL 50%Magellan Petroleum (NT) Pty Ltd 50%

Other key dealings relating to PEL 94 and entered on the public register include:

- Victoria Oil Exploration acquired a 15% interest in the Licence from Magellan Petroleum in September 2005;
- First renewal of PEL 94 was granted for a further five year term commencing on 5 May 2007;
- Strike Energy Limited acquired Magellan's interest in the Licence on 17 March 2010; and
- Second renewal of PEL 94 was granted for a further five year term commencing on 5 November 2012.

At the commencement of the reporting period (5 November 2014) the registered interests in PEL 94 were:

• Beach Energy Limited 50% (and operator)

Strike Energy Limited 35%Victoria Oil Exploration (1977) Pty Ltd 15%

During the current reporting period, a notation of registrable dealing was entered on the public register such that the registered interests in PEL 94 are now:

• Beach Energy Limited 50% (and operator)

Strike Energy 94 Pty Ltd 35%Victoria Oil Exploration (1977) Pty Ltd 15%

PEL 94 licence condition 1 requires the licences to carry out the exploratory operations as summarised in the below Table 1.

Table 1 - Work Program Commitments for the second renewal term of PEL 94				
Licence Year	Dates	Minimum Work Program		
Year 1 (firm)	5 November 2012 to 4 November 2013	Geological & Geophysical Studies		
Year 2	5 November 2013 to 4 November 2014	Geological & Geophysical Studies		
Year 3	5 November 2014 to 4 November 2015	Geological & Geophysical Studies		
Year 4	5 November 2015 to 4 November 2016	Geological & Geophysical Studies		
Year 5	5 November 2016 to 4 November 2017	Drill one well and Geological & Geophysical Studies		

Associated Activities Licence No. 200 (AAL 200) was granted on 18 March 2014 as an adjunct to PEL 94 for the construction, operation and maintenance of a road to the Daveport-1 ST1 well site.

### **Regulated Activities**

Pursuant to Regulations 33(3)(a) An annual report must include-"a summary of the regulated activities conducted under the licence during the year"

No regulated activities were carried out in PEL 94 in the report period.

# **Compliance Issues**

Pursuant to Regulations 33(3)(b) & (c) An annual report must include-

"a report for the year on compliance with the Act, these regulations, the licence and any relevant statement of environmental objectives;" and

"a statement concerning any action to rectify non compliance with obligations imposed by the Act, these regulations or the licence, and to minimise the likelihood of recurrence of any such non-compliances."

There were no instances of non-compliance with the Act, the Petroleum and Geothermal Energy Regulations 2013 (Regulations) or Licence Conditions during this reporting period.

As no on-ground activities were undertaken during the annual reporting period, there were no instances of non-compliance with the SEO.

# **Management System Audits**

Pursuant to Regulation 33(3)(d) An annual report must include-

"a summary of any management system audits undertaken during the relevant licence year including information on any failure or deficiency identified by the audit and any corrective actions that has, or will be taken".

No management system audits were undertaken during the reporting period specific to PEL 94.

# **Report and Data submissions**

Pursuant to Regulation 33(3)(e)(i) An annual report must include-

"a list of all reports and data relevant to the operation of the Act generated by the licensee during the licence year".

Annual Report (Regulation 33)				
Report / Data	Date Due	Date Submitted	Compliant	
PEL 94 Annual Report	4 January 2015	24 December 2014	Yes	
Year 2, Term 3	4 January 2015	24 December 2014	res	

#### **Incidents**

Pursuant to Regulation 33(3)(f) An annual report must include-

"In relation to any incidents reported to the Minister under the Act and these Regulations during the relevant licence year –

- (i) an overall assessment and analysis of the incidents, including the identification and analysis of any trends that have emerged; and
- (ii) An overall assessment of the effectiveness of any action taken to rectify non-compliance with obligations imposed by the Act, these regulations or the licence, or to minimise the risk of recurrence of any such non-compliance".

There were no serious incidents during the reporting period within PEL 94. A serious incident is defined in section 85(1) of the Act.

There were no reportable incidents during the reporting period within PEL 94. A reportable incident is defined in section 85(1) and Regulation 32 of the Act.

#### **Threat Prevention**

Pursuant to Regulation 33(3)(g) An annual report must include-

"a report on any reasonably foreseeable threats (other than threats previously reported on) that reasonably present, or may present, a hazard to facilities or activities under the licence, and a report on any corrective action that has, or will be taken".

No threats were identified or present.

### **Future Work Program**

Pursuant to Regulation 33(3)(h) and (j) An annual report must include-

"unless the relevant licence year is the last year in which the licence is to remain in force – a statement outlining operations proposed for the ensuing year".

The PEL 94 Joint Venture plans to undertake Workover and Extended Production Testing of the Patchawarra deep coals in the Davenport-1 ST1 well.

Geological and Geophysical Studies will be undertaken.

### **Expenditure Statement**

Pursuant to Regulation 33(4)

"An annual report must be accompanied by a statement of expenditure on regulated activities conducted under the licence for the relevant licence year."

Please refer to Appendix 1 for the expenditure statement for Year 3.