







Half Year Update 26 February 2021



Central Petroleum Limited (ASX:CTP)



Half Year Highlights

Quality assets have sustained Central through the turbulence of 2020

Steady underlying sales

 Core assets provide positive cash flows despite difficult market conditions

Stronger cash position

 \$38.5M cash balance to fund Mereenie production capacity increase and Range CSG pilot

New gas supply agreement

• Pre-sold 3.5 PJ of gas for delivery in 2022 / 2023

Debt facility extended

Debt facility extended to September 2022

Range CSG Project restarted

Pilot to be drilled by mid-year

Amadeus to Moomba Gas Pipeline

MOU to become a foundation customer



Half Year Results

Solid performance – poised for growth

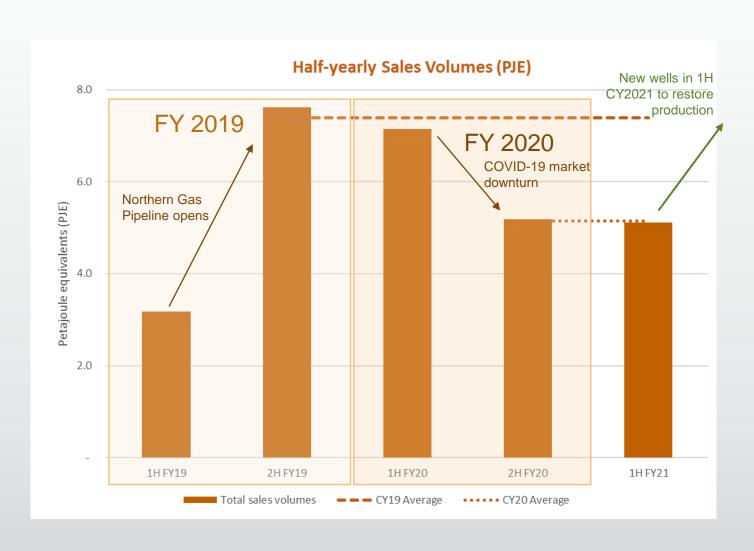
Sales volume	5.11 PJE	 Steady v 5.19 PJE in June 2020 half Down 28% on December 2019
Revenues	\$28.9M	Down 1% from \$29.3M in June 2020 half19% lower than December 2019
EBITDAX	\$12.9M	 Up 51% on June 2020 half¹ Down 25% on December 2019 Cost containment
Net profit	\$2.5M	Up from \$2.2M in June 2020 halfDown from \$3.2M in December 2019
Cash Net Debt	\$38.5M \$31.1M	 Up \$12.6M from June 2020 Includes proceeds from new pre-sale agreement

¹ June 2020 half year EBITDAX of \$16.2M less \$7.7M gain arising from the settlement of the transfer of a 50% interest in the Range Gas Project



Stable Production – capacity boost planned

- CY2019 sales volumes hit a record average of 7.4 PJE / HY
- COVID and market downturn impacts visible from 2H FY2020
- Anticipate a return to high CY2019 gas sales volumes, driven by:
 - Recovery in the domestic gas market – now producing close to capacity
 - Investment in new Mereenie wells to restore field capacity in 1H CY2021
 - 2 x new production wells
 - 4 x recompletions





Solid 1H FY21 Results

Key metric	1H FY21 \$M	2H FY20 \$M	1H FY20 \$M
EBITDAX ¹	12.9	16.2	17.2
Underlying EBITDAX ²	12.9	8.5	16.4
EBITDA ³	11.5	12.0	16.1
EBIT ⁴	5.0	5.0	6.7
Profit after tax	2.5	2.2	3.2
Net cash flow from operations ⁵	17.6	7.4	8.3

- 1. EBITDAX: Earnings before interest, tax, depreciation, amortisation, impairment and exploration
- 2. Underlying EBITDAX: Excludes gain on disposal of assets and exploration permits
- 3. EBITDA: Earnings before interest, tax, depreciation, amortisation and impairment
- 4. EBIT: Earnings before interest and tax
- Cashflow from operations includes cash outflows associated with exploration activities and interest.

Sales prices

\$5.66 / GJE

\$5.27 in FY20

➤ Markets are recovering

Operating costs

\$2.78 / GJE

\$2.70 in FY20

Impacted by lower volumes vs fixed costs

Finance costs

\$2.5M

\$3.6M in 1H FY20 \$2.8M in 2H FY20

Depreciation

\$1.27 / GJE

\$1.32 in FY20

Exploration

\$1.4M

\$1.1M in 1H FY20 \$4.2M in 2H FY20

Range pilot expenditure expected in 2H FY21

Corporate costs

\$1.8M

\$2.4M in 1H FY20 \$6.7M in 2H FY20

Cost-reduction initiatives



2021 Outlook

We are in a strong position to move forward with several important growth projects in 2021

Increasing production capacity

• Two new production wells and four re-completions to increase Mereenie production capacity by mid-year

Range pilot

 Three pilot wells to be drilled at the Range CSG Project by mid-year

2021 Exploration program

 Up to four new wells planned for Amadeus Basin in 2H CY2021

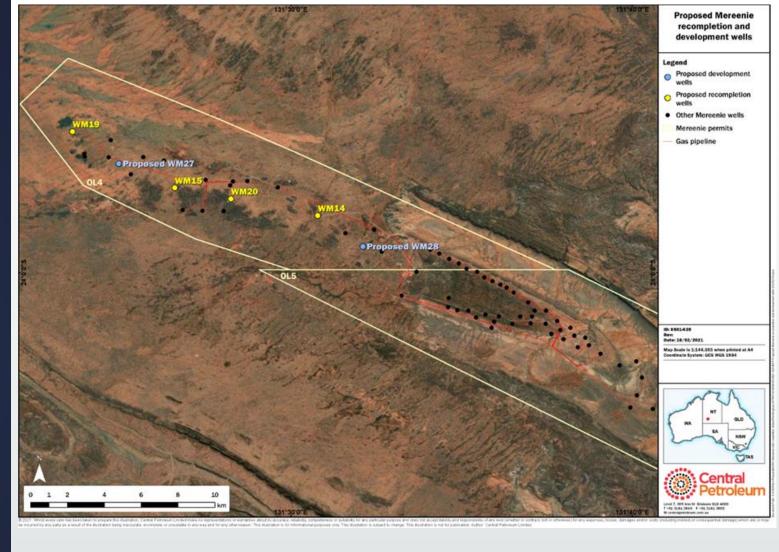
Longer-term exploration

Larger sub-salt plays: Zevon seismic; Dukas

Increasing production capacity

Targeting Mereenie capacity of 45 TJ/day

- Recompletion of four existing wells
- Two new production wells
 - Targeting Pacoota-3 zone at crestal locations
- Commencing in March / April

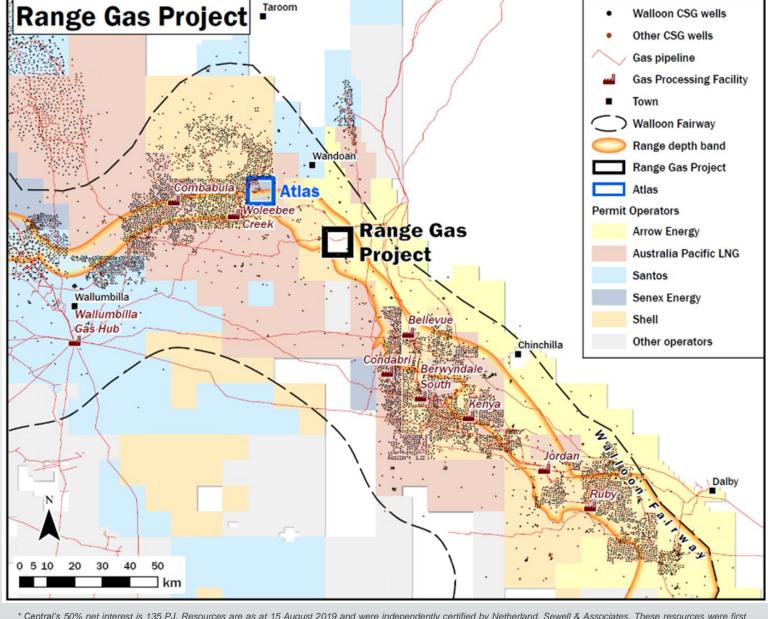


- Targeting return of Mereenie production to 45 TJ/d (currently 32 TJ/d)
- Wells expected to produce at least an additional 40 PJ of gas over their lifetime (20 PJ net to Central)

Range Coal Seam Gas Project

The Range CSG area contains 135 PJ of 2C Contingent Gas Resource (net to Central)

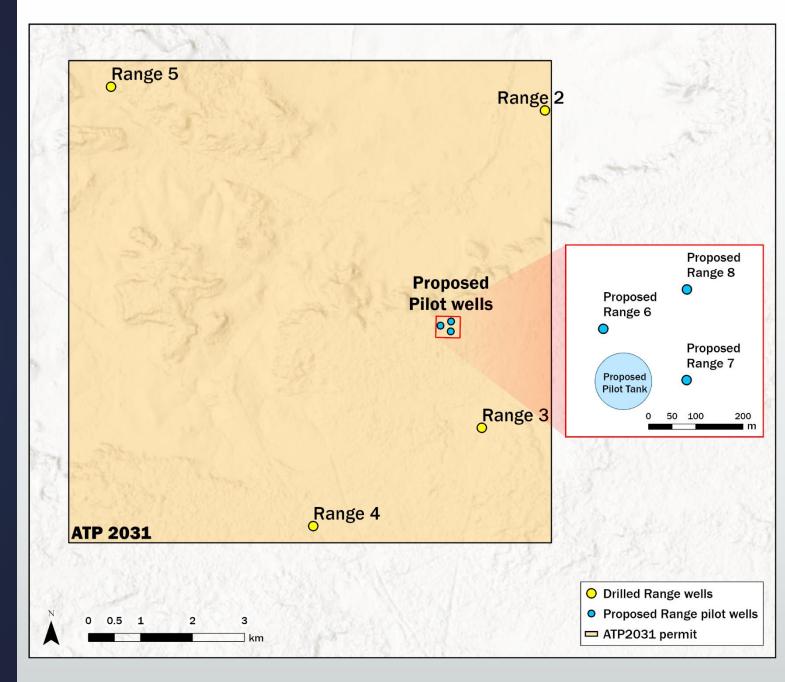
- Joint venture with Incitec Pivot (50% interest)
- Surrounded by major CSG developments and infrastructure
- Potential to almost double Central's 2P reserves base and annual sales volumes
- Potential production rates of up to 48 TJ/d (gross JV)
- 3-well pilot to be drilled in 1H CY2021
- Aiming to supply to east coast market's forecast supply shortage by 2024
- Close to Federal Government's proposed Wallumbilla Gas Supply Hub



^{*} Central's 50% net interest is 135 PJ. Resources are as at 15 August 2019 and were independently certified by Netherland, Sewell & Associates. These resources were first reported to the market on 20 August 2019. PJs rounded to nearest full PJ. Central Petroleum Limited is not aware of any new information or data that materially affects the information included in this presentation and that all the material assumptions and technical parameters underpinning the estimates in the relevant market announcement continue to apply and have not materially changed.

Range Pilot

- Three wells to be drilled at 200m spacing
- Expected to spud in April 2021
- To test production from all three Walloon coal sections: Upper Juandah, Lower Juandah and Taroom coals
- To produce water to a tank and gas (flared) for three to six months





2021 Exploration Program

Our most significant exploration program for years has the potential to unlock major new resources in the Amadeus Basin.

Multi-well exploration program

• Up to four new wells

Could more than double Central's oil and gas reserves

 Targeting lower risk 593 PJ of gas and 29 mmbl of oil

Preparations are well advanced

- Well designs and permitting are advanced
- Long lead items ordered

Targeting drilling in Q3 CY2021

Subject to the farm-out process currently underway

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The Next Growth Phase: Exploration Activity in 2021/2022

Targeting lower risk 593 PJ of gas and 29 mmbl of oil

(subject to funding from farm-out process targeting execution in Q1 CY2021)

- Palm Valley Deep (target 123 PJ)

 Testing deeper reservoir (proven at Dingo) in existing field
- Dingo Deep (target 69 PJ)

 Testing deeper reservoir in existing field (gas shows in formation at Ooraminna)
- Orange-3 (target 401 PJ)

 Targeting gas at the shallow Arumbera level (productive zone at Dingo) plus additional targets in deeper sections
- Mamlambo (target 29 mmbl oil)

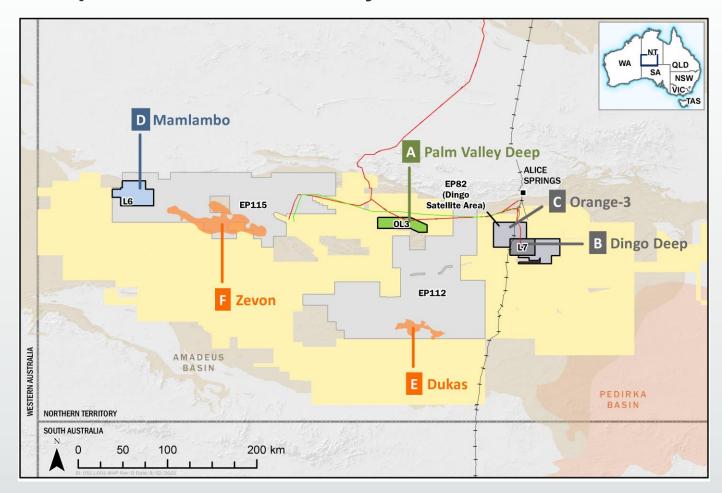
 Large structure currently defined on an existing seismic grid only 8km from the Surprise oil field.

PLUS further multi-Tcf targets

- Dukas (target multi-tcf)

 Targeting the pre-salt Heavitree Formation. A success will open a major new major gas play within the Amadeus Basin.
- Zevon (potential target multi-tcf)

 Targeting the same pre-salt reservoir system as Dukas.



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Other opportunities update

Farm-down of producing assets

- Preferred bidder is conducting final due diligence
- Targeting execution this quarter

Dukas

- Awaiting drilling proposal from operator (Santos)
- Will shift sub-salt focus to the Zevon lead

Amadeus to Moomba Gas Pipeline

- Seeking third party producers for foundation volumes
- Successful exploration program will be catalyst for pipeline FID



Positioned for a Busy 2021

Planned 2021 drilling reflects up to 43% of Central's total drilling to date

Mereenie

- > 2 new production wells
 - To deliver in excess of 20 PJ* over lifetime
 - Targeting increase of Mereenie production towards 45 TJ/d

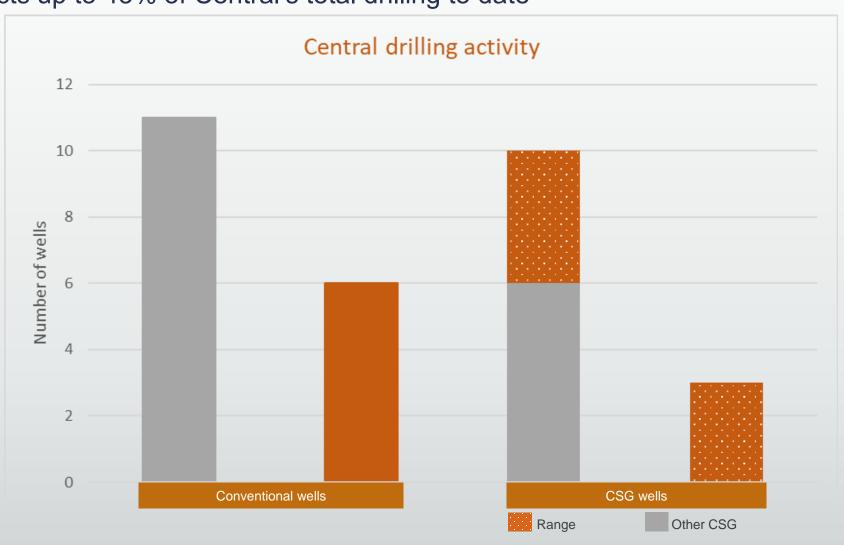
Range

- > 3 well CSG appraisal pilot
 - > Targeting FID for 135 PJ*1 of gas

Amadeus exploration

- Up to four new exploration wells
 - ➤ Targeting 593 PJ¹ of gas and 29 mmbbl¹ of oil.

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^{*} Net to Central



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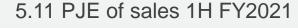
Central is the largest on-shore gas producer in the Northern Territory



Brisbane head office / NT Operations



92 employees





\$28.9M sales revenue 1H FY2021

\$5.4M maiden profit after tax in FY2020



\$100M market cap

Reserves ¹	Unit	1P	2P	2C
Gas	PJ	123	155	240
Oil	MMBBL	0.77	0.97	0.1

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- 2. As at 31 December 2020: Net debt = borrowings \$68.8M + leases \$0.9M less cash and cash equivalents \$38.5M
- 3. Equity = Market capitalisation at 25 February 2021
- 4. Peer group of 14 companies

Relative share price performance - 12 Months



Shareholders: 7,391 Total shares: 723,442,389

77%



Appendix: Reserves and Resources information

Prospective Resources – Amadeus exploration targets

Lead / Prospect	Target formation	Depth (mMD)	Permit	Permit Interest	Low Estimate P90 Recoverable (PJ)	Best Estimate P50 Recoverable (PJ)	High Estimate P10 Recoverable (PJ)	Mean Recoverable (PJ)
Dingo Deep	Pioneer	3500	L7	100%	5	17	55	26
	Areyonga	3600	L7	100%	10	32	88	43
Orange-3	Arumbera	2700	EP82(DSA)	100%	14	49	148	71
	Pioneer	3400	EP82(DSA)	100%	15	67	233	107
	Areyonga	3700	EP82(DSA)	100%	49	168	456	223
Palm Valley Deep	Arumbera	3600	OL3	100%	16	75	280	123
Aggregate Gas						408		593

Oil prospects					(mmbbl)	(mmbbl)	(mmbbl)	(mmbbl)
Mamlambo	Pacoota	1500	L6	100%	7	24	60	29

Resources Estimates

The volumes of Prospective Resources included in this presentation represent the unrisked recoverable volumes derived from Monte Carlo probabilistic volumetric analysis for each prospect as first reported to ASX on 11 October 2019 for Mamlambo and 7 August 2020 for Dingo, Orange and Palm Valley.

Inputs required for these analyses have been derived from offset wells and fields relevant to each play and field. Recovery factors used have been derived from analogous field production data.

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Reserves and contingent resources

Reserves and contingent resources for the Mereenie, Palm Valley and Dingo fields in this report are as at 30 June 2020 and were first reported to ASX on 24 July 2020.

2C contingent resources for the Range Gas Project were first reported to the market on 20 August 2019.

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