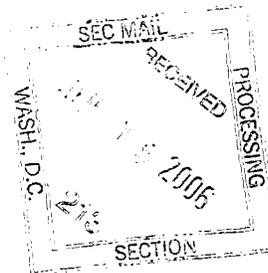




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12 July 2006

Securities and Exchange Commission  
Division of Corporation Finance  
Office of International Corporate Finance  
450 Fifth Street, N.W.  
Washington, D.C. 20549  
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

Dear Sir/Madam

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**ISSUER: ORIGIN ENERGY LIMITED**  
**FILE NO: 082-34934**

In accordance with the exemption issued pursuant to Rule 12g3-2(b) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, please find enclosed copies of all documents made public in Australia or furnished to the Company's shareholders for the period 16 June 2006 to 12 July 2006. This includes documents that Origin Energy Limited:

- (1) makes or is required to make public pursuant to the Corporations Law of Australia;
- (2) distributes or is required to distribute to the holders of its securities; and
- (3) files or is required to file with the Australian Stock Exchange ("ASX") or the Australian Securities and Investments Commission ("ASIC").

If you require any further information please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours faithfully

Sue Henry  
Company Secretarial Services Manager

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To	Company Announcements Office	Facsimile	1300 300 021
Company	Australian Stock Exchange Limited	Date	13 June 2006
From	Bill Hundy	Pages	2
Subject	<b>CONTACT ENERGY - SENIOR MANAGEMENT TEAM</b>		

Attached herewith is a copy of an announcement released to the New Zealand Stock Exchange by Contact Energy Limited.

Origin Energy has a 51.36% interest in Contact Energy Limited.

Regards



Bill Hundy  
Company Secretary

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13 June 2006

**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

**CONTACT ENERGY SENIOR MANAGEMENT TEAM**

Contact Energy's chief executive, David Baldwin, today announced changes to the Contact Senior Management Team.

"These changes reflect the depth of talent and experience that Contact Energy will need to bring to bear to meet its shareholders' expectations and the growth challenges and opportunities that lie ahead for the company," Mr Baldwin said.

The Contact Senior Management Team will comprise:

David Thomas, Operations  
Jon Hare, Corporate Development  
Jos Kunnen, Information Management  
Kim Josling, Chief Financial Officer  
Mark Trigg, Trading  
Ross O'Neill, General Counsel  
Sarah Baddeley, Corporate Services  
Tom Young, Retail Operations

Steve Cross, currently General Manager, Trading, will leave Contact Energy on June 30, 2006. He will continue to make a valuable contribution to the company on a consultancy basis.

ends

To	Company Announcements Office	Facsimile	1300 300 021
Company	Australian Stock Exchange Limited	Date	15 June 2006
From	Bill Hundy	Pages	3
Subject	WEEKLY DRILLING REPORT		

Please find attached the Weekly Drilling Report which provides an update on conventional exploration, appraisal and development wells operated by Origin Energy, its subsidiaries and significant non-operated wells.

Regards



Bill Hundy  
Company Secretary

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## ASX Release

15 June 2006

### Origin Energy Weekly Drilling Report

Origin Energy provides the following update on conventional exploration, appraisal and development wells operated by the company and its subsidiaries.

#### Emu Apple 1

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**Well type:** Oil Exploration Well

**Location:** Surat Basin, Queensland (ATP 470P)

Approximately 20 kilometres north west of the Riverslea Oil Field

Latitude: 27° 12' 30.50" S

Longitude: 148° 35' 52.46" E

<b>Initial Interests:</b>	Angari Pty Ltd*	67.50%
	Origin Energy CSG Ltd*	22.50%
	Santos QNT Pty Ltd	10.00%

\*a wholly owned subsidiary of Origin Energy Limited

**Objective:**

Primary target:	Boxvale Sandstone
Secondary targets:	Basal Evergreen Moolayember Formation
Proposed total depth:	1,503 metres (RT)

**Progress and Status:** Commenced drilling on 5 June 2006 with the Century 7 drilling rig. Drilled 216 millimetre (8-1/2 inch) hole to 1,406 metres and conducted Drill Stem Test 1 over the upper Boxvale Sandstone interval 1,396 to 1,406 metres. There was no fluid to surface during the flow period. The recovery consisted of 10.5 barrels of oil (35.5 API) with no water. The well was drilled to total depth of 1,485 metres into the Timbury Hills Formation. A second Drill Stem Test was conducted over the lower Boxvale sandstone interval 1,409 to 1,418 metres and flowed water at a rate of 360 barrels per day.

Emu Apple 1 is a new oil pool discovery. 140 millimetre (5-1/2 inch) casing has been run and the well will be suspended pending completion as a Boxvale Sandstone oil producer.

At 08:00 EST operations at the well were rigging down following rig release at 00:00 hours EST. The rig will now move to drill the Ooline oil exploration well, located within ATP 470P, approximately 8 km east of Emu Apple 1.

Progress for the week was 646 metres.

**For further information contact:**

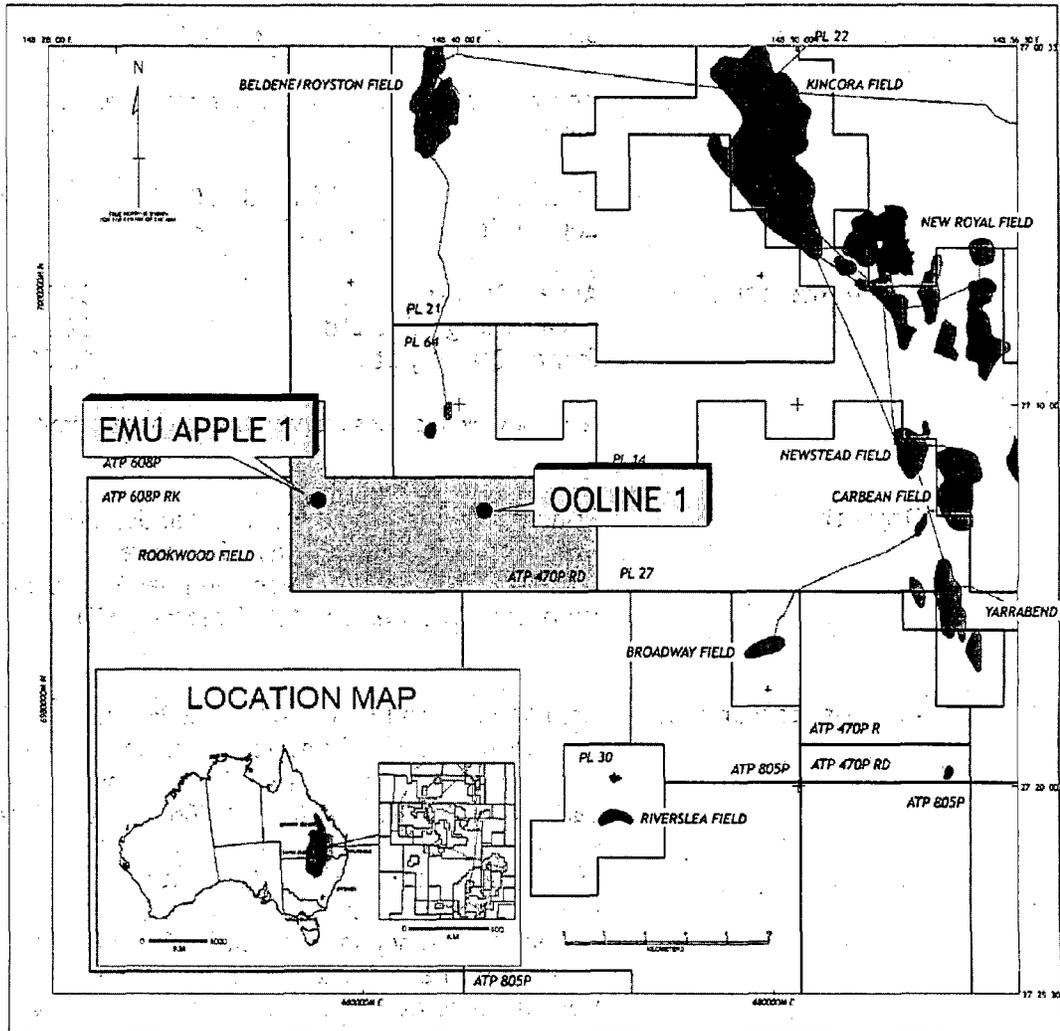
Rob Willink

Executive General Manager Exploration

Origin Energy

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Location of Emu Apple 1 and Ooline 1 within ATP 470P

To	Company Announcements Office	Facsimile	1300 300 021
Company	Australian Stock Exchange Limited	Date	16 June 2006
From	Bill Hundy	Pages	9
Subject	<b>APPENDIX 3B NOTICE</b>		

Please find attached an Appendix 3B regarding the issue of shares under the Origin Energy Senior Executive Option Plan.

Regards



Bill Hundy  
Company Secretary

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Rule 2.7, 3.10.3, 3.10.4, 3.10.5

# Appendix 3B

## New issue announcement, application for quotation of additional securities and agreement

Information or documents not available now must be given to ASX as soon as available. Information and documents given to ASX become ASX's property and may be made public.

Introduced 1/7/96. Origin: Appendix 5. Amended 1/7/98, 1/9/99, 1/7/2000, 30/9/2001, 11/3/2002, 1/1/2003.

Name of entity

ORIGIN ENERGY LIMITED

ABN

30 000 051 696

We (the entity) give ASX the following information.

### Part 1 - All issues

You must complete the relevant sections (attach sheets if there is not enough space).

- |   |  |                            |
|---|--|----------------------------|
| 1 | +Class of +securities issued or to be issued   | Ordinary Fully Paid Shares |
| 2 | Number of +securities issued or to be issued (if known) or maximum number which may be issued  | 20,000                     |
| 3 | Principal terms of the +securities (eg, if options, exercise price and expiry date; if partly paid +securities, the amount outstanding and due dates for payment; if +convertible securities, the conversion price and dates for conversion) | Fully Paid Ordinary Shares |

+ See chapter 19 for defined terms.

**Appendix 3B**  
**New issue announcement**

4 Do the +securities rank equally in all respects from the date of allotment with an existing +class of quoted +securities?

If the additional securities do not rank equally, please state:

- the date from which they do
- the extent to which they participate for the next dividend, (in the case of a trust, distribution) or interest payment
- the extent to which they do not rank equally, other than in relation to the next dividend, distribution or interest payment

**Yes**

5 Issue price or consideration

**\$3.396826**

6 Purpose of the issue  
 (If issued as consideration for the acquisition of assets, clearly identify those assets)

**Issued as a result of the exercise of Options issued pursuant to the rules of the Origin Energy Senior Executive Option Plan.**

7 Dates of entering +securities into uncertificated holdings or despatch of certificates

**14 June 2006**

8 Number and +class of all +securities quoted on ASX (including the securities in clause 2 if applicable)

Number	+Class
<b>794,337,258</b>	<b>Ordinary</b>

+ See chapter 19 for defined terms.

<p>9 Number and <sup>+</sup>class of all <sup>+</sup>securities not quoted on ASX (including the securities in clause 2 if applicable)</p>	<p>Number <b>14,631,000</b></p>	<p><sup>+</sup>Class <b>Options</b></p>
<p>10 Dividend policy (in the case of a trust, distribution policy) on the increased capital (interests)</p>	<p><b>All Shares Participate Equally</b></p>	

**Part 2 - Bonus issue or pro rata issue**

<p>11 Is security holder approval required?</p>	<p>N/A</p>
<p>12 Is the issue renounceable or non-renounceable?</p>	<p>N/A</p>
<p>13 Ratio in which the <sup>+</sup>securities will be offered</p>	<p>N/A</p>
<p>14 <sup>+</sup>Class of <sup>+</sup>securities to which the offer relates</p>	<p>N/A</p>
<p>15 <sup>+</sup>Record date to determine entitlements</p>	<p>N/A</p>
<p>16 Will holdings on different registers (or subregisters) be aggregated for calculating entitlements?</p>	<p>N/A</p>
<p>17 Policy for deciding entitlements in relation to fractions</p>	<p>N/A</p>
<p>18 Names of countries in which the entity has <sup>+</sup>security holders who will not be sent new issue documents</p> <p>Note: Security holders must be told how their entitlements are to be dealt with. Cross reference: rule 7.7.</p>	<p>N/A</p>
<p>19 Closing date for receipt of acceptances or renunciations</p>	<p>N/A</p>

+ See chapter 19 for defined terms.

**Appendix 3B**  
**New issue announcement**

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20	Names of any underwriters	N/A
21	Amount of any underwriting fee or commission	N/A
22	Names of any brokers to the issue	N/A
23	Fee or commission payable to the broker to the issue	N/A
24	Amount of any handling fee payable to brokers who lodge acceptances or renunciations on behalf of +security holders	N/A
25	If the issue is contingent on +security holders' approval, the date of the meeting	N/A
26	Date entitlement and acceptance form and prospectus or Product Disclosure Statement will be sent to persons entitled	N/A
27	If the entity has issued options, and the terms entitle option holders to participate on exercise, the date on which notices will be sent to option holders	N/A
28	Date rights trading will begin (if applicable)	N/A
29	Date rights trading will end (if applicable)	N/A
30	How do +security holders sell their entitlements <i>in full</i> through a broker?	N/A
31	How do +security holders sell <i>part</i> of their entitlements through a broker and accept for the balance?	N/A

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- 32 How do +security holders dispose of their entitlements (except by sale through a broker)? N/A
- 33 +Despatch date N/A

### Part 3 - Quotation of securities

*You need only complete this section if you are applying for quotation of securities*

- 34 Type of securities  
(tick one)
- (a)  Securities described in Part 1
- (b)  All other securities
- Example: restricted securities at the end of the escrowed period, partly paid securities that become fully paid, employee incentive share securities when restriction ends, securities issued on expiry or conversion of convertible securities

#### Entities that have ticked box 34(a)

#### Additional securities forming a new class of securities

*Tick to indicate you are providing the information or documents*

- 35  If the +securities are +equity securities, the names of the 20 largest holders of the additional +securities, and the number and percentage of additional +securities held by those holders
- 36  If the +securities are +equity securities, a distribution schedule of the additional +securities setting out the number of holders in the categories  
1 - 1,000  
1,001 - 5,000  
5,001 - 10,000  
10,001 - 100,000  
100,001 and over
- 37  A copy of any trust deed for the additional +securities

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**Entities that have ticked box 34(b)**

38 Number of securities for which +quotation is sought

39 Class of +securities for which quotation is sought

40 Do the +securities rank equally in all respects from the date of allotment with an existing +class of quoted +securities?

If the additional securities do not rank equally, please state:

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41 Reason for request for quotation now

Example: In the case of restricted securities, end of restriction period

(if issued upon conversion of another security, clearly identify that other security)

42 Number and +class of all +securities quoted on ASX (including the securities in clause 38)	Number	+Class

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## Quotation agreement

1 +Quotation of our additional +securities is in ASX's absolute discretion. ASX may quote the +securities on any conditions it decides.

2 We warrant the following to ASX.

- The issue of the +securities to be quoted complies with the law and is not for an illegal purpose.
- There is no reason why those +securities should not be granted +quotation.
- An offer of the +securities for sale within 12 months after their issue will not require disclosure under section 707(3) or section 1012C(6) of the Corporations Act.

Note: An entity may need to obtain appropriate warranties from subscribers for the securities in order to be able to give this warranty

- Section 724 or section 1016E of the Corporations Act does not apply to any applications received by us in relation to any +securities to be quoted and that no-one has any right to return any +securities to be quoted under sections 737, 738 or 1016F of the Corporations Act at the time that we request that the +securities be quoted.
- We warrant that if confirmation is required under section 1017F of the Corporations Act in relation to the +securities to be quoted, it has been provided at the time that we request that the +securities be quoted.
- If we are a trust, we warrant that no person has the right to return the +securities to be quoted under section 1019B of the Corporations Act at the time that we request that the +securities be quoted.

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- 3 We will indemnify ASX to the fullest extent permitted by law in respect of any claim, action or expense arising from or connected with any breach of the warranties in this agreement.
- 4 We give ASX the information and documents required by this form. If any information or document not available now, will give it to ASX before +quotation of the +securities begins. We acknowledge that ASX is relying on the information and documents. We warrant that they are (will be) true and complete.



Sign here: \_\_\_\_\_  
Company Secretary

Date: 16 June 2006

Print name: William M Hundy

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To	Company Announcements Office	Facsimile	1300 300 021
Company	Australian Stock Exchange Limited	Date	20 June 2006
From	Bill Hundy	Pages	27
Subject	<b>PRESENTATION</b>		

Attached for your information is a presentation to be made by Mr Grant King, Managing Director to the UBS Resources Conference being held in Sydney today.

A copy of the presentation can also be obtained from our website [www.originenergy.com.au](http://www.originenergy.com.au) under the Investor Centre - Presentations section.

Regards



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Company Secretary

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# origin energy

Presentation to UBS Resources Conference

Grant King

Managing Director, Origin Energy

June 2006

Origin's financial objectives and business strategies have been established to respond to changes in the Australian energy industry...

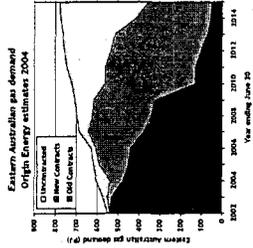
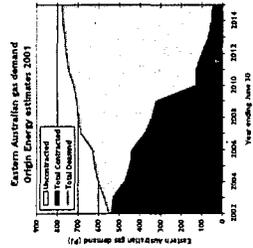
- Financial Objective
  - Steady and predictable cash flows
  - EPS growth of 10-15% on average
- Business Strategy
  - Positioned in the competitive (rather than regulated) segments of the Australian energy industry
  - Integrated across these segments to:
    - Better manage risk through natural hedges
    - Enhance the range of growth opportunities
  - Pursue other opportunities that leverage skills and knowledge

... and while these objectives and strategies are continually reviewed, they are still relevant today



# Origin's strategy has been driven by a view of the supply demand balance for energy in eastern Australia...

Origin's supply / demand analysis for eastern Australia in #2001 showed large uncontracted demand creating perceived shortfall in local supply.....



..... but since 2001 over 4,000 PJ of gas supply contracts<sup>5</sup> from eastern Australian basins have filled this shortfall

# Source: Vindex - for example see AEMU - Gas Market Dynamics - report dated 14 March, 2005.  
5. Origin Demand includes gas used in production and other contracts

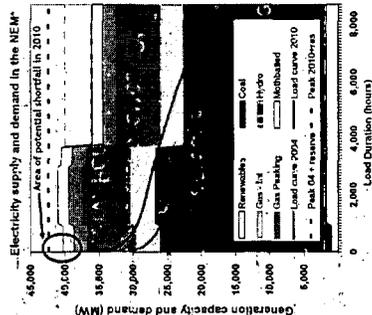


**Electricity:** Generation overhang & low prices to endure. Cover peak, contract from pool, cautious approach to base-load. Develop options to build new plant and backward integrate into fuel

Gas: Demand growth would be lower than estimated and gas more abundant. Origin secured competitive equity gas close to markets to develop incrementally & shortened Retail contracting timeframe

# Origin believes the electricity market remains in a position of oversupply that will last many years.....

- In aggregate the NEM is currently oversupplied. Peak demand is comfortably satisfied with appropriate reserve requirements
- By 2010 the shortfall is only at peak times. Base load and intermediate demand is covered entirely by coal, renewables and non-peak gas
- This shortfall (marked by the oval shape) is best served by peaking plant with low capital cost
- .... as modelled demand increases only require additional peak capacity through to 2010



... and the Company took positions early in the decade which have enhanced its competitive position over time



## Consistent with this strategy Origin has focussed on finding gas close to markets...

1997 1998 1999 2000 2001 2002 2003 2004 2005 2006

### Building Exploration and Production capabilities

<= Legacy position in Cooper, onshore Otway, Bass, Perth, Surat and Bowen Basins  
 Peat CSG acquisition.....Australia's first long term CSG contract signed with BP Bulwer Island  
 Yolla 2 appraisal - Bass Basin

Form study group and secure offshore Otway acreage  
 Origin farm-in to ARC Energy Perth Basin acreage  
 Thylacine and Geographie discoveries, Otway Basin  
 Hovea oil discovery, Perth Basin

### Fairview/Spring Gully acquisition

BassGas Project approved  
 AGL signs major CSG contract (340 PJ)  
 QAL & Incitec Pivot CSG contracts  
 Acquire Kupe interest (NZ)

Otway Gas Project approved

CSG/Cooper Gas Swap

Spring Gully online

Canterbury permits

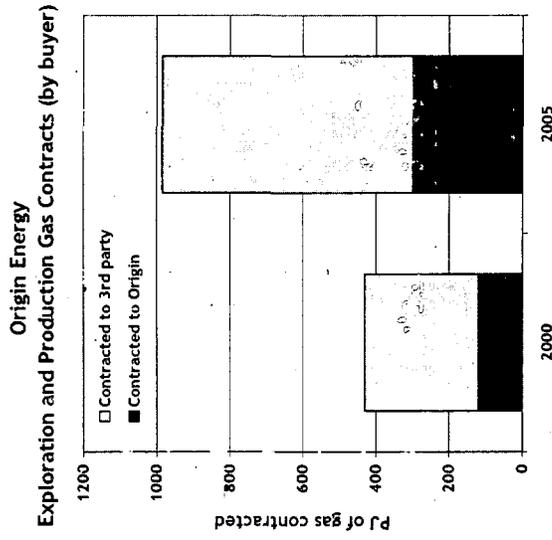
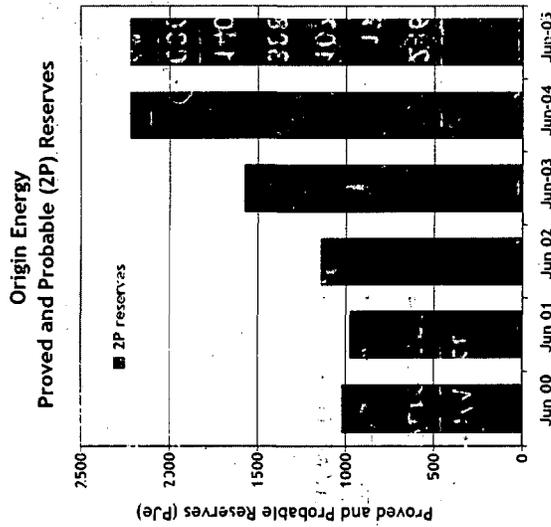
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... pioneering Australian CSG, revitalising exploration in the Otway and Bass, and entering NZ

Origin's strategy of looking for gas where it is easy to market, rather than easy to find, has resulted in significant growth in reserves and new contracts ...



... with significant capital expenditure committed to major projects to convert these reserves into production and earnings growth in the next few years



Origin's 2P reserves are predominantly gas with a reserves to production ratio of over 25 years

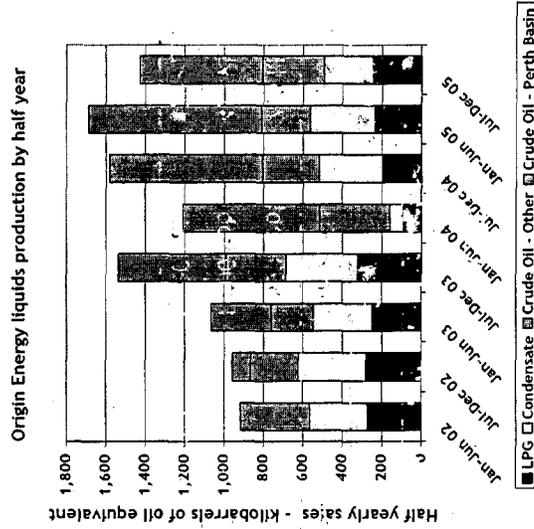
By Basin/Asset	Sales gas & ethane				Crude oil Kbbl	Total PJe
	PJ	LPG Kt	Condensate Kbbl			
Cooper/Eromanga	246	415	3,371	2,499	299	
Western Australia	19	-	35	4,110	43	
Central Queensland	107	76	580	75	114	
Otway/Bass	388	863	8,928	308	481	
Taranaki	140	313	7,352	-	197	
Coal seam gas	1,086	-	-	-	1,086	
2P at 30 June 2005	1,936	1,667	20,266	6,992	2,220	
% of reserves	89%	4%	5%	2%	100%	

This portfolio includes significant CSG as well as liquids-rich gas reserves such as in the Bass, Otway and Taranaki basins which will add long term liquids production



## Origin has benefited from significant production and cash-flows from the Perth Basin oil fields...

- The Perth Basin oil fields Hovea, Jingemia and Eremia, were discovered through 2001 and 2002, commencing production in late 2002
- Origin targeted net peak production of 5,000 barrels of oil per day, and production averaged up to 4,800 BOPD net to Origin during the second half of fiscal year 2004/05
- However barring new discoveries or a substantial extension to the existing fields production will decline from here



... however these oil fields have passed their peak production



The decline in Perth Basin production will be offset by an increase in liquids produced from offshore developments...

**BassGas Project (42.5%)**

**Approximate Annual Production**

	Gross	Origin Net
Gas	Up to 23 PJ	9.8 PJ
LPG	590 kbbl	250 kbbl
Condensate	1,000 kbbl	420 kbbl
<b>Total Liquids</b>	<b>1,590 kbbl</b>	<b>70 kbbl</b>

**Otway Gas Project (30.75%)**

**Approximate Annual Production**

	Gross	Origin Net
Gas	60 PJ	18.5 PJ
LPG	950 kbbl	290 kbbl
Condensate	850 kbbl	260 kbbl
<b>Total Liquids</b>	<b>1,800 kbbl</b>	<b>550 kbbl</b>

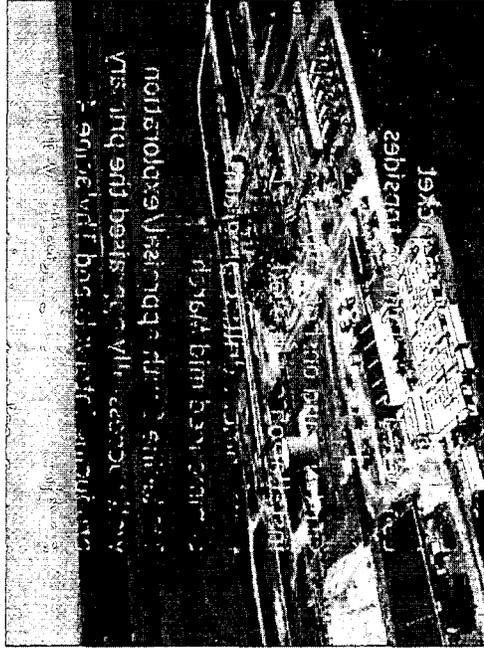
... such as the BassGas and Otway Gas projects which will add long life liquids production of over a million barrels a year of condensate and LPG



Development of the BassGas project is approaching completion with gas now flowing into the market...

**BassGas Project (42.5%)**

- Commissioning and defect rectification work nearing completion.
- Raw gas was re-introduced into the offshore facilities in late April
- Gas introduced into the onshore plant in May - first gas sales recorded
- Liquids sales commenced in June



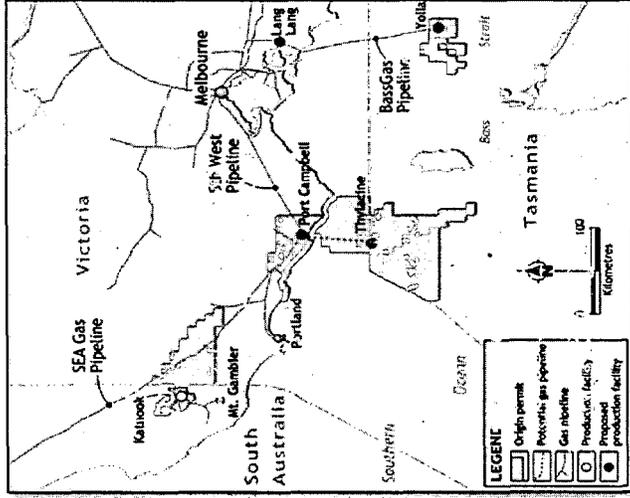
... adding further diversity to Origin Energy's gas supply portfolio



## The Thylacine / Geopraphe development will add critical gas for growing southern markets...

### Otway Gas Project (30.75%)

- Project capital expenditure largely complete
- Installation of platform jacket completed and platform topsides secured
- Offshore and onshore pipeline installation completed.
- Development drilling program commenced mid March
- Thylacine South appraisal/exploration well successfully appraised the primary producing intervals and Thylacine 4 development well successfully drilled
- First gas sales expected in the December quarter 2006

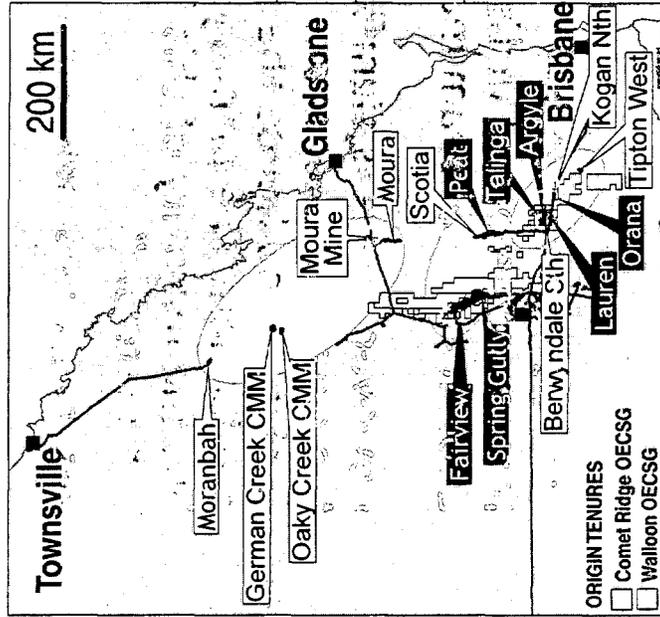


... with Origin to purchase almost 50% of the gas produced

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**Origin Energy entered CSG early and has established a significant position in producing and exploration areas**

- Origin's CSG portfolio covers 26,000 km<sup>2</sup>
- 2P reserves of over 1,000 PJ
- Portfolio of contracts with AGL, QAL, Incitec Pivot and Energex
- Interests in three producing fields including Spring Gully, Fairview and Peat
- Recently acquired a 40% interest in the Argyle field adjacent to Origin's Talinga project



**It is interesting to reflect on the conventional wisdom of only a few years ago**

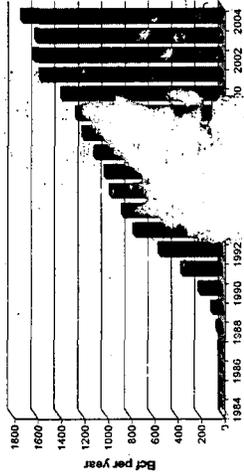
**“In addition to natural gas, there are prospects for the commercial utilisation of Australia’s deposits of coal seam methane ...**

**However, there is significant uncertainty about the extent of coal seam methane reserves in Australia and hence the true potential for future production. The primary resource base is large but the majority of this is currently not commercial.”**

**ABARE, Energy in Australia 2004, Sep 2004**

However Origin believed that with local knowledge and appropriate technology the industry could follow the US...

US Coal Seam Gas Production



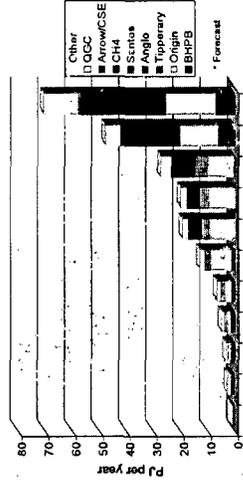
Coal Seam Gas Reserves in Queensland by Company



Industry Statistics in

- Over 1000 PJ of gas designed
- Industry has spent \$2b on production over 5 years
- Will spend \$2b on production over 5 years
- Production expected to reach 10 PJ per year

Coal Seam Gas Production in Queensland by Company

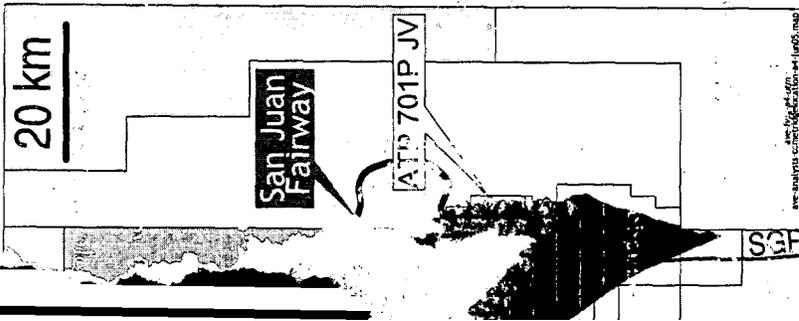


... and has successfully developed into a dynamic and competitive in



## Gully project represents a world

- Acquired interests in Spring Gully / Fairview for \$99M in 2002/03
- Indigenous Land Use Agreement (ILUA) completed and ATP 701P granted in 2003. Four Spring Gully PLs awarded in 2003/04
- Origin has operatorship in Spring Gully and ~97% interest, and 24% interest in Fairview where Santos is operator
- Fairview field has been on production since 1997 with Spring Gully first sales gas commenced in July 2005
- Resource potential includes over 4,000 PJ of 3P reserves

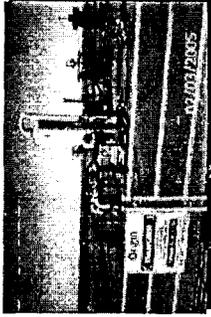


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## Development Area

- At the time of purchase, Spring Gully (then known as Durham Ranch) contained:
  - 3 ATPs
  - 9 wells
  - Reserves of 159 PJ Proved & Probable

- Spring Gully currently contains:
  - 1 ATP, 4 PLs, 1 PPL
  - Gas plant, export pipeline, 70 wells
  - Reserves of 739 PJ Proved & Probable and 1,255 PJ Proved, Probable and Possible
  - Development underpinned by long term contracts
  - Current production of ~35 TJ/d



**Wellhead**

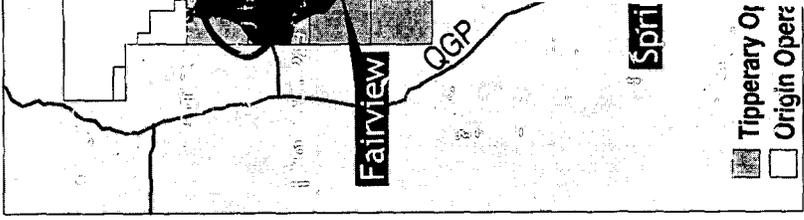
Total of 42 producing wells in phase 1



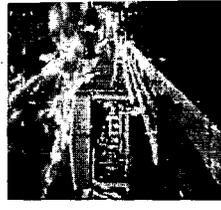
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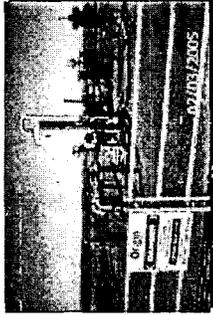
# Spring Gully Development Area



**Gas Plant**  
3x3500 HP compression  
36TJ/d capacity

At the time of purchase, Spring Gully (then known as Durham Ranch) contained:

- 3 ATPs
- 9 wells
- Reserves of 159 PJ Proved & Probable



**Wellhead**  
Total of 42 producing wells in phase 1



**Pipeline**  
89km transmission pipeline  
147km gathering system

Spring Gully currently contains:

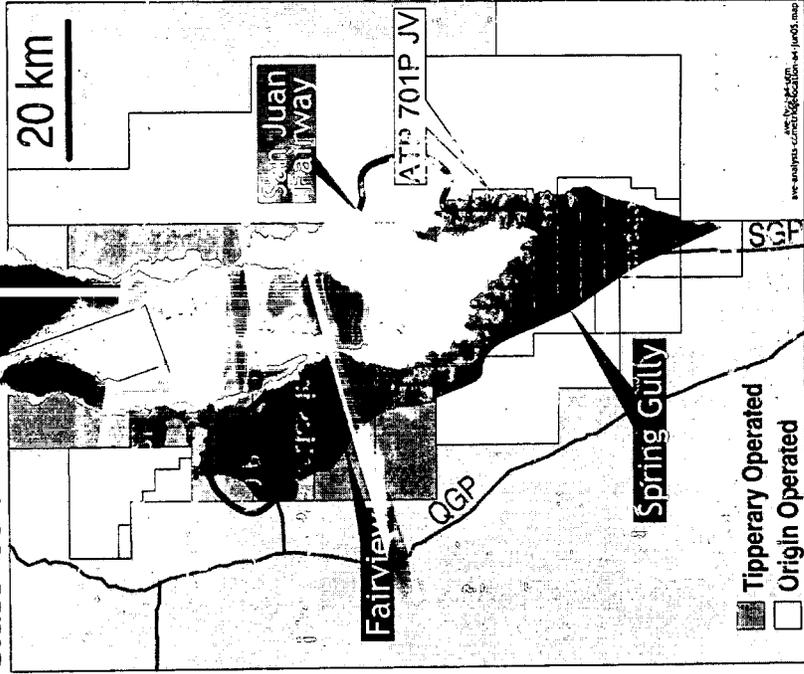
- 1 ATP, 4 PLS, 1 PPL
- Gas plant, export pipeline, 70 wells
- Reserves of 739 PJ Proved & Probable and 1,255 PJ Proved, Probable and Possible
- Development underpinned by long term contracts
- Current production of ~35 TJ/d



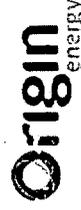
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## The Fairview / Spring Gully project represents a world class CSG development

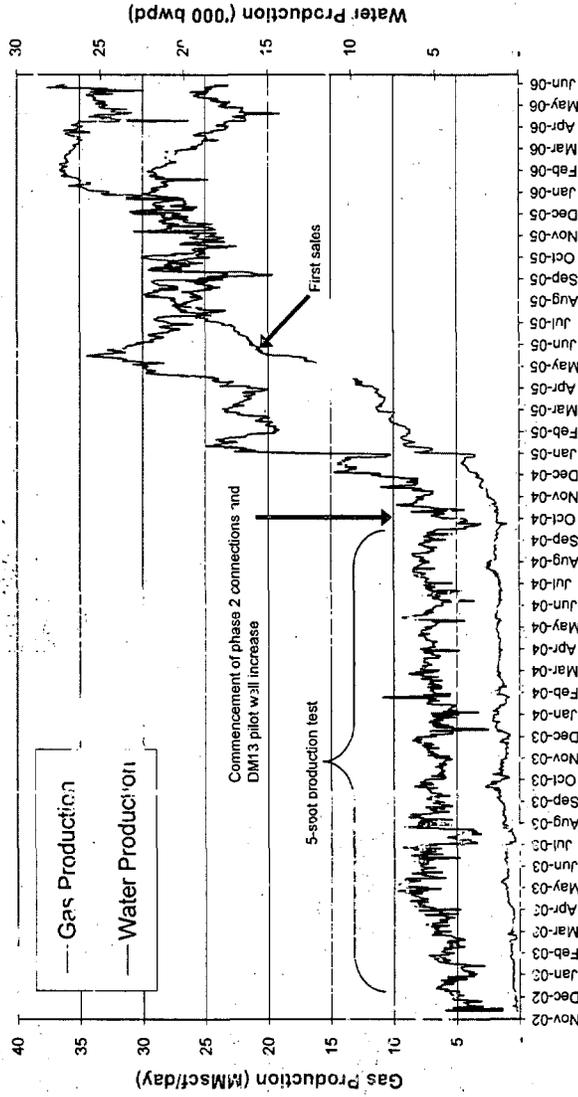


- Acquired interests in Spring Gully / Fairview for \$99M in 2002/03
- Indigenous Land Use Agreement (ILUA) completed and ATP 701P granted in 2003. Four Spring Gully PLs awarded in 2003/04
- Origin has operatorship in Spring Gully and ~97% interest, and 24% interest in Fairview where Santos is operator
- Fairview field has been on production since 1997 with Spring Gully first sales gas commenced in July 2005
- Resource potential includes over 4,000 PJ of 3P reserves

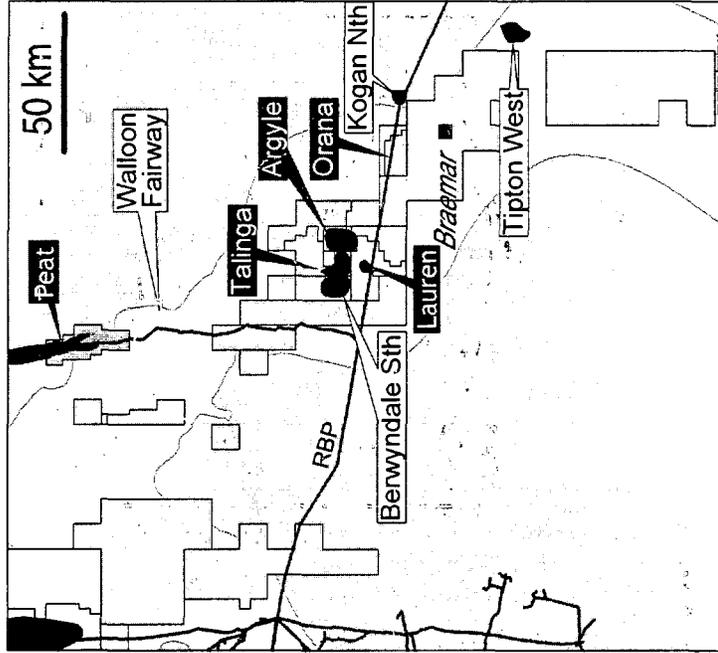


# Spring Gully has performed above expectations with higher gas rates and lower water rates than expected

Spring Gully gas and water production



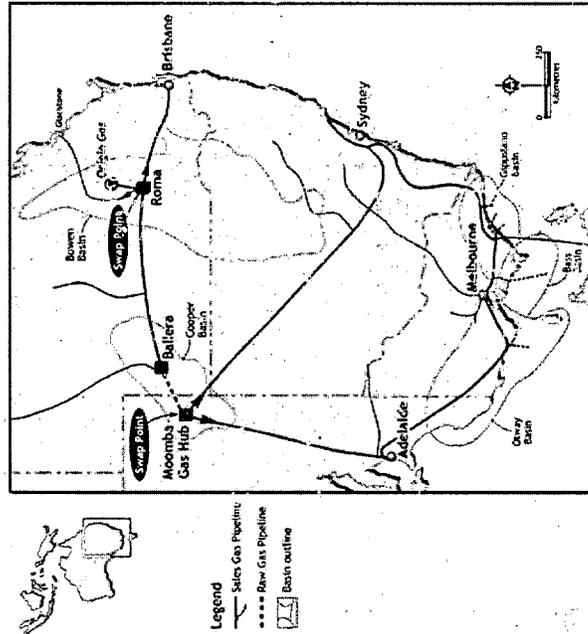
**The Walloon coals in the Surat Basin are the fastest growing exploration play with a potential resource of over 15,000 PJ**



- Queensland Gas Company/  
Origin developing Argyle (67 PJ) to Incitec (7 PJ/a commencing mid-2007) and QGC Berwyndale (70 PJ) for CS Energy at 4 PJ/a commencing mid-2006
- Arrow Energy presently developing Kogan North (83 PJ) to CS Energy Swanbank E at 4 PJ/a commencing in late 2005
- Three other pilot projects in construction/operation including Origin Talinga field
- Origin recently acquired 40% in ATP 620P Argyle with QGC as operator, together with interests in potential projects at Lauren and Orana



## Investment in CSG has added significantly to Origin's growth...



- Initial CSG contracts signed by Origin were backed up by conventional resources and Origin's portfolio of contracts
- Knowledge of market and portfolio of reserves and contracts led to gas being delivered via "Swap" with Cooper Basin producers
- Large booked reserves allows for long term contracting. However, CSG is treated as marginal Origin production, with ability to bring forward liquids rich, lower cost reserves if this adds more value

... and provides development flexibility across the Origin portfolio

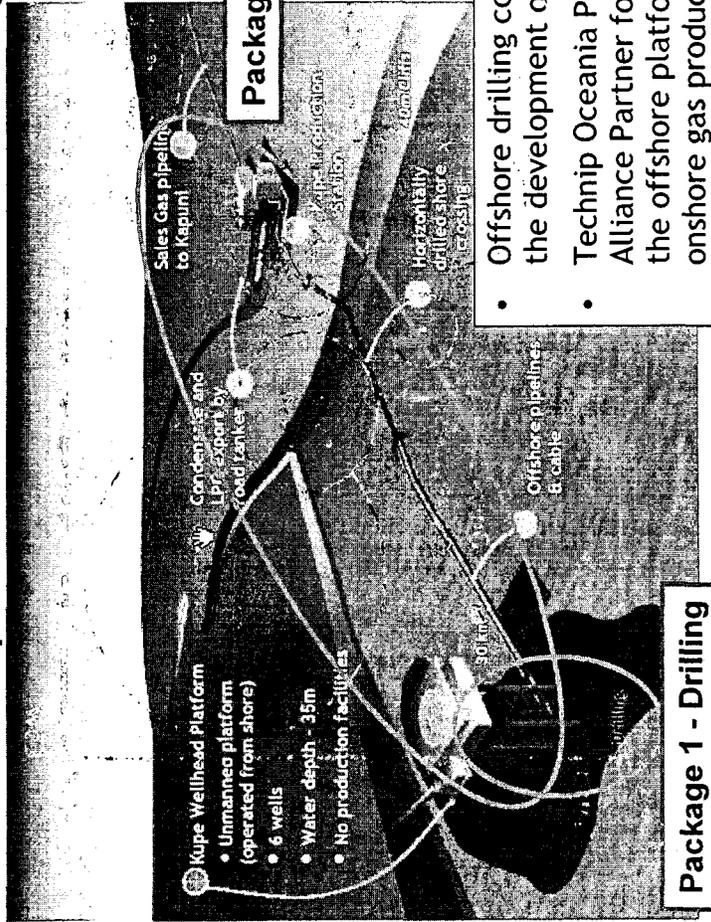


## The proposed Spring Gully power station in Queensland will use Origin CSG in a fully integrated development

- Up to 1,000MW power station likely to be built in two 500MW blocks near gas plant site, sourcing cooling water from main "A" pond
- There are many synergies around the project, including:
  - On 40 DegC days water cooling provides ~5% more MW than air cooling, and is less capital per 500MW
  - Power station would use 14ML/d of cooling water, significantly reducing requirement for evaporation ponds
  - Turbines require gas at 4Mpa pressure versus up to 15Mpa for gas sales into pipelines, saving on gas compression cost per 500MW block
- 18 months full EIS on power station expected to be complete 3Q 2006

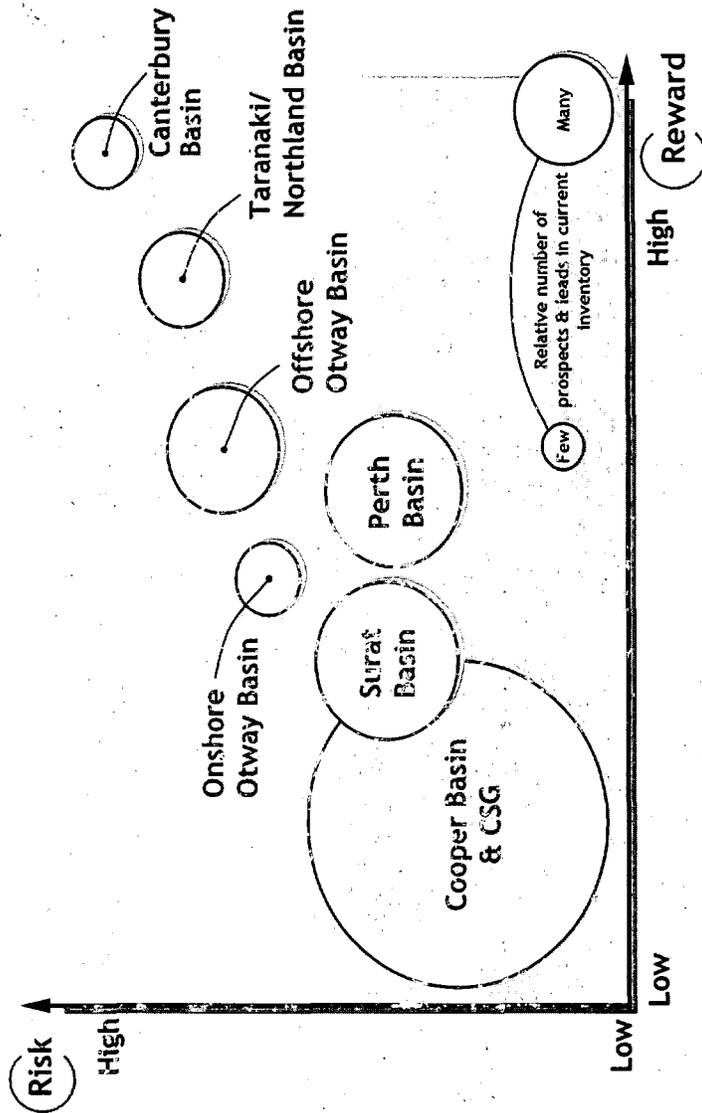


## Development will be by way of a wellhead platform, pipeline and onshore production station under a 2 stage process



- Offshore drilling contract awarded for the development of three wells.
- Technip Oceania Pty Ltd. awarded Alliance Partner for the construction of the offshore platform, pipelines and onshore gas production station
- Final investment decision anticipated by the end of June 2006

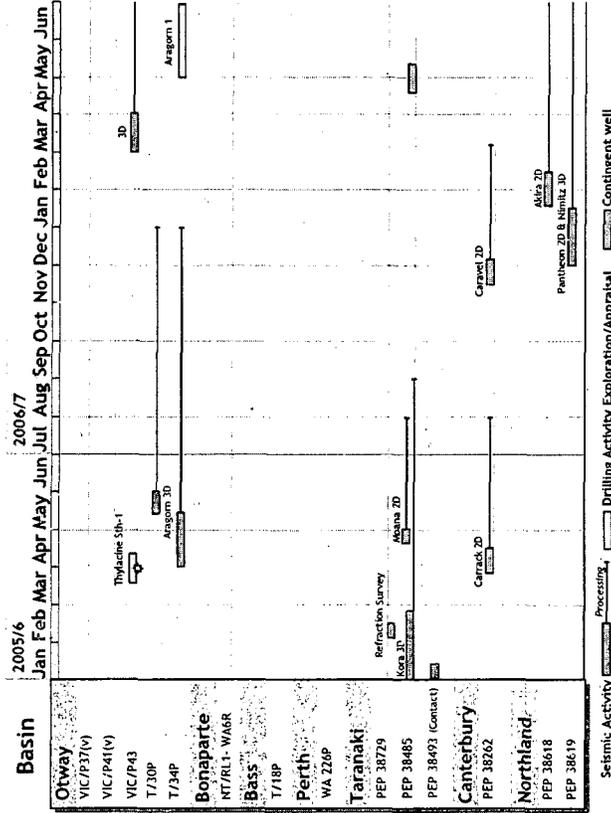
Looking further ahead Origin's development pipeline contains a risk-balanced portfolio of exploration opportunities...



... with many of these opportunities specifically targeting the discovery of gas for domestic markets



Following this strategy an active seismic exploration program is being undertaken in offshore areas with two high impact exploration wells planned in the Otway and Taranaki basins



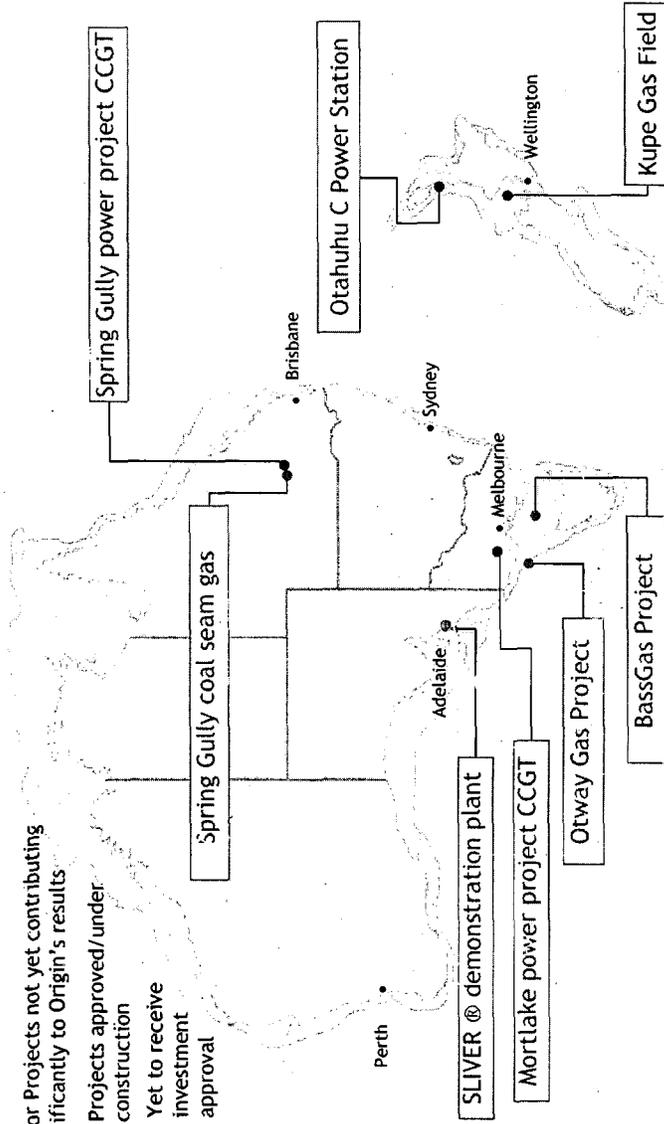
The introduction of successful efforts accounting will result in all unsuccessful exploration being expensed



# Origin continues to concentrate on project development as the main driver for growth of the Company...

Major Projects not yet contributing significantly to Origin's results

- Projects approved/under construction
- Yet to receive investment approval



... while acquisitions can present opportunities provided they meet appropriate criteria



# origin energy

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To	Company Announcements Office	Facsimile	1300 300 021
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From	Bill Hundy	Pages	8
Subject	<b>Kupe Gas Project gets green light to proceed</b>		

Please find attached an announcement regarding the Kupe Gas project.

Regards



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## ASX / Media Release

Thursday, 29 June 2006

### Kupe Gas Project gets green light to proceed

The Joint Venture parties in the Kupe Gas Project in New Zealand today announced that the project will proceed to construction following a final investment commitment made by the Joint Venture.

Origin Energy Resources (Kupe) Ltd ("Origin") as Operator of the Kupe Gas Project, said the final development was expected to be on-line by mid-2009 and will produce around 20 PJ per annum of sales gas - approximately 15% of New Zealand's current annual demand. The project will also produce LPG commencing at 90,000 tonnes per annum and condensate commencing at 1.7 million barrels per annum, declining over the life of the field.

"A tremendous amount of technical, design, consultation and assessment work has been undertaken to get the project to this point. We are delighted now to see the fruition of this work in a decision by the Joint Venturers to proceed," said Origin Managing Director and CEO, Grant King.

That work has included:

- design of a new onshore production station to process gas from offshore;
- extensive community consultation resulting in the obtaining of resource consents for the project;
- project reserves being increased by around 15% to 389 petajoules equivalent (PJe);
- an Alliance project delivery strategy; and
- a renegotiated gas supply contract to accommodate the higher capital costs resulting from the booming oil & gas construction market.

"The high level of associated liquids production means that the project also stands to benefit if the significant increase in oil prices, seen over the last two years to around US\$70 per barrel today, is sustained into the future," Mr King said.

In announcing the project's approval, Origin confirmed an increase in the overall cost of the development to an estimated NZ\$980 million, including appropriate project contingencies.

"We announced in October 2005 that estimated project costs were higher than originally anticipated, as a result of higher commodity prices and the unprecedented level of activity in the oil and gas market around the world. These trends have continued," said Mr King.

"However, the renegotiated gas supply agreement, coupled with higher expected condensate and LPG prices and increased reserves announced last year, have

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assisted in offsetting project cost increases and have provided the Joint Venture with the confidence to proceed.”

“We’ve also taken a progressive approach to the construction management of the project through an Alliance contracting arrangement with the major contractor, Technip. Having one owner/contractor Alliance team managing all the major activities other than drilling will lead to more effective and efficient execution of the project,” Mr King said.

Speaking on behalf of the major customer for Kupe gas, Genesis Energy Chief Executive Murray Jackson said, “The decision to develop Kupe assures Genesis Energy of long term gas supplies for our new e3p power generation project. Both Kupe and e3p are critical assets which will help underpin New Zealand’s energy future and stripping out LPG will preserve New Zealand’s ability to meet the bottled gas market.”

The Kupe Gas Project will comprise:

- An unmanned offshore platform at the Kupe Field supporting up to six wellheads;
- A new onshore production station;
- A shore crossing, bored under the coastline cliffs, connecting the offshore pipelines from the platform to the production station; and
- A network of onshore pipelines.

Construction is expected to commence in Taranaki in September 2006.

Commenting on the Kupe Gas Project Joint Venture parties’ decision to commit to the project, Deputy Prime Minister, the Hon. Dr Michael Cullen said, “Oil and gas have a vital role to play in the future energy mix of New Zealand. The development of the Kupe Gas Project now sees it become an important part of that mix. The importance of gas and projects such as Kupe are recognised by both central and local government,” he said.

Mayor of the South Taranaki District Council, Mary Bourke welcomed the decision. “Today’s decision demonstrates great confidence in the Taranaki oil and gas industry and solidifies Taranaki’s reputation as New Zealand’s Energy Region.”

A media conference will be held today at 12.30pm at *Parliament House* in the theatrette, Wellington, New Zealand.

Present will be Deputy Prime Minister, the Hon. Dr Michael Cullen; Origin Energy Managing Director and CEO Grant King; Origin Energy Executive General Manager, Major Development Projects, Andrew Stock; Kupe Gas Project Director Peter Ashford; Genesis Energy CEO Murray Jackson; Managing Director of New Zealand Oil & Gas, Gordon Ward; and from Mitsui E&P New Zealand General Manager Yasuchika Maruyama; as well as other representatives from each of the Joint Venture companies.

**Participants in the Kupe Joint Venture are:**

Origin Energy through:

- |                                      |                   |
|--------------------------------------|-------------------|
| - Origin Energy Resources (Kupe) Ltd | Operator 32.1875% |
| - Kupe Mining (No 1) Ltd             | 17.8125%          |

Genesis Energy through:

- Kupe Holdings Limited	20%
- GP No 2 Ltd	11%
New Zealand Oil & Gas Limited through:	
- National Petroleum Limited, Nephrite Enterprises Limited and Petroleum Equities Limited	15%
Mitsui E&P New Zealand Limited	4%

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June 2006

## Kupe Gas Project: background information

The Kupe Gas Project will extract gas and light oil from the Kupe field and transfer these products by sub-sea and underground pipeline to an onshore production station.

The field is situated in PML 38146 in the Taranaki Basin, 30 kilometres offshore from the south coast of the Taranaki Peninsula, located on the west-central coast of North Island, New Zealand.

The Kupe field was discovered by New Zealand Oil & Gas Limited (NZOG) in 1986 but has remained uneconomic to develop because of the abundant cheap gas flowing from the Maui field, New Zealand's primary source of gas for the past 25 years. However, with the redetermination of the Maui gas reserves and the rapid increase in domestic gas demand to power electricity generation, the development of the Kupe field is now both economical and important in meeting New Zealand's energy needs.

The Kupe Gas Project will introduce a new and alternative supply of gas, and will contribute to New Zealand's supply for between 15 and 20 years. It will provide the New Zealand gas supply network with 253.5 PJ of natural gas, as well as producing liquefied petroleum gas (LPG) and almost 15 million barrels of light oil (condensate).

The Kupe field was discovered in the Kupe South-1 well, which has the same structural trend as the Kapuni Field. Reserves of oil and gas are reservoired in Paleocene Farewell Formation.

Seven exploration and appraisal wells have been drilled since discovery and the scope for recovery volumes for the Kupe field has been estimated as containing P50 reserves of:

Product	Estimated Recovery	PJ
Sales gas	253.5 PJ	253.5
LPG	1,061,900 tonnes	52.5
Condensate	14.7 million barrels	82
Total (PJ)		389

Whilst raw gas recovery has not changed since reserves were upgraded in April 2005, the production design has been optimised to enable greater LPG recovery and higher fuel gas production, which results in slightly less sales gas energy equivalent. The principle driver of the design changes has been to improve sales product revenues from the field.

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The Kupe development is planned to be on-line by mid-2009 and is expected to produce approximately 20 PJ per annum of sales gas. Condensate and LPG will also be produced, the production figures of which are expected to commence at approximately 1.7 million barrels per annum and 90,000 tonnes per annum respectively, declining over the life of the field.

The Kupe Gas Project is illustrated in Figure 1 (overleaf) and includes:

- an unmanned offshore platform supporting up to six production wells;
- a subsea pipeline to bring unprocessed gas and liquids to shore;
- a series of subsea utility lines to carry chemicals and a power and fibre optic cable to the platform (utility lines);
- a Horizontal Directional Drilled (HDD) shore crossing through which the raw gas pipeline and the utility lines pass;
- a processing plant (production station) located at the southern end of Inaha Road;
- a sales gas pipeline from the production station to the Kapuni Gas Treatment Plant, where sales gas will be injected into the existing NGC transmission network;
- truck loading facilities at the production station and storage tank facility at New Plymouth for condensate export;
- storage of LPG at the production station and truck loading facilities for LPG export to retail customers;
- a dedicated high voltage power supply providing the production station and wellhead platform with reliable power from the Hawera 110/33kV grid exit point.

The Kupe Gas Project is important to Taranaki and New Zealand, as it will:

- improve the security of gas supply in New Zealand, through developing a new source of gas;
- create local jobs and contracting opportunities during the construction period and the term of the project;
- potentially attract regional development and investment opportunities to the Taranaki region;
- increase the reputation of Taranaki as New Zealand's Energy Region - currently the Taranaki Basin is the country's only hydrocarbon producing area and many downstream industries are based on the processing, distribution, use and export of hydrocarbons.

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Figure 1: Kupe Development Schematic

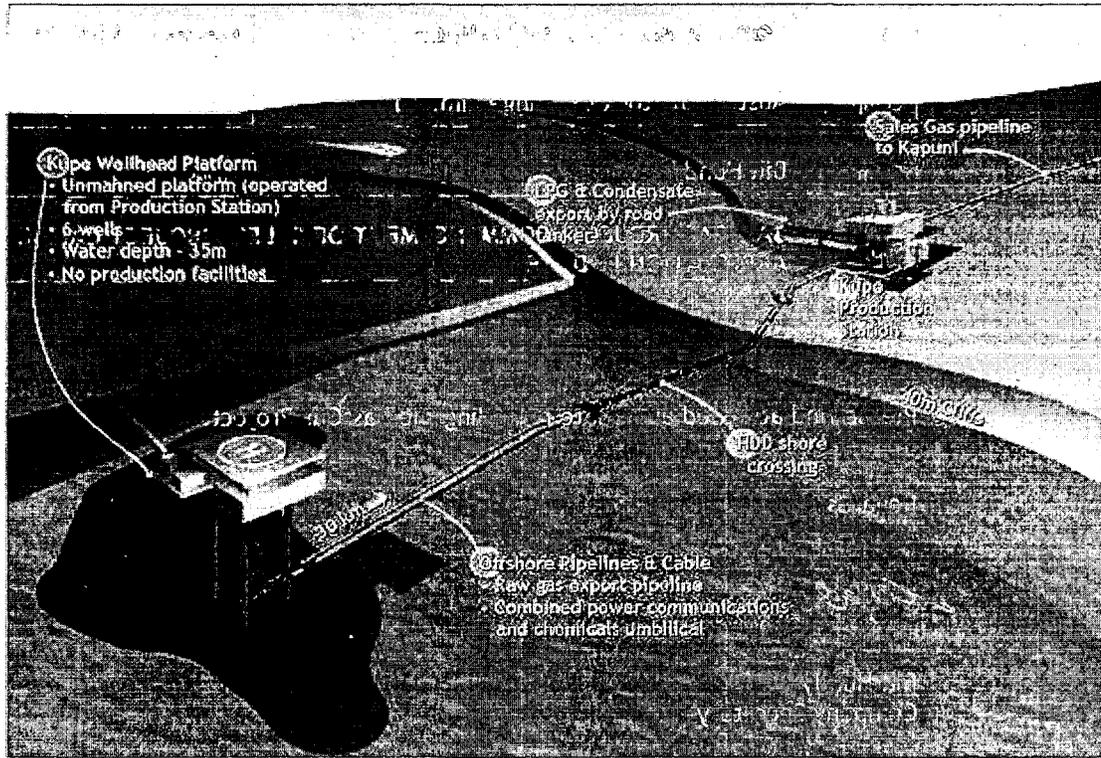
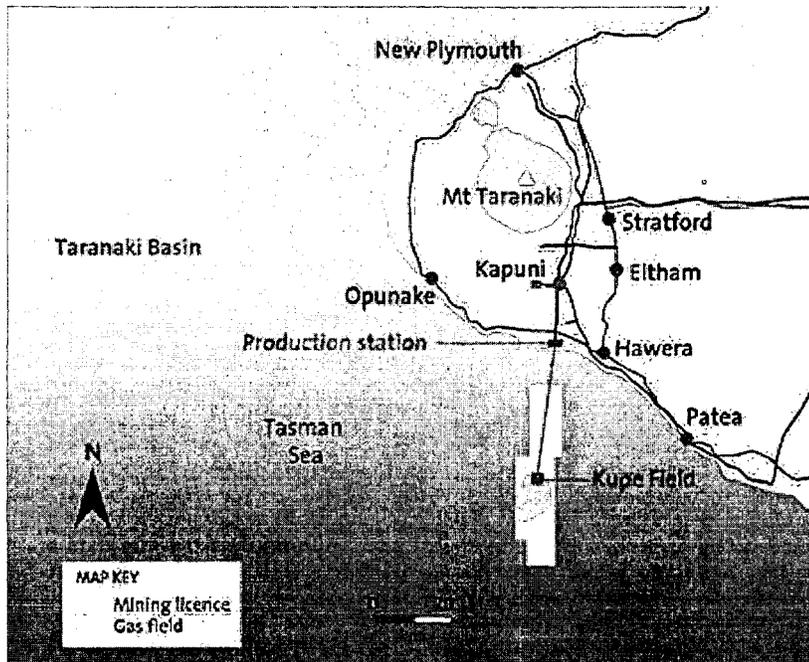


Figure 2: Kupe Gas project area



To	Company Announcements Office	Facsimile	1300 300 021
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From	Bill Hundy	Pages	3
Subject	<b>BASSGAS PROJECT: COMMENCEMENT OF SALES, PROJECT CAPEX, AND ARBITRATION UPDATE</b>		

Please find attached an update regarding the BassGas Project.

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## ASX Release

5 July 2006

### **BassGas Project: Commencement of sales, project capex, and arbitration update**

Origin Energy Resources Limited, as Operator of the BassGas Project, advises that sales of gas and liquids have commenced from the BassGas development and that the majority of the commissioning of the facilities has been completed.

Raw gas from the Yolla A platform in Bass Strait was introduced to the onshore processing plant at Lang Lang, south east of Dandenong in Victoria in early May. Gas from the plant was first exported to the Victorian gas grid in small quantities in mid May, while the sale of liquids commenced in June. The Safe Astoria offshore accommodation vessel which was moored alongside the Yolla A platform to allow critical elements of the offshore remediation work to be finalised was released in late June following the successful completion of that work.

The plant is now being prepared to ramp up production and sales as the final commissioning of the project through to performance testing continues.

Once fully commissioned the BassGas Project is expected to have a capacity of around 23 PJ of sales gas per annum, together with around 1 million barrels of condensate and 70,000 tonnes of LPG per annum. All gas produced is being purchased by Origin Energy Retail Limited to supply markets in south-eastern Australia. All condensate is being exported to the Shell refinery in Geelong, while LPG will be sold to a number of parties.

#### **Project Capital Cost**

The BassGas Project was originally budgeted to cost \$450 million.

At the time of entering into the development project in April 2003 there was uncertainty regarding the level of some impurities in the gas from the Yolla field. The initial design of the plant allowed for modification should later testing of gas from the Yolla field reveal that further treatment was required. Modifications have been required to the plant and this added approximately \$25 million to the Joint Venture's cost of the project.

The original schedule was to reach the Ready for Start Up (RFSU) milestone by 8 June 2004. Clough Engineering, the company responsible for the design, construction and installation of the facilities, claimed to have reached this milestone on 10 November 2004. The Joint Venture disputed this and Origin Energy took over management of the project from Clough Engineering in December 2004. Since that time a rigorous design and defect rectification program has been pursued to bring the BassGas Project to first gas production.

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As a result of issues associated with this extensive rectification program, and the consequent construction effort required, the cost of the project has increased by a further \$275 million to approximately \$750 million. The actual cost of the project to the joint venture will only be determined once arbitration with Clough Engineering is completed.

#### **Arbitration Process with Clough Engineering**

On 15 November 2004 the arbitration commenced pursuant to the Construction Contract between the BassGas Joint Venturers and Clough Engineering. The arbitration is proceeding and the quantum of the claim that has been made by the BassGas Joint Venturers in this arbitration is currently in the order of \$100 million. This is based on delays to start-up and on the defects identified prior to April 2005. The BassGas Joint Venture has retained \$47 million on account of these claims.

The BassGas Project Joint Venture is also pursuing its entitlement in relation to the balance of the cost overrun for the extensive defects discovered after April 2005.

In addition to the return of the moneys retained by the BassGas Joint Venture, Clough Engineering has made claims against the BassGas Project Joint Venture including contract based claims of \$28.3 million and an alternative claim based on the Trade Practices Act of \$101 million.

The BassGas Joint Venturers remain confident of successfully prosecuting their claims in the Arbitration and resisting the claims made by Clough Engineering. The outcome of arbitration is unlikely to be known until late in 2007.

Origin Energy and the BassGas Joint Venturers welcome the commencement of hydrocarbon production from the BassGas Project, and remain committed to pursuing a successful outcome to the arbitration with Clough Engineering.

Project participants are:

Origin Energy Resources Limited*	37.5% (Operator)
Origin Energy Northwest Limited*	5.0%
AWE Petroleum Pty Ltd**	30.0%
CalEnergy Gas (Australia) Limited	15.0%
Wandoo Petroleum Pty Ltd#	12.5%

\*a wholly owned subsidiary of Origin Energy Limited

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Subject	APPENDIX 3B NOTICE		

Please find attached an Appendix 3B regarding the issue of shares under the Origin Energy Senior Executive Option Plan.

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Rule 2.7, 3.10.3, 3.10.4, 3.10.5

**Appendix 3B****New issue announcement,  
application for quotation of additional securities  
and agreement**

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Name of entity

**ORIGIN ENERGY LIMITED**

ABN

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We (the entity) give ASX the following information.

**Part 1 - All issues**

*You must complete the relevant sections (attach sheets if there is not enough space).*

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|--|-----------------------------------|
| 1 +Class of +securities issued or to be issued   | <b>Ordinary Fully Paid Shares</b> |
| 2 Number of +securities issued or to be issued (if known) or maximum number which may be issued  | <b>70,000</b>                     |
| 3 Principal terms of the +securities (eg, if options, exercise price and expiry date; if partly paid +securities, the amount outstanding and due dates for payment; if +convertible securities, the conversion price and dates for conversion) | <b>Fully Paid Ordinary Shares</b> |

+ See chapter 19 for defined terms.

4 Do the +securities rank equally in all respects from the date of allotment with an existing +class of quoted +securities?

**Yes**

If the additional securities do not rank equally, please state:

- the date from which they do
- the extent to which they participate for the next dividend, (in the case of a trust, distribution) or interest payment
- the extent to which they do not rank equally, other than in relation to the next dividend, distribution or interest payment

5 Issue price or consideration

**35,000 @ \$3.396826  
 35,000 @ \$3.036826**

6 Purpose of the issue  
 (If issued as consideration for the acquisition of assets, clearly identify those assets)

**Issued as a result of the exercise of Options issued pursuant to the rules of the Origin Energy Senior Executive Option Plan.**

7 Date of entering +securities into uncertificated holdings or despatch of certificates

**6 July 2006**

8 Number and +class of all +securities quoted on ASX (including the securities in clause 2 if applicable)

Number	+Class
<b>794,407,258</b>	<b>Ordinary</b>

+ See chapter 19 for defined terms.

	Number	+Class
9. Number and +class of all +securities not quoted on ASX (including the securities in clause 2 if applicable)	14,561,000	Options
10. Dividend policy (in the case of a trust, distribution policy) on the increased capital (interests)	All Shares Participate Equally	

## Part 2 - Bonus issue or pro rata issue

11. Is security holder approval required?	N/A
12. Is the issue renounceable or non-renounceable?	N/A
13. Ratio in which the +securities will be offered	N/A
14. +Class of +securities to which the offer relates	N/A
15. +Record date to determine entitlements	N/A
16. Will holdings on different registers (or subregisters) be aggregated for calculating entitlements?	N/A
17. Policy for deciding entitlements in relation to fractions	N/A
18. Names of countries in which the entity has +security holders who will not be sent new issue documents  Note: Security holders must be told how their entitlements are to be dealt with. Cross reference: rule 7.7.	N/A
19. Closing date for receipt of acceptances or renunciations	N/A

+ See chapter.19 for defined terms.

20	Names of any underwriters	N/A
21	Amount of any underwriting fee or commission	N/A
22	Names of any brokers to the issue	N/A
23	Fee or commission payable to the broker to the issue	N/A
24	Amount of any handling fee payable to brokers who lodge acceptances or renunciations on behalf of *security holders	N/A
25	If the issue is contingent on *security holders' approval, the date of the meeting	N/A
26	Date entitlement and acceptance form and prospectus or Product Disclosure Statement will be sent to persons entitled	N/A
27	If the entity has issued options, and the terms entitle option holders to participate on exercise, the date on which notices will be sent to option holders	N/A
28	Date rights trading will begin (if applicable)	N/A
29	Date rights trading will end (if applicable)	N/A
30	How do *security holders sell their entitlements <i>in full</i> through a broker?	N/A
31	How do *security holders sell <i>part</i> of their entitlements through a broker and accept for the balance?	N/A

+ See chapter 19 for defined terms.

32 How do +security holders dispose of their entitlements (except by sale through a broker)? N/A

33 +Despatch date N/A

### Part 3 - Quotation of securities

*You need only complete this section if you are applying for quotation of securities*

34 Type of securities  
(tick one)

(a)  Securities described in Part 1

(b)  All other securities

Example: restricted securities at the end of the escrowed period, partly paid securities that become fully paid, employee incentive share securities when restriction ends, securities issued on expiry or conversion of convertible securities

### Entities that have ticked box 34(a)

#### Additional securities forming a new class of securities

*Tick to indicate you are providing the information or documents*

35  If the +securities are +equity securities, the names of the 20 largest holders of the additional +securities, and the number and percentage of additional +securities held by those holders

36  If the +securities are +equity securities, a distribution schedule of the additional +securities setting out the number of holders in the categories  
 1 - 1,000  
 1,001 - 5,000  
 5,001 - 10,000  
 10,001 - 100,000  
 100,001 and over

37  A copy of any trust deed for the additional +securities

+ See chapter 19 for defined terms.

**Entities that have ticked box 34(b)**

38 Number of securities for which  
+quotation is sought

39 Class of +securities for which  
quotation is sought

40 Do the +securities rank equally in all  
respects from the date of allotment  
with an existing +class of quoted  
+securities?

If the additional securities do not  
rank equally, please state:

- the date from which they do
- the extent to which they  
participate for the next dividend,  
(in the case of a trust,  
distribution) or interest payment
- the extent to which they do not  
rank equally, other than in  
relation to the next dividend,  
distribution or interest payment

41 Reason for request for quotation  
now

Example: In the case of restricted securities, end of  
restriction period

(if issued upon conversion of  
another security, clearly identify that  
other security)

	Number	+Class
42 Number and +class of all +securities quoted on ASX (including the securities in clause 38)	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>

+ See chapter 19 for defined terms.

**Quotation agreement**

1 +Quotation of our additional +securities is in ASX's absolute discretion. ASX may quote the +securities on any conditions it decides.

2 We warrant the following to ASX.

- The issue of the +securities to be quoted complies with the law and is not for an illegal purpose.
- There is no reason why those +securities should not be granted +quotation.
- An offer of the +securities for sale within 12 months after their issue will not require disclosure under section 707(3) or section 1012C(6) of the Corporations Act.

Note: An entity may need to obtain appropriate warranties from subscribers for the securities in order to be able to give this warranty

- Section 724 or section 1016E of the Corporations Act does not apply to any applications received by us in relation to any +securities to be quoted and that no-one has any right to return any +securities to be quoted under sections 737, 738 or 1016F of the Corporations Act at the time that we request that the +securities be quoted.
- We warrant that if confirmation is required under section 1017F of the Corporations Act in relation to the +securities to be quoted, it has been provided at the time that we request that the +securities be quoted.
- If we are a trust, we warrant that no person has the right to return the +securities to be quoted under section 1019B of the Corporations Act at the time that we request that the +securities be quoted.

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- 3 We will indemnify ASX to the fullest extent permitted by law in respect of any claim, action or expense arising from or connected with any breach of the warranties in this agreement.
- 4 We give ASX the information and documents required by this form. If any information or document not available now, will give it to ASX before quotation of the securities begins. We acknowledge that ASX is relying on the information and documents. We warrant that they are (will be) true and complete.



Sign here: \_\_\_\_\_  
Company Secretary

Date: 6 July 2006

Print name: William M Hundy

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For your information, please find attached a media release entitled "Victorian Government endorses proposed Mcrtlake power station".

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## Media Release

12 July 2006

### Victorian Government endorses proposed Mortlake power station

Origin Energy Power Limited ('Origin') is pleased to receive the endorsement of the Victorian Government for its proposed high-efficiency, natural gas-fired power station near Mortlake in southwest Victoria. The announcement was made today by the Energy Industries and Resources Minister, Theo Theophanous.

As part of the planning process, the Minister for Planning released his assessment of the project, having considered the Environment Effects Statement, public and Government submissions, and the advice of the independent panel of experts appointed to review the project.

The Minister's assessment comes as the culmination of more than two years of project development and community consultation.

The assessment is a precursor to receiving a final approval for the project in the form of a works approval from the Environmental Protection Authority, a planning scheme amendment from the Minister for Planning and a pipeline permit from the Minister for Energy Industries and Resources.

Securing Government support is an essential step in the project's evolution. Once final Government approval is received for the project, the next important milestone will be a decision by the Board of Origin Energy about whether to proceed to construction of the power station and associated pipeline. That decision is expected later this year and will be dependent on other factors such as supply and demand for electricity.

"We're very pleased with this general endorsement of the proposed Mortlake power station by the Victorian Government. We believe the project has the potential to result in significant benefit for the local region, Victoria and the national electricity market, whilst minimising any adverse impacts. We're pleased the Victorian Government has also seen this to be the case," said Origin's Executive General Manager, Major Development Projects, Andrew Stock.

"We would particularly like to thank the landowners, local shire councils and government authorities who have assisted us over the past two years to develop a power station concept that satisfies the planning and environmental requirements," Mr Stock said.

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