AUSTRALIA’S LNG CAPABILITY

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Reliable and Stable

- Australia has exported LNG since 1989
- Over 1500 cargoes to Japan
- Utmost reliability
- Politically stable
- Track record in building large resource projects
- Similar business culture
Abundant Gas Resources

- Reserves approaching 200 Tcf and growing
- Australia’s natural gas consumption is around 1 Tcf per annum
- Most of Australia’s gas is in large fields off the north and west coasts of Australia
- The Australian market is too small to justify the development of these fields solely for domestic use
- These fields are not likely to be developed except as LNG projects or combined LNG/GTL/domestic gas
- Domestic demand is in the south and east and is mostly supplied by closer fields
North West Shelf

- LNG production 7.7mtpa
- >21 Tcf proven + probable gas reserves
- >9 Tcf uncommitted, more upside yet
- Train 4 (4.2mtpa) under construction, start up mid 2004

Bayu Undan

- LNG plant under construction in Darwin
- Operator - Conoco Phillips
- 3mtpa LNG from 2006
- Sales contracts with Japan
LNG projects under consideration

• North West Shelf Train 5
• Gorgon (operator: ChevronTexaco)
• Sunrise (operator: Woodside)
• Browse Gas (operator: Woodside)
• Scarborough (operator: BHP Billiton)
• Many other undeveloped gas resources
Gorgon Project

Greater Gorgon Area
~50 Tcf

Gorgon Field

Subsea tie-back to Barrow Island

Gas Processing Facility on Barrow Island

Gas connection to mainland

Dampier

0 50 kilometres

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Gorgon Project Status

• Legislation to facilitate project passed by the Western Australian State Government (Nov 14 2003)
• Front End Engineering & Design (FEED) decision scheduled for early 2004
• Final Investment Decision (FID) scheduled for mid-2005
• First LNG 2008
Gorgon Value Proposition

- Australia offers low sovereign risk
- Three extremely credible participants
  - Resources, technology, capital and management expertise
- Very large resource base (~50 Tcf in Greater Gorgon)
- Technically robust and competitive development concept
- Comprehensive Greenhouse gas management
  - Sequestration of reservoir CO₂
- Scope, scale and schedule matched to US needs
Greater Sunrise

- Scope for Recovery of 7.7 Tcf dry gas and 299 MMbbl condensate
- Sufficient Gas for >5.3 mtpa LNG development
- Development options being considered are offshore Floating LNG (FLNG) and onshore LNG
- Strong Joint Venture Participants (Woodside, ConocoPhillips, Shell and Osaka Gas)
Browse Basin Gas - A Strategic LNG Supply Source

- 20.49 Tcf dry gas
- 311 MMbbl condensate
- Development alternatives include onshore LNG, floating LNG and pipeline gas
- Sufficient gas to support at least a 10 mtpa LNG development
- Start up in 2010 is feasible
- Strong Joint Venture Participants (Woodside, BP, Shell, ChevronTexaco & BHP Billiton)
Cabrillo Port LNG Import Project

- BHP Billiton is proposing a floating LNG import terminal to be located offshore Southern California in Ventura County.
- The proposed offshore location provides minimal environmental and land-use impact.
- BHPB intends to supply the project with LNG sourced from West Australian gas resources.

Scarborough Gas Resource

- Gas discovered 1979; 3D seismic will be undertaken Q1, 2004.
- Scarborough gas is very highly suited to Californian pipeline gas specifications.
- P50 reserves of Scarborough - 8 tcf - significant potential for more.
- BHP Billiton assessing standalone LNG development options and supply to NWS project venture as part of potential NWS expansion.
Conclusion

- Australia has large undeveloped gas resources
- Australia has a track record as a reliable and stable LNG producer
- Australia is a competitive supplier of LNG
  - Australia won the fiercely contested Guangdong contract
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