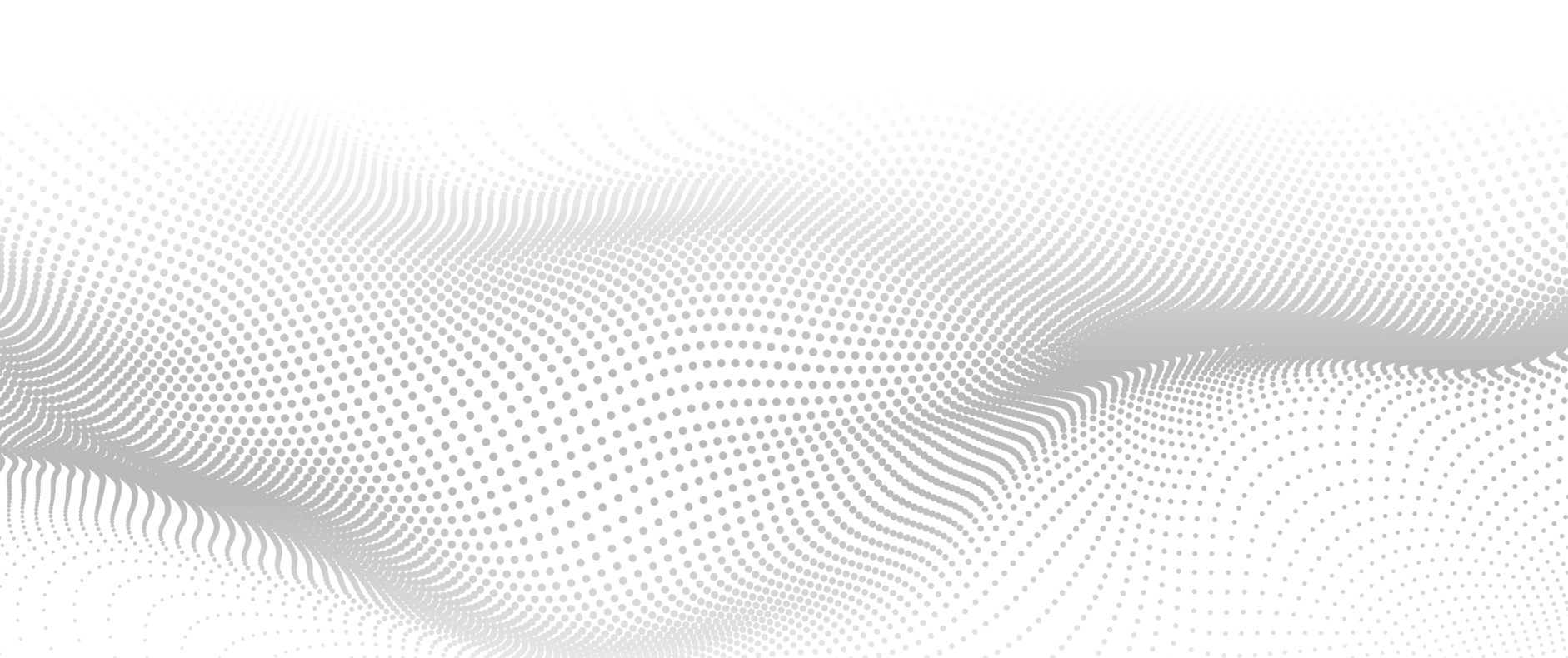
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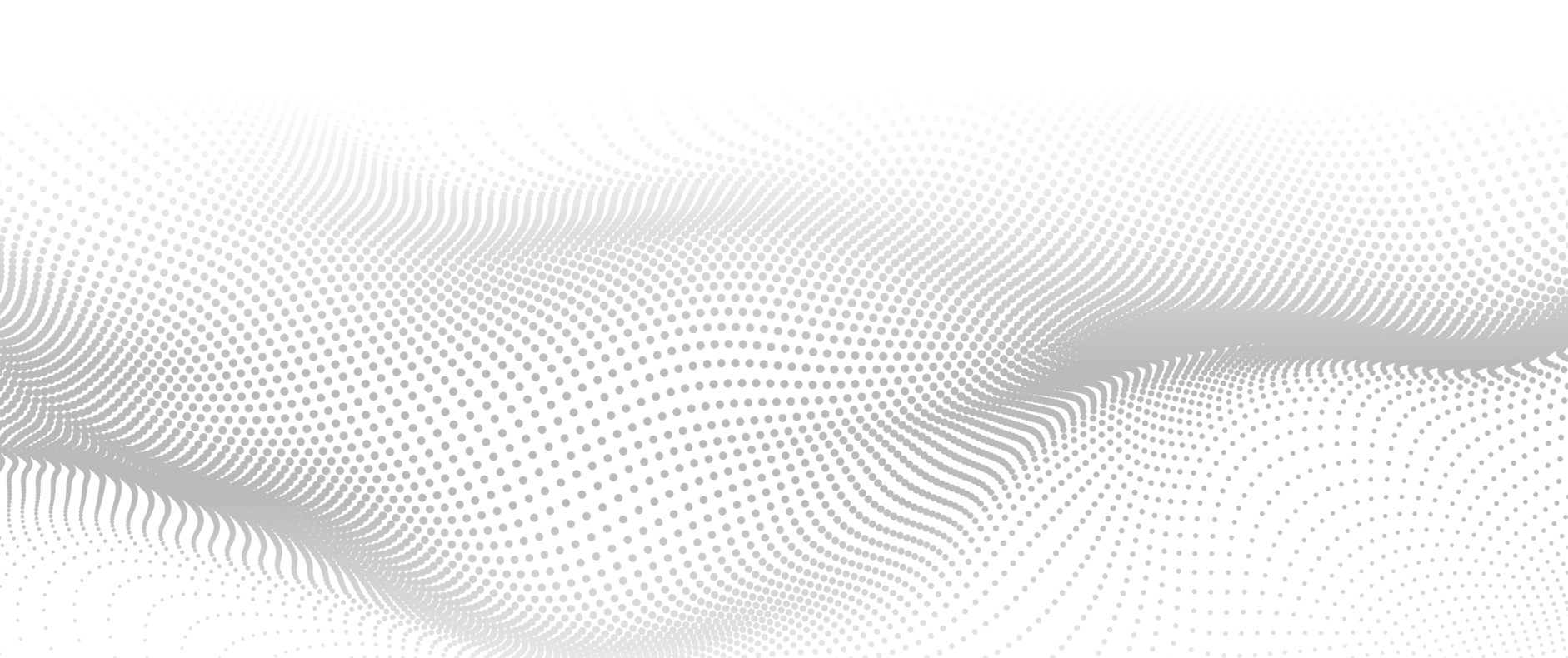
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The Directors

xxx Ltd

PO Box 1918,

PC xxxx

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Dear Sirs,

**Re: Competent Person’s Report – Block xxx**

In accordance with your instructions, ERC Equipoise Ltd (“ERCE”) has prepared a Competent Person’s Report (“CPR”) for the hydrocarbon Reserves and certain Contingent Resources and Prospective Resources held by xxxx within several oil and gas accumulations within Block xxxx, offshore xxx. The CPR has been prepared to support filing on the London Stock Exchange (Stock Exchange) and is prepared in accordance with [European Securities and Market Authority (“ESMA”) Recommendations for Oil and Gas Companies as set out in paragraphs 131 to 133 and Appendix I and III of the ESMA Recommendations].

The effective date (“Effective Date”) of this report is xxxx 2022. For the preparation of this CPR ERCE was provided with data and information by xxxx up to xxxx 2022.   
xxxx has confirmed that no new data or information has been acquired between the Effective Date [or data cut-off date if earlier] and the publication date of this CPR that would materially affect the opinions expressed in this CPR. [If material changes have occurred, they should be listed and in certain circumstances may be incorporated – please seek guidance.]

[Note: Reports cannot be issued prior to the Effective date as under PRMS the estimates must take account of all data up to the Effective Date; something which can only confirmed after the date. Similarly, under PRMS reports should not take account of data after the Effective Date.]

ERCE has carried out this work in accordance with the June 2018 SPE/WPC/AAPG/ SPEE/SEG/SPWLA/EAGE Petroleum Resources Management System (PRMS) as the standard for classification and reporting. A summary of the PRMS is found in Section X of the report. The full text can be downloaded from:-

<https://www.spe.org/en/industry/petroleum-resources-management-system-2018/>

Nomenclature that may be used in this CPR and the enclosed report is summarised in Appendix 2: Nomenclature.

**Use of the Report**

[This section is important as it makes it clear who can rely upon the report and will need to be tailored accordingly – some examples are provided]

[IPO Documents] ERCE understands that this CPR has been prepared for the purposes of being included, in its entirety, in the admission document prepared by xxxx in relation to the admission of the shares of xxxx to the main board of the London Stock Exchange plc, and hereby consents to the inclusion of this CPR in that document and also to using references to the CPR in any other applicable disclosure document. This CPR may not be used for any other purpose without the prior written approval of a Director of ERCE.

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**Disclaimer**

[The first two paragraphs are fairly universal, but the others will need to be altered depending on the contents of the report]

ERCE has made every effort to ensure that the interpretations, conclusions and recommendations presented in this report are accurate and reliable in accordance with good industry practice. ERCE does not, however, guarantee the correctness of any such interpretations and shall not be liable or responsible for any loss, costs, damages or expenses incurred or sustained by anyone resulting from any interpretation or recommendation made by any of its officers, agents or employees.

ERCE has used standard petroleum evaluation techniques in the generation of this report. These techniques combine geophysical and geological knowledge with assessments of porosity and permeability distributions, fluid characteristics, production performance and reservoir pressure. There is uncertainty in the measurement and interpretation of basic data. ERCE has estimated the degree of this uncertainty and determined the range of petroleum initially in place and recoverable hydrocarbon volumes. In applying these procedures and tests, nothing came to the attention of ERCE that would suggest that information provided by xxxx was not complete and accurate. ERCE reserves the right to review all calculations referred to or included in this report and to revise the estimates in light of erroneous data supplied or information existing but not made available which becomes known subsequent to the preparation of this CPR.

The accuracy of any Reserves, Contingent Resources, Prospective Resources and production estimates is a function of the quality and quantity of available data and of engineering interpretation and judgment. While Reserves, Contingent Resources, Prospective Resources and production estimates presented herein are considered reasonable, the estimates should be accepted with the understanding that reservoir performance subsequent to the date of the estimate may justify revision, either upward or downward.

Revenue projections presented in this report are based in part on forecasts of market prices, currency rates, inflation, market demand and government policy which are subject to many uncertainties and may, in future, differ materially from the forecasts utilised herein. Present values of revenues documented in this report do not necessarily represent the fair market value of the Reserves evaluated herein.

In the case of Contingent Resources presented in this report, there is no certainty that it will be commercially viable to produce any portion of the resources.

In the case of undiscovered resources (Prospective Resources) presented in this report, there is no certainty that any portion of the resources will be discovered. If discovered, there is no certainty that it will be commercially viable to produce any portion of the resources.

No site visits were undertaken in the preparation of this CPR.

**Professional Qualifications**

[This is important as it explains why we can act as an independent Competent Person.]

ERCE is an independent consultancy specialising in geoscience evaluation, engineering and economic assessment. ERCE will receive a fee for the preparation of this report in accordance with normal professional consulting practices. This fee is not dependent on the findings of this CPR and ERCE will receive no other benefit for the preparation of this CPR.

Neither ERCE nor the Competent Person who is responsible for authoring this CPR, nor any Directors of ERCE have at the date of this report any shareholding in xxxx. Consequently, ERCE, the Competent Person and the Directors of ERCE consider themselves to be independent of the xxxx, its directors and senior management.

ERCE has the relevant and appropriate qualifications, experience and technical knowledge to appraise professionally and independently the assets.

The preparation of this report has been supervised by Mr. Paul Taylor, Head of Reserves and Resources at ERCE and is the Competent Person. Mr. Taylor has over 30 years of experience in the evaluation of oil and gas fields, preparation of development plans and assessment of reserves and resources. He holds a MEng degree in Chemical Engineering from Nottingham University. He is a Chartered Petroleum Engineer with the UK Engineering Council, a member of the Energy Institute and is a member of and has served on the Board of Directors of the Society of Petroleum Evaluation Engineers. Mr. Taylor therefore possesses the required competencies, being professionally qualified and a member in good standing of an appropriate recognised professional association.

Yours faithfully

Mr. Paul Taylor, CEng

Head of Reserves and Resources, ERCE

# Executive Summary

[This section should include all the results of the CPR and if necessary could be used with the covering letter (above) as a standalone report]

[Include a summary of the results with Tables of the Licence Interest, Reserves, Contingent Resources, Prospective Resources, Prices, NPVs etc]

A summary of xxx’s licence interest is summarised in Table 1. The development is operated by………...

Table 1.1: xxxx’s Licence Interest

|  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| Country | Block | Working Interest | Licence Expiry | Field(s) |
| xxxx | xxxxxx | 35.556% | 31 March 2036 | Amber, Pearl |

The xxxx block contains the Amber and Pearl fields which are being jointly developed. The oil phase of the Amber field development came on production in May 2017 and the Amber non-associated gas phase came onstream in June 2018. The Peal gas field will be tied back to the FPSO when required to maintain the sales gas production plateau.

[Prior to including the Reserves, Contingent Resources and Prospective Resources we usually include a definition]

**Reserves**

***Reserves*** *are those quantities of petroleum anticipated to be commercially recoverable by application of development projects to known accumulations from a given date forward under defined conditions. Reserves must further satisfy four criteria: they must be discovered, recoverable, commercial, and remaining (as of the evaluation date) based on the development project(s) applied. Reserves are further categorised in accordance with the level of certainty associated with the estimates as Proved (1P), Proved plus Probable (2P) and Proved plus Probable plus Possible (3P).*

[Include some pre-amble as to how the Reserves are being reported and a cross reference to the tables]

Table 1.2: Reserves as of xxxxx 2019

|  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| Commodity | Units | Field Gross Reserves | | |
| 1P | 2P | 3P |
| Oil and Condensate | MMstb | 87 | 127 | 169 |
| Sales Gas | Bscf | 871 | 1,045 | 1,088 |
| Commodity | Units | Working Interest Reserves | | |
| 1P | 2P | 3P |
| Oil and Condensate | MMstb | 31 | 45 | 60 |
| Sales Gas | Bscf | 310 | 372 | 387 |
| Commodity | Units | Net Entitlement Reserves | | |
| 1P | 2P | 3P |
| Oil and Condensate | MMstb | 30 | 43 | 57 |
| Sales Gas | Bscf | 294 | 353 | 368 |

Notes

1. Company Working Interest Reserves are based on the working interest share of the field gross Reserves and are prior to deduction of royalties
2. Company Net Entitlement Reserves are based on Company share of total Cost and Profit Revenues [for a PSC] OR Company Net Entitlement Reserves are based on Company working interest Reserves after deducting royalties [for a concession]

**Contingent Resources**

***Contingent Resources****are those quantities of petroleum estimated, as of a given date, to be potentially recoverable from known accumulations, but the applied project(s) are not yet considered mature enough for commercial development due to one or more contingencies. Contingent Resources may include, for example, projects for which there are currently no viable markets, or where commercial recovery is dependent on technology under development, or where evaluation of the accumulation is insufficient to clearly assess commerciality. Contingent Resources are further categorized in accordance with the level of certainty associated with the estimates as 1C, 2C and 3C.*

[Include some text to reference how the Contingent Resources have been assessed and a cross reference to the tables]

Table 1.3: Contingent Resources as of xxxx 2019

|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
|  | Oil and Condensate (MMstb) | | | Gas (Bscf) | | |
| 1C | 2C | 3C | 1C | 2C | 3C |
| Gross Contingent Resource | 61.0 | 111.2 | 234.9 | 301.8 | 737.2 | 1553.2 |
| Working Interest Contingent Resources | 28.8 | 52.5 | 110.8 | 142.4 | 347.8 | 732.8 |

Notes

1. Company working interest is based on a diluted working interest of xx percent assuming the Government backs-in and takes a 20 percent interest.
2. Company net entitlement Contingent Resources require a full economic evaluation which has not been done as part of this CPR and hence are not presented.
3. Quantifying the chance of development (COD) requires consideration of both economic contingencies and other contingencies, such as legal, regulatory, market access, political, social license, internal and external approvals and commitment to project finance and development timing. As many of these factors are out-with the knowledge of ERCE they must be used with caution.
4. [alternative to 3) if COD not quantified] These are unrisked Contingent Resources that have not been risked for chance of development and are sub-classified as development unclarified
5. Totals are added arithmetically which means statistically there is a greater than 90% chance of exceeding the Total 1C and less than a 10% chance of exceeding the Total 3C

***Prospective Resources*** *are those quantities of petroleum estimated, as of a given date, to be potentially recoverable from undiscovered accumulations by application of future development projects. Prospective Resources have both an associated chance of geologic discovery and a chance of development. Prospective Resources are further categorized in accordance with the range of uncertainty associated with recoverable estimates, assuming discovery and development. For Prospective Resources the estimates are categorized as 1U, 2U and 3U.*  *Prospective Resources may be sub-classified as Prospects, Leads and Plays. A Prospect is a potential accumulation that is sufficiently well defined to represent a viable drilling target. A Lead is a potential accumulation that is currently poorly defined and requires more data acquisition and/or evaluation in order to be classified as a prospect. A Play is a prospective trend of potential prospects, but which requires more data acquisition and/or evaluation in order to define specific leads or prospects.*

[Include some text to reference the tables]

Table 1.4: Prospective Resources as of xxxx 2019

|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| Licence | Prospect | Prospect Gross | Prospective Resources (Unrisked) | | | | COS | Pros. Res. |
| 1U | 2U | 3U | Mean | Risked Mean |
| Alpha | Delta | Sales Gas (Bscf) | 141.5 | 268 | 503.9 | 300.8 | 49% | 147.4 |
| NGL (MMbbl) | 14.4 | 27.4 | 51.6 | 30.8 | 49% | 15.1 |
| Alpha | Epsilon | Sales Gas (Bscf) | 58.1 | 146.8 | 342.3 | 178.9 | 44% | 78.7 |
| NGL (MMbbl) | - | - | - | - |  |  |
| Beta | Gamma | Sales Gas (Bscf) | 31.2 | 45.5 | 64.4 | 46.9 | 30% | 14.1 |
| NGL (MMbbl) | 5.7 | 8.3 | 11.7 | 8.5 | 30% | 2.6 |
| Crude Oil (MMstb) | 0.1 | 0.3 | 0.6 | 0.3 | 30% | 0.1 |
| Beta | Lambda | Sales Gas (Bscf) | 6.4 | 9.6 | 14.1 | 10 | 20% | 2.0 |
| NGL (MMbbl) | 1.2 | 1.8 | 2.6 | 1.9 | 20% | 0.4 |
| Crude Oil (MMstb) | - | - | - | - |  |  |
| Beta | Omega | Sales Gas (Bscf) | 16.1 | 35 | 69.4 | 39.7 | 16% | 6.4 |
| NGL (MMbbl) | 3 | 6.5 | 13 | 7.4 | 16% | 1.2 |
| Crude Oil (MMstb) | - | - | - | - |  |  |

Notes

1. COS is the chance of geological success.
2. [If chance of development is not assessed] These resources are not risked for chance of development and there is no certainty that if they are discovered they will be developed.

Table 1.5: Hydrocarbon Price Forecasts as of xxxx 2019

|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
|  | Brent |  |  |  |  |
|  | Crude | Oil Price | Crude Oil | Associated | Non-Associated |
|  | Oil Price | Differential | Price | Gas Price | Gas Price |
| Year | $US/bbl | $US/bbl | $US/bbl | $US/MMbtu | $US/MMbtu |
| 2019 | 66.0 | -1.10 | 64.90 | 5.65 | 9.42 |
| 2020 | 68.0 | -1.10 | 66.90 | 5.65 | 9.42 |
| 2021 | 68.0 | -1.10 | 66.90 | 5.65 | 9.42 |
| 2022 | 69.0 | -1.10 | 67.90 | 5.65 | 9.42 |
| 2023 | 69.0 | -1.10 | 67.90 | 5.65 | 9.42 |
| 2024 | 70.0 | -1.10 | 68.90 | 5.65 | 9.42 |
| 2025 | 70.0 | -1.10 | 68.90 | 5.65 | 9.42 |
| 2026 | 70.0 | -1.10 | 68.90 | 5.65 | 9.42 |
| 2027 | 70.0 | -1.10 | 68.90 | 5.65 | 9.42 |
| 2028 | 70.0 | -1.10 | 68.90 | 5.65 | 9.42 |
| 2029 | 70.0 | -1.10 | 68.90 | 5.65 | 9.42 |
| 2030 | 70.0 | -1.10 | 68.90 | 5.65 | 9.42 |
| 2031 | 70.0 | -1.10 | 68.90 | 5.65 | 9.42 |
| 2032 | 70.0 | -1.10 | 68.90 | 5.65 | 9.42 |
| 2033 | 70.0 | -1.10 | 68.90 | 5.65 | 9.42 |
| 2034 | 70.0 | -1.10 | 68.90 | 5.65 | 9.42 |
| 2035 | 70.0 | -1.10 | 68.90 | 5.65 | 9.42 |
| 2036 | 70.0 | -1.10 | 68.90 | 5.65 | 9.42 |
| 2037 | 70.0 | -1.10 | 68.90 | 5.65 | 9.42 |

Notes

1. Brent forecast based on the ERCE xxxx 2019 (real) price forecast.
2. Crude oil and condensate prices based on oil sales differential to date.
3. Gas prices based on the xxxx gas sales agreement.

[Prices can also be shown in a transposed format as per the ERCE oil price review]

Table 1.6: Net Present Values of the Reserves as of xxx 2019

|  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| Asset | Net Present Values as at 30 June 2019 (Net at 25% WI - $MM) | | | |
| Discount Rate | 1P | 2P | 3P |
| xxxxxx | 0% | 68 | 384 | 936 |
| 5% | 54 | 297 | 666 |
| 10% | 43 | 235 | 493 |
| 15% | 34 | 189 | 376 |
| 20% | 27 | 154 | 295 |

# Introduction

[Include an overview of the block together with a location map]

[For single asset CPRs it can be better to include production/injection history plots and discuss future development plans in this section]



Figure 2.1: Block xxxxx location map

## Data Provided

[Example shown below]

ERCE has relied upon data and information made available by xxxx. [If a representation letter has been provided include a sentence to this effect.] These data comprise details of xxxx’s licence interests, seismic data, basic exploration and engineering data (including well logs, core, PVT and test data), technical reports, interpreted data (including reservoir simulation studies), production and injection data and the field development plans. ERCE has reviewed data made available through to xxxx 2022.

No site visit was undertaken in the preparation of this report.

## Work Completed

[Example shown below]

ERCE has used standard petroleum evaluation techniques in the generation of this report. These techniques combine geophysical and geological knowledge with assessments of porosity and permeability distributions, fluid characteristics, production performance and reservoir pressure. There is uncertainty in the measurement and interpretation of basic data. We have estimated the degree of this uncertainty and determined the range of petroleum initially in place. Estimates of recovery factors were prepared based on consideration of the results of production performance analysis, reservoir simulation models, classical reservoir engineering calculations and the performances of analogue fields. ERCE has derived independent estimates of reserves and prepared forecasts of production of oil and gas.

Production profiles have been generated by ERCE for both Reserves and Contingent Resources. The forecasts generated for Reserves have then been used as input to an economic model to undertake an Economic Limit Test (ELT) and assess commerciality. The economic model has been provided to ERCE by xxxx and has been reviewed by ERCE to confirm the terms of the various Production Sharing Contracts (PSCs) and fiscal regimes represented are correctly represented.

ERCE has evaluated the development plans for the various assets. For each field, ERCE has audited forecasts of capital, operating and abandonment costs from xxxx. The costs provided were reviewd and benchmarked them against our internal database to ensure they are reasonable. Where possible these estimates are compared to historical, actual costs. ERCE has used its own cost estimates where these differ significantly from these presented. The economic analysis does not take into account any outstanding debt, nor future indirect corporate costs.

# Field 1

[The contents of the CPR will vary depending on the intended use. Public documents should not be as expansive as bank reports or internal reports. The lists provided are a minimum and as such are more likely to correspond to public documents.]

[Initial section should provide field history with details of development to date, production/injection history. Figures should include a map with location of fields]

## Geology and Geophysics

[Should include a stratigraphic column, seismic section, and top structure map(s)]

## Petrophysics

[Should include at least one CPI]

## Reservoir Engineering

[Should include any relevant figures e.g. Pressure versus Depth plots]

## Estimation of [Discovered] Hydrocarbons in Place

[Should include tables of input parameters and resulting PIIP]

## Development Plans

## Production Forecasts and Technically Recoverable Resources

[Should include as a minimum graphical production forecasts – tabulated data may be required for bank reports]

## Facilities and Costs

[The position of this section will depend on whether several fields share facilities and it may be better to promote to a main section]

[Should include as a minimum a table with the total future costs to the ELT broken down into Capex, Opex and Abex. Some reports could include tabulated annual cost forecasts but generally for public documents this should be avoided unless specifically requested by the client or their advisers.]

## Reserves

[Summary of the Reserves and how they were estimated]

## Contingent Resources

[Summary of the Contingent Resources if applicable]

## Prospective Resources

[This should include details of all the prospects assessed. In pure exploration reports this will be given more prominence and broken into lots of subsections]

# Field 2

[Likely to have the same subsections as shown above for Field 1]

# Economic Evaluation

[Most likely a separate main section although could be included within the Field section if more appropriate]

[Should include as a minimum the NPV table used in the Executive Summary. A summary of the fiscal terms should be included. Prices can be referenced back to the executive summary. A summary of the CoP dates should also be included. In some cases cash flow tables could be included but this should be avoided if possible in public documents]

# Reserves

[Should include the Reserves tables used in the Executive Summary]

# Contingent Resources

[Should include the Contingent Resources tables used in the Executive Summary]

# Prospective Resources

[Should include the Prospective Resources tables used in the Executive Summary]

Insert Text or Table

# Appendix 1: SPE PRMS Guidelines

This report references the SPE/WPC/AAPG/SPEE/SEG/SPWLA/EAGE Petroleum Reserves and Resources Classification System and Definitions, as revised in June 2018 (PRMS). The full text of the PRMS document can be viewed at:

<https://www.spe.org/en/industry/petroleum-resources-management-system-2018/>

Definitions of the key PRMS Reserves and Resource classes, categories and a glossary of related terms can be found at the above address.

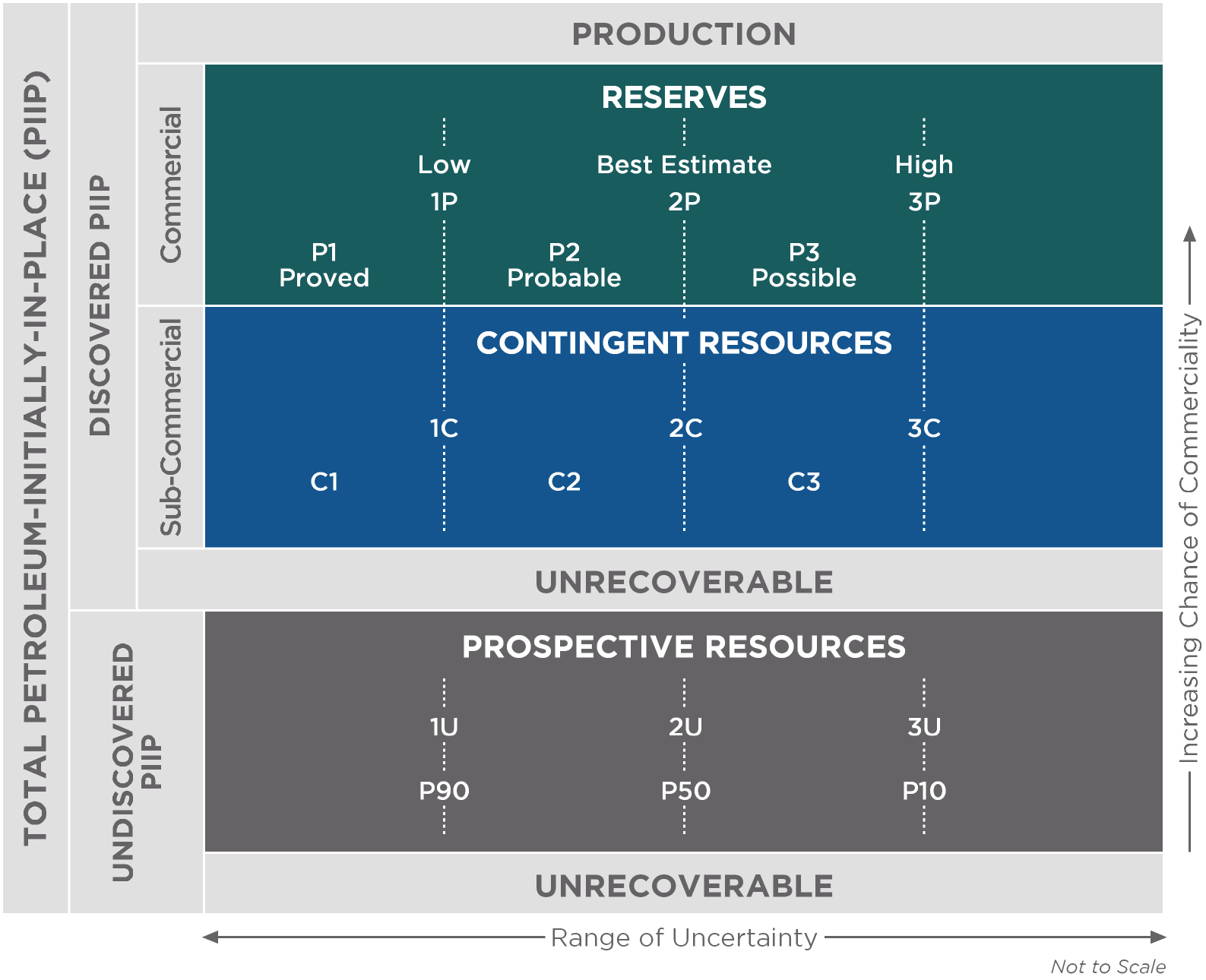


Figure A: PRMS Resources classification framework

(Modified from Petroleum Resources Management System (PRMS) Revised June 2018, page 8, Figure 1.1)

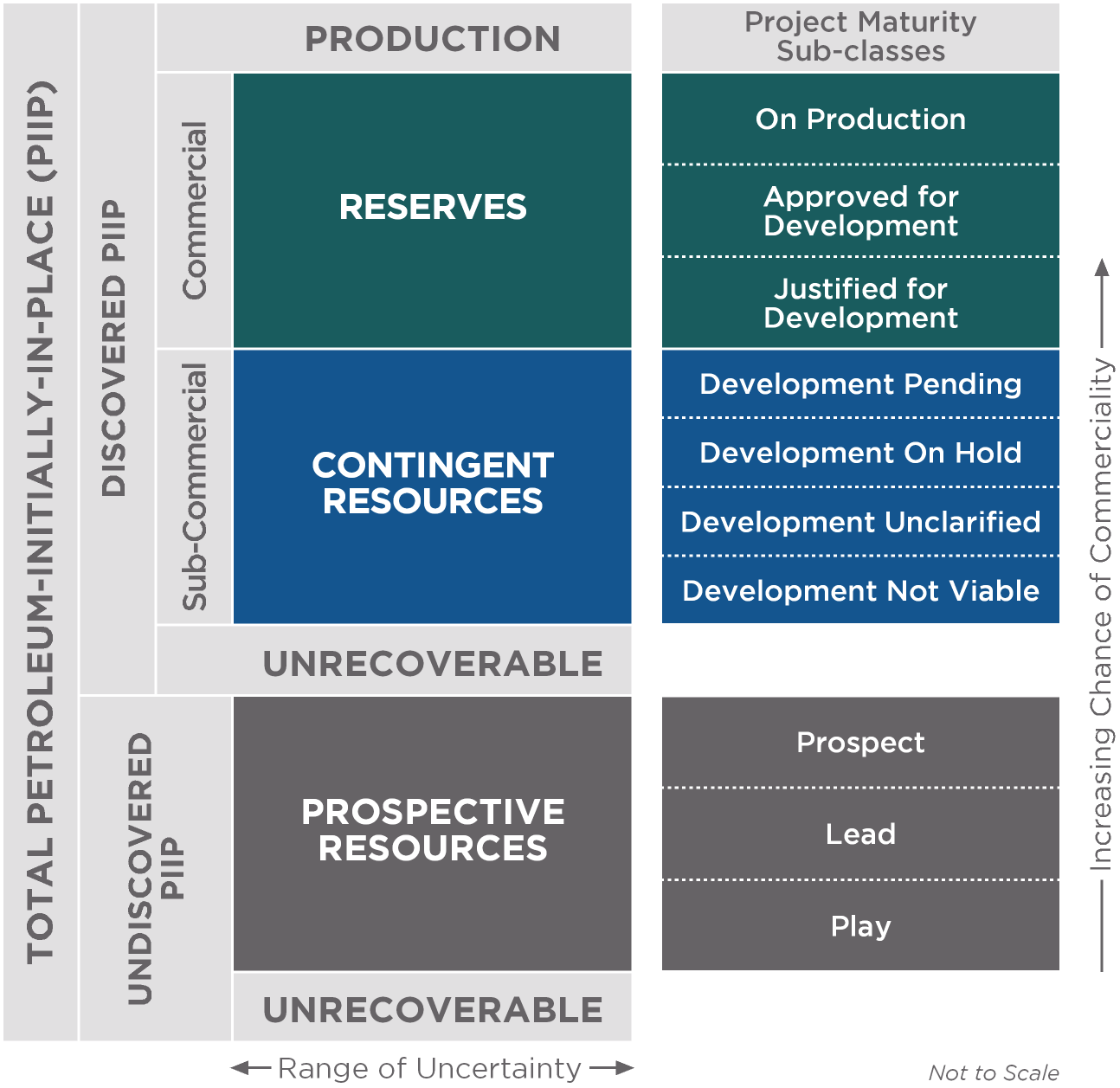


Figure B: PRMS Resources sub-classes

(Modified from Petroleum Resources Management System (PRMS) Revised June 2018, page 8, Figure 2.1)

**Table 1: PRMS Recoverable Resources Classes and Sub-Classes**

| **Classes/Sub- classes** | **Definition** | **Guidelines** |
| --- | --- | --- |
| **Reserves** | Reserves are those quantities of petroleum anticipated to be commercially recoverable by application of development projects to known accumulations from a given date forward under defined conditions. | Reserves must satisfy four criteria: discovered, recoverable, commercial, and remaining based on the development project(s) applied. Reserves are further categorized in accordance with the level of certainty associated with the estimates and may be sub-classified based on project maturity and/or characterized by the development and production status.  To be included in the Reserves class, a project must be sufficiently defined to establish its commercial viability (see Section 2.1.2, Determination of Commerciality). This includes the requirement that there is evidence of firm intention to proceed with development within a reasonable time-frame.  A reasonable time-frame for the initiation of development depends on the specific circumstances and varies according to the scope of the project. While five years is recommended as a benchmark, a longer time-frame could be applied where, for example, development of an economic project is deferred at the option of the producer for, among other things, market- related reasons or to meet contractual or strategic objectives. In all cases, the justification for classification as Reserves should be clearly documented.  To be included in the Reserves class, there must be a high confidence in the commercial maturity and economic producibility of the reservoir as supported by actual production or formation tests. In certain cases, Reserves may be assigned on the basis of well logs and/or core analysis that indicate that the subject reservoir is hydrocarbon-bearing and is analogous to reservoirs in the same area that are producing or have demonstrated the ability to produce on formation tests. |
| **On Production** | The development project is currently producing or capable of producing and selling petroleum to market. | The key criterion is that the project is receiving income from sales, rather than that the approved development project is necessarily complete. Includes Developed Producing Reserves.  The project decision gate is the decision to initiate or continue economic production from the project. |
| **Approved for Development** | All necessary approvals have been obtained, capital funds have been committed, and implementation of the development project is ready to begin or is under way. | At this point, it must be certain that the development project is going ahead. The project must not be subject to any contingencies, such as outstanding regulatory approvals or sales contracts. Forecast capital expenditures should be included in the reporting entity’s current or following year’s approved budget.  The project decision gate is the decision to start investing capital in the construction of production facilities and/or drilling development wells. |
| **Justified for Development** | Implementation of the development project is justified on the basis of reasonable forecast commercial conditions at the time of reporting, and there are reasonable expectations that all necessary approvals/contracts will be obtained. | To move to this level of project maturity, and hence have Reserves associated with it, the development project must be commercially viable at the time of reporting (see Section 2.1.2, Determination of Commerciality) and the specific circumstances of the project. All participating entities have agreed and there is evidence of a committed project (firm intention to proceed with development within a reasonable time-frame}) There must be no known contingencies that could preclude the development from proceeding (see Reserves class).  The project decision gate is the decision by the reporting entity and its partners, if any, that the project has reached a level of technical and commercial maturity sufficient to justify proceeding with development at that point in time. |
| **Contingent Resources** | Those quantities of petroleum estimated, as of a given date, to be potentially recoverable from known accumulations by application of development projects, but which are not currently considered to be commercially recoverable owing to one or more contingencies. | Contingent Resources may include, for example, projects for which there are currently no viable markets, where commercial recovery is dependent on technology under development, where evaluation of the accumulation is insufficient to clearly assess commerciality, where the development plan is not yet approved, or where regulatory or social acceptance issues may exist.  Contingent Resources are further categorized in accordance with the level of certainty associated with the estimates and may be sub- classified based on project maturity and/or characterized by the economic status. |
| **Development Pending** | A discovered accumulation where project activities are ongoing to justify commercial development in the foreseeable future. | The project is seen to have reasonable potential for eventual commercial development, to the extent that further data acquisition (e.g., drilling, seismic data) and/or evaluations are currently ongoing with a view to confirming that the project is commercially viable and providing the basis for selection of an appropriate development plan. The critical contingencies have been identified and are reasonably expected to be resolved within a reasonable time-frame. Note that disappointing appraisal/evaluation results could lead to a reclassification of the project to On Hold or Not Viable status.  The project decision gate is the decision to undertake further data acquisition and/or studies designed to move the project to a level of technical and commercial maturity at which a decision can be made to proceed with development and production. |
| **Development on Hold** | A discovered accumulation where project activities are on hold and/or where justification as a commercial development may be subject to significant delay. | The project is seen to have potential for commercial development. Development may be subject to a significant time delay. Note that a change in circumstances, such that there is no longer a probable chance that a critical contingency can be removed in the foreseeable future, could lead to a reclassification of the project to Not Viable status.  The project decision gate is the decision to either proceed with additional evaluation designed to clarify the potential for eventual commercial development or to temporarily suspend or delay further activities pending resolution of external contingencies. |
| **Development Unclarified** | A discovered accumulation where project activities are under evaluation and where justification as a commercial development is unknown based on available information. | The project is seen to have potential for eventual commercial development, but further appraisal/evaluation activities are ongoing to clarify the potential for eventual commercial development.  This sub-class requires active appraisal or evaluation and should not be maintained without a plan for future evaluation. The sub-class should reflect the actions required to move a project toward commercial maturity and economic production. |
| **Development Not Viable** | A discovered accumulation for which there are no current plans to develop or to acquire additional data at the time because of limited production potential. | The project is not seen to have potential for eventual commercial development at the time of reporting, but the theoretically recoverable quantities are recorded so that the potential opportunity will be recognized in the event of a major change in technology or commercial conditions.  The project decision gate is the decision not to undertake further data acquisition or studies on the project for the foreseeable future. |
| **Prospective Resources** | Those quantities of petroleum that are estimated, as of a given date, to be potentially recoverable from undiscovered accumulations. | Potential accumulations are evaluated according to the chance of geologic discovery and, assuming a discovery, the estimated quantities that would be recoverable under defined development projects. It is recognized that the development programs will be of significantly less detail and depend more heavily on analog developments in the earlier phases of exploration. |
| **Prospect** | A project associated with a potential accumulation that is sufficiently well defined to represent a viable drilling target. | Project activities are focused on assessing the chance of geologic discovery and, assuming discovery, the range of potential recoverable quantities under a commercial development program. |
| **Lead** | A project associated with a potential accumulation that is currently poorly defined and requires more data acquisition and/or evaluation to be classified as a Prospect. | Project activities are focused on acquiring additional data and/or undertaking further evaluation designed to confirm whether or not the Lead can be matured into a Prospect. Such evaluation includes the assessment of the chance of geologic discovery and, assuming discovery, the range of potential recovery under feasible development scenarios. |
| **Play** | A project associated with a prospective trend of potential prospects, but that requires more data acquisition and/or evaluation to define specific Leads or Prospects. | Project activities are focused on acquiring additional data and/or undertaking further evaluation designed to define specific Leads or Prospects for more detailed analysis of their chance of geologic discovery and, assuming discovery, the range of potential recovery under hypothetical development scenarios. |

**Table 2: PRMS Reserves Status Definitions and Guidelines**

| **Status** | **Definition** | **Guidelines** |
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| **Developed Reserves** | Expected quantities to be recovered from existing wells and facilities. | Reserves are considered developed only after the necessary equipment has been installed, or when the costs to do so are relatively minor compared to the cost of a well. Where required facilities become unavailable, it may be necessary to reclassify Developed Reserves as Undeveloped. Developed Reserves may be further sub-classified as Producing or Non-producing. |
| **Developed Producing Reserves** | Expected quantities to be recovered from completion intervals that are open and producing at the effective date of the estimate. | Improved recovery Reserves are considered producing only after the improved recovery project is in operation. |
| **Developed Non-Producing Reserves** | Shut-in and behind-pipe Reserves. | Shut-in Reserves are expected to be recovered from (1) completion intervals that are open at the time of the estimate but which have not yet started producing, (2) wells which were shut-in for market conditions or pipeline connections, or (3) wells not capable of production for mechanical reasons. Behind-pipe Reserves are expected to be recovered from zones in existing wells that will require additional completion work or future re-completion before start of production with minor cost to access these reserves.  In all cases, production can be initiated or restored with relatively low expenditure compared to the cost of drilling a new well. |
| **Undeveloped Reserves** | Quantities expected to be recovered through future significant investments. | Undeveloped Reserves are to be produced (1) from new wells on undrilled acreage in known accumulations, (2) from deepening existing wells to a different (but known) reservoir, (3) from infill wells that will increase recovery, or (4) where a relatively large expenditure (e.g., when compared to the cost of drilling a new well) is required to (a) recomplete an existing well or (b) install production or transportation facilities for primary or improved recovery projects. |

**Table 3: PRMS Reserves Category Definitions and Guidelines**

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| **Category** | **Definition** | **Guidelines** |
| **Proved Reserves** | Those quantities of petroleum that, by analysis of geoscience and engineering data, can be estimated with reasonable certainty to be commercially recoverable from a given date forward from known reservoirs and under defined economic conditions, operating methods, and government regulations. | If deterministic methods are used, the term “reasonable certainty” is intended to express a high degree of confidence that the quantities will be recovered. If probabilistic methods are used, there should be at least a 90% probability (P90) that the quantities actually recovered will equal or exceed the estimate.  The area of the reservoir considered as Proved includes (1) the area delineated by drilling and defined by fluid contacts, if any, and   1. adjacent undrilled portions of the reservoir that can reasonably be judged as continuous with it and commercially productive on the basis of available geoscience and engineering data.   In the absence of data on fluid contacts, Proved quantities in a reservoir are limited by the LKH as seen in a well penetration unless otherwise indicated by definitive geoscience, engineering, or performance data. Such definitive information may include pressure gradient analysis and seismic indicators. Seismic data alone may not be sufficient to define fluid contacts for Proved.  Reserves in undeveloped locations may be classified as Proved provided that:   * 1. The locations are in undrilled areas of the reservoir that can be judged with reasonable certainty to be commercially mature and economically productive.   2. Interpretations of available geoscience and engineering data indicate with reasonable certainty that the objective formation is laterally continuous with drilled Proved locations.   For Proved Reserves, the recovery efficiency applied to these reservoirs should be defined based on a range of possibilities supported by analogs and sound engineering judgment considering the characteristics of the Proved area and the applied development program. |
| **Probable Reserves** | Those additional Reserves that analysis of geoscience and engineering data indicates are less likely to be recovered than Proved Reserves but more certain to be recovered than Possible Reserves. | It is equally likely that actual remaining quantities recovered will be greater than or less than the sum of the estimated Proved plus Probable Reserves (2P). In this context, when probabilistic methods are used, there should be at least a 50% probability that the actual quantities recovered will equal or exceed the 2P estimate.  Probable Reserves may be assigned to areas of a reservoir adjacent to Proved where data control or interpretations of available data are less certain. The interpreted reservoir continuity may not meet the reasonable certainty criteria.  Probable estimates also include incremental recoveries associated with project recovery efficiencies beyond that assumed for Proved. |
| **Possible Reserves** | Those additional reserves that analysis of geoscience and engineering data indicates are less likely to be recoverable than Probable Reserves. | The total quantities ultimately recovered from the project have a low probability to exceed the sum of Proved plus Probable plus Possible (3P), which is equivalent to the high-estimate scenario.  When probabilistic methods are used, there should be at least a 10% probability (P10) that the actual quantities recovered will equal or exceed the 3P estimate.  Possible Reserves may be assigned to areas of a reservoir adjacent to Probable where data control and interpretations of available data are progressively less certain. Frequently, this may be in areas where geoscience and engineering data are unable to clearly define the area and vertical reservoir limits of economic production from the reservoir by a defined, commercially mature project.  Possible estimates also include incremental quantities associated with project recovery efficiencies beyond that assumed for Probable. |
| **Probable and Possible Reserves** | See above for separate criteria for Probable Reserves and Possible Reserves. | The 2P and 3P estimates may be based on reasonable alternative technical interpretations within the reservoir and/or subject project that are clearly documented, including comparisons to results in successful similar projects.  In conventional accumulations, Probable and/or Possible Reserves may be assigned where geoscience and engineering data identify directly adjacent portions of a reservoir within the same accumulation that may be separated from Proved areas by minor faulting or other geological discontinuities and have not been penetrated by a wellbore but are interpreted to be in communication with the known (Proved) reservoir. Probable or Possible Reserves may be assigned to areas that are structurally higher than the Proved area. Possible (and in some cases, Probable) Reserves may be assigned to areas that are structurally lower than the adjacent Proved or 2P area.  Caution should be exercised in assigning Reserves to adjacent reservoirs isolated by major, potentially sealing faults until this reservoir is penetrated and evaluated as commercially mature and economically productive. Justification for assigning Reserves in such cases should be clearly documented. Reserves should not be assigned to areas that are clearly separated from a known accumulation by non-productive reservoir (i.e., absence of reservoir, structurally low reservoir, or negative test results); such areas may contain Prospective Resources.  In conventional accumulations, where drilling has defined a highest known oil elevation and there exists the potential for an associated gas cap, Proved Reserves of oil should only be assigned in the structurally higher portions of the reservoir if there is reasonable certainty that such portions are initially above bubble point pressure based on documented engineering analyses. Reservoir portions that do not meet this certainty may be assigned as Probable and Possible oil and/or gas based on reservoir fluid properties and pressure gradient interpretations. |

**Table 4: Glossary of Terms Used in PRMS**

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| **Term** | **Definition** |
| **1C** | Denotes low estimate of Contingent Resources. |
| **2C** | Denotes best estimate of Contingent Resources. |
| **3C** | Denotes high estimate of Contingent Resources. |
| **1P** | Denotes low estimate of Reserves (i.e., Proved Reserves). Equal to P1. |
| **2P** | Denotes the best estimate of Reserves. The sum of Proved plus Probable Reserves. |
| **3P** | Denotes high estimate of reserves. The sum of Proved plus Probable plus Possible Reserves. |
| **1U** | Denotes the unrisked low estimate qualifying as Prospective Resources. |
| **2U** | Denotes the unrisked best estimate qualifying as Prospective Resources. |
| **3U** | Denotes the unrisked high estimate qualifying as Prospective Resources. |
| **Abandonment, Decommissioning, and Restoration (ADR)** | The process (and associated costs) of returning part or all of a project to a safe and environmentally compliant condition when operations cease. Examples include, but are not limited to, the removal of surface facilities, wellbore plugging procedures, and environmental remediation. In some instances, there may be salvage value associated with the equipment removed from the project. ADR costs are presumed to be without consideration of any salvage value, unless presented as “ADR net of salvage.” |
| **Accumulation** | An individual body of naturally occurring petroleum in a reservoir. |
| **Aggregation** | The process of summing well, reservoir, or project-level estimates of resources quantities to higher levels or combinations, such as field, country or company totals. Arithmetic summation of incremental categories may yield different results from probabilistic aggregation of distributions. |
| **Appraisal** | The phase that may follow successful exploratory drilling. Activities to further evaluate the discovery, such as seismic acquisition, geological studies, and drilling additional wells may be conducted to reduce technical uncertainties and commercial contingencies. |
| **Approved for Development** | All necessary approvals have been obtained, capital funds have been committed, and implementation of the development project is underway. A project maturity sub-class of Reserves. |
| **Analog** | Method used in resources estimation in the exploration and early development stages (including improved recovery projects) when direct measurement is limited. Based on evaluator’s assessment of similarities of the analogous reservoir(s) together with the development plan. |
| **Analogous Reservoir** | Reservoirs that have similar rock properties (e.g., petrophysical, lithological, depositional, diagenetic, and structural), fluid properties (e.g., type, composition, density, and viscosity), reservoir conditions (e.g., depth, temperature, and pressure) and drive mechanisms, but are typically at a more advanced stage of development than the reservoir of interest and thus may provide insight and comparative data to assist in estimation of recoverable resources. |
| **Assessment** | See Evaluation. |
| **Associated Gas** | A natural gas found in contact with or dissolved in crude oil in the reservoir. It can be further categorized as gas cap gas or solution gas. |
| **Basin-Centered Gas** | An unconventional natural gas accumulation that is regionally pervasive and characterized by low permeability, abnormal pressure, gas-saturated reservoirs, and lack of a down dip water leg. |
| **Barrel of Oil Equivalent (BOE)** | The term allows for a single value to represent the sum of all the hydrocarbon products that are forecast as resources. Typically, condensate, oil, bitumen, and synthetic crude barrels are taken to be equal (1 bbl = 1 BOE). Gas and NGL quantities are converted to an oil equivalent based on a conversion factor that is recommended to be based on a nominal heating content or calorific value equivalent to a barrel of oil. |
| **Basis for Estimate** | The methodology (or methodologies) and supporting data on which the estimated quantities are based. (Also referenced as basis for the estimation.) |
| **Behind-Pipe Reserves** | Reserves that are expected to be recovered from zones in existing wells, which will require additional completion work or future re-completion before the start of production. In all cases, production can be initiated or restored with relatively low expenditure compared to the cost of drilling and completing a new well including hook-up to allow production. |
| **Best Estimate** | With respect to resources categorization, the most realistic assessment of recoverable quantities if only a single result were reported. If probabilistic methods are used, there should be at least a 50% probability (P50) that the quantities actually recovered will equal or exceed the best estimate. |
| **C1** | Denotes low estimate of Contingent Resources. C1 is equal to 1C. |
| **C2** | Denotes Contingent Resources of same technical confidence as Probable, but not commercially matured to Reserves. |
| **C3** | Denotes Contingent Resources of same technical confidence as Possible, but not commercially matured to Reserves. |
| **Chance** | Chance equals 1-risk. Generally synonymous with likelihood. (See Risk) |
| **Chance of Commerciality** | The estimated probability that the project will achieve commercial maturity to be developed. For Prospective Resources, this is the product of the chance of geologic discovery and the chance of development. For Contingent Resources and Reserves, it is equal to the chance of development. |
| **Chance of Development** | The estimated probability that a known accumulation, once discovered, will be commercially developed. |
| **Chance of Geologic Discovery** | The estimated probability that exploration activities will confirm the existence of a significant accumulation of potentially recoverable petroleum. |
| **Coalbed Methane (CBM)** | Natural gas contained in coal deposits. Coalbed gas, although usually mostly methane, may be produced with variable amounts of inert or even non-inert gases. [Also called coal-seam gas (CSG) or natural gas from coal (NGC).] |
| **Commercial** | A project is commercial when there is evidence of a firm intention to proceed with development within a reasonable time-frame. Typically, this requires that the best estimate case meet or exceed the minimum evaluation decision criteria (e.g., rate of return, investment payout time). There must be a reasonable expectation that all required internal and external approvals will be forthcoming. Also, there must be evidence of a technically mature, feasible development plan and the essential social, environmental, economic, political, legal, regulatory, decision criteria, and contractual conditions are met. . |
| **Committed Project** | Project that the entity has a firm intention to develop in a reasonable time-frame. Intent is demonstrated with funding/financial plans, but FID has not yet been declared (See also Final Investment Decision.) |
| **Completion** | Completion of a well. The process by which a well is brought to its operating status (e.g., producer, injector, or monitor well). A well deemed to be capable of producing petroleum, or used as an injector, is completed by establishing a connection between the reservoir(s) and the surface so that fluids can be produced from, or injected into, the reservoir. |
| **Completion Interval** | The specific reservoir interval(s) that is (are) open to the borehole and connected to the surface facilities for production or injection, or reservoir intervals open to the wellbore and each other for injection purposes. |
| **Concession** | A grant of access for a defined area and time period that transfers certain entitlements to produced hydrocarbons from the host country to an entity. The entity is generally responsible for exploration, development, production, and sale of hydrocarbons that may be discovered. Typically granted under a legislated fiscal system where the host country collects taxes, fees, and sometimes royalty on profits earned. (Also called a license.) |
| **Condensate** | A mixture of hydrocarbons (mainly pentanes and heavier) that exist in the gaseous phase at original temperature and pressure of the reservoir, but when produced, are in the liquid phase at surface pressure and temperature conditions. Condensate differs from NGLs in two respects: (1) NGL is extracted and recovered in gas plants rather than lease separators or other lease facilities, and (2) NGL includes very light hydrocarbons (ethane, propane, or butanes) as well as the pentanes-plus that are the main constituents of condensate. |
| **Confidence Level** | A measure of the estimated reliability of a result. As used in the deterministic incremental method, the evaluator assigns a relative level of confidence (high/moderate/low) to areas/segments of an accumulation based on the information available (e.g., well control and seismic coverage). Probabilistic and statistical methods use the 90% (P90) for the high confidence (low value case), 50% (P50) for the best estimate (moderate value case), and 10% (P10) for the low (high value case) estimate to represent the chances that the actual value will equal or exceed the estimate. |
| **Constant Case** | A descriptor applied to the economic evaluation of resources estimates. Constant-case estimates are based on current economic conditions being those conditions (including costs and product prices) that are fixed at the evaluation date and held constant, with no inflation or deflation made to costs or prices throughout the remainder of the project life other than those permitted contractually. |
| **Consumed in Operations (CiO)** | That portion of produced petroleum consumed as fuel in production or lease plant operations before delivery to the market at the reference point. (Also called lease fuel.) |
| **Contingency** | A condition that must be satisfied for a project in Contingent Resources to be reclassified as Reserves. Resolution of contingencies for projects in Development Pending is expected to be achieved within a reasonable time period. |
| **Contingent Project** | A project that is not yet commercial owing to one or more contingencies that have not been resolved. |
| **Contingent Resources** | Those quantities of petroleum estimated, as of a given date, to be potentially recoverable from known accumulations by application of development projects, but which are not currently considered to be commercially recoverable owing to one or more contingencies. |
| **Continuous-Type Deposit** | A petroleum accumulation that is pervasive throughout a large area and that generally lacks well-defined OWC or GWC. Such accumulations are included in unconventional resources. Examples of such deposits include “basin-centered” gas, tight gas, tight oil, gas hydrates, natural bitumen, and oil shale (kerogen) accumulations. |
| **Conventional Resources** | Resources that exist in porous and permeable rock with buoyancy pressure equilibrium. The PIIP is trapped in discrete accumulations related to a localized geological structural feature and/or stratigraphic condition, typically with each accumulation bounded by a down dip contact with an aquifer and is significantly affected by hydrodynamic influences such as buoyancy of petroleum in water. |
| **Cost Recovery** | Under a typical production-sharing agreement, the contractor is responsible for the field development and all exploration and development expenses. In return, the contractor recovers costs (investments and operating expenses) out of the production stream. The contractor normally receives an entitlement interest share in the petroleum production and is exposed to both technical and market risks. |
| **Crude Oil** | Crude oil is the portion of petroleum that exists in the liquid phase in natural underground reservoirs and remains liquid at atmospheric conditions of pressure and temperature (excludes retrograde condensate). Crude oil may include small amounts of non-hydrocarbons produced with the liquids but does not include liquids obtained from the processing of natural gas. |
| **Cumulative Production** | The sum of petroleum quantities that have been produced at a given date. (See also Production). Production is measured under defined conditions to allow for the computation of both reservoir voidage and sales quantities and for the purpose of voidage also includes non-petroleum quantities. |
| **Current Economic Conditions** | Economic conditions based on relevant historical petroleum prices and associated costs averaged over a specified period. The default period is 12 months. However, in the event that a step change has occurred within the previous 12-month period, the use of a shorter period reflecting the step change must be justified and used as the basis of constant-case resources estimates and associated project cash flows. |
| **Defined Conditions** | Forecast of conditions to exist and impact the project during the time period being evaluated. Forecasts should account for issues that impact the commerciality, such as economics (e.g., hurdle rates and commodity price); operating and capital costs; and technical, marketing, sales route, legal, environmental, social, and governmental factors. |
| **Deposit** | Material laid down by a natural process. In resources evaluations, it identifies an accumulation of hydrocarbons in a reservoir. (See Accumulation.) |
| **Deterministic Incremental Method** | An assessment method based on defining discrete parts or segments of the accumulation that reflect high, moderate, and low confidence regarding the estimates of recoverable quantities under the defined development plan. |
| **Deterministic Method** | An assessment method based on discrete estimate(s) made based on available geoscience, engineering, and economic data and corresponds to a given level of certainty. |
| **Deterministic Scenario Method** | Method where the evaluator provides three deterministic estimates of the quantities to be recovered from the project being applied to the accumulation. Estimates consider the full range of values for each input parameter based on available engineering and geoscience data, but one set is selected that is most appropriate for the corresponding resources confidence category. A single outcome of recoverable quantities is derived for each scenario. |
| **Developed Reserves** | Reserves that are expected to be recovered from existing wells and facilities. Developed Reserves may be further sub-classified as Producing or Non- Producing. |
| **Developed Producing Reserves** | Developed Reserves that are expected to be recovered from completion intervals that are open and producing at the effective date. Improved recovery reserves are considered producing only after the improved recovery project is in operation. |
| **Developed Non- Producing Reserves** | Developed Reserves that are either shut-in or behind-pipe. (See also Shut-In Resources and Behind-Pipe Reserves.) |
| **Development On Hold** | A discovered accumulation where project activities are on hold and/or where justification as a commercial development may be subject to significant delay. A project maturity sub-class of Contingent Resources. |
| **Development Not Viable** | A discovered accumulation for which there are contingencies resulting in there being no current plans to develop or to acquire additional data at the time due to limited commercial potential. A project maturity sub-class of Contingent Resources. |
| **Development Pending** | A discovered accumulation where project activities are ongoing to justify commercial development in the foreseeable future. A project maturity sub-class of Contingent Resources. |
| **Development Plan** | The design specifications, timing, and cost estimates of the appraisal and development project(s) that are planned in a field or group of fields. The plan will include, but is not limited to, well locations, completion techniques, drilling methods, processing facilities, transportation, regulations, and marketing. The plan is often executed in phases when involving large, complex, sequential recovery and/or extensive areas. |
| **Development Unclarified** | A discovered accumulation where project activities are under evaluation and where justification as a commercial development is unknown based on available information. This sub-class requires appraisal or study and should not be maintained without a plan for future evaluation. The sub-class should reflect the actions required to move a project toward commercial maturity. A project maturity sub-class of Contingent Resources. |
| **Discovered** | A petroleum accumulation where one or several exploratory wells through testing, sampling, and/or logging have demonstrated the existence of a significant quantity of potentially recoverable hydrocarbons and thus have established a known accumulation. In this context, “significant” implies that there is evidence of a sufficient quantity of petroleum to justify estimating the in-place volume demonstrated by the well(s) and for evaluating the potential for technical recovery. (See also Known Accumulation.) |
| **Discovered Petroleum Initially-In-Place** | Quantity of petroleum that is estimated, as of a given date, to be contained in known accumulations before production. Discovered PIIP may be subdivided into commercial, sub-commercial, and the portion remaining in the reservoir as Unrecoverable. |
| **Discovered Unrecoverable** | Discovered petroleum in-place resources that are evaluated, as of a given date, as not able to be recovered by the commercial and sub-commercial projects envisioned. |
| **Dry Gas** | Natural gas remaining after hydrocarbon liquids have been removed before the reference point. It should be recognized that this is a resources assessment definition and not a phase behavior definition. (Also called lean gas.) |
| **Economic** | A project is economic when it has a positive undiscounted cumulative cash flow from the effective date of the evaluation, the net revenue exceeds the net cost of operation (i.e., positive cumulative net cash flow at discount rate greater than or equal to zero percent). |
| **Economic Interest** | Interest that is possessed when an entity has acquired an interest in the minerals in-place or a license and secures, by any form of legal relationship, revenue derived from the extraction of the mineral to which he must look for a return. |
| **Economic Limit** | Defined as the time when the maximum cumulative net cash flow (see Net Entitlement) occurs for a project. |
| **Economically Not Viable Contingent Resources** | Those quantities for which development projects are not expected to yield positive cash flows under reasonable forecast conditions. May also be subject to additional unsatisfied contingencies. |
| **Economically Viable Contingent Resources** | Those quantities associated with technically feasible projects where cash flows are positive under reasonable forecast conditions but are not Reserves because it does not meet the other commercial criteria |
| **Economically Producible** | Refers to the situation where the net revenue from an ongoing producing project exceeds the net expenses attributable to a certain entity’s interest. The ADR costs are excluded from the determination. |
| **Effective Date** | Resource estimates of remaining quantities are “as of the given date” (effective date) of the evaluation. The evaluation must take into account all data related to the period before the "as of date.” |
| **Entitlement** | That portion of future production (and thus resources) legally accruing to an entity under the terms of the development and production contract or license. |
| **Entity** | A legal construct capable of bearing legal rights and obligations. In resources evaluations, this typically refers to the lessee or contractor, which is some form of legal corporation (or consortium of corporations). In a broader sense, an entity can be an organization of any form and may include governments or their agencies. |
| **Established Technology** | Methods of recovery or processing that have proved to be successful in commercial applications. |
| **Estimated Ultimate Recovery (EUR)** | Those quantities of petroleum estimated, as of a given date, to be potentially recoverable plus those quantities that have been already produced. For clarity, EUR must reference the associated technical and commercial conditions for the resources; for example, proved EUR is Proved Reserves plus prior production. |
| **Evaluation** | The geosciences, engineering, and associated studies, including economic analyses, conducted on a petroleum exploration, development, or producing project resulting in estimates of the quantities that can be recovered and sold and the associated cash flow under defined forward conditions. (Also called assessment.) |
| **Evaluator** | The person or group of persons responsible for performing an evaluation of a project. These may be employees of the entities that have an economic interest in the project or independent consultants contracted for reviews and audits. In all cases, the entity accepting the evaluation takes responsibility for the results, including its resources and attributed value estimates. |
| **Exploration** | Prospecting for undiscovered petroleum using various techniques, such as seismic surveys, geological studies, and exploratory drilling. |
| **Field** | In conventional reservoirs, a field is typically an area consisting of a single reservoir or multiple reservoirs all grouped on, or related to, the same individual geological structural feature and/or stratigraphic condition. There may be two or more reservoirs in a field that are separated vertically by intervening impermeable rock, laterally by local geologic barriers, or both. The term may be defined differently by individual regulatory authorities. For unconventional reservoirs without hydrodynamic influences, a field is often defined by regulatory or ownership boundaries as necessary. |
| **Final Investment Decision (FID)** | Project approval stage when the participating companies have firmly agreed to the project and the required capital funding. |
| **Flare Gas** | The total quantity of gas vented and/or burned as part of production and processing operations (but not as fuel). |
| **Flow Test** | An operation on a well designed to demonstrate the existence of recoverable petroleum in a reservoir by establishing flow to the surface and/or to provide an indication of the potential productivity of that reservoir (such as a wireline formation test). May also demonstrate the potential of certain completion techniques, particularly in unconventional reservoirs. |
| **Fluid Contacts** | The surface or interface in a reservoir separating two regions characterized by predominant differences in fluid saturations. Because of capillary and other phenomena, fluid saturation change is not necessarily abrupt or complete, nor is the surface necessarily horizontal. |
| **Forecast Case** | A descriptor applied to a scenario when production and associated cash-flow estimates are based on those conditions (including costs and product price schedules, inflation indexes, and market factors) forecast by the evaluator to reasonably exist throughout the evaluation life (i.e., defined conditions). Inflation or deflation adjustments are made to costs and revenues over the evaluation period. |
| **Gas Balance** | In gas production operations involving multiple working interest owners, maintaining a statement of volumes attributed to each, depending on each owner’s portion received. Imbalances may occur that must be monitored over time and eventually balanced in accordance with accepted accounting procedures. |
| **Gas Cap Gas** | Free natural gas that overlies and is in contact with crude oil in the reservoir. It is a subset of associated gas. |
| **Gas Hydrates** | Naturally occurring crystalline substances composed of water and gas, in which a solid water lattice accommodates gas molecules in a cage-like structure or clathrate. At conditions of standard temperature and pressure, one volume of saturated methane hydrate will contain as much as 164 volumes of methane gas. Gas hydrates are included in unconventional resources, but the technology to support commercial maturity has yet to be developed. |
| **Gas/Oil Ratio** | Ratio that is calculated using measured natural gas and crude oil volumes at stated conditions. The gas/oil ratio may be the solution gas/oil ratio, Rs ; produced gas/oil ratio, Rp ; or another suitably defined ratio of gas production to oil production. |
| **Geostatistical Methods** | A variety of mathematical techniques and processes dealing with the collection, methods, analysis, interpretation, and presentation of large quantities of geoscience and engineering data to (mathematically) describe the variability and uncertainties within any reservoir unit or pool, specifically related here to resources estimates. |
| **High Estimate** | With respect to resources categorization, this is considered to be an optimistic estimate of the quantity that will actually be recovered from an accumulation by a project. If probabilistic methods are used, there should be at least a 10% probability (P10) that the quantities actually recovered will equal or exceed the high estimate. |
| **Hydrates** | See Gas Hydrates. |
| **Hydrocarbons** | Hydrocarbons are chemical compounds consisting wholly of hydrogen and carbon molecules. |
| **Improved Recovery** | The extraction of additional petroleum, beyond primary recovery, from naturally occurring reservoirs by supplementing the natural forces in the reservoir. It includes waterflooding and gas injection for pressure maintenance, secondary processes, tertiary processes, and any other means of supplementing natural reservoir recovery processes. Improved recovery also includes thermal and chemical processes to improve the in-situ mobility of viscous forms of petroleum. (Also called enhanced recovery.) |
| **Injection** | The forcing, pumping, or natural flow of substances into a porous and permeable subsurface rock formation. Injected substances can include either gases or liquids. |
| **Justified for Development** | A development project that has reasonable forecast commercial conditions at the time of reporting and there are reasonable expectation that all necessary approvals/contracts will be obtained. A project maturity sub-class of Reserves. |
| **Kerogen** | The naturally occurring, solid, insoluble organic material that occurs in source rocks and can yield oil upon heating. Kerogen is also defined as the fraction of large chemical aggregates in sedimentary organic matter that is insoluble in solvents (in contrast, the fraction that is soluble in organic solvents is called bitumen). (See also Oil Shales.) |
| **Known Accumulation** | An accumulation that has been discovered. |
| **Lead** | A project associated with a potential accumulation that is currently poorly defined and requires more data acquisition and/or evaluation to be classified as a Prospect. A project maturity sub-class of Prospective Resources. |
| **Learning Curve** | Demonstrated improvements over time in performance of a repetitive task that results in efficiencies in tasks to be realized and/or in reduced time to perform and ultimately in cost reductions. |
| **Likelihood** | Likelihood (the estimated probability or chance) is equal (1- risk). (See Probability and Risk.) |
| **Low/Best/High Estimates** | Reflects the range of uncertainty as a reasonable range of estimated potentially recoverable quantities. |
| **Low Estimate** | With respect to resources categorization, this is a conservative estimate of the quantity that will actually be recovered from the accumulation by a project. If probabilistic methods are used, there should be at least a 90% probability (P90) that the quantities actually recovered will equal or exceed the low estimate. |
| **Lowest Known Hydrocarbons (LKH)** | The deepest documented occurrence of a producible hydrocarbon accumulation as interpreted from well log, flow test, pressure measurement, core data, or other conclusive and reliable evidence. |
| **Market** | A consumer or group of consumers of a product that has been obtained through purchase, barter, or contractual terms. |
| **Marketable Quantities** | Those quantities of hydrocarbons that are estimated to be producible from petroleum accumulations and that will be consumed by the market. (Also referred to as marketable products.) |
| **Mean** | The sum of a set of numerical values divided by the number of values in the set. |
| **Measurement** | The process of establishing quantity (volume, mass, or energy content) and quality of petroleum products delivered to a reference point under conditions defined by delivery contract or regulatory authorities. |
| **Mineral Lease** | An agreement in which a mineral owner (lessor) grants an entity (lessee) rights. Such rights can include (1) a fee ownership or lease, concession, or other interest representing the right to extract oil or gas subject to such terms as may be imposed by the conveyance of the lease; (2) royalty interests, production payments payable in oil or gas, and other non-operating interests in properties operated by others; and/or (3) those agreements with foreign governments or authorities under which a reporting entity participates in the operation of the related properties or otherwise serves as producer of the underlying reserves (as opposed to being an independent purchaser, broker, dealer, or importer). |
| **Monte Carlo Simulation** | A type of stochastic mathematical simulation that randomly and repeatedly samples input distributions (e.g., reservoir properties) to generate a resulting distribution (e.g., recoverable petroleum quantities). |
| **Multi-Scenario Method** | An extension of the deterministic scenario method. In this case, a significant number of discrete deterministic scenarios are developed by the evaluator, with each scenario leading to a single deterministic outcome. Probabilities may be assigned to each discrete input assumption from which the probability of the scenario can be obtained; alternatively, each outcome may be assumed to be equally likely. |
| **Natural Bitumen** | The portion of petroleum that exists in the semi-solid or solid phase in natural deposits. In its natural state, it usually contains sulfur, metals, and other non- hydrocarbons. Natural bitumen has a viscosity greater than 10,000 mPa·s (or 10,000 cp) measured at original temperature in the deposit and atmospheric pressure, on a gas free basis. In its natural viscous state, it is not normally recoverable at commercial rates through a well and requires the implementation of improved recovery methods such as steam injection. Natural bitumen generally requires upgrading before normal refining. |
| **Natural Gas** | Portion of petroleum that exists either in the gaseous phase or is in solution in crude oil in a reservoir, and which is gaseous at atmospheric conditions of pressure and temperature. Natural gas may include some amount of non- hydrocarbons. |
| **Natural Gas Liquids (NGLs)** | A mixture of light hydrocarbons that exist in the gaseous phase in the reservoir and are recovered as liquids in gas processing plants. NGLs differ from condensate in two principal respects: (1) NGLs are extracted and recovered in gas plants rather than lease separators or other lease facilities, and (2) NGLs include very light hydrocarbons (ethane, propane, or butanes) as well as the pentanes-plus that are the main constituents of condensates. |
| **Net Entitlement** | That portion of future production (and thus resources) legally accruing to an entity under the terms of the development and production contract or license. Under the terms of PSCs, the producers have an entitlement to a portion of the production. This entitlement, often referred to as “net entitlement” or “net economic interest” is estimated using a formula based on the contract terms incorporating costs and profits. |
| **Net Pay** | The portion (after applying cutoffs) of the thickness of a reservoir from which petroleum can be produced or extracted. Value is referenced to a true vertical thickness measured. |
| **Net Revenue Interest** | An entity’s revenue share of petroleum sales after deduction of royalties or share of production owing to others under applicable lease and fiscal terms. (See also Entitlement and Net Entitlement) |
| **Netback Calculation** | Term used in the hydrocarbon product price determination at reference point to reflect the revenue of one unit of sales after the costs associated with bringing the product to a market (e.g., transportation and processing) are removed. |
| **Non-Hydrocarbon Gas** | Associated gases such as nitrogen, carbon dioxide, hydrogen sulfide, and helium that are present in naturally occurring petroleum accumulations. |
| **Non-Sales** | That portion of estimated recoverable or produced quantities that will not be included in sales as contractually defined at the reference point. Non-sales include quantities CiO, flare, and surface losses, and may include non- hydrocarbons. |
| **Oil Sands** | Sand deposits highly saturated with natural bitumen. Also called “tar sands.” Note that in deposits such as the western Canada oil sands, significant quantities of natural bitumen may be hosted in a range of lithologies, including siltstones and carbonates. |
| **Oil Shales** | Shale, siltstone, and marl deposits highly saturated with kerogen. Whether extracted by mining or in-situ processes, the material must be extensively processed to yield a marketable product (synthetic crude oil). (Often called kerogen shale.) |
| **On Production** | A project maturity sub-class of Reserves that reflects the operational execution phase of one or multiple development projects with the Reserves currently producing or capable of producing. Includes Developed Producing and Developed Non-Producing Reserves. |
| **Overlift/Underlift** | Production entitlements received that vary from contractual terms resulting in overlift or underlift positions. This can occur in annual records because of the necessity for companies to lift their entitlement in parcel sizes to suit the available shipping schedules as agreed upon by the parties. At any given financial year- end, a company may be in overlift or underlift. Based on the production matching the company’s accounts, production should be reported in accord with and equal to the liftings actually made by the company during the year and not on the production entitlement for the year. |
| **P1** | Denotes Proved Reserves. P1 is equal to 1P. |
| **P2** | Denotes Probable Reserves. |
| **P3** | Denotes Possible Reserves. |
| **Penetration** | The intersection of a wellbore with a reservoir. |
| **Petroleum** | Defined as a naturally occurring mixture consisting of hydrocarbons in the gaseous, liquid, or solid phase. Petroleum may also contain non-hydrocarbon compounds, common examples of which are carbon dioxide, nitrogen, hydrogen sulfide, and sulfur. In rare cases, non-hydrocarbon content of petroleum can be greater than 50%. |
| **Petroleum Initially-in-Place (PIIP)** | The total quantity of petroleum that is estimated to exist originally in naturally occurring reservoirs, as of a given date. Crude oil in-place, natural gas in-place, and natural bitumen in-place are defined in the same manner. |
| **Pilot Project** | A small-scale test or trial operation used to assess technology, including recovery processes, for commercial application in a specific reservoir. |
| **Play** | A project associated with a prospective trend of potential prospects, but which requires more data acquisition and/or evaluation to define specific Leads or Prospects. A project maturity sub-class of Prospective Resources. |
| **Pool** | An individual and separate accumulation of petroleum in a reservoir within a field. |
| **Possible Reserves** | An incremental category of estimated recoverable quantities associated with a defined degree of uncertainty. Possible Reserves are those additional reserves that analysis of geoscience and engineering data suggest are less likely to be recoverable than Probable Reserves. The total quantities ultimately recovered from the project have a low probability to exceed the sum of Proved plus Probable plus Possible (3P), which is equivalent to the high estimate scenario. When probabilistic methods are used, there should be at least a 10% probability that the actual quantities recovered will equal or exceed the 3P estimate. |
| **Primary Recovery** | The extraction of petroleum from reservoirs using only the natural energy available in the reservoirs to move fluids through the reservoir rock to other points of recovery. |
| **Probability** | The extent to which an event is likely to occur, measured by the ratio of the favorable cases to the whole number of cases possible. PRMS convention is to quote cumulative probability of exceeding or equaling a quantity where P90 is the small estimate and P10 is the large estimate. (See also Uncertainty.) |
| **Probabilistic Method** | The method of estimation of resources is called probabilistic when the known geoscience, engineering, and economic data are used to generate a continuous range of estimates and their associated probabilities. |
| **Probable Reserves** | An incremental category of estimated recoverable quantities associated with a defined degree of uncertainty. Probable Reserves are those additional Reserves that are less likely to be recovered than Proved Reserves but more certain to be recovered than Possible Reserves. It is equally likely that actual remaining quantities recovered will be greater than or less than the sum of the estimated Proved plus Probable Reserves (2P). In this context, when probabilistic methods are used, there should be at least a 50% probability that the actual quantities recovered will equal or exceed the 2P estimate. |
| **Production** | The cumulative quantities of petroleum that have been recovered at a given date. Production can be reported in terms of the sales product specifications, but project evaluation requires that all production quantities (sales and non-sales), as measured to support engineering analyses requiring reservoir voidage calculations, are recognized. |
| **Production Forecast** | A forecasted schedule of production over time. For Reserves, the production forecast reflects a specific development scenario under a specific recovery process, a certain number and type of wells and particular facilities and infrastructure. When forecasting Contingent or Prospective Resources, more than one project scope (e.g., wells and facilities) is frequently carried to determine the range of the potential project and its uncertainty together with the associated resources defining the low, best, and high production forecasts. The uncertainty in resources estimates associated with a production forecast is usually quantified by using at least three scenarios or cases of low, best, and high, which lead to the resources classifications of, respectively, 1P, 2P, 3P and 1C, 2C, 3C or 1U,2U and 3U. |
| **Production- Sharing Contract (PSC)** | A contract between a contractor and a host government in which the contractor typically bears the risk and costs for exploration, development, and production. In return, if exploration is successful, the contractor is given the opportunity to recover the incurred investment from production, subject to specific limits and terms. Ownership of petroleum in the ground is retained by the host government; however, the contractor normally receives title to the prescribed share of the quantities as they are produced. (Also termed production-sharing agreement (PSA). |
| **Project** | A defined activity or set of activities that provides the link between the petroleum accumulation’s resources sub-class and the decision-making process, including budget allocation. A project may, for example, constitute the development of a single reservoir or field, an incremental development in a larger producing field, or the integrated development of a group of several fields and associated facilities (e.g. compression) with a common ownership. In general, an individual project will represent a specific maturity level (sub-class) at which a decision is made on whether or not to proceed (i.e., spend money), suspend, or remove.  There should be an associated range of estimated recoverable resources for that project. (See also Development Plan.) |
| **Property** | A defined portion of the Earth’s crust wherein an entity has contractual rights to extract, process, and market specified in-place minerals (including petroleum). In general, defined as an area but may have depth and/or stratigraphic constraints. May also be termed a lease, concession, or license. |
| **Prospect** | A project associated with an undrilled potential accumulation that is sufficiently well defined to represent a viable drilling target. A project maturity sub-class of Prospective Resources. |
| **Prospective Resources** | Those quantities of petroleum estimated, as of a given date, to be potentially recoverable from undiscovered accumulations by application of future development projects. |
| **Proved Reserves** | An incremental category of estimated recoverable quantities associated with a defined degree of uncertainty. Proved Reserves are those quantities of petroleum that, by analysis of geoscience and engineering data, can be estimated with reasonable certainty to be commercially recoverable, from a given date forward, from known reservoirs and under defined economic conditions, operating methods, and government regulations. If deterministic methods are used, the term “reasonable certainty” is intended to express a high degree of confidence that the quantities will be recovered. If probabilistic methods are used, there should be at least a 90% probability that the quantities actually recovered will equal or exceed the estimate. |
| **Pure Service Contract** | Agreement between a contractor and a host government that typically covers a defined technical service to be provided or completed during a specific time period. The service company investment is typically limited to the value of equipment, tools, and expenses for personnel used to perform the service. In most cases, the service contractor’s reimbursement is fixed by the contract’s terms with little exposure to either project performance or market factors. No Reserves or Resources can be attributed to these activities. |
| **Qualified Reserves Auditor** | A reserves evaluator who (1) has a minimum of ten years of practical experience in petroleum engineering or petroleum production geology, with at least five years of such experience being in responsible charge of the estimation and evaluation of Reserves information; and (2) either (a) has obtained from a college or university of recognized stature a bachelor’s or advanced degree in petroleum engineering, geology, or other discipline of engineering or physical science or (b) has received, and is maintaining in good standing, a registered or certified professional engineer’s license or a registered or certified professional geologist’s license, or the equivalent, from an appropriate governmental authority or professional organization. (see SPE 2007 “Standards Pertaining to the Estimating and Auditing of Oil and Gas Reserves Information”) |
| **Qualified Reserves Evaluator** | A reserves evaluator who (1) has a minimum of five years of practical experience in petroleum engineering or petroleum production geology, with at least three years of such experience being in the estimation and evaluation of Reserves information; and (2) either (a) has obtained from a college or university of recognized stature a bachelor’s or advanced degree in petroleum engineering, geology, or other discipline of engineering or physical science or (b) has received, and is maintaining in good standing, a registered or certified professional engineer’s license or a registered or certified professional geologist’s license, or the equivalent, from an appropriate governmental authority or professional organization. (modified from SPE 2007 “Standards Pertaining to the Estimating and Auditing of Oil and Gas Reserves Information”) |
| **Range of Uncertainty** | The range of uncertainty of the in-place, recoverable, and/or potentially recoverable quantities; may be represented by either deterministic estimates or by a probability distribution. (See Resources Categories.) |
| **Raw Production** | All components, whether hydrocarbon or other, produced from the well or extracted from the mine (hydrocarbons, water, impurities such as non- hydrocarbon gases, etc.). |
| **Reasonable Certainty** | If deterministic methods for estimating recoverable resources quantities are used, then reasonable certainty is intended to express a high degree of confidence that the estimated quantities will be recovered. Typically attributed to Proved Reserves or 1C Resources quantities. |
| **Reasonable Expectation** | Indicates a high degree of confidence (low risk of failure) that the project will proceed with commercial development or the referenced event will occur. (Differs from reasonable certainty, which applies to resources quantity technical confidence, while reasonable expectation relates to commercial confidence.). |
| **Recoverable Resources** | Those quantities of hydrocarbons that are estimated to be producible by the project from either discovered or undiscovered accumulations. |
| **Recovery Efficiency** | A numeric expression of that portion (expressed as a percentage) of in-place quantities of petroleum estimated to be recoverable by specific processes or projects, most often represented as a percentage. It is estimated using the recoverable resources divided by the hydrocarbons initially in-place. It is also referenced to timing; current and ultimate (or estimated ultimate) are descriptors applied to reference the stage of the recovery. (Also called recovery factor.) |
| **Reference Point** | A defined location within a petroleum extraction and processing operation where quantities of produced product are measured under defined conditions before custody transfer (or consumption). Also called point of sale, terminal point, or custody transfer point. |
| **Report** | The presentation of evaluation results within the entity conducting the assessment. Should not be construed as replacing requirements for public disclosures under guidelines established by regulatory and/or other government agencies. |
| **Reserves** | Those quantities of petroleum anticipated to be commercially recoverable by application of development projects to known accumulations from a given date forward under defined conditions. Reserves must satisfy four criteria: they must be discovered, recoverable, commercial, and remaining (as of a given date) based on the development project(s) applied. |
| **Reservoir** | A subsurface rock formation that contains an individual and separate natural accumulation of petroleum that is confined by impermeable barriers, pressure systems, or fluid regimes (conventional reservoirs), or is confined by hydraulic fracture barriers or fluid regimes (unconventional reservoirs). |
| **Resources** | Term used to encompass all quantities of petroleum (recoverable and unrecoverable) naturally occurring in an accumulation on or within the Earth’s crust, discovered and undiscovered, plus those quantities already produced. Further, it includes all types of petroleum whether currently considered conventional or unconventional. (See Total Petroleum Initially-in-Place.) |
| **Resources Categories** | Subdivisions of estimates of resources to be recovered by a project(s) to indicate the associated degrees of uncertainty. Categories reflect uncertainties in the total petroleum remaining within the accumulation (in-place resources), that portion of the in-place petroleum that can be recovered by applying a defined development project or projects, and variations in the conditions that may impact commercial development (e.g., market availability and contractual changes). The resource quantity uncertainty range within a single resources class is reflected by either the 1P, 2P, 3P, Proved, Probable, Possible, or 1C, 2C, 3C or 1U, 2U, 3U resources categories. |
| **Resources Classes** | Subdivisions of resources that indicate the relative maturity of the development projects being applied to yield the recoverable quantity estimates. Project maturity may be indicated qualitatively by allocation to classes and sub-classes and/or quantitatively by associating a project’s estimated likelihood of commerciality. |
| **Resources Type** | Describes the accumulation and is determined by the combination of the type of hydrocarbon and the rock in which it occurs. |
| **Revenue-Sharing Contract** | Contracts that are very similar to the PSCs with the exception of contractor payment in these contracts, the contractor usually receives a defined share of revenue rather than a share of the production. |
| **Risk** | The probability of loss or failure. Risk is not synonymous with uncertainty. Risk is generally associated with the negative outcome, the term “chance” is preferred for general usage to describe the probability of a discrete event occurring. |
| **Risk and Reward** | Risk and reward associated with oil and gas production activities are attributed primarily from the variation in revenues cause by technical and economic risks. The exposure to risk in conjunction with entitlement rights is required to support an entity’s resources recognition. Technical risk affects an entity’s ability to physically extract and recover hydrocarbons and is usually dependent on a number of technical parameters. Economic risk is a function of the success of a project and is critically dependent on cost, price, and political or other economic factors. |
| **Risk Service Contract (RSC)** | Agreements that are very similar to the production-sharing agreements in that the risk is borne by the contractor but the mechanism of contractor payment is different. With a RSC, the contractor usually receives a defined share of revenue rather than a share of the production. |
| **Royalty** | A type of entitlement interest in a resource that is free and clear of the costs and expenses of development and production to the royalty interest owner. A royalty is commonly retained by a resources owner (lessor/host) when granting rights to a producer (lessee/contractor) to develop and produce that resource. Depending on the specific terms defining the royalty, the payment obligation may be expressed in monetary terms as a portion of the proceeds of production or as a right to take a portion of production in-kind. The royalty terms may also provide the option to switch between forms of payment at discretion of the royalty owner. |
| **Sales** | The quantity of petroleum and any non-hydrocarbon product delivered at the custody transfer point (reference point) with specifications and measurement conditions as defined in the sales contract and/or by regulatory authorities. |
| **Shale Gas** | Although the terms shale gas and tight gas are often used interchangeably in public discourse, shale formations are only a subset of all low-permeability tight formations, which include sandstones and carbonates, as well as shales, as sources of tight gas production |
| **Shale Oil** | Although the terms shale oil and tight oil are often used interchangeably in public discourse, shale formations are only a subset of all low-permeability tight formations, which include sandstones and carbonates, as well as shales, as sources of tight oil production |
| **Shut-In Resources** | Resources planned to be recovered from (1) completion intervals that are open at the time of the estimate, but which have not started producing; (2) wells that were shut-in for market conditions or pipeline connections; or (3) wells not capable of production for mechanical reasons that can be remediated at a limited cost compared to the cost of the well. |
| **Split Classification** | A single project should be uniquely assigned to a sub-class along with its uncertainty range, For example, a project cannot have quantities categorized as 1C, 2P, and 3P. This is referred to as “split classification.” If there are differing commercial conditions, separate sub-classes should be defined. |
| **Split Conditions** | The uncertainty in recoverable quantities is assessed for each project using resources categories. The assumed commercial conditions are associated with resource classes or sub-classes and not with the resources categories. For example, the product price assumptions are those assumed when classifying projects as Reserves, and a different price would not be used for assessing Proved versus Probable reserves. That would be referred to as “split conditions.” |
| **Stochastic** | Adjective defining a process involving or containing a random variable or variables or involving likelihood or probability, such as a stochastic simulation. |
| **Sub-Commercial** | A project subdivision that is applied to discovered resources that occurs if either the technical or commercial maturity conditions of project have not yet been achieved. A project is sub-commercial if the degree of commitment is such that the accumulation is not expected to be developed and placed on production within a reasonable time-frame. Sub-commercial projects are classified as Contingent Resources. |
| **Sunk Cost** | Money spent before the effective date and that cannot be recovered by any future action. Sunk costs are not relevant to future business decisions because the cost will be the same regardless of the outcome of the decision. Sunk costs differ from committed (obligated) costs, where there is a firm and binding agreement to spend specified amounts of money at specific times in the future (i.e., after the effective date). |
| **Synthetic Crude Oil** | A mixture of hydrocarbons derived by upgrading (i.e., chemically altering) natural bitumen from oil sands, kerogen from oil shales, or processing of other substances such as natural gas or coal. Synthetic crude oil may contain sulfur or other non-hydrocarbon compounds and has many similarities to crude oil. |
| **Taxes** | Obligatory contributions to the public funds, levied on persons, property, or income by governmental authority. |
| **Technical Forecast** | The forecast of produced resources quantities that is defined by applying only technical limitations (i.e., well-flow-loading conditions, well life, production facility life, flow-limit constraints, facility uptime, and the facility's operating design parameters). Technical limitations do not take into account the application of either an economic or license cut-off. (See also Technically Recoverable Resources). |
| **Technical Uncertainty** | Indication of the varying degrees of uncertainty in estimates of recoverable quantities influenced by the range of potential in-place hydrocarbon resources within the reservoir and the range of the recovery efficiency of the recovery project being applied. |
| **Technically Recoverable Resources** | Those quantities of petroleum producible using currently available technology and industry practices, regardless of commercial or accessibility considerations. |
| **Technology Under Development** | Technology that is currently under active development and that has not been demonstrated to be commercially viable. There should be sufficient direct evidence (e.g., a test project/pilot) to indicate that the technology may reasonably be expected to be available for commercial application. |
| **Tight Gas** | Gas that is trapped in pore space and fractures in very low-permeability rocks and/or by adsorption on kerogen, and possibly on clay particles, and is released when a pressure differential develops. It usually requires extensive hydraulic fracturing to facilitate commercial production. Shale gas is a sub-type of tight gas. |
| **Tight Oil** | Crude oil that is trapped in pore space in very low-permeability rocks and may be liquid under reservoir conditions or become liquid at surface conditions. Extensive hydraulic fracturing is invariably required to facilitate commercial maturity and economic production. Shale oil is a sub-type of tight oil. |
| **Total Petroleum Initially-in-Place** | All estimated quantities of petroleum that are estimated to exist originally in naturally occurring accumulations, discovered and undiscovered, before production. |
| **Uncertainty** | The range of possible outcomes in a series of estimates. For recoverable resources assessments, the range of uncertainty reflects a reasonable range of estimated potentially recoverable quantities for an individual accumulation or a project. (See also Probability.) |
| **Unconventional Resources** | Unconventional resources exist in petroleum accumulations that are pervasive throughout a large area and lack well-defined OWC or GWC (also called “continuous-type deposits”). Such resources cannot be recovered using traditional recovery projects owing to fluid viscosity (e.g., oil sands) and/or reservoir permeability (e.g., tight gas/oil/CBM) that impede natural mobility.Moreover, the extracted petroleum may require significant processing before sale (e.g., bitumen upgraders). |
| **Undeveloped Reserves** | Those quantities expected to be recovered through future investments: (1) from new wells on undrilled acreage in known accumulations, (2) from deepening existing wells to a different (but known) reservoir, (3) from infill wells that will increase recovery, or (4) where a relatively large expenditure (e.g., when compared to the cost of drilling and completing a new well) is required to recomplete an existing well. |
| **Undiscovered Petroleum Initially-in-Place** | That quantity of petroleum estimated, as of a given date, to be contained within accumulations yet to be discovered. |
| **Unrecoverable Resources** | Those quantities of discovered or undiscovered PIIP that are assessed, as of a given date, to be unrecoverable by the currently defined project(s). A portion of these quantities may become recoverable in the future as commercial circumstances change, technology is developed, or additional data are acquired. The remaining portion may never be recovered owing to physical/chemical constraints represented by subsurface interaction of fluids and reservoir rocks. |
| **Upgrader** | A general term applied to processing plants that convert extra-heavy crude oil and natural bitumen into lighter crude and less viscous synthetic crude oil. While the detailed process varies, the underlying concept is to remove carbon through coking or to increase hydrogen by hydrogenation processes using catalysts. |
| **Wet Gas** | Natural gas from which no liquids have been removed before the reference point. The wet gas is accounted for in resources assessments, and there is no separate accounting for contained liquids. It should be recognized that this is a resources assessment definition and not a phase behavior definition. |
| **Working Interest** | An entity’s equity interest in a project before reduction for royalties or production share owed to others under the applicable fiscal terms. |

# Appendix 2: Nomenclature

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| **3D** | three dimensional |
| **ABEX** | abandonment cost |
| **API** | American Petroleum Institute |
| **bbl** | barrel (42 US gallons) |
| **Bg** | gas formation volume factor, in scf/rcf |
| **BH** | bottom hole |
| **BHA** | bottom hole assembly |
| **Bo** | oil formation volume factor, in rb/stb |
| **Bscf** | thousands of millions of standard cubic feet |
| **C&P** | cased and perforated |
| **CGR** | condensate gas ratio |
| **CO2** | carbon dioxide |
| **CoP** | cessation of production |
| **COS** | geological chance of success |
| **CPI** | computer processed interpretation |
| **d** | day |
| **DCA** | decline curve analysis |
| **DST** | drill stem test |
| **Eg** | gas expansion factor |
| **ELT** | economic limit test |
| **FBHP** | flowing bottom hole pressure |
| **FDP** | field development plan |
| **FMB** | flowing material balance |
| **FPSO** | floating production storage and offloading vessel |
| **ft** | feet |
| **FTHP** | flowing tubing head pressure |
| **FVF** | formation volume factor |
| **FWL** | free water level |
| **GDT** | gas down to |
| **GEF** | gas expansion factor |
| **GIIP** | gas initially in place |
| **GOC** | gas oil contact |
| **GOR** | gas oil ratio |
| **GRV** | gross rock volume |
| **GSA** | gas sales agreement |
| **GWC** | gas water contact |
| **H2S** | hydrogen sulphide |
| **HIIP** | hydrocarbons initially in place |
| **HLV** | Heavy Lift Vessel |
| **HPHT** | high pressure, high temperature |
| **ICV** | interval control valve |
| **kh** | permeability thickness |
| **km** | kilometres |
| **Kr** | relative permeability |
| **LNG** | liquefied natural gas |
| **LPG** | liquefied petroleum gas |
| **LTC** | long term compression |
| **m** | metre |
| **M MM** | thousands and millions respectively |
| **MD** | measured depth |
| **md or mD** | millidarcy |
| **MDRKB** | measured depth below Kelly Bushing |
| **MDT** | modular dynamic tester |
| **MSL** | mean sea level |
| **mss** | metres subsea |
| **N2** | nitrogen |
| **NAG** | non-associated gas |
| **NBP** | National Balancing Point |
| **NPV xx** | net present value at xx discount rate |
| **NTG** | net to gross ratio |
| **NUI** | normally unmanned installation |
| **ODT** | oil down to |
| **OPEX** | operating cost |
| **OWC** | oil water contact |
| **P90** | low case (probabilistic) estimate (there should be a 90% probability of exceeding this estimate) |
| **P50** | mid or best case (probabilistic) estimate (there should be a 50% probability of exceeding this estimate) |
| **P10** | high case (probabilistic) estimate (there should be a 10% probability of exceeding this estimate) |
| **Pb** | saturation, or bubble point, pressure |
| **PBU** | pressure-build-up |
| **Phi** | porosity |
| **Phie** | effective porosity |
| **Phit** | total porosity |
| **PI** | productivity index, in stb/d/psi for oil or MMscf/d/psi or Mscf/d/psi for gas |
| **POD** | plan of development |
| **PSA** | production sharing agreement |
| **PSC** | production sharing contract |
| **psi** | pressure, measured in pounds per square inch |
| **psia** | absolute pressure, measured in pounds per square inch |
| **psig** | gauge pressure which is the pressure above atmospheric pressure, measured in pounds per square inch |
| **PSDM** | post stack depth migration |
| **PSTM** | post stack time migration |
| **PVT** | pressure volume temperature experiment |
| **rb** | reservoir barrels |
| **RCA** | routine core analysis |
| **rcf** | cubic feet at reservoir conditions |
| **RFT** | repeat formation tester |
| **Rs** | solution gas oil ratio |
| **scf** | standard cubic feet measured at 14.7 pounds per square inch and 60 degrees Fahrenheit |
| **SNA** | sum of negative amplitudes |
| **ss** | sub-sea |
| **stb** | stock tank barrel (42 US gallons measured at 14.7 pounds per square inch and 60 degrees Fahrenheit) |
| **STOIIP** | stock tank oil initially in place |
| **Sw** | water saturation |
| **Swc** | connate water saturation |
| **TD** | total depth |
| **THP** | tubing head pressure |
| **TVD** | true vertical depth |
| **TVDSS** | true vertical depth sub-sea |
| **TWT** | two way time |
| **WGR** | water gas ratio |
| **WOR** | water oil ratio |
| **WUT** | water up to |