

## SHAREHOLDER UPDATE

### **FIRST OIL SEEP IDENTIFIED IN TORRES BASIN**

Larus Energy has confirmed a seep discovered near a village called Imila in SE Papua New Guinea is crude oil. The seep is located adjacent to PPL579.

The oil seep first came to Larus Energy's attention in August 2016 via a landowners report. The seep has a very low flow rate and takes about a week to collect approximately 50 ml of oil. Preliminary analysis of three samples collected to date has been completed with the results confirming a light crude oil. This is the first documented case of oil from the Torres Basin region and indicates that a working petroleum system currently exists. The Torres Basin is a frontier basin with no deep drill holes within it. The occurrence of a petroleum system in the region has been speculative up until this seep analysis.

The four pillars of oil and gas exploration are; source rock, reservoir rock, sealing rock and trap. With the presence of a source rock now confirmed by this sample, the overall risk of oil and gas exploration in PPL579 has been significantly reduced.

Sampling of the oil seep for further studies continues. The initial results indicate the seep oil resembles the Papuan Basin oils. With a larger sample, other techniques such as gas chromatography-mass spectrometry and carbon isotope analysis can be undertaken to determine the original environment of deposition, the thermal maturity, the oil and gas generation potential of the source rock and allow inference on the phase of hydrocarbons that should be trapped at a given pressure and temperature.

The discovery of this oil seep is a significant breakthrough in the validation of the Torres Basin as a new hydrocarbon province in southeast PNG.

### **NEW BOARD APPOINTMENT**

The Company would like to announce the appointment of Jon Adgemis as a Director.

Jon is a Partner at KPMG with over 16 years experience specialising in Mergers and Acquisitions across a range of sectors. He is currently National Head of Mergers and

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Acquisitions division, which is a global market leader in advising clients in the mid market deal space.

Jon's experience and skill set is seen as a huge value-add to the board as it looks to farm-out PPL579. He is a shareholder of Larus Energy and is strongly committed to the board's vision of realising the best possible outcome for the company.

### **AGM**

The board would also like to confirm that the Company's Annual General Meeting (AGM) is set for 2pm Thursday, August 3rd 2017 at the Sydney offices of Norton Rose Fulbright.

The 'Annual Report' has been posted to our website and a 'Notice of Meeting' has been sent to all shareholders.

For all shareholder queries, please contact:

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