

ANNUAL REPORT 2015

AUSTEX OIL LIMITED
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Chairman's Letter

Dear Shareholder;

In 2015 AusTex successfully weathered the historic downturn in the oil and gas sector to emerge with a strong balance sheet and a sharpened focus on opportunities for growth. Throughout the year the Board remained cognisant of the fact that with the downturn in oil and gas prices and the general turmoil in the markets, we were being presented with an opportunity to look beyond our core asset base to consider assets that might diversify and reduce geological risk.

While the Board remains confident in the embedded value of its Snake River Project and looks to expand its knowledge of the geology in the area, a significant uplift in shareholder value is more likely to come from the Company having a combination of core assets such as Snake River and upside potential through acquisitions with both production and prospective acreage. AusTex's balance sheet puts the Company in a good position to pursue this.

While 2015 was a year of resilience for the Company, we still saw the benefits of a strong operational year in 2014 with the Company's balance sheet reflecting the strong hedge position and also the significant increase in production from prior years.

At the start of 2015 the Board clearly outlined its strategy by focusing on incremental returns on investment and the careful monitoring of our capital allocation. The Company went into the year with a significant cash balance and an in-the-money hedge position and we emerged even stronger at the end of the year with a cash balance of US\$24.6m. This is at a time when many of our peers have gone into liquidation or face continuing uncertainty around their survival.

The strategy executed upon by AusTex in 2015 included:

- slowing production and effectively using the oil formation as free storage;
- significantly decreasing our non-core acreage position and obligations in Kansas;
- maintaining a strong hedging position for current production at oil prices well in excess of the spot market and ensuring as best as possible that production matched the Company's hedging obligations;
- maintaining a strong balance sheet to position the Company to capitalise on opportunities that may present themselves in this current oil market correction;
- a significant reduction in non-essential field staff which helped improve cash flow and drove a strong balance sheet; and
- a continued reduction in non-essential corporate expenditure including those associated with the Australian public company which had already been reduced by more than \$1m in 2014.

With the focus in 2016 now on external growth opportunities, the Company is seeking acquisitions that offer both a strategic fit with our existing asset base and diversification with sufficient scale to provide operational efficiency. AusTex has undertaken, and is continuing to undertake, due diligence on a number of opportunities. Price expectations between buyers and sellers remain divergent but liquidity and leverage pressure will force them to eventually meet. At the time of penning this letter to shareholders, the Company is continuing to look for assets that will provide both acceptable returns at the current forward curve, and a meaningful uplift in value with any upswing in the oil price. While the Board believes it is now well positioned should an appropriate opportunity arise, there is no guarantee the Company will conclude any acquisitions.

While 2015 was a year of resilience for the Company, we still saw the benefits of a strong operational year in 2014

For a Company that is dual listed and has the majority of its shareholders spread across two continents in Australia and the USA, your Board is always aiming to improve its dialogue with shareholders. This has resulted in taking on shareholder feedback with the introduction of quarterly investor calls. This won't be the last of our initiatives aimed at improved communications with not only shareholders but other key stakeholders and potential investors as well.

The Board believes that its overall strategy in this oil price environment is appropriately conservative but yet focussed solidly on growth to ensure the long term creation of shareholder value.

On behalf of the Board I would like to thank all shareholders for their continued support as we aim for a better and brighter 2016.

Michael R Stone
Non-Executive Chairman

Co-Managing Directors' Review of Operations

2015 Highlights

After a solid performance in 2014 in which the Company achieved a record year in terms of production, revenue, well development and infrastructure investment, the 2015 year was one in which AusTex ensured that it was in the most resilient position possible to weather the oil and gas price downturn. Notwithstanding the strong headwinds encountered by the sector AusTex emerged in a strong position with an enviable balance sheet.

The Company only drilled one new well in 2015 and shifted the focus from exploration and development to effective cost management and managing production to hedging commitments so as to maximise returns. For this reason production in 2015 was less than the 2014 record year however due to the significant efforts in prior years to build infrastructure and drill at a rapid pace prior to the oil price collapse, AusTex was still able to deliver production well in excess of any of all previous years other than 2014 with annual production of 363,000 BOE (being 112,000 BOE more than the 2013 year).

The following 4 tables highlight the Company's performance in 2015 from a production perspective.

Table 1: Net Monthly Production and Cumulative Annual Total for 2015

Month	Monthly Production (BOE)	Average Daily Production (BOE)	Change from Previous Month	Cumulative Calendar Year Production ('000BOE)
January	39,300	1,268	-7.6%	39.3
February	32,000	1,143	-9.9%	71.3
March	36,800	1,187	3.9%	108.1
April	31,800	1,060	-10.7%	139.9
May	30,600	1,020	-3.8%	170.5
June	29,200	973	-4.6%	199.7
July	31,600	1,020	4.8%	231.3
August	28,800	928	-9.1%	260.1
September	25,700	856	-7.8%	285.8
October	27,600	889	7.4%	313.4
November	24,500	816	-11.2%	337.9
December	25,700	828	4.9%	363.6

Table 2: Net Quarterly Production and Cumulative Annual Total for 2015

Quarter Ending	Total Production ('000BOE)	Change from Previous Quarter	Cumulative Calendar Year Production ('000BOE)
31 March	108.1	-14.4%	108.1
30 June	91.6	-15.3%	199.7
30 September	86.1	-6.0%	285.8
31 December	77.8	-9.6%	363.6

Table 3: Net Annual Production Year on Year from 2011 to 2015

Year	Net Annual Production ('000 BOE)	Change from Previous Year
2011	26	-
2012	105	+298%
2013	251	+139%
2014	439	+75%
2015	363	-17.2%

Table 4: Wells by stage of production process by quarter across 2015

Well Count as of:	31 March 2015	30 June 2015	30 September 2015	31 December 2015
Pumping – Non Operated	4	4	4	4
Pumping – Operated	71	71	66	70
Flowing / Testing	2	2	1	0
Drilled / Fracked	7	7	5	2
Current Shut-In	0	0	9	8
Total Wells	84	84	85	84

Company Overview

AusTex Oil Limited (AusTex or the Company) (ASX: AOK, OTCQX: ATXDY) is an oil and gas producing company with operations in Oklahoma and Kansas, in the mid-continent of the United States of America. The interests are held through 6 wholly owned subsidiary companies as particularised in the list of Consolidated Entities under the Corporate Structure in the Directors' Report. USA operations are all managed from an office located at 1801 East 71st Street, Tulsa.

As of year end, IEC-OK held interests in approx. 11,200 acres of oil and gas leases in the Kay County area of Northern Oklahoma which is the Company's primary focus. International Energy Company, LLC is the operator of the majority of the leases. The Company also holds additional acreage in other areas as shown in table 10.

2015 Year End Reserves

AusTex holds interests in 11,800 net acres in the Mississippi Lime play (including the 11,200 at Snake River) with daily average net production for the month of December of 828 BOE. Pursuant to ASX Listing Rule 5.39, table 5 below shows the Net Reserves (after working interests and royalties are removed but before taxes) and Net Present Value as of December 31, 2015 for the combined prospect areas of the Snake River Project and Sweet Prospect in Oklahoma and the Company's acreage in Kansas. Table 6 shows the Net Reserves for the Snake River Project in Oklahoma, table 7 shows the Net Reserves for the Sweet Prospect in Oklahoma and table 8 shows the Net Reserves for the Company's acreage in Kansas.

Combined Prospect Areas:

Table 5: Net Reserves for the combined prospect areas

Reserve Class	Number of Properties	Net Reserves		Net Reserves MBOE (1:6)	Net Capital M\$	Net Cashflow M\$	NPV Disc @ 10% M\$
		Oil MMBL	Gas MMCF				
Proved Developed Producing (PDP)	62	1,090	6,656	2,199	0	63,156	26,051
Proved Non-producing (PNP)	8	89	63	99	280	3,780	1,653
Proved Undeveloped (PUD)	23	638	3,409	1,206	12,075	24,422	7,108
Total Proved (1P)	93	1,817	10,128	3,505	12,355	91,357	34,812

Snake River Project, Oklahoma:

Table 6: Net Reserves for the Snake River Project in Oklahoma

Reserve Class	Number of Properties	Net Reserves		Net Reserves MBOE (1:6)	Net Capital M\$	Net Cashflow M\$	NPV Disc @ 10% M\$
		Oil MMBL	Gas MMCF				
Proved Developed Producing (PDP)	49	1,034	6,569	2,129	0	62,237	25,527
Proved Non-producing (PNP)	8	89	63	99	280	3,780	1,653
Proved Undeveloped (PUD)	23	638	3,409	1,206	12,075	24,422	7,108
Total Proved (1P)	80	1,761	10,040	3,434	12,355	90,438	34,288

Sweet Prospect, Oklahoma:

Table 7: Net Reserves for the Sweet Prospect in Oklahoma

Reserve Class	Number of Properties	Net Reserves		Net Reserves MBOE (1:6)	Net Capital M\$	Net Cashflow M\$	NPV Disc @ 10% M\$
		Oil MMBL	Gas MMCF				
Proved Developed Producing (PDP)	7	31	88	46	0	560	324
Proved Non-producing (PNP)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total Proved (1P)	7	31	88	46	0	560	324

Kansas:

Table 8: Net Reserves for the Company's acreage in Kansas

Reserve Class	Number of Properties	Net Reserves		Net Reserves	Net Capital	Net Cashflow	NPV Disc @ 10%
		Oil MMBL	Gas MMCF	MBOE (1:6)	M\$	M\$	M\$
Proved Developed Producing (PDP)	6	24	0	24	0	359	201
Proved Non-producing (PNP)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total Proved (1P)	6	24	0	24	0	359	201

Reserve Certification

The information contained within the Company's ASX announcement and this Annual Report relating to oil and gas reserve estimates has been certified by John Paul Dick, a petroleum engineer employed by Pinnacle Energy Services LLC of Oklahoma City in the United States. Mr Dick holds a Bachelor's degree in Petroleum Engineering from the University of Tulsa and is a Registered Professional Engineer in the states of Oklahoma and Texas. He provides reserve and economic valuations and other services to numerous clients concerning oil and gas activities. Pinnacle Energy Services was founded in 1998 as an experienced provider of petroleum reservoir engineering consulting services. The report is based on and fairly represents information and supporting documentation prepared by, or under the supervision of, Mr Dick.

For comparison purposes pursuant to ASX Listing Rule 5.39.5 table 9 comprises a summary of last year's reserves which did not include the Company's oil and gas leases in areas in Kansas but did include the much smaller and less developed Sweet Prospect of the Pawnee and Tulsa Counties of Oklahoma.

Table 9: Reserves and Economic Evaluation Report prepared by Pinnacle Energy Services LLC as announced to the ASX on 2 March 2015 extracted from the Company's 2014 Annual Report.

Reserve Class	Net Reserves		NPV	
	Oil MMBL	Gas MMCF	MBOE (6:1)	Disc @ 10% M\$
Proved Developed Producing (PDP)	1,077	5,792	2,042	31,831
Proved Non-producing (PNP)	152	1,023	323	4,337
Proved Undeveloped (PUD)	3,276	18,364	6,337	50,311
Total Proved (1P)	4,505	25,179	8,702	86,479
Probable Reserves	2,735	16,606	5,503	32,229
Total Non-Proved	2,735			
16,606	5,503			
32,229				
Grand Total (2P)	7,240			
41,785	14,204			
118,708				

There are a number of contributing factors which have caused such a significant shift since the last full year reserves report in March 2015. Some of these factors include:

- Throughout the course of 2015, the continued and rapid decline in oil prices impacting the profitability of all future unhedged sales;
- Oil and natural gas price projections that are even lower than the previous report which means that for the purposes of assessing reserves the wells reach the end of their economic life earlier;
- Notwithstanding our cost reduction efforts in the field, an increase in LOE as the fixed and partially variable costs of operating are spread over fewer barrels, thereby shortening the reserve life and reducing the apparent economic value per well;
- Minimal new well data that could be used to support a more robust assessment of proved undeveloped reserve locations;

- Proved but Undeveloped reserve locations are evaluated at the January 1st strip pricing without any consideration for the Company's hedges, and;
- No assessment of any 2P reserves due to current oil economics.

The Company's strategy over the past 2 years has been to focus on Snake River and allow its acreage in Kansas to expire where not currently held by production. The purpose of showing the reserves for all areas is to highlight the embedded value in Snake River compared to Kansas and other areas around Tulsa in Oklahoma.

The Company continues to review the governance arrangements and internal controls it has in place with respect to its reserve reporting, including the frequency and scope of these reviews. As a condition of the term loan obtained by the Company announced to the market in October 2014, the Company is required to work closely with its lender in relation to its reserve reporting to ensure accuracy and transparency and sufficient Proved Developed Reserve PV10 coverage. Governance and control surrounding reserve reporting remains an ongoing area of review at each periodic meeting with the Company's lender. The Company ensures that material supplied to the reserve engineer is not only checked by senior executives but also by both Co-Managing Directors to ensure accuracy and relevance.

Project Summaries & Leases

Table 10: Summary of AusTex's Leases in Oklahoma and Kansas showing approximate Working Interests and Net Revenue Interests at 31 December, 2015. No further development is planned for Cooper, Ellsworth or Colby Counties in Kansas. The majority of those leases will expire where not currently held by production

Lease Name	Net Acreage	Wi	NRI	Status	County, State
Snake River	~11,200	100%	~81%	Development Producing	Kay County, OK
Tulsa and surrounds	~600	100%	81%	Producing	Tulsa, OK
Cooper	~500	53%	38%	Producing	Sheridan, KS
Ellsworth	~500	50%	38%	Producing	Ellsworth, KS
Colby	~500	70%	59%	Not Producing	Thomas, KS

The Snake River Project – Kay County, Northern Oklahoma

The Snake River Project is located in Kay County, Northern Oklahoma and is the Company's primary focus and, when the oil price environment proves favourable, efforts will be made to expand both the acreage position and drilling commitments through the execution of a vertical well development strategy. The centre of the project lies approximately 5 miles south west of Ponca City and the general area hosts significant infrastructure including an oil refinery, gas gathering facilities, gas sales lines and a compression and liquids stripping plant owned by other companies.

Vertical Well Development

AusTex is the operator of the Snake River Project and, while having largely suspended drilling activities in 2015 (with the exception of one new well, the Wyckoff 29-6) in response to the oil price collapse, will continue in a more favourable environment to develop vertical wells with the primary target being the Mississippian interval which is approximately 4,300 feet below surface (or deeper according to structural relief).

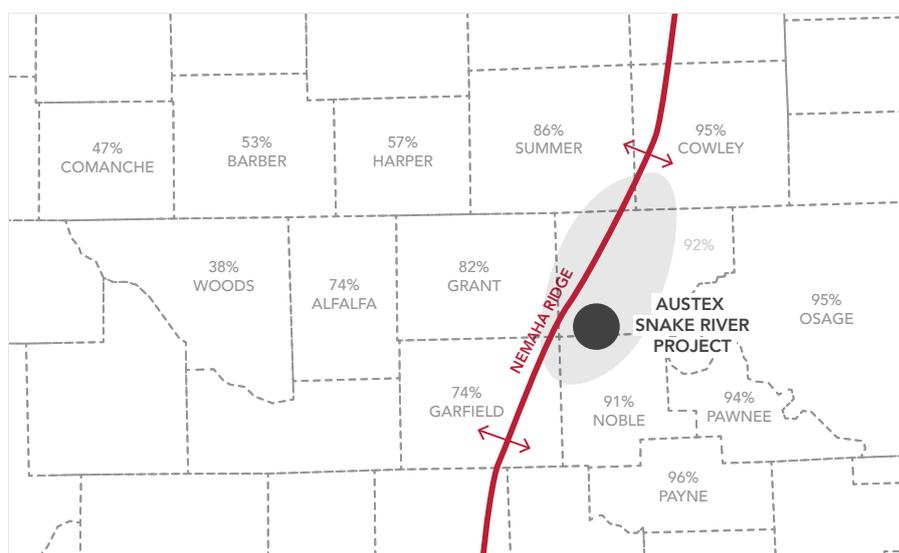
The Snake River Project comprised a series of producing wells, wells in pre-production and salt water disposal wells as at 31 December, 2015 as shown in table 11 below. Current well and production numbers can be obtained by reference to the latest quarterly activities updates as released to the market periodically or pursuant to the Company's continuous disclosure regime.

At the appropriate time, the Company's approach is to continue drilling vertical wells as opposed to the far more expensive horizontal wells which carry a cost of completion several times that of a vertical well.

Additional Acreage under Review

The Company will continue to acquire additional acreage in the Snake River Project where it can do so on favourable terms and held approximately 11,200 acres as at 31 December 2015.

Figure 1: Location of AusTex Oil and Gas Leases



Horizontal Well Development

The Company did not participate in drilling any Horizontal wells in 2015 and does not intend to so in the future at this stage.

Other Projects

Tulsa and Surrounds

During 2015 there was no significant exploration, development or production work on the Company's other acreage in Oklahoma outside of the Snake River Project. The lease areas surrounding Tulsa continue to contribute a nominal amount to production only. International Energy Corporation (Oklahoma) (IEC-OK) holds a 100% working interest and ~80% net revenue interest in ~600 acres of oil and gas leases located near Tulsa and is the operator. Oil and gas is produced and sold to local purchasers.

Kansas

Given the success of the Snake River Project in Northern Oklahoma together with the collapse in the oil price, there was no exploration, development or production work on the Company's acreage in Kansas. After having discontinued most of its operations in Kansas throughout the course of 2014 and 2015, the Company still benefits from its legacy tail of production which also contributes a nominal amount to daily production only.

Schedule of AusTex's wells at the Snake River Project**Table 11: Schedule of AusTex's wells at the Snake River Project as at 31 December, 2015 (continued)**

Well Name	Section	12/15 Status
Big Goose 4-3	4-25N-1E	Pumping
Big Goose 4-4	4-25N-1E	Pumping
Blubaugh 20-1	20-25N-1E	Temp SI
Blubaugh 20-12	20-25N-1E	Pumping
Blubaugh 20-13	20-25N-1E	Injection
Blubaugh 20-2	20-25N-1E	Pumping
Blubaugh 20-3	20-25N-1E	Pumping
Blubaugh 20-4	20-25N-1E	Pumping
Blubaugh 21-1	21-25N-1E	Pumping
Blubaugh 21-2	21-25N-1E	Pumping
Blubaugh 21-3	21-25N-1E	Pumping
Blubaugh 21-4	21-25N-1E	Pumping
Blubaugh 21-5	21-25N-1E	Pumping
Bonfy 24-13	24-25N-1E	Pumping
Bonfy 24-16	24-25N-1E	Pumping
Brorsen 10-2	10-25N-1E	Plugged
Brorsen 10-5	10-25N-1E	Pumping
Cletus 20-10	20-25N-1E	Pumping
Cletus 20-14	20-25N-1E	Pumping
Cletus 20-5	20-25N-1E	Pumping
Cletus 28-3	28-25N-1E	Pumping
Cletus 28-4	28-25N-1E	Pumping
Coulter 29-3	29-25N-1E	Pumping
Detten 33-1	33-26N-1E	Pumping
Detten 33-3	33-26N-1E	Pumping
Dudrey 4-7	4-25N-1E	Pumping
Ellen Roy 10-3	10-25N-1E	Temp SI
Enfield 9-1	9-25N-1E	Pumping
Enfield 9-2	9-25N-1E	Pumping
ETU #14-5	29-25N-1E	Pumping
ETU #14-7	29-25N-1E	Pumping
ETU #14-8	29-25N-1E	Pumping
ETU #15-4	29-25N-1E	Pumping
ETU #1-6	20-25N-1E	Pumping
ETU #1-7	20-25N-1E	Pumping
ETU #17-6	30-25N-1E	Pumping
Fath 28-1	28-25N-1E	Pumping
Fath 28-2	28-25N-1E	Pumping
Fath 29-1	29-25N-1E	Pumping
H.T. Ranch 26-2	26-25N-1E	Pumping
H.T. Ranch 26-3	26-25N-1E	Not completed
Hays 29-2	29-25N-1E	Pumping
HT Ranch 26-1	26-25N-1E	Pumping
Klinger 24-3	24-25N-1E	Pumping

Schedule of AusTex's wells at the Snake River Project (continued)

Table 11: Schedule of AusTex's wells at the Snake River Project as at 31 December, 2015 (continued)

Well Name	Section	12/15 Status
Langley 3-5	3-25N-1E	Pumping
BMaud Collins 24-9	24-25N-1E	Pumping
Miller 4-6	4-25N-1E	Pumping
Neighbors 32-1	32-26N-1E	Pumping
Neighbors 32-2	32-26N-1E	Pumping
Nellie King 24-11	24-25N-1E	Pumping
Nicholson 20-7	20-25N-1E	Pumping
Nicholson 24-15	24-25N-1E	Pumping
Nicholson 24-4	24-25N-1E	Pumping
Nicholson 24-5	24-25N-1E	Pumping
Phipps 23-2	23-25N-1E	Pumping
Phipps 23-3	23-25N-1E	Pumping
Phipps 23-4	23-25N-1E	Pumping
Phipps 23-5	23-25N-1E	Pumping
Pierce 4-5	4-25N-1E	Temp SI
Preston-Parker 20-11	20-25N-1E	Pumping
Read 20-15	20-25N-1E	Temp SI
Read 20-8	20-25N-1E	Pumping
Roger 20-6	20-25N-1E	Pumping
Schiltz 3-1	3-25N-1E	Temp SI
Schwanke 24-1	21-25N-1E	Pumping
Scott 20-9	20-25N-1E	Pumping
Silvertop Farms 11-2	11-25N-1E	Under Completion
Silvertop Farms 11-3	11-25N-1E	Pumping
Sober 3-3	3-25N-1E	Temp SI
Sober 4-1	4-25N-1E	Temp SI
Sober 4-2	4-25N-1E	Temp SI
Steichen 10-4	10-25N-1E	Pumping
Steichen 23-1	23-25N-1E	Pumping
Steichen 24-12	24-25N-1E	Pumping
Steichen 24-2	24-25N-1E	Pumping
Steichen 24-6	24-25N-1E	Pumping
Steichen 24-7	24-25N-1E	Pumping
Theda 25-1	25-25N-1E	Temp SI
Wyckoff 29-4	29-25N-1E	Pumping
Wyckoff 29-6	29-25N-1E	Pumping
Wyckoff 29-7	29-25N-1E	Pumping

(Does not include the four Salt Water disposal wells the company has drilled in sections 4, 20, 24 and 29).
Temp SI = Temporarily Shut In

Richard Adrey & Nick Stone
Co-Managing Directors
27 April 2016

Directors Report and Remuneration Report

Directors' Report

The directors present their report, together with the financial statements, on the consolidated entity (referred to hereafter as the 'Group') consisting of AusTex Oil Limited (referred to hereafter as the 'company' or 'parent entity') and the entities it controlled at the end of, or during, the year ended 31 December 2015.

Directors

The following persons were directors of AusTex Oil Limited during the whole of the financial year and up to the date of this report, unless otherwise stated:

Current Directors

Michael Stone – USA

Non-Executive Chairman

Mr Stone is the Founder and Managing Member of FS Investors. He was Founder and non-executive Chairman of J.H. Whitney Investment Management, LLC, which focused on Asia based hedge funds, and he is retired Senior Partner and past President of J.H. Whitney & Co., a diversified manager of alternative investment assets and the country's first venture capital firm. He joined J.H. Whitney & Co. in 1989 and retired in 2009. Prior to that, he was a management consultant with Bain & Company. He currently serves as a Senior Advisor and Partner of TPG, a private equity firm. In his roles at FS Investors, Whitney, and TPG, he has overseen or been involved with the completion of over 100 investments, cumulatively responsible for several billion dollars of equity capital deployment. FS Investors is affiliated with Ptolemy Capital LLC which is a substantial shareholder in AusTex Oil. He attended Duke University where he graduated Phi Beta Kappa, Summa Cum Laude, and Harvard Business School.

Other Public Company Directorships: Nil

Positions held: Member, Remuneration Committee

Russell Krause – Australia

Non-Executive Director

Mr Krause has 25 years' experience in Stockbroking and Investment Banking and held Directorships and Senior Management positions with a number of leading Australian firms. Over this time Mr Krause's primary focus has been the Resources sector and brings extensive experience in Australia, Africa, Asia and North America. For the past 10 years he has worked on a number of North American Oil and Gas projects in the Mid-Western USA. Mr Krause is currently a Director of Novus Capital Limited.

Other Public Company Directorships:

Novus Capital Limited appointed 1 October 2008, Auzminerals Resource Group Limited appointed 30 June 2009 (resigned 31 July 2015), Carbine Tungsten Limited appointed 30 June 2013, Red Sky Energy Limited appointed 21 October 2014 and Elk Petroleum Limited appointed 13 March 2015.

Positions held: Chair, Audit & Risk Committee, Member, Remuneration Committee.

Richard Adrey – USA

Co-Managing Director

Mr Richard Adrey was an investment and merchant banker with Andreasen & Co., Kohlmeyer & Co., Mabon Nugent and a private investment company, Coastline Financial Partners for 30 years with specializations in mergers, financings and in turnarounds of distressed assets. He has been involved with numerous private and public companies, such as Piper Aircraft, Cynocom Corp, Medisys, Versatech and VacationBreak. Mr. Adrey holds a B.S. in finance, has completed continuing education and held Officer and Board seats in several companies as an advisor. He is the President and founder of International Energy Corporation (Oklahoma) International Energy Corporation (Northern Oklahoma) and International Energy Corporation (Kansas), which are wholly owned subsidiaries of AusTex Oil Limited and is employed on a full time basis to oversee all US operations of the Company.

Other Public Company Directorships: Nil

Positions held: Nil

Justin B Clyne – Australia

Non-Executive Director & Company Secretary

Justin was admitted as a Solicitor of the Supreme Court of New South Wales and the High Court of Australia in 1996 before gaining admission as a Barrister in 1998. Justin had over 15 years of experience in the legal profession acting for a number of Australia's largest corporations, initially in the areas of corporate and construction law, before developing an interest in mining investment and research. Since 2006, Justin has been a full time company secretary for a number of listed and unlisted mining, oil and gas and industrial companies. Justin has significant experience and knowledge of the Corporations Act, the ASX Listing Rules and general corporate regulatory requirements. He holds a Master of Laws in International Law from the University of New South Wales and is also a qualified Chartered Company Secretary.

Other Public Company Directorships:

Fitzroy River Corporation Limited (ASX: FZR) appointed 1 July 2014.

Positions held: Chair, Remuneration Committee; Member, Audit & Risk Committee

Nicholas J Stone – USA

Co-Managing Director

Nick joined the Board on 19 November 2013. He was previously an investor with TPG Capital and KKR in the USA. He has an MBA from Stanford University and an Undergraduate Degree from Harvard University. He is a partner at California based FS Investors which is affiliated with Ptolemy Capital LLC which is a substantial shareholder in AusTex Oil.

Other Public Company Directorships: Nil

Positions held: Nil

Principal Activities

The principal activities of the Group during the course of the financial year consisted of the development of oil leases in Oklahoma USA. There has been no significant change in the nature of these activities during the year.

Dividends

There were no dividends paid, recommended or declared during the current or previous financial year.

Review Of Operations

The loss for the Group after providing for income tax and non-controlling interest amounted to US\$19,155,506 (31 December 2014: US\$11,077,315).

For the year ended 31 December 2015, the Gross Revenue from combined operations was \$14,861,983 resulting in a gross profit of \$8,753,815 after Cost of Sales of \$6,108,168. A Net (After Tax) Loss of \$19,208,141 was recorded. As detailed in Note 33 to the financial statements, net cash from operating activities in 2015 was US\$4,476,674 compared to 2014 net cash from operating activities of US\$10,578,169. The decrease in net cash from operations resulted from lower US dollar sales revenue due to planned decreases in production and the decrease in the unit sales prices related to petroleum market prices.

Meetings Of Directors

The number of meetings of the company's Board of Directors ('the Board') and of each Board committee held during the year ended 31 December 2015, and the number of meetings attended by each director were:

	Full Board		Remuneration Committee		Audit and Risk Committee	
	Attended	Held	Attended	Held	Attended	Held
Michael Stone	2	3	0	0	0	0
Richard Adrey	3	3	0	0	2	4
Russell Krause	3	3	0	0	4	4
Justin B Clyne	3	3	0	0	4	4
Nick Stone	3	3	0	0	4	4

Held: represents the number of meetings held during the time the director held office or was a member of the relevant committee. Richard Adrey attended 2 meetings of the Audit & Risk Committee as an invitee and Nick Stone attended 4 meetings of the Audit & Risk Committee as an invitee. Russell Krause (Chair) and Justin Clyne (Member) are the only members of the Audit & Risk Committee

Cash at 31 December 2015 was \$24,439,933 (2014: \$14,900,640). Net assets at 31 December 2015 was \$41,864,332 (2014: \$59,324,823). The decrease in net assets at December 31, 2015 compared to 2014 was principally a result of the noncash charge of \$15.1 million for impairment of assets discussed in Note 3 to the financial statements.

Oklahoma Operations

International Energy Corporation (Oklahoma) (IEC-OK) holds a 100% working interest and ~80% net revenue interest in ~600 acres oil and gas leases located near Tulsa and is the operator. Oil and gas is produced and sold to local purchasers.

IEC-OK holds interests in approx. 11,200 acres of oil and gas leases in Kay County, Northern Oklahoma. Due to the decline in the oil price across the course of 2015 limited new Vertical production wells were drilled during the year.

Kansas Operations

Given the success of the Snake River Project in Northern Oklahoma, there was no exploration, development or production work on the Company's acreage in Kansas. The Company continues to review its acreage throughout Kansas as it prioritises the acceleration of development and production at Snake River. After having discontinued most of its operations in Kansas throughout the course of 2014 and 2015, the Company has a legacy tail of production which contributes a nominal amount of around 1 to 2% of the Company's total production.

Significant Changes in the State of Affairs

There were no significant changes in the state of affairs of the Group during the financial year.

Matters Subsequent to the End of the Financial Year

No matter or circumstance has arisen since 31 December 2015 that has significantly affected, or may significantly affect the Group's operations, the results of those operations, or the Group's state of affairs in future financial years.

Likely Developments And Expected Results Of Operations

The Company intends to continue with exploration and development activities in the next financial year on a limited basis similar to that experienced in 2015, assuming petroleum prices remain at or near their current levels.

Environmental Regulation

The Group is not subject to any significant environmental regulation under Australian Commonwealth or State law. In the US, the consolidated entity's operations are subject to certain laws regarding environmental matters and discharge of hazardous waste materials. The Group conducts its activities in an environmentally responsible manner in accordance with all applicable laws and regulations. The Group is not aware of any breaches in relation to environmental matters.

Remuneration Report (Audited)

The Board, in consultation with the Remuneration Committee, is responsible for determining and reviewing compensation arrangements for the directors and executive management. The Board assesses the appropriateness of the nature and amount of remuneration of key personnel on an annual basis either through its Remuneration Committee or directly by the Board itself. In determining the amount and nature of officers' packages, the Board takes into consideration the Company's financial and operational performance along with industry and market conditions. The Committee has the authority to retain any outside advisor at the expense of the Company, without the Board's approval, at any time and has the authority to determine any such advisor's fees and other retention terms. For greater certainty, the Committee has sole authority to retain and terminate any consulting firm to be used to evaluate the Managing Directors or the compensation of the Managing Directors or any other officers or senior management personnel. In setting corporate goals and objectives relevant to the Managing Directors' and Senior Executives' compensation, the Committee considers both short-term and long-term compensation goals and the setting of criteria around this. In relation to setting Directors' remuneration the Committee looks at and considers comparative data from similar companies. This Remuneration Report outlines the arrangements which were in place during the year ended December 31, 2015, for the Directors and key management personnel.

Key management personnel are those persons having authority and responsibility for planning, directing and controlling the activities of the entity, directly or indirectly, including all directors.

The remuneration report is set out under the following main headings:

- Principles used to determine the nature and amount of remuneration
- Details of remuneration
- Service agreements
- Share-based compensation
- Additional disclosures relating to key management personnel

Principles used to determine the nature and amount of remuneration

The objective of the Group's executive reward framework is to ensure reward for performance is competitive and appropriate for the results delivered. The framework aligns executive reward with the achievement of strategic objectives and the creation of value for shareholders, and conforms to the market best practice for the delivery of reward. The Board of Directors ('the Board') ensures that executive reward satisfies the following key criteria for good reward governance practices:

- competitiveness and reasonableness
- acceptability to shareholders
- performance linkage / alignment of executive compensation
- transparency

The Remuneration Committee is responsible for determining and reviewing remuneration arrangements for its directors and executives. The performance of the Group depends on the quality of its directors and executives. The remuneration philosophy is to attract, motivate and retain high performance and high quality personnel.

Alignment to shareholders' interests:

- has economic profit as a core component of plan design
- focuses on sustained growth in shareholder wealth, consisting of dividends and growth in share price, and delivering constant or increasing return on assets as well as focusing the executive on key non-financial drivers of value
- attracts and retains high calibre executives

Alignment to program participants' interests:

- rewards capability and experience
- reflects competitive reward for contribution to growth in shareholder wealth
- provides a clear structure for earning rewards

In accordance with best practice corporate governance, the structure of non-executive directors and executive remunerations are separate.

Non-executive directors remuneration

Fees and payments to non-executive directors reflect the demands and responsibilities of their role. Non-executive directors' fees and payments are reviewed annually by the Board. The Board may, from time to time, receive advice from independent remuneration consultants to ensure non-executive directors' fees and payments are appropriate and in line with the market.

The chairman's fees are determined independently to the fees of other non-executive directors based on comparative roles in the external market. The chairman is not present at any discussions relating to the determination of his own remuneration. Non-executive directors do not receive share options or other incentives.

Executive remuneration

The Group aims to reward executives with a level and mix of remuneration based on their position and responsibility, which has both fixed and variable components.

The executive remuneration and reward framework has four components:

- base pay and non-monetary benefits
- short-term performance incentives
- share-based payments
- other remuneration such as superannuation and long service leave

The combination of these comprises the executive's total remuneration.

Fixed remuneration, consisting of base salary, superannuation and non-monetary benefits, are reviewed annually by the Nomination and Remuneration Committee, based on individual and business unit performance, the overall performance of the Group and comparable market remunerations.

Executives may receive their fixed remuneration in the form of cash or other fringe benefits (for example motor vehicle benefits) where it does not create any additional costs to the Group and provides additional value to the executive.

Details of remuneration

Details of the remuneration of key management personnel of the Group are set out in the following tables.

The key management personnel of the Group consisted of the following :

Non-Executive Directors

- Mr Michael Stone (Chairman)
- Mr Russell Krause
- Mr Justin Clyne

Executive Directors

- Mr Richard Adrey (Co-Managing Director)
- Mr Nicholas Stone (Co-Managing Director)

Other Key Management Personnel

- Mr Justin Clyne (Company Secretary)

Details of the remuneration of key management personnel of the Group are set out in the following tables.

2015	Short-term benefits			Post-employment benefits	Long-term benefits	Share-based payments	Total US\$
	Cash salary and fees US\$	Cash bonus US\$	Non-monetary US\$	Super-annuation US\$	Long-service leave US\$	Equity-settled US\$	
Directors							
M. Stone	200,000	–	–	–	–	76,152	276,152
R.H. Krause	63,202	–	–	–	–	76,152	139,354
J.B. Clyne	108,346	–	–	–	–	76,152	184,498
R.A. Adrey	346,500	–	–	–	–	663,298	1,009,798
N.J. Stone	330,024	–	–	–	–	76,152	406,176
Total	1,048,072	–	–	–	–	967,906	2,015,978

Notes to the remuneration table:

Michael Stone's fee as Non-Executive Chairman is US\$10,000 per month. The payment of US\$200,000 in the 2015 financial year relates to a catch up of fees owed in respect of services performed and not paid in 2014.

Nick Stone's annual salary is US\$300,000. The additional \$30,024 shown in the table above relates to a catch up of fees owed in respect of services performed and not paid in 2014.

2014	Short-term benefits			Post-employment benefits US\$	Long-term benefits US\$	Share-based payments ⁹ US\$	Total US\$
	Directors Fees US\$	Contract Fees US\$	Non-monetary US\$				
Directors							
M. Stone ¹	80,000	–	–	–	–	63,124	143,124
N.J. Stone ²	32,628	50,000	–	–	–	63,124	145,752
R.A. Adrey	–	346,500	–	–	–	697,317	1,043,817
R.H. Krause	75,818	–	–	–	–	63,124	138,942
J.B. Clyne ³	–	188,643 ⁸	–	–	–	63,124	251,767
D. Lanskey ⁴	18,052	199,813	–	–	–	–	217,865
P.K. Philip ⁵	3,610	–	–	21,622	–	–	25,232
L.F. Vierna ⁶	14,442	–	–	–	–	–	14,442
Other Key Management Personnel:							
D.W. Clark	–	75,818	–	–	–	–	75,818
T. Bloomfield ⁷	–	2,979	–	–	–	–	2,979
Total	224,550	863,753	–	21,622	–	949,813	2,059,738

1 Mr M. Stone was appointed Chairman and Non-Executive Director on 1 May 2014

2 Mr. N.J. Stone was appointed Co-Managing Director on 1 November 2014. Previously Mr N.J. Stone was a Non-Executive Director from 19 November 2013 until 31 October 2014

3 Mr J.B. Clyne was appointed a Non-Executive Director on 19 June 2014

4 Mr D Lanskey resigned as a Non-Executive Director on 19 June 2014

5 Ms P.K. Philip resigned as a Non-Executive Director on 19 June 2014

6 Mr L. Vierma resigned as a Non-Executive Director on 22 April 2014

7 Mr T. Bloomfield resigned as a Company Secretary on 24 January 2014

8 Included in Mr Clyne's contract fee of \$188,643, is a cash bonus of USD \$58,669 was paid to him for work completed in relation to the term loan facility with Macquarie Bank Limited

9 The share based payments previously reported in the 2014 Remuneration Report have been restated due to error in the calculation of the vesting period.

The proportion of remuneration linked to performance and the fixed proportion are as follows:

Name	Fixed remuneration		At risk - STI		At risk - LTI	
	2015	2014	2015	2014	2015	2014
Directors						
M. Stone	72%	56%	–	–	28%	44%
N.J. Stone	81%	57%	–	–	19%	43%
R.A. Adrey	34%	33%	–	–	66%	67%
R.H. Krause	45%	55%	–	–	55%	45%
J.B. Clyne	59%	75%	–	–	41%	25%
D. Lanskey	–	100%	–	–	–	–
P.K. Philip	–	100%	–	–	–	–
L.F. Vierma	–	100%	–	–	–	–
Other Key Management Personnel:						
D.W. Clark	–	100%	–	–	–	–
T. Bloomfield	–	100%	–	–	–	–
Total	1,048,072	–	–	–	967,906	2,015,978

Service agreements

A summary of remuneration paid to the Directors are listed below:-

A. Co-Managing Director – Richard Adrey – President – International Energy Corporation

Under an agreement dated 10 July 2010, between IEC and Richard Adrey and governed by the laws of Texas, U.S.A., IEC has set down further terms of employment for Richard Adrey as executive vice president, chief financial officer and a member of the board of directors of IEC. Mr Adrey is the Co-Managing Director of AusTex Oil having shared that role with Nick Stone since 1 November 2014.

Following an annual review of the Agreement in May 2012, the Board of AusTex approved an increase in the base payment to Richard from \$300,000 to \$330,000 per annum. A further increase of 15% per annum was approved subject to the Company achieving a minimum level of oil and gas production of 400 boe/day for 90 consecutive days. This target was achieved on 1 July 2013 and Mr. Adrey's a salary was increased to USD\$346,500.

The term of the agreement is until 31 July 2016, unless terminated earlier.

Richard Adrey is required to perform the duties and exercise the powers consistent with his appointed positions and assigned to him by the board of AusTex, and to promote the interests of IEC and any group company. He is required to report directly to the AusTex board.

He will be reimbursed for all reasonable work related out-of-pocket expenses. This salary includes directors' fees. IEC will also provide Richard Adrey with, amongst other things, communication equipment for use at home or out of the office, and membership at the Petroleum Club.

Richard Adrey must keep any information in respect of IEC's business which is not in the public domain secret and confidential and not disclose such information to any third party without obtaining written consent. Richard Adrey will be under no restraints to conduct business or invest in the same industry as IEC, but will offer any investment opportunities of interest to IEC in priority to himself.

IEC has indemnified Richard Adrey against any liability incurred by him as an employee, officer or director of IEC, and against any loss, cost, damage, expense or liability which he suffers or incurs as a result of any litigation arising in connection with this agreement, other than something which is a material breach of the agreement or is contrary to express instructions.

The agreement can be terminated by Richard Adrey at any time with six months' notice. Alternatively, the agreement can be terminated by IEC if Richard Adrey is absent for medical reasons for a period longer than six months, is guilty of grave misconduct or wilful neglect, is of unsound mind, or in the event of a takeover or management change of IEC.

Mr Adrey is separately incentivised in respect of his performance with the Company through the grant of unlisted options in the Company convertible into ordinary shares and also through the issue of ordinary shares escrowed pending the attainment of certain milestones. Any such grant of options and/

or shares is subject to shareholder approval with the terms and milestones outlined in the Company's Notice of Annual General Meeting at the time such approval is sought. Generally, a grant of options has vesting criteria surrounding remaining employed with the Company at the time of vesting and also an exercise price at or above the share price at the time of grant. A grant of shares has vesting criteria associated with remaining employed by the Company at the time of vesting.

B. Co-Managing Director – Nick Stone

Mr Stone is the Co-Managing Director of AusTex Oil having shared that role with Richard Adrey since 1 November 2014. Prior to that he was a Non-Executive Director since November 2013.

Mr Stone receives a salary of USD\$300,000.

The term of the agreement is ongoing on a month to month basis and can be terminated by either party at any time on one month's notice.

Nick Stone is required to perform the duties and exercise the powers consistent with his appointed position and assigned to him by the board of AusTex, and to promote the interests of the group companies. He is required to report directly to the AusTex board.

He will be reimbursed for all reasonable work related out-of-pocket expenses. This salary includes directors' fees. Nick Stone must keep any information in respect of the groups' businesses which is not in the public domain secret and confidential and not disclose such information to any third party without obtaining written consent.

Nick Stone will be under no restraints to conduct business or invest in the same industry as any group company, but will offer any investment opportunities of interest to the group in priority to himself.

C. Non-Executive Directors

Under the Company's Constitution, each Director (other than a Managing Director or an Executive Director) may be paid remuneration for services performed as a Director. The maximum amount of remuneration that may be paid to Non-Executive Directors is set at AUD\$380,000 per annum. This remuneration may be divided amongst the Non-Executive Directors in such fashion as the Board may decide.

Aggregate non-executive director remuneration, presently, is approximately AUD\$240,000 per annum noting that some non-executive directors' fees are paid in USD.

Under the Listing Rules, the maximum fees payable to Directors may not be increased without prior approval from the Company at a general meeting. Directors will seek approval from time to time in relation to fees as they think appropriate.

In addition, any Director who is called to perform extra services or to make special exertions or to undertake any executive or other work for the Company beyond their ordinary duties or go to reside abroad or otherwise for the purposes of the Company may, subject to the law, be remunerated as determined by the Directors. This sum may be either in addition to or in substitution for their share in their remuneration for ordinary services.

Share-based compensation

Issue of shares

There were no shares issued to directors and other key management personnel as part of compensation during the year ended 31 December 2015.

Options

There were no options over ordinary shares issued to directors and other key management personnel as part of compensation that were outstanding as at 31 December 2015.

There were no options over ordinary shares granted to directors and other key management personnel as part of compensation during the year ended 31 December 2015. During the course of the year, some shares and options vested to directors on the terms as approved by shareholders at the Company's 2014 Annual General Meeting.

Additional disclosures relating to key management personnel

Shareholding

The number of shares in the company held during the financial year by each director and other members of key management personnel of the Group, including their personally related parties, is set out below:

	Balance at the start of the year	Received as part of remuneration	Additions	Disposals/ other	Balance at the end of the year
Ordinary shares					
M. Stone and N.J. Stone ¹	54,785,346	–	–	–	54,785,346
R.A. Adrey	17,018,086	1,000,000 ³	–	(7,250,000)	10,768,086
J.B. Clyne ²	225,000	145,000	–	370,000	
	72,028,432	1,000,000	145,000	(7,250,000)	65,923,432
Preference shares					
M. Stone and N.J. Stone ¹ (Indirect – Redeemable convertible preference (RCPA) shares)	98,104,082	–	–	–	98,104,082
M. Stone and N.J. Stone ¹ (Indirect – Redeemable preference (RPB) shares)	88,248,007	–	–	–	88,248,007
	186,352,089	–	–	–	186,352,089

1 Michael Stone – The 54,785,346 Ordinary Shares are held in the name of Citicorp Nominees Pty Limited as nominee for Ptolemy Capital LLC and Ptolemy Energy Holdings LLC. Mr Stone is a shareholder and majority owner of Ptolemy Capital LLC. The Preference Shares are held in the name of Ptolemy Energy Holdings LLC which is a subsidiary of Ptolemy Capital LLC.

Nicholas Stone – The 54,785,346 Ordinary Shares are held in the name of Citicorp Nominees Pty Limited as nominee for Ptolemy Capital LLC and Ptolemy Energy Holdings LLC. Mr Stone is a shareholder and manager of Ptolemy Capital LLC. The Preference Shares are held in the name of Ptolemy Energy Holdings LLC which is a subsidiary of Ptolemy Capital LLC.

2 Mr J.B. Clyne – All shares are held indirectly in the name of Menerbes Pty Ltd (Menerbes Super Fund A/C)

3 5,000,000 shares issued to Mr Adrey are subject to vesting criteria which, if not met by Mr Adrey, will be bought back by the Company pursuant to the provisions of the Corporations Act for nominal consideration only being a total of \$1 for all shares which have not vested at the time of the buyback. If Mr Adrey does not meet the vesting criteria then he will only receive the Shares on a pro rata basis up until the point he ceases to be involved with the Company. The vesting criteria are that 1,000,000 shares will vest every 12 months provided Mr Adrey remains involved with the Company commencing on 29 July, 2014. The vesting dates are therefore 29 July, 2014, 29 July, 2015 29 July, 2016 29 July, 2017 and 29 July, 2018. In the event of a change of control or a successful completion of a takeover offer for all securities in the Company then all unvested Shares shall vest immediately to the Shareholder absolutely. The table above includes 2,000,000 shares that have vested to Mr Adrey and does not include 3,000,000 shares yet to vest.

Option holding

The number of options over ordinary shares in the company held during the financial year by each director and other members of key management personnel of the Group, including their personally related parties, is set out below:

Options Over Ordinary Shares

Name	Balance at start of year	Granted	Exercised	Expired/ forfeited	Vested and exercisable	Vested and not exercisable	Balance at end of year
M Stone	2,000,000	–	–	–	400,000	–	2,000,000
N Stone	2,000,000	–	–	–	400,000	–	2,000,000
R A Adrey	15,000,000	–	–	–	2,000,000	–	15,000,000
J B Clyne	2,000,000	–	–	–	400,000	–	2,000,000
R H Krause	2,000,000	–	–	–	400,000	–	2,000,000

This concludes the remuneration report, which has been audited.

Shares Under Option

Unissued ordinary shares of AusTex Oil Limited under option at the date of this report are as follows:

Grant date	Expiry date	Exercise price	Number under option
24 Oct. 2012	24 Oct. 2017	\$0.15	20,000,000
3 June 2013	3 June 2016	\$0.25	10,000,000
29 July 2014	29 July 2019	\$0.175	18,000,000
			48,000,000

No person entitled to exercise the options had or has any right by virtue of the option to participate in any share issue of the company or of any other body corporate.

Shares Issued on the Exercise of Options

There were no ordinary shares of AusTex Oil Limited issued on the exercise of options during the year ended 31 December 2015 and up to the date of this report.

Indemnity and Insurance of Officers

The company has indemnified the directors and executives of the company for costs incurred, in their capacity as a director or executive, for which they may be held personally liable, except where there is a lack of good faith.

During the financial year, the company paid a premium in respect of a contract to insure the directors and executives of the company against a liability to the extent permitted by the *Corporations Act 2001*. The contract of insurance prohibits disclosure of the nature of the liability and the amount of the premium.

Indemnity and Insurance of Auditor

The company has not, during or since the end of the financial year, indemnified or agreed to indemnify the auditor of the company or any related entity against a liability incurred by the auditor.

During the financial year, the company has not paid a premium in respect of a contract to insure the auditor of the company or any related entity.

Proceedings on Behalf of the Company

No person has applied to the Court under section 237 of the *Corporations Act 2001* for leave to bring proceedings on behalf of the company, or to intervene in any proceedings to which the company is a party for the purpose of taking responsibility on behalf of the company for all or part of those proceedings.

Non-Audit Services

There were no non-audit services provided during the financial year by the auditor.

Auditor's Independence Declaration

A copy of the auditor's independence declaration as required under section 307C of the *Corporations Act 2001* is set out on the following page.

Auditor

BDO East Coast Partnership continues in office in accordance with section 327 of the *Corporations Act 2001*.

This report is made in accordance with a resolution of directors, pursuant to section 298(2)(a) of the *Corporations Act 2001*.

On behalf of the directors



R A Adrey
Co-Managing Director

29 February 2016



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DECLARATION OF INDEPENDENCE GARETH FEW TO THE DIRECTORS OF AUSTEX OIL LIMITED

As lead auditor of AusTex Oil Limited for the year ended 31 December 2015, I declare that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, there have been:

1. No contraventions of the auditor independence requirements of the *Corporations Act 2001* in relation to the audit; and
2. No contraventions of any applicable code of professional conduct in relation to the audit.

This declaration is in respect of AusTex Oil Limited and the entities it controlled during the period.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads 'Gareth Few'.

Gareth Few
Partner

BDO East Coast Partnership

Sydney, 29 February 2016

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the members of AusTex Oil Limited

Report on the Financial Report

We have audited the accompanying financial report of AusTex Oil Limited, which comprises the statement of financial position as at 31 December 2015, the statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income, the statement of changes in equity and the statement of cash flows for the year then ended, notes comprising a summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory information, and the directors' declaration of the consolidated entity comprising the company and the entities it controlled at the year's end or from time to time during the financial year.

Directors' Responsibility for the Financial Report

The directors of the company are responsible for the preparation of the financial report that gives a true and fair view in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards and the *Corporations Act 2001* and for such internal control as the directors determine is necessary to enable the preparation of the financial report that gives a true and fair view and is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error. In Note 1, the directors also state, in accordance with Accounting Standard AASB 101 *Presentation of Financial Statements*, that the financial statements comply with *International Financial Reporting Standards*.

Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the financial report based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards. Those standards require that we comply with relevant ethical requirements relating to audit engagements and plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial report is free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial report. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgement, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial report, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the company's preparation of the financial report that gives a true and fair view in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the company's internal control. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates made by the directors, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial report.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

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Independence

In conducting our audit, we have complied with the independence requirements of the *Corporations Act 2001*. We confirm that the independence declaration required by the *Corporations Act 2001*, which has been given to the directors of AusTex Oil Limited, would be in the same terms if given to the directors as at the time of this auditor's report.

Opinion

In our opinion:

- (a) the financial report of AusTex Oil Limited is in accordance with the *Corporations Act 2001*, including:
 - (i) giving a true and fair view of the consolidated entity's financial position as at 31 December 2015 and of its performance for the year ended on that date; and
 - (ii) complying with Australian Accounting Standards and the *Corporations Regulations 2001*; and
- (b) the financial report also complies with *International Financial Reporting Standards* as disclosed in Note 1.

Report on the Remuneration Report

We have audited the Remuneration Report included in the directors' report for the year ended 31 December 2015. The directors of the company are responsible for the preparation and presentation of the Remuneration Report in accordance with section 300A of the *Corporations Act 2001*. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the Remuneration Report, based on our audit conducted in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards.

Opinion

In our opinion, the Remuneration Report of AusTex Oil Limited for the year ended 31 December 2015 complies with section 300A of the *Corporations Act 2001*.

BDO East Coast Partnership

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads 'Gareth Few'. Above the signature is the BDO logo.

Gareth Few
Partner
Sydney, 29 February 2016

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General information

AusTex Oil Limited ("the Company") is a company limited by shares incorporated in Australia and whose shares are publicly listed on the Australian Securities Exchange ("ASX") and the OTCQX International.

The consolidated financial statements as at and for the twelve (12) months ended 31 December 2015 ("the financial report") comprises the Company and its subsidiaries (together reported as the "Group"). AusTex Limited is the ultimate parent entity of the Group.

AusTex Oil Limited is a listed public company limited by shares, incorporated and domiciled in Australia. Its registered office and principal place of business are:

Registered and principal office

Level 11, 2 Bligh Street,
SYDNEY, NSW, AUSTRALIA, 2000

A description of the nature of the Group's operations and its principal activities are included in the directors' report, which is not part of the financial statements.

The financial statements were authorised for issue, in accordance with a resolution of directors, on 29 February 2016.

Statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income

For the year ended 31 December 2015

Consolidated	Note	2015 US\$	2014 US\$
Revenue			
Sale of oil and gas		11,571,548	27,583,831
Gain on hedges		3,290,435	5,497,967
		14,861,983	33,081,798
Cost of sales		(6,108,168)	(10,771,160)
Gross profit		8,753,815	22,310,638
Other income	5	42,622	305,437
Expenses			
Other production costs		(1,347,107)	(2,203,713)
Depreciation, depletion and amortisation expense		(6,004,728)	(25,024,623)
Impairment of assets		(15,115,986)	–
Share based payments and options expense		(1,768,261)	(1,485,088)
Finance costs		(1,007,253)	(230,692)
General and administrative expenses	6	(3,145,243)	(4,324,118)
Total expenses		(28,388,578)	(33,268,234)
Loss before income tax (expense)/benefit		(19,592,141)	(10,652,159)
Income tax benefit/(expense)	7	384,000	(404,000)
Loss after income tax (expense)/benefit for the year		(19,208,141)	(11,056,159)
Other comprehensive income			
<i>Items that may be reclassified subsequently to profit or loss</i>			
Exchange differences on translation of foreign operations		(20,611)	366,461
Other comprehensive income for the year, net of tax		(20,611)	366,461
Total comprehensive income for the year		(19,228,752)	(10,689,698)
Loss for the year is attributable to:			
Non-controlling interest		(52,635)	21,156
Owners of AusTex Oil Limited	22	(19,155,506)	(11,077,315)
		(19,208,141)	(11,056,159)
Total comprehensive income for the year is attributable to:			
Non-controlling interest		(52,635)	–
Owners of AusTex Oil Limited		(19,228,752)	(10,689,698)
		(19,228,752)	(10,689,698)
		Cents	Cents
Basic earnings per share	34	(3.43)	(2.21)
Diluted earnings per share	34	(3.43)	(2.21)

The above statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income should be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes.

Statement of financial position

For the year ended 31 December 2015

Consolidated	Note	2015 US\$	2014 US\$
Assets			
Current assets			
Cash and cash equivalents	8	24,439,933	14,900,640
Trade and other receivables	9	985,769	2,144,304
Inventories	10	353,089	429,038
Derivative financial instruments	11	3,439,786	3,847,830
Other		263,849	391,274
Total current assets		29,482,426	21,713,086
Non-current assets			
Derivative financial instruments	12	550,139	1,700,004
Other financial assets		145,292	157,131
Property, plant and equipment	13	902,719	1,027,958
Oil and gas assets	14	31,646,972	49,839,892
Total non-current assets		33,245,122	52,724,985
Total assets		62,727,548	74,438,071
Liabilities			
Current liabilities			
Trade and other payables	15	366,538	2,088,850
Borrowings	16	2,367,347	916,937
Total current liabilities		2,733,885	3,005,787
Non-current liabilities			
Borrowings	17	17,822,832	11,427,232
Deferred tax liability	18	–	404,000
Provisions	19	306,499	276,229
Total non-current liabilities		18,129,331	12,107,461
Total liabilities		20,863,216	15,113,248
Net assets		41,864,332	59,324,823
Equity			
Issued capital	20	90,014,494	89,830,381
Reserves	21	2,056,023	492,486
Accumulated losses	22	(50,424,706)	(31,269,200)
Equity attributable to the owners of AusTex Oil Limited		41,645,811	59,053,667
Non-controlling interest	23	218,521	271,156
Total equity		41,864,332	59,324,823

The above statement of financial position should be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes.

Statement of changes in equity

For the year ended 31 December 2015

Consolidated	Issued capital US\$	Convertible Note reserves US\$	Reserves US\$	Accumulated losses US\$	Non-controlling interest US\$	Total equity US\$
Balance at 1 January 2014	71,994,601	2,938,896	1,757,467	(21,673,418)	–	55,017,546
Profit/(loss) after income tax expense for the year	–	–	–	(11,077,315)	21,156	(11,056,159)
Other comprehensive income for the year, net of tax	–	–	366,461	–	–	366,461
Total comprehensive income for the year	–	–	366,461	(11,077,315)	21,156	(10,689,698)
<i>Transactions with owners in their capacity as owners:</i>						
FCTR adjustments on equity	–	–	(1,430,939)	–	–	(1,430,939)
Issue of shares	10,226,868	–	–	–	250,000	10,476,868
Share issue costs	(94,900)	–	–	–	–	(94,900)
Conversion of convertible notes	7,500,000	(2,938,896)	–	–	–	4,561,104
Share based payments expense	–	–	381,699	–	–	381,699
Share based payments issued	203,812	–	(203,812)	–	–	–
Options exercised	–	–	(1,481,533)	1,481,533	–	–
Options lapsed unexercised	–	–	(50,552)	–	–	(50,552)
Options expense	–	–	1,153,695	–	–	1,153,695
Balance at 31 December 2014	89,830,381	–	492,486	(31,269,200)	271,156	59,324,823
Consolidated	Issued capital US\$	Convertible Note reserves US\$	Reserves US\$	Retained profits US\$	Non-controlling interest US\$	Total equity US\$
Balance at 1 January 2015	89,830,381	–	492,486	(31,269,200)	271,156	59,324,823
Loss after income tax benefit for the year	–	–	–	(19,155,506)	(52,635)	(19,208,141)
Other comprehensive income for the year, net of tax	–	–	(20,611)	–	–	(20,611)
Total comprehensive income for the year	–	–	(20,611)	(19,155,506)	(52,635)	(19,228,752)
<i>Transactions with owners in their capacity as owners:</i>						
Share-based payments	–	–	282,537	–	–	282,537
Share based payments issued	184,113	–	(184,113)	–	–	–
Options expense	–	–	1,485,724	–	–	1,485,724
Balance at 31 December 2015	90,014,494	–	2,056,023	(50,424,706)	218,521	41,864,332

The above statement of changes in equity should be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes.

Statement of cash flows

For the year ended 31 December 2015

Consolidated	Note	2015 US\$	2014 US\$
Cash flows from operating activities			
Receipts from customers		18,485,610	34,460,340
Interest received		2,616	43,927
Payments to suppliers and employees		(13,024,305)	(23,854,832)
Finance costs		(1,007,253)	(133,620)
Other receipts		20,006	62,354
Net cash from operating activities	33	4,476,674	10,578,169
Cash flows from investing activities			
Payments for property, plant and equipment	13	(130,298)	(2,392,146)
Payments for security deposits		–	(25,000)
Payments for development expenditures		(2,960,230)	(32,188,133)
Proceeds from disposal of fixed assets		327,747	–
Net cash used in investing activities		(2,762,781)	(34,605,279)
Cash flows from financing activities			
Proceeds from issue of shares and exercise of options	20	–	9,933,634
Payments for costs of share issues		–	(94,921)
Proceeds from borrowings		8,000,000	12,191,736
Repayment of borrowings		(153,990)	(82,503)
Net cash from financing activities		7,846,010	21,947,946
Net increase/(decrease) in cash and cash equivalents		9,559,903	(2,079,164)
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the financial year		14,900,640	16,999,489
Effects of exchange rate changes on cash and cash equivalents		(20,610)	(19,685)
Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the financial year	8	24,439,933	14,900,640

The above statement of cash flows should be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes.

Corporate Governance Statement

The Board is committed to achieving and demonstrating the highest standards of corporate governance. As such, AusTex Oil Limited has adopted the third edition of the Corporate Governance Principles and Recommendations which was released by the ASX Corporate Governance Council on 27 March 2014 and became effective for financial years beginning on or after 1 July 2014.

The Company's Corporate Governance Statement (CGS) and Appendix 4G for the financial year ending 31 December 2015 are both effective as at the dates shown on the CGS and Appendix 4G lodged with the ASX and were also approved by the Board on the dates shown thereon. The CGS and Appendix 4G are available on the company's website at <http://www.austexoil.com/irm/content/annual-reports.aspx?RID=301>.

Notes to the financial statements

Note 1. Significant accounting policies

Corporate information

AusTex Oil Limited ("the Company") is a company limited by shares incorporated in Australia and whose shares are publicly listed on the Australian Securities Exchange ("ASX") and the OTCQX International. The consolidated financial statements as at and for the twelve (12) months ended 31 December 2015 ("the financial report") comprises the Company and its subsidiaries (together reported as the "Group"). AusTex Limited is the ultimate parent entity of the Group.

The consolidated financial statements comprise the parent AusTex Oil Limited and all of its subsidiaries.

Consolidated Entities	Place of incorporation	Percentage Owned (%)	
		Dec 2015	Dec 2014
AusTex Oil Limited (Parent of) Australia			
AusTex Oil Holdings LLC (Parent of)	Oklahoma, USA	100	100
IEC Holdings LLC (Parent of)	Oklahoma, USA	100	100
International Energy Corporation (Oklahoma) (Parent of)	Oklahoma, USA	100	100
Well Enhancement Services of Oklahoma LLC	Oklahoma, USA	100	100
International Energy LLC	Oklahoma, USA	99	99
International Energy Company LLC	Oklahoma, USA	100	100

Percentage of voting power is in proportion to ownership.

Basis of preparation

This financial report is a general purpose financial report that has been prepared in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards and Interpretations issued by the Australian Accounting Standards Board ('AASB') and the *Corporations Act 2001*, as appropriate for for-profit entities. These financial statements also comply with International Financial Reporting Standards as issued by the International Accounting Standards Board ('IASB').

The Group is a for-profit entity for financial reporting purposes under Australian Accounting Standards. Material accounting policies adopted in the preparation of this financial report are presented below and have been consistently applied unless otherwise stated. The financial report has been prepared on an accrual basis and is based on historical costs, modified, where applicable, by the measurement at fair value of selected non-current assets, financial assets and financial liabilities. The financial report was authorised for issue in accordance with a resolution of directors on 29 February 2016.

Critical accounting estimates

The preparation of the financial statements requires the use of certain critical accounting estimates. It also requires management to exercise its judgement in the process of applying the Group's accounting policies. The areas involving a higher degree of judgement or complexity, or areas where assumptions and estimates are significant to the financial statements, are disclosed in note 2.

Parent entity information

In accordance with the *Corporations Act 2001*, these financial statements present the results of the Group only. Supplementary information about the parent entity is disclosed in note 31.

Principles of consolidation

The consolidated financial statements comprise the financial statements of AusTex Oil Limited and its subsidiaries as at 31 December 2015. Control is achieved when the Group is exposed, or has rights, to variable returns from its involvement with the investee and has the ability to affect those returns through its power over the investee. Specifically, the Group controls an investee if and only if the Group has:

- Power over the investee (i.e. existing rights that give it the current ability to direct the relevant activities of the investee)
- Exposure, or rights, to variable returns from its involvement with the investee and
- The ability to use its power over the investee to affect its returns.

Where controlled entities have entered or left the Group during the year, the financial performance of those entities are included only for the period of the year that they were controlled.

In preparing the consolidated financial statements, all inter-group balances and transactions between entities in the consolidated group have been eliminated on consolidation.

Subsidiary financial statements are prepared using the same balance date and accounting policies as the Group.

Investments in subsidiaries are carried out at their cost, less any impairment charges, in the parent entity's financial statements.

Intercompany transactions, balances and unrealised gains on transactions between entities in the Group are eliminated. Unrealised losses are also eliminated unless the transaction provides evidence of the impairment of the asset transferred. Accounting policies of subsidiaries have been changed where necessary to ensure consistency with the policies adopted by the Group.

The acquisition of subsidiaries is accounted for using the acquisition method of accounting. A change in ownership interest, without the loss of control, is accounted for as an equity transaction, where the difference between the consideration transferred and the book value of the share of the non-controlling interest acquired is recognised directly in equity attributable to the parent.

Non-controlling interest in the results and equity of subsidiaries are shown separately in the statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income, statement of financial position and statement of changes in equity of the Group. Losses incurred by the Group are attributed to the non-controlling interest in full, even if that results in a deficit balance.

Note 1. Significant accounting policies (continued)

Where the Group loses control over a subsidiary, it derecognises the assets including goodwill, liabilities and non-controlling interest in the subsidiary together with any cumulative translation differences recognised in equity. The Group recognises the fair value of the consideration received and the fair value of any investment retained together with any gain or loss in profit or loss.

Operating segments

Operating segments are presented using the 'management approach', where the information presented is on the same basis as the internal reports provided to the Chief Operating Decision Makers ('CODM'). The CODM is responsible for the allocation of resources to operating segments and assessing their performance.

Foreign currency translation

Functional and presentation currency

The financial statements are presented in US dollars, which is AusTex Oil Limited's functional and presentation currency. Foreign currency transactions are translated into US dollars using the exchange rates prevailing at the dates of the transactions. Foreign exchange gains and losses resulting from the settlement of such transactions and from the translation at financial year-end exchange rates of monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies are recognised in profit or loss.

Transactions and balances

Foreign currency transactions are translated into functional currency using the exchange rates prevailing at the date of the transaction. Foreign currency monetary items are translated at the year-end exchange rate. Non-monetary items measured at historical cost continue to be carried at the exchange rate at the date of the transaction. Non-monetary items measured at fair value are reported at the exchange rate at the date when fair values were determined. Exchange differences arising on the translation of monetary items are recognised in the statement of profit or loss, except where deferred in equity as a qualifying cash flow or net investment hedge. Exchange differences arising on the translation of non-monetary items are recognised directly in equity to the extent that the gain or loss is directly recognised in equity, otherwise the exchange difference is recognised in the statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income.

Group companies

The financial results and position of foreign operations whose functional currency is different from the Group's presentation currency are translated as follows:

- assets and liabilities are translated at year-end exchange rates prevailing at the end of the reporting period;
- income and expenses are translated at average exchange rates for the period; and,
- retained earnings are translated at the exchange rates prevailing at the date of the transaction.

Exchange differences arising on translation of foreign operations are transferred directly to the Group's foreign currency translation reserve in the statement of financial position. These differences are recognised in the statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income in the period in which the operation is disposed.

Sales revenue, cost of sales and other production costs

Revenue is recognised when it is probable that the economic benefit will flow to the entity and the revenue can be reliably measured. Revenue is measured at the fair value of the consideration received or receivable.

Revenue from the sale of hydrocarbons is recognised in the financial period during which hydrocarbons are produced, provided that prior to the reporting date they are either sold or delivered in the normal course of business in accordance with agreements with purchasers. Sales revenue represents amounts invoiced, excluding applicable taxation. Interest revenue is recognised using the effective interest rate method, which, for floating rate financial assets, is the rate inherent in the instrument. Sales are based on the Company working interests percentages. Cost of sales includes royalties, production taxes, marketing costs and lease operating expenses. Other Production Costs under Operating Costs includes direct labour costs for field operations and development; field equipment, repairs and maintenance; motor vehicle expenses; and related consulting and professional fees. All revenue is stated net of the amount of goods and services tax (GST).

Income tax

The income tax expense (revenue) for the period comprises current income tax expense (income) and deferred tax expense (income).

Current income tax expense in the consolidated statement of profit or loss is the tax payable on taxable income calculated using applicable income tax rates enacted as at the reporting date. Current tax liabilities/(assets) are measured at the amounts expected to be paid to/(recovered from) the relevant taxation authority. Current tax assets and liabilities are offset where simultaneous realization and settlement of the respective asset and liability will occur. Management expects tax rates and credits applicable to its US operating segment to result in ongoing realization of its current period effective tax rate.

Deferred income tax expense reflects movements in deferred tax asset and deferred tax liability balances during the year as well as unused tax losses.

Current and deferred income tax expense (income) is charged or credited directly to equity instead of the profit or loss when the tax relates to items that are credited or charged directly to equity.

Deferred tax assets and liabilities are ascertained based on temporary differences arising between the tax bases of assets and liabilities and their carrying amounts in the financial statements. Deferred tax assets also result where amounts have been fully expensed but future tax deductions are available.

No deferred income tax will be recognised from the initial recognition of an asset or liability, excluding a business combination, where there is no effect on accounting or taxable profit or loss. Deferred tax assets and liabilities are calculated at the tax rates that are expected to apply to the period when the asset is realised or the liability is settled, based on tax rates enacted or substantially enacted at the end of the reporting period. Their measurement also reflects the manner in which management expects to recover or settle the carrying amount of the related asset or liability.

Deferred tax assets relating to temporary differences and unused tax losses are recognised only to the extent that it is probable that future taxable profit will be available against which the benefits of the deferred tax asset can be utilised. Where temporary differences exist in relation to investments in subsidiaries, branches, associates, and joint ventures, deferred tax assets and liabilities are not recognised where the timing of the reversal of the temporary difference can be controlled and it is not probable that the reversal will occur in the foreseeable future.

Note 1. Significant accounting policies (continued)

Current tax assets and liabilities are offset where a legally enforceable right of set-off exists and it is intended that net settlement or simultaneous realisation and settlement of the respective asset and liability will occur.

Deferred tax assets and liabilities are offset where a legally enforceable right of set-off exists, the deferred tax assets and liabilities relate to income taxes levied by the same taxation authority on either the same taxable entity or different taxable entities where it is intended that net settlement or simultaneous realisation and settlement of the respective asset and liability will occur in future periods in which significant amounts of deferred tax assets or liabilities are expected to be recovered or settled.

The Group's subsidiaries operations are based in the United States and as such are subject to United States federal income taxes. The Parent entity's operations are based in Australia and are subject to Australian tax law.

Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents includes cash on hand, deposits held at call with financial institutions, other short-term, highly liquid investments with original maturities of three months or less that are readily convertible to known amounts of cash and which are subject to an insignificant risk of changes in value.

Trade and other receivables

Trade and other receivables are measured at amortised cost, less provision for impairment. The amount of the impairment loss is recognised in the consolidated statement of profit or loss.

Other receivables are recognised at amortised cost, less any provision for impairment.

Inventories

Inventories for materials and supplies are stated at the lower of average costs incurred and net realisable value and for oil and gas an estimated net realisable value based on these products' current market price. Major types of inventories include materials and supplies and oil and gas.

Property, plant and equipment

Each class of property, plant and equipment is carried at cost, less, where applicable, any accumulated depreciation and impairment losses.

Plant and equipment

Plant and equipment are measured on the cost basis.

The carrying amount of plant and equipment is reviewed annually by directors to ensure it is not in excess of the recoverable amount from these assets. The recoverable amount is assessed on the basis of the expected net cash flows that will be received from the asset's employment and subsequent disposal. The expected net cash flows have been discounted to their present values in determining recoverable amounts.

The cost of fixed assets constructed within the consolidated group includes the cost of materials, direct labour, borrowing costs and an appropriate proportion of fixed and variable overheads.

Subsequent costs are included in the asset's carrying amount or recognised as a separate asset, as appropriate, only when it is probable

that future economic benefits associated with the item will flow to the Group and the cost of the item can be measured reliably. All other repairs and maintenance are charged to the consolidated statement of profit or loss during the financial period in which they are incurred.

Depreciation

The depreciable amount of all fixed assets including capitalised lease assets is depreciated using the reducing balance method over the asset's useful life to the consolidated group commencing from the time the asset is held ready for use. Leasehold improvements are depreciated over the shorter of either the unexpired period of the lease or the estimated useful lives of the improvements. The depreciation rates used for each class of depreciable assets are:

Class of fixed assets	Depreciation rate
Leasehold improvements	20% - 32%
Plant and equipment	10% - 25%
Leased plant and equipment	10% - 25%

The residual values, useful lives and depreciation methods are reviewed, and adjusted if appropriate, at each reporting date.

An asset's carrying amount is written down immediately to its recoverable amount if the asset's carrying amount is greater than its estimated recoverable amount.

Gains and losses on disposals are determined by comparing proceeds with the carrying amount. These gains and losses are included in the consolidated statement of profit or loss.

Oil and gas assets

The cost of oil and gas producing assets and capitalised expenditure on oil and gas assets under development are accounted for separately and are stated at cost less accumulated depreciation and impairment losses. Costs include expenditure that is directly attributable to the acquisition or construction of the item as well as past exploration and evaluation costs.

In addition, costs include, (i) the initial estimate at the time of installation and during the period of use, when relevant, the costs of dismantling and removing the items and restoring the site on which they are located and, (ii) changes in the measurement of existing liabilities recognised for these costs resulting from changes in the timing or outflow of resources required to settle the obligation or from changes in the discount rate.

When an oil and gas asset commences production, costs carried forward will be amortised on a units of production basis over the life of the economically recoverable reserves. Changes in factors such as estimates of economically recoverable reserves that affect amortisation calculations do not give rise to prior financial period adjustments and are dealt with on a prospective basis.

Exploration and evaluation assets

Exploration and evaluation expenditure including costs of acquiring mineral interests are accumulated in respect of each separate area of interest. Exploration costs including personnel costs, geological, geophysical, seismic and drilling costs are capitalised and carried forward provided that rights to tenure of the areas of interest are current and either there is a reasonable probability of recoupment through successful development and exploitation or sale, or where exploration and evaluation activities have not yet reached a stage which permits a reasonable assessment of the existence of economically recoverable reserves, and active and significant exploration operations are continuing. When an area of interest is approved for development the accumulated expenditure is transferred to oil and gas assets.

Note 1. Significant accounting policies (continued)

Accumulated costs in relation to an abandoned area are written off in full against profit in the year in which the decision to abandon the area is made.

When production commences, the accumulated costs for the relevant area of interest are amortised over the life of the area according to the rate of depletion of the economically recoverable reserves.

A regular review is undertaken of each area of interest to determine the appropriateness of continuing to carry forward costs in relation to that area of interest.

Environmental costs

As the Group is directly involved in the extraction and use of natural resources, it is subject to various federal, state and local provisions regarding environmental and ecological matters. Compliance with these laws may necessitate significant capital outlays; however, to date the Group's cost of compliance has been insignificant. The Group does not believe the existence of current environmental laws or interpretations thereof will materially hinder or adversely affect the Group's business operations; however, there can be no assurances of future effects on the Group of new laws or interpretations thereof.

Environmental expenditures are capitalized if the costs mitigate or prevent future contamination or if the costs improve environmental safety or efficiency of existing assets. Expenditures that relate to an existing condition caused by past operations that have no future economic benefits are expensed.

Environmental liabilities, which historically have not been material, are recognized when it is probable that a loss has been incurred and the amount of that loss is reasonably estimable. Environmental liabilities, when accrued, are based upon estimates of expected future costs. At 31 December 2015 and 2014, there were no such costs accrued.

Impairment of assets

At the end of each reporting period, the Group reviews the carrying amounts of its tangible and intangible assets to determine whether there is any indication that an asset may be impaired. If there is any indication that an asset may be impaired, the recoverable amount is estimated for the individual asset.

Where it is not possible to estimate the recoverable amount of an individual asset, the Group estimates the recoverable amount of the cash-generating unit to which the asset belongs.

Impairment testing is performed annually for goodwill and intangible assets with indefinite lives.

The recoverable amount of an asset or a cash-generating unit is the higher of its fair value less costs to sell and its value in use. If the recoverable amount of an asset is less than the carrying amount, the carrying amount of the asset is reduced to its recoverable amount. That reduction is an impairment loss which is recognised in the consolidated statement of profit or loss unless the relevant asset was a revalued asset in which case the impairment loss is treated as a revaluation decrease.

An impairment loss is reversed if the reversal can be related to an event occurring after the impairment loss was recognised. A reversal of an impairment loss is recognised in the consolidated statement of profit or loss, unless the relevant loss was carried at fair value in which case the reversal is treated as a revaluation increase.

The Group assesses at each reporting date whether there is any indication that an impairment loss recognised in prior periods for assets other than goodwill may no longer exist or may have decreased. If any such indication exists, the recoverable amounts of those assets are estimated.

A reversal of an impairment loss of assets carried at cost less accumulated depreciation or amortisation other than goodwill is recognised immediately in profit or loss. Any reversal of an impairment loss of a revalued asset is treated as a revaluation increase.

Trade and other payables

Trade and other payables represent the liability outstanding at the end of the reporting period for goods and services received by the Group during the reporting period which remains unpaid. The balance is recognised as a current liability with the amount being normally paid within 30 days of recognition of the liability.

Borrowings

Borrowings are initially measured at fair value, and are subsequently measured at amortised cost, using the effective interest rate method. Any difference between the proceeds (net of transaction costs) and the settlement or redemption of borrowings is recognised over the term of the borrowings in accordance with AusTex accounting policy for borrowing costs. Borrowings are classified as current unless the Group has an unconditional right to defer the settlement of the liability for at least 12 months after the reporting date.

Borrowing costs

Borrowing costs directly attributable to the acquisition, construction or production of assets that necessarily take a substantial period of time to prepare for their intended use or sale, are added to the cost of those assets, until such time as the assets are substantially ready for their intended use or sale. All other borrowing costs are recognised in the consolidated statement of profit or loss in the period in which they are incurred.

Asset retirement obligations

The Group records a liability for asset retirement obligations (ARO) equal to the fair value of the estimated cost to retire an asset. The ARO liability is initially recorded in the period in which the obligation meets the definition of a liability.

Asset retirement obligations primarily relate to the abandonment of natural gas and oil producing facilities and include costs to dismantle and relocate or dispose of production platforms, gathering systems, wells and related structures. Estimates are based on historical experience of plugging and abandoning wells, estimated remaining lives of those wells based on reserve estimates, external estimates as to the cost to plug and abandon the wells in the future and federal and state regulatory requirements. Depreciation of capitalized asset retirement costs is determined on a units-of-production basis.

When the liability is initially recorded, the Group increases the carrying amount of the related long-lived asset by an amount equal to the original liability. The liability is increased over time to reflect the change in its present value, and the capitalized cost is depreciated over the useful life of the related long-lived asset. The Group re-evaluates the adequacy of its recorded ARO liability at least annually. Actual costs of asset retirements such as dismantling oil and gas production facilities and site restoration are charged against the related liability. Any difference between costs incurred upon settlement of an asset retirement obligation and the recorded liability is recognized as a gain or loss in the Group's earnings.

Note 1. Significant accounting policies (continued)**Finance costs**

Finance costs attributable to qualifying assets are capitalised as part of the asset. All other finance costs are expensed in the period in which they are incurred.

Employee benefits

Provision is made for the Group's liability for employee benefits arising from services rendered by employees to the end of the reporting period.

Short term obligations

Employee benefits that are expected to be settled within one year have been measured at the amounts expected to be paid when the liability is settled.

Share-based payments

The Group operates an employee share ownership plan. Share-based payments to employees are measured at the fair value of the instruments issued and amortised over the vesting periods. Share-based payments to non-employees are measured at the fair value of goods or services received or the fair value of the equity instruments issued and are recorded at the date the goods or services are received. The corresponding amount is recorded to the option reserve. The fair value of options is determined using the Cox Ross Rubenstein (CRR) or binomial pricing model. The number of shares and options expected to vest is reviewed and adjusted at the end of each reporting period such that the amount recognised for services received as consideration for the equity instruments granted is based on the number of equity instruments that eventually vest. During the vesting period, the liability at each reporting date is the fair value of the award at that date multiplied by the expired portion of the vesting period. From the end of the vesting period until settlement of the award, the liability is the full fair value of the liability at the reporting date.

Leases

Leases of fixed assets where substantially all the risks and benefits incidental to the ownership of the asset, but not the legal ownership that is transferred to entities in the consolidated group, are classified as finance leases.

Finance leases are capitalised by recording an asset and a liability at the lower of the amounts equal to the fair value of the leased property or the present value of the minimum lease payments, including any guaranteed residual values. Lease payments are allocated between the reduction of the lease liability and the lease interest expense for the period.

Leased assets are depreciated on a straight-line basis over the shorter of their estimated useful lives or the lease term. Lease payments for operating leases, where substantially all the risks and benefits remain with the lessor, are charged as expenses in the periods in which they are incurred.

Fair value measurement

When an asset or liability, financial or non-financial, is measured at fair value for recognition or disclosure purposes, the fair value is based on the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date; and assumes that the transaction will take place either: in the principal market; or in the absence of a principal market, in the most advantageous market.

Fair value is measured using the assumptions that market participants would use when pricing the asset or liability, assuming they act in their economic best interests. For non-financial assets, the fair value measurement is based on its highest and best use. Valuation techniques that are appropriate in the circumstances and for which sufficient data are available to measure fair value, are used, maximising the use of relevant observable inputs and minimising the use of unobservable inputs.

Provisions

Provisions are recognised when the Group has a legal or constructive obligation, as a result of past events, for which it is probable that an outflow of economic benefits will result and that outflow can be reliably measured.

Issued capital

Ordinary shares are classified as equity.

Incremental costs directly attributable to the issue of new shares or options are shown in equity as a deduction, net of tax, from the proceeds.

Business combinations

The acquisition method of accounting is used to account for business combinations regardless of whether equity instruments or other assets are acquired.

The consideration transferred is the sum of the acquisition-date fair values of the assets transferred, equity instruments issued or liabilities incurred by the acquirer to former owners of the acquiree and the amount of any non-controlling interest in the acquiree. For each business combination, the non-controlling interest in the acquiree is measured at either fair value or at the proportionate share of the acquiree's identifiable net assets. All acquisition costs are expensed as incurred to profit or loss.

On the acquisition of a business, the Group assesses the financial assets acquired and liabilities assumed for appropriate classification and designation in accordance with the contractual terms, economic conditions, the Group's operating or accounting policies and other pertinent conditions in existence at the acquisition-date.

Where the business combination is achieved in stages, the Group remeasures its previously held equity interest in the acquiree at the acquisition-date fair value and the difference between the fair value and the previous carrying amount is recognised in profit or loss.

Contingent consideration to be transferred by the acquirer is recognised at the acquisition-date fair value. Subsequent changes in the fair value of the contingent consideration classified as an asset or liability is recognised in profit or loss. Contingent consideration classified as equity is not remeasured and its subsequent settlement is accounted for within equity.

The difference between the acquisition-date fair value of assets acquired, liabilities assumed and any non-controlling interest in the acquiree and the fair value of the consideration transferred and the fair value of any pre-existing investment in the acquiree is recognised as goodwill. If the consideration transferred and the pre-existing fair value is less than the fair value of the identifiable net assets acquired, being a bargain purchase to the acquirer, the difference is recognised as a gain directly in profit or loss by the acquirer on the acquisition-date, but only after a reassessment of the identification and measurement of the net assets acquired, the non-controlling interest in the acquiree, if any, the consideration transferred and the acquirer's previously held equity interest in the acquirer.

Note 1. Significant accounting policies (continued)

Business combinations are initially accounted for on a provisional basis. The acquirer retrospectively adjusts the provisional amounts recognised and also recognises additional assets or liabilities during the measurement period, based on new information obtained about the facts and circumstances that existed at the acquisition-date. The measurement period ends on either the earlier of (i) 12 months from the date of the acquisition or (ii) when the acquirer receives all the information possible to determine fair value.

Earnings per share

Basic earnings per share

Basic earnings per share is calculated by dividing the profit attributable to the owners of AusTex Oil Limited, excluding any costs of servicing equity other than ordinary shares, by the weighted average number of ordinary shares outstanding during the financial year, adjusted for bonus elements in ordinary shares issued during the financial year.

Diluted earnings per share

Diluted earnings per share adjusts the figures used in the determination of basic earnings per share to take into account the after income tax effect of interest and other financing costs associated with dilutive potential ordinary shares and the weighted average number of shares assumed to have been issued for no consideration in relation to dilutive potential ordinary shares.

Preference shares

Preference shares are separated into liability and equity components based on the terms of the contract.

On issuance of the preference shares, the fair value of the liability component is determined using the Cox Ross Rubenstein or binomial pricing model. This amount is classified as a financial liability measured at amortised cost (net of transaction costs) until it is extinguished on conversion or redemption.

The remainder of the proceeds, if any, is allocated to the conversion option that is recognised and included in equity. Transaction costs are deducted from equity, net of associated income tax. The carrying amount of the conversion option is not re-measured in subsequent years.

Transaction costs are apportioned between the liability and equity components of the convertible preference shares based on the allocation of proceeds to the liability and equity components when the instruments are initially recognised.

Goods and Services Tax ('GST') and other similar taxes

Australian revenues, expenses and assets are recognised net of the amount of GST, except where the amount of GST incurred is not recoverable from the Australian Taxation Office. In these circumstances the GST is recognised as part of the cost of acquisition of the asset or as part of an item of the expense. Receivables and payables in the statement of financial position are shown inclusive of GST.

Cash flows are presented in the statement of cashflows on a gross basis, except for the GST component of investing and financing activities, which are disclosed as operating cash flows.

Financial instruments

Recognition and initial measurement Financial assets and financial liabilities are recognised when the entity becomes a party to the contractual provisions to the instrument. For financial assets, this is equivalent to the date that the company commits itself to either the purchase or sale of the asset (i.e. trade date accounting is adopted).

Financial instruments are initially measured at fair value plus transaction costs, except where the instrument is classified 'at fair value through profit or loss', in which case transaction costs are expensed to profit or loss immediately.

Classification and subsequent measurement Finance instruments are subsequently measured at either of fair value, amortised cost using the effective interest rate method, or cost. Fair value represents the amount for which an asset could be exchanged or a liability settled, between knowledgeable, willing parties.

Where available, quoted prices in an active market are used to determine fair value. In other circumstances, valuation techniques are adopted.

Amortised cost is calculated as:

- a) the amount at which the financial asset or financial liability is measured at initial recognition;
- b) less principal repayments;
- c) plus or minus the cumulative amortisation of the difference, if any, between the amount initially recognised and the maturity amount calculated using the effective interest method; and
- d) less any reduction for impairment.

The effective interest method is used to allocate interest income or interest expense over the relevant period and is equivalent to the rate that exactly discounts estimated future cash payments or receipts (including fees, transaction costs and other premiums or discounts) through the expected life (or when this cannot be reliably predicted, the contractual term) of the financial instrument to the net carrying amount of the financial asset or financial liability. Revisions to expected future net cash flows will necessitate an adjustment to the carrying value with a consequential recognition of an income or expense in profit or loss.

The Group does not designate any interests in subsidiaries, associates or joint venture entities as being subject to the requirements of accounting standards specifically applicable to financial instruments.

i) Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss

Financial assets are classified at 'fair value through profit or loss' when they are either held for trading for the purpose of short-term profit taking, derivatives not held for hedging purposes, or when they are designated as such to avoid an accounting mismatch or to enable performance evaluation where a group of financial assets is managed by key management personnel on a fair value basis in accordance with a documented risk management or investment strategy. Such assets are subsequently measured at fair value with changes in carrying value being included in profit or loss.

ii) Loans and receivables

Loans and receivables are non-derivative financial assets with fixed or determinable payments that are not quoted in an active market and are subsequently measured at amortised cost. Loans and receivables are included in current assets, except for those which are not expected to mature within 12 months after the end of the reporting period. (All other loans and receivables are classified as non-current assets).

Note 1. Significant accounting policies (continued)

iii) Held-to-maturity investments

Held-to-maturity investments are non-derivative financial assets that have fixed maturities and fixed or determinable payments, and it is the Group's intention to hold these investments to maturity. They are subsequently measured at amortised cost. Held-to-maturity investments are included in non-current assets, except for those which are expected to mature within 12 months after the end of the reporting period. (All other investments are classified as current assets). If during the period the Group sold or reclassified more than an insignificant amount of the held-to-maturity investments before maturity, the entire held-to-maturity investments category would be tainted and reclassified as available-for-sale.

iv) Available-for-sale financial assets

Available-for-sale financial assets are non-derivative financial assets that are either not suitable to be classified into other categories of financial assets due to their nature, or they are designated as such by management. They comprise investments in the equity of other entities where there is neither a fixed maturity nor fixed or determinable payments. Available-for-sale financial assets are included in non-current assets, except for those which are expected to mature within 12 months after the end of the reporting period. (All other financial assets are classified as current assets).

v) Financial liabilities

Non-derivative financial liabilities (excluding financial guarantees) are subsequently measured at amortised cost.

Fair value

Fair value is determined based on current bid prices for all quoted investments. Valuation techniques are applied to determine the fair value for all unlisted securities, including recent arm's length transactions, reference to similar instruments and option pricing models.

Impairment

At the end of each reporting period, the Group assesses whether there is objective evidence that a financial instrument has been impaired. In the case of available-for-sale financial instruments, a prolonged decline in the value of the instrument is considered to determine whether an impairment has arisen. Impairment losses are recognised in the consolidated statement of profit or loss.

Financial guarantees

Where material, financial guarantees issued, which require the issuer to make specified payments to reimburse the holder for a loss it incurs because a specified debtor fails to make payment when due, are recognised as a financial liability at fair value on initial recognition.

The guarantee is subsequently measured at the higher of the best estimate of the obligation and the amount initially recognised less, when appropriate, cumulative amortisation in accordance with AASB 118: Revenue. Where the entity gives guarantees in exchange for a fee, revenue is recognised under AASB 118.

The fair value of financial guarantee contracts has been assessed using a probability weighted discounted cash flow approach. The probability has been based on:

- the likelihood of the guaranteed party defaulting in a year period;
- the proportion of the exposure that is not expected to be recovered due to the guaranteed party defaulting; and
- the maximum loss exposed if the guaranteed party were to default.

Derivative financial instruments

The consolidated entity makes use of derivative instruments to manage certain risks related to commodity prices, interest rates and foreign currency exchange rates. The use of derivative instruments for risk management is covered by operating policies and is closely monitored by the Group's senior management. The Group does not hold any derivatives for speculative purposes and it does not use derivatives with leveraged or complex features.

The consolidated entity has a risk management control system to monitor commodity price risks and any derivatives obtained to manage a portion of such risks. For accounting purposes, the Group has not designated commodity and foreign currency derivative contracts as hedges, and therefore, it recognizes all gains and losses on these derivative contracts in its consolidated statement of profit or loss.

De-recognition

Financial assets are de-recognised where the contractual rights to receipt of cash flows expires or the asset is transferred to another party whereby the entity no longer has any significant continuing involvement in the risks and benefits associated with the asset. Financial liabilities are de-recognised where the related obligations are discharged, cancelled or expired. The difference between the carrying value of the financial liability extinguished or transferred to another party and the fair value of consideration paid, including the transfer of non-cash assets or liabilities assumed, is recognised in profit or loss.

Intangibles

Intangible assets acquired separately or in a business combination are initially measured at cost. The cost of an intangible asset acquired in a business combination is its fair value as at the date of acquisition. Following initial recognition, intangible assets are carried at cost less any accumulated amortisation and any accumulated impairment losses. Internally generated intangible assets, excluding capitalized development costs, are not capitalised and expenditure is recognised in profit or loss in the year in which the expenditure is incurred.

The useful lives of intangible assets are assessed to be either finite or indefinite. Intangible assets with finite lives are amortised over the useful life and tested for impairment whenever there is an indication that the intangible asset may be impaired. The amortisation period and the amortisation method for an intangible asset with a finite useful life is reviewed at the end of each financial year-end. Changes in the expected useful life or the expected pattern of consumption of future economic benefits embodied in the asset are accounted for prospectively by changing the amortisation period or method, as appropriate, which is a change in accounting estimate. The amortisation expense (if any) on intangible assets with indefinite lives is recognised in profit and loss in the expense category consistent with the function of the intangible asset.

Intangible assets with indefinite useful lives are tested for impairment annually either individually or at the cash-generating unit level. Such intangibles are not amortised.

The useful life of an intangible asset with an indefinite life is reviewed each reporting period to determine whether indefinite life assessment continues to be supportable. If not the change in the useful life assessment from indefinite to finite is accounted for as a change in an accounting estimate and is thus accounted for on a prospective basis.

Note 1. Significant accounting policies (continued)

New Accounting Standards and Interpretations not yet mandatory or early adopted

Australian Accounting Standards and Interpretations that have recently been issued or amended but are not yet mandatory, have not been early adopted by the Group for the annual reporting period ended 31 December 2015. The Group's assessment of the impact of these new or amended Accounting Standards and Interpretations, most relevant to the Group, are set out below.

AASB 9 Financial Instruments

This standard is applicable to annual reporting periods beginning on or after 1 January 2018. The standard replaces all previous versions of AASB 9 and completes the project to replace IAS 39 'Financial Instruments: Recognition and Measurement'. AASB 9 introduces new classification and measurement models for financial assets. A financial asset shall be measured at amortised cost, if it is held within a business model whose objective is to hold assets in order to collect contractual cash flows, which arise on specified dates and solely principal and interest. All other financial instrument assets are to be classified and measured at fair value through profit or loss unless the entity makes an irrevocable election on initial recognition to present gains and losses on equity instruments (that are not held-for-trading) in other comprehensive income ('OCI'). For financial liabilities, the standard requires the portion of the change in fair value that relates to the entity's own credit risk to be presented in OCI (unless it would create an accounting mismatch). New simpler hedge accounting requirements are intended to more closely align the accounting treatment with the risk management activities of the entity. New impairment requirements will use an 'expected credit loss' ('ECL') model to recognise an allowance. Impairment will be measured under a 12-month ECL method unless the credit risk on a financial instrument has increased significantly since initial recognition in which case the lifetime ECL method is adopted. The standard introduces additional new disclosures. The Group will adopt this standard from 1 January 2018 but the impact of its adoption is yet to be assessed by the Group.

AASB 2014-4 Amendments to Australian Accounting Standards - Clarification of Acceptable Methods of Depreciation and Amortisation
These amendments are applicable to annual reporting periods beginning on or after 1 January 2016. AASB 2014-4 amends AASB 116 and AASB 138 to clarify that depreciation and amortisation should be based on the expected pattern of consumption of an asset, that the use of revenue based methods to calculate depreciation is not appropriate, and that there is a rebuttable presumption that revenue is an inappropriate basis for measuring the consumption of the economic benefit embodied in an intangible asset. The adoption of these amendments from 1 January 2016 will not have a material impact on the Group.

AASB 15 Revenue from Contracts with Customers

This standard is applicable to annual reporting periods beginning on or after 1 January 2018. The standard provides a single standard for revenue recognition. The core principle of the standard is that an entity will recognise revenue to depict the transfer of promised goods or services to customers in an amount that reflects the consideration to which the entity expects to be entitled in exchange for those goods or services. The standard will require: contracts (either written, verbal or implied) to be identified, together with the separate performance obligations within the contract; determine the transaction price, adjusted for the time value of money excluding credit risk; allocation of the transaction price to the separate performance obligations on a basis of relative stand-alone selling price of each distinct good or service, or estimation approach if no distinct observable prices exist; and recognition of revenue when each performance obligation is satisfied. Credit risk will be presented separately as an expense rather than adjusted to revenue. For goods, the performance obligation would be satisfied when the customer obtains control of the goods. For services, the performance obligation is satisfied when the service has been provided, typically for promises to transfer services to customers. For performance obligations satisfied over time, an entity would select an appropriate measure of progress to determine how much revenue should be recognised as the performance obligation is satisfied. Contracts with customers will be presented in an entity's statement of financial position as a contract liability, a contract asset, or a receivable, depending on the relationship between the entity's performance and the customer's payment. Sufficient quantitative and qualitative disclosure is required to enable users to understand the contracts with customers; the significant judgements made in applying the guidance to those contracts; and any assets recognised from the costs to obtain or fulfil a contract with a customer. The Group will adopt this standard from 1 January 2018 but the impact of its adoption is yet to be assessed by the Group.

Note 2. Critical accounting judgements, estimates and assumptions

The preparation of the financial statements requires management to make judgements, estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts in the financial statements. Management continually evaluates its judgements and estimates in relation to assets, liabilities, contingent liabilities, revenue and expenses. Management bases its judgements, estimates and assumptions on historical experience and on other various factors, including expectations of future events, management believes to be reasonable under the circumstances. The resulting accounting judgements and estimates will seldom equal the related actual results. The judgements, estimates and assumptions that have a significant risk of causing a material adjustment to the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities (refer to the respective notes) within the next financial year are discussed below.

Impairment

The Group assesses impairment at the end of each reporting period by evaluating conditions and events specific to the Group that may be indicative of impairment triggers. Recoverable amounts of relevant assets are reassessed using Fair Value less costs of disposal which incorporates the current fair market value of the relevant asset(s) and the costs of disposal, if any. During the year, the Group recognised impairment loss of \$15,115,986 in relation to its oil and gas assets. See Note 3 for further details.

Fair value of financial instruments

Management apply valuation techniques to determine the fair value of financial instruments (where active market quotes are not available) and non-financial assets. This involves developing estimates and assumptions consistent with how market participants would price the instrument. Management bases its assumptions on observable data as far as possible but this is not always available. In that case management uses the best information available. Estimated fair values may vary from the actual prices that would be achieved in an arm's length transaction at the reporting date.

Reserves

Proved reserves are estimated by reference to available geological and engineering data and only include volumes for which access to market is assured with reasonable certainty. Estimates of oil and gas reserves are inherently imprecise, require the application of judgement and are subject to regular revision, either upward or downward, based on new information such as from the drilling of additional wells, observation of long-term reservoir performance under producing conditions and changes in economic factors, including product prices, contract terms or development plans. Changes to estimates of proved developed reserves affect prospectively the amounts of depreciation, depletion and amortisation charged and, consequently, the carrying amounts of oil and gas properties. The outcome of, or assessment of plans for, exploration or appraisal activity may result in the related capitalised exploration drilling costs being recorded in income in that period.

Note 3. Reserve Valuations and Oil and Gas Asset Impairment Allowance

The Company's petroleum reserves at 31 December 2015 as determined by the independent reserves and economic evaluation ("Reserve Report") was prepared by Pinnacle Energy, LLC and was completed and released to the market on 29 February 2016.

Such Reserve Report showed a decrease in reserve valuation as compared to the prior reserve report prepared as of 30 June 2015 principally related to the decrease in valuation of proved undeveloped and probable reserves as a result of the significant drop in market oil and gas prices. The decrease in reserve values at 31 December 2015 has resulted in a \$15,115,986 noncash impairment charge to the statement of profit and loss against oil and gas assets at 31 December 2015.

Note 4. Operating segments*Identification of reportable operating segments*

The consolidated entity operates predominantly in one operating segment, being the exploration, development and production of hydrocarbons in the USA. This operating segment is based on the internal reports that are reviewed and used by the Board of Directors (who are identified as the Chief Operating Decision Makers ('CODM')) in assessing performance and in determining the allocation of resources.

The CODM reviews EBITDA (earnings before interest, tax, depreciation and amortisation). The accounting policies adopted for internal reporting to the CODM are consistent with those adopted in the financial statements. The information reported to the CODM is on at least a monthly basis.

Major customers

The consolidated entity has a number of major customers to whom it sells oil and gas produced from its leases at Snake River in Kay County, Northern Oklahoma and leases surrounding Tulsa. The consolidated entity has ongoing contracts for the sale of oil and gas. The most significant customer, Rose Rock Midstream Crude LP, accounted for 54% of external revenue, followed by Mustang Gas Products LLC at 22% and Sunoco Inc at 15%. There are no other significant customers with external revenues greater than 10%.

Geographical information

The Group's sales to external customers and non-current assets are predominantly in USA.

Note 5. Other income

Consolidated	2015 US\$	2014 US\$
Net gain on disposal of non-current assets	–	37,288
Interest received	2,616	43,927
Sale of scrap metal	2,032	8,224
Gain on conversion of convertible notes	–	199,156
Sundry income	37,974	16,842
Other income	42,622	305,437

Note 6. Expenses

Consolidated	2015 US\$	2014 US\$
Loss before income tax includes the following specific expenses:		
<i>General and administrative expenses includes</i>		
Option expense	1,485,724	1,103,388
Other share-based payments	282,537	381,701
Rental expense	92,015	90,327
Loss on disposal of non-current assets	44,476	–
Total	1,904,752	1,575,416

Note 7. Income tax (benefit)/expense

Consolidated	2015 US\$	2014 US\$
<i>Income tax (benefit)/expense</i>		
Current tax	20,000	–
Deferred tax	(404,000)	404,000
Aggregate income tax (benefit)/expense	(384,000)	404,000
<i>Numerical reconciliation of income tax expense/(benefit) and tax at the statutory rate</i>		
Loss before income tax benefit	(19,592,141)	(10,652,159)
Tax at the statutory tax rate of 30%	(5,877,642)	(3,195,648)
<i>Tax effect amounts which are not deductible/(taxable) in calculating taxable income:</i>		
Expenses not deductible	5,065,274	303,339
Deferred tax assets not brought into account	428,368	3,296,309
Income tax (benefit)/expense	(384,000)	404,000
<i>Tax losses not recognised</i>		
Unused tax losses for which no deferred tax asset has been recognised	12,228,207	11,698,270
Potential tax benefit @ 30%	3,668,462	3,509,481

All unused tax losses were incurred by the Australian parent entity.

Potential deferred tax assets net of deferred tax liabilities attributable to tax losses have not been brought to account because the Directors do not believe it is appropriate to regard realisation of the future income tax benefits as probable at the date of this report.

Primary net operating losses of approximately \$37 million remain available in the US, however are fully reserved.

The benefits of these tax losses will only be obtained if:

- i) The Australian parent entity derives future assessable income of a nature and an amount sufficient to enable the benefit from the deductions for the losses and temporary differences to be realised;
- ii) The Australian parent entity complies with the conditions for deductibility imposed by the tax legislation;
- iii) No changes in tax legislation adversely affect the Australian parent entity in realising the benefit from deductions for the losses and temporary differences; and
- iv) The availability of certain tax losses is subject to the Australian parent entity successfully establishing deductibility with regard to the continuity of ownership test and the same business test.

Consolidated	2015 US\$	2014 US\$
<i>Deferred tax</i>		
Deferred tax relates to the following:		
Unrealised derivative gain	–	505,227
Excess depletion charged	–	680,914
Deferred tax losses used to offset deferred tax liabilities	–	(782,141)
Total deferred tax	–	404,000

Note 8. Current assets – Cash and cash equivalents

Consolidated	2015 US\$	2014 US\$
Cash at bank and on hand	24,311,447	14,613,338
Cash – money market account	128,486	287,302
	24,439,933	14,900,640

Note 9. Current assets – Trade and other receivables

Consolidated	2015 US\$	2014 US\$
Trade receivables	936,897	2,010,288
Other receivables	48,872	134,016
	985,769	2,144,304

All the Group's trade and other receivables are within initial trade terms and are not past due (2014: nil).

Note 10. Current assets – Inventories

Consolidated	2015 US\$	2014 US\$
Oil and gas stored in tank batteries	231,370	355,061
Materials and supplies	121,719	73,977
	353,089	429,038

Note 11. Current assets – Derivative financial instruments

Consolidated	2015 US\$	2014 US\$
Derivative financial instruments	3,439,786	3,847,830

In conjunction with the term loan agreement covenant, the consolidated entity is expected to hedge for price risk on 70 to 90% reasonable projected volume. Open positions as at 31 December 2015 were marked to market based on settlement prices and are classified in the consolidated statements of financial position according to expected maturity date.

Note 12. Non-current assets – Derivative financial instruments

Consolidated	2015 US\$	2014 US\$
Derivative financial instruments	550,139	1,700,004

Note 13. Non-current assets – Property, plant and equipment

Consolidated	2015 US\$	2014 US\$
Property, plant and equipment	2,154,257	2,088,670
Less: Accumulated depreciation	(1,251,538)	(1,060,712)
	902,719	1,027,958

Reconciliations

Reconciliations of the written down values at the beginning and end of the current and previous financial year are set out below:

Consolidated	Plant and equipment US\$	Total US\$
Balance at 1 January 2014	3,725,967	3,725,967
Additions	2,927,851	2,927,851
Transfer to oil and gas assets	(5,429,726)	(5,429,726)
Depreciation expense	(196,134)	(196,134)
Balance at 31 December 2014	1,027,958	1,027,958
Additions	130,298	130,298
Disposals	(69,701)	(69,701)
Depreciation expense	(185,836)	(185,836)
Balance at 31 December 2015	902,719	902,719

Note 14. Non-current assets – Oil and gas assets

Consolidated	2015 US\$	2014 US\$
Oil and gas assets - at cost	80,740,491	78,082,783
Less: Accumulated depreciation	(33,977,533)	(28,242,891)
Less: Impairment	(15,115,986)	–
	31,646,972	49,839,892

Reconciliations

Reconciliations of the written down values at the beginning and end of the current and previous financial year are set out below:

Consolidated	Oil and gas assets US\$	Total US\$
Balance at 1 January 2014	36,410,162	36,410,162
Additions	31,540,978	31,540,978
Depreciation charge for the year	(24,914,767)	(24,914,767)
Transfers from exploration and evaluation	1,373,793	1,373,793
Transfers from plant and equipment	5,429,726	5,429,726
Balance at 31 December 2014	49,839,892	49,839,892
Additions	2,960,230	2,960,230
Disposals	(302,522)	(302,522)
Impairment of assets	(15,115,986)	(15,115,986)
Amortisation expense	(5,734,642)	(5,734,642)
Balance at 31 December 2015	31,646,972	31,646,972

Note 15. Current liabilities – Trade and other payables

Consolidated	2015 US\$	2014 US\$
Trade payables	234,454	1,497,773
Sundry payables and accrued expenses	132,084	591,077
	366,538	2,088,850

Refer to note 25 for further information on financial instruments.

Note 16. Current liabilities – Borrowings

Consolidated	2015 US\$	2014 US\$
Lease liability (secured)	117,347	166,937
Term loan (secured)	2,250,000	750,000
	2,367,347	916,937

Refer to note 25 for further information on financial instruments.

Term Loan

On October 23, 2014, the consolidated entity entered into a term loan agreement with Macquarie Bank Limited (Houston) which provided for the following:

Immediate Availability:	\$20 million
Additional Availability at Discretion of Lender: As at 31 December 2015, \$20 million was drawn down.	\$40 million
Interest Rate:	1 month LIBOR +4.50%
Maturity:	Partial amortization with final maturity in October 2017
Use of Proceeds:	Acquisition and development of oil and gas properties and related costs
Reserve Assessment:	Solely based on third party reserve engineering.
Key Financial Covenants:	1.3x Proved Developed Reserve PV 10 coverage to loan 1.0x Current Ratio Average 70% to 90% reasonable projected volume to be hedged for price risk for 2 to 4 years
Certain Other Covenants:	No dividends/equity buy-back or sale of collateral; annual administrative expenses not to exceed 20% of PV 10
Fees:	Lender 1% on drawdown; 0.5% commitment fee on any used \$20 million of immediate availability

Lease Liability Lease liabilities are secured by the underlying leased assets and is predominately related to field vehicles.

Note 17. Non-current liabilities – Borrowings

Consolidated	2015 US\$	2014 US\$
Loan (secured)	17,750,000	11,250,000
Lease liability (secured)	72,832	177,232
	17,822,832	11,427,232

Refer to note 16 and 25 for further information on financial instruments.

Total secured liabilities

The total secured liabilities (current and non-current) are as follows:

Consolidated	2015 US\$	2014 US\$
Loan (secured)	20,000,000	12,000,000
Lease liability (secured)	190,179	344,169
	20,190,179	12,344,169

Note 18. Non-current liabilities – Deferred tax liability

Consolidated	2015 US\$	2014 US\$
Deferred tax liability	–	404,000

The deferred tax liability is ascertained based on temporary differences arising between the tax bases of assets and liabilities and their carrying amounts in the financial statements. No deferred income tax will be recognised from the initial recognition of an asset or liability.

Note 19. Non-current liabilities – Provisions

Consolidated	2015 US\$	2014 US\$
Asset retirement obligations	306,499	276,229

Rehabilitation

A provision for rehabilitation is recognised in relation to the exploration and production activities for costs associated with the rehabilitation of the various sites. Estimates of the rehabilitation obligations are based on anticipated technology and legal requirements and future costs. In determining the rehabilitation provision the entity has assumed no significant changes will occur in the relevant Federal and State legislation to rehabilitation in the future.

Movements in provisions

Movements in each class of provision during the current financial year, other than employee benefits, are set out below:

Consolidated	2015 US\$
Carrying amount at the start of the year	276,229
Amounts provided during the year	30,270
Carrying amount at the end of the year	306,499

Note 20. Equity – Issued capital

Consolidated	2015 Shares	2014 Shares	2015 US\$	2014 US\$
Ordinary shares – fully paid	559,571,402	558,571,402	72,514,494	72,330,381
Preference shares – fully paid	220,125,786	220,125,786	17,500,000	17,500,000
	779,697,188	778,697,188	90,014,494	89,830,381

Note 20. Equity – Issued capital (continued)**Movements in ordinary share capital**

Details	Shares	US\$
Balance at 1 January 2014	432,951,041	54,494,601
– Share purchase plan and share placements	1,000,000	203,812
– Exercise of options	73,388,126	10,226,868
– Conversion of convertible notes	51,232,235	7,500,000
– Share issue costs	–	(94,900)
Balance at 31 December 2014	558,571,402	72,330,381
– Share vested*	1,000,000	184,113
Balance at 31 December 2015	559,571,402	72,514,494

* the shares vested was previously accounted for as share-based payments

Ordinary shares

Ordinary shares entitle the holder to participate in dividends and the proceeds on the winding up of the company in proportion to the number of and amounts paid on the shares held. The fully paid ordinary shares have no par value and the company does not have a limited amount of authorised capital.

At the shareholders' meetings each ordinary share is entitled to one vote when a poll is called, otherwise each shareholder has one vote on a show of hands.

Movements in preference shares

Details	Shares	Issue price	US\$
Balance	116,666,667		17,500,000
– Dividend termination payment	103,459,119	US\$0.00	–
Balance at 31 December 2014	220,125,786		17,500,000
Balance at 31 December 2015	220,125,786		17,500,000

Options

i) For information relating to the AusTex Oil Limited employee option plan, including details of options issued, exercised and lapsed during the financial year and the options outstanding at year-end, refer to the Remuneration Report as part of the Directors Report accompanying the Annual Report.

ii) For information relating to share options issued to key management personnel during the financial year, refer to the Remuneration Report as part of the Directors Report accompanying the Annual Report.

Share buy-back

There is no current on-market share buy-back.

Capital risk management

The Group's objectives when managing capital is to safeguard its ability to continue as a going concern, so that it can provide returns for shareholders and benefits for other stakeholders and to maintain an optimum capital structure to reduce the cost of capital.

In order to maintain or adjust the capital structure, the Group may adjust the amount of dividends paid to shareholders, return capital to shareholders, issue new shares or sell assets to reduce debt.

The Group would look to raise capital when an opportunity to invest in a business or company was seen as value adding relative to the current company's share price at the time of the investment. The Group is not actively pursuing additional investments in the short-term as it continues to integrate and grow its existing businesses in order to maximise synergies.

The Group is subject to certain financing arrangements covenants and meeting these is given priority in all capital risk management decisions. There have been no events of default on the financing arrangements during the financial year.

There have been no changes in the strategy adopted by management to control the capital of the Group since the prior year.

Note 21. Equity – Reserves

Consolidated	2015 US\$	2014 US\$
Foreign currency reserve	(1,298,592)	(1,277,981)
Share-based payments reserve	276,311	177,887
Options reserve	3,078,304	1,592,580
	2,056,023	492,486

Foreign Currency Translation Reserve

The foreign currency translation reserve records exchange differences arising on translation of foreign controlled subsidiaries.

Options Reserve

The Options Reserve records the value of options issued by the Group.

Share-based Payments Reserve

The Share Based Payments Reserve records the value of shares recognised as expenses on valuation of employee and supplier shares and restricted shares issued.

Movements in reserves

Movements in each class of reserve during the current and previous financial year are set out below:

Consolidated	Foreign currency translation US\$	Options US\$	Share based payments US\$	Convertible note US\$	Total US\$
Balance at 1 January 2014	(213,503)	1,970,970	–	2,938,896	4,696,363
Foreign currency translation	(1,064,478)	–	–	–	(1,064,478)
Options expense – operating	–	1,153,695	–	–	1,153,695
Options exercised	–	(1,481,533)	–	–	(1,481,533)
Options lapsed unexercised	–	(50,552)	–	–	(50,552)
Share based payments issued	–	–	(203,812)	–	(203,812)
Share based payments expense	–	–	381,699	–	381,699
Conversion of convertible note to issued shares	–	–	–	(2,938,896)	(2,938,896)
Balance at 31 December 2014	(1,277,981)	1,592,580	177,887	–	492,486
Foreign currency translation	(20,611)	–	–	–	(20,611)
Options expense – operating	–	1,485,724	–	–	1,485,724
Share based payments expense	–	–	282,537	–	282,537
Share based payments issued	–	–	(184,113)	–	(184,113)
Balance at 31 December 2015	(1,298,592)	3,078,304	276,311	–	2,056,023

Note 22. Equity – accumulated losses

Consolidated	2015 US\$	2014 US\$
Accumulated losses at the beginning of the financial year	(31,269,200)	(21,673,418)
Loss after income tax (expense)/benefit for the year	(19,155,506)	(11,077,315)
Options exercised	–	1,481,533
Accumulated losses at the end of the financial year	(50,424,706)	(31,269,200)

Note 23. Equity – non-controlling interest

Consolidated	2015 US\$	2014 US\$
Non-controlling interest	218,521	271,156

On 23 October 2014, the Group reorganized its U.S. subsidiaries for certain corporate operating efficiencies. A new wholly owned subsidiary, International Energy LLC, was formed with a 1% non-controlling interest owned by Bacon Family, LLC.

Note 24. Equity – dividends

There were no dividends paid, recommended or declared during the current or previous financial year.

Note 25. Financial instruments*Financial risk management objectives*

The Group's activities expose it to a variety of financial risks: market risk (including foreign currency risk, price risk and interest rate risk), credit risk and liquidity risk. The Group's overall risk management program focuses on the unpredictability of financial markets and seeks to minimise potential adverse effects on the financial performance of the Group. The Group uses derivative financial instruments such as forward foreign exchange contracts to hedge certain risk exposures. Derivatives are exclusively used for hedging purposes, i.e. not as trading or other speculative instruments. The Group uses different methods to measure different types of risk to which it is exposed. These methods include sensitivity analysis in the case of interest rate, foreign exchange and other price risks, ageing analysis for credit risk and beta analysis in respect of investment portfolios to determine market risk.

Risk management is carried out by senior finance executives ('finance') under policies approved by the Board of Directors ('the Board'). These policies include identification and analysis of the risk exposure of the Group and appropriate procedures, controls and risk limits. Finance identifies, evaluates and hedges financial risks within the Group's operating units. Finance reports to the Board on a monthly basis.

Market risk*Foreign currency risk*

The Group undertakes certain transactions denominated in foreign currency and is exposed to foreign currency risk through foreign exchange rate fluctuations.

Foreign exchange risk arises from future commercial transactions and recognised financial assets and financial liabilities denominated in a currency that is not the entity's functional currency. The risk is measured using sensitivity analysis and cash flow forecasting.

The foreign currency risk is deemed to be minimal as most transactions are completed in the Group's functional currency being the US dollar.

Price risk

Price risk relates to the risk that the fair value or future cash flows of a financial instrument will fluctuate because of changes in market prices largely due to demand and supply factors for oil and gas.

The Company uses futures, forwards, swaps and options to meet customer needs and locks in market opportunities. These instruments are intended to be cash flow transactions and are not used for trading. Gains and losses related to contracts are reflected in revenue as these contracts are realized. Hedge accounting is not used for these commodity derivatives. Total net realized and unrealized gains or losses as at 31 December, 2015 and 31 December 2014 were \$3,290,435 (gain) and USD \$5,497,967 (gain) respectively and are classified as an increase or reduction in net sales for each period. At 31 December 2015 the total barrels of oil hedged was 111,260 and MCF of gas hedged 329,300 and the total weighted average contracted price for oil was USD \$69.13 and gas USD \$3.86. The table below summarizes timing, amounts and contract pricing for commodity hedges in place at 31 December 2015.

Note 25. Financial instruments (continued)

Contract Hedged	Total BBLs Contract Price	Weighted Average Type	Contract Month	Contract Hedged	Total MCF Hedged	Weighted Average Hedge Price	Contract Type
Jan-16	6,820	80.00	Put	Jan-16	31,000	3.98	Swap
Feb-16	6,380	80.00	Put	Feb-16	29,000	3.98	Swap
Mar-16	6,820	80.00	Put	Mar-16	31,000	3.98	Swap
Apr-16	6,000	80.00	Put	Apr-16	27,000	3.76	Swap
May-16	6,200	80.00	Put	May-16	27,900	3.76	Swap
Jun-16	6,000	80.00	Put	Jun-16	27,000	3.76	Swap
Jul-16	5,890	80.00	Put	Jul-16	27,900	3.80	Swap
Aug-16	5,890	80.00	Put	Aug-16	27,900	3.80	Swap
Sep-16	5,700	80.00	Put	Sep-16	27,000	3.80	Swap
Oct-16	5,580	80.00	Put	Oct-16	24,800	3.93	Swap
Nov-16	5,400	80.00	Put	Nov-16	24,000	3.93	Swap
Dec-16	5,580	80.00	Put	Dec-16	24,800	3.93	Swap
Jan-17	5,000	60.75	Swap				
Feb-17	5,000	60.75	Swap				
Mar-17	5,000	60.75	Swap				
Apr-17	4,000	51.50	Swap				
May-17	4,000	51.50	Swap				
Jun-17	4,000	51.50	Swap				
Jul-17	4,000	51.50	Swap				
Aug-17	4,000	51.50	Swap				
Sep-17	4,000	51.50	Swap				
Total	111,260	69.13	Swap/Put	Total	329,300	3.86	Swap

Interest rate risk

Exposure to interest rate risk arises on financial assets and financial liabilities recognised at the end of the reporting period whereby a future change in interest rates will affect future cash flows or the fair value of fixed rate financial instruments. The Group is also exposed to earnings volatility on floating rate instruments.

The financial instruments that primarily expose the Group to interest rate risk are borrowings, convertible notes issued, preference shares issued and cash and cash equivalents.

Credit risk

The Group has no significant concentration of credit risk with any single counterparty or group of counterparties. The subsidiaries have account receivables which are all US customers.

Trade and other receivables that are neither past due or impaired are considered to be of high credit quality.

Credit risk related to balances with banks and other financial institutions is managed by the Audit & Risk Committee in accordance with approved Board policy.

Liquidity risk

Liquidity risk arises from the possibility that the Company might encounter difficulty in settling its debts or otherwise meeting its obligations related to financial liabilities. The Company's main sources of liquidity risk at 31 December 2015 are trade payables and borrowings. All of these liabilities have maturities within 1 year and total USD \$2,733,885 at 31 December 2015. The Company had cash and receivables of USD \$25,425,702 at 31 December 2015. Management believes there to be no material liquidity risk when comparing the maturity profile of the liabilities with the Company's current and projected cash and cash flows.

Note 25. Financial instruments (continued)*Remaining contractual maturities*

The following tables detail the Group's remaining contractual maturity for its financial instrument liabilities. The tables have been drawn up based on the undiscounted cash flows of financial liabilities based on the earliest date on which the financial liabilities are required to be paid. The tables include both interest and principal cash flows disclosed as remaining contractual maturities and therefore these totals may differ from their carrying amount in the statement of financial position.

Consolidated – 2015	1 year or less US\$	Between 1 and 5 years US\$	Over 5 years US\$	Remaining contractual maturities US\$
Financial liabilities due for payment				
<i>Non-interest bearing</i>				
Trade and other payables	(366,538)	–	–	(366,538)
Finance lease liabilities	(117,347)	(72,832)	–	(190,179)
Borrowings	(2,250,000)	(17,750,000)	–	(20,000,000)
Total contractual and expected outflows	(2,733,885)	(17,822,832)	–	(20,556,717)
Financial assets – cash flows realisable				
Cash and cash equivalents	24,439,933	–	–	24,439,933
Trade and other receivables	985,769	–	–	985,769
Derivatives	3,439,786	550,139	–	3,989,925
Lease bond deposits	–	145,292	–	145,292
Total anticipated inflows	28,865,488	695,431	–	29,560,919
Net inflow/(outflow) on financial instruments	26,131,603	(17,127,401)	–	9,004,202
Consolidated – 2014				
Financial liabilities due for payment				
<i>Non-interest bearing</i>				
Trade and other payables	(2,088,850)	–	–	(2,088,850)
Finance lease liabilities	(166,937)	(177,232)	–	(344,169)
Borrowings	(750,000)	(11,250,000)	–	(12,000,000)
Total contractual and expected outflows	(3,005,787)	(11,427,232)	–	(14,433,019)
Financial assets – cash flow realisable				
Cash and cash equivalent	14,900,640	–	–	14,900,640
Trade and other receivables	2,144,304	–	–	2,144,304
Derivatives	3,847,830	1,700,004	–	5,547,834
Lease bond deposit	–	157,131	–	157,131
Total anticipated inflows	20,892,774	1,857,135	–	22,749,909
Net inflow/(outflow) on financial instruments	17,886,987	(9,570,097)	–	8,316,890

The cash flows in the maturity analysis above are not expected to occur significantly earlier than contractually disclosed above.

Fair value of financial instruments

Unless otherwise stated, the carrying amounts of financial instruments reflect their fair value.

Note 26. Key management personnel disclosures

Compensation

The aggregate compensation made to directors and other members of key management personnel of the Group is set out below:

Consolidated	2015 US\$	2014 US\$
Short-term employee benefits	777,055	863,753
Post-employment benefits	-	21,622
Share-based payments	967,906	949,813
Non-executive Directors Fees	271,017	224,550
	2,015,978	2,059,738

Note 27. Remuneration of auditors

During the financial year the following fees were paid or payable for services provided by BDO East Coast Partnership, the auditor of the company, its network firms and unrelated firms:

Consolidated	2015 US\$	2014 US\$
<i>Audit services - BDO East Coast Partnership</i> Audit or review of the financial statements	60,541	42,222
<i>Audit services - Hogan Taylor LLP (network firm)</i> Audit or review of the financial statements	94,000	59,000
<i>Audit services - Hayes Knight NSW Pty Ltd (unrelated firm)</i> Audit or review of the financial statements	-	84,237

Note 28. Contingent liabilities

There are no contingent liabilities as at 31 December 2015 and 31 December 2014.

Note 29. Commitments

Consolidated	2015 US\$	2014 US\$
<i>Lease commitments – operating</i> Committed at the reporting date but not recognised as liabilities, payable:		
Within one year	80,616	80,800
One to five years	4,533	83,133
	85,149	163,933
<i>Lease commitments - finance</i> Committed at the reporting date and recognised as liabilities, payable:		
Within one year	117,347	166,937
One to five years	72,832	177,232
Total commitment	190,179	344,169
Less: Future finance charges	-	-
Net commitment recognised as liabilities	190,179	344,169

Note 30. Related party transactions*Parent entity*

AusTex Oil Limited is the parent entity.

Key management personnel

Disclosures relating to key management personnel are set out in note 26 and the remuneration report in the directors' report.

Transactions with related parties

The following transactions occurred with related parties:

Consolidated	2015 US\$	2014 US\$
Payment for consulting services	320,024	650,000

During the year ended 31 December 2015, the Company paid \$320,024 to FS Investors Management, LP, an entity affiliated with Michael Stone, Board Chairman, for director fees and for consulting fees for financial advisory and accounting services provided by employees of FS Investors Management, LP. In addition, Nick Stone, AusTex's Co-Managing Director, is also affiliated with FS Investors Management, LP. During the year ended 31 December 2014 Ptolemy Capital LLC, a related party of Nick Stone and Michael Stone, received payment of USD \$650,000. This amount was for services provided in respect of negotiation of the term loan, accounting assistance and preparation of financial statements, assistance with the US corporate reorganisation, transition of accounting services to Wolfepack and chart of accounts, software services (including drill scheduling, well maintenance tracking, production status and tracking, lease expiration tracking, financial model and geolocation tool), investor relations, contract negotiation assistance with pipeline companies and other associated services. These services were provided at less than market rate and were considered and approved by the independent board of directors in the absence of both Nick Stone and Michael Stone. With respect to these transactions the independent Board engaged external counsel to advise it upon its obligations and to ensure the process for determining and approving these transactions were properly managed in accordance with such obligations.

Receivable from and payable to related parties

There were no loans to subsidiaries outstanding at the current reporting date. On 1 October 2014, the consolidated entity reorganized its U.S. subsidiaries for certain corporate operating efficiencies and outstanding loans to subsidiaries were reclassified as Investments in Controlled entities.

Other related party transactions

During the financial year ended 31 December 2014, 52,269,902 Redeemable Convertible Preference A Shares (RCPA Shares) and 51,189,217 Redeemable Preference B Shares (RPB Shares) were issued as a Dividend Termination Payment at \$Nil value to Ptolemy Energy Holdings LLC on the terms as approved by shareholders at the Company's EGM held on 24 January 2014. Ptolemy Energy Holdings LLC is a related party of Nick Stone and Michael Stone.

Note 31. Parent entity information

Set out below is the supplementary information about the parent entity.

Parent	2015 US\$	2014 US\$
<i>Statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income</i>		
Loss after income tax	(28,826,258)	(2,741,461)
Total comprehensive income	(35,188,168)	(2,741,461)
<i>Statement of financial position</i>		
Total current assets	71,615	227,631
Total assets	35,090,942	68,558,894
Total current liabilities	103,675	151,720
Total liabilities	103,675	151,720
Equity		
Issued capital	90,014,494	89,830,381
Foreign currency reserve	(16,230,934)	(9,869,024)
Share-based payments reserve	276,311	177,887
Options reserve	3,078,304	1,592,580
Accumulated losses	(42,150,908)	(13,324,650)
Total equity	34,987,267	68,407,174

Note 31. Parent entity information (continued)

Guarantees entered into by the parent entity in relation to the debts of its subsidiaries

The parent entity had no guarantees in relation to the debts of its subsidiaries as at 31 December 2015 and 31 December 2014.

Contingent liabilities

The parent entity had no contingent liabilities as at 31 December 2015 and 31 December 2014.

Capital commitments - Property, plant and equipment

The parent entity had no capital commitments for property, plant and equipment as at 31 December 2015 and 31 December 2014.

Significant accounting policies

The accounting policies of the parent entity are consistent with those of the Group, as disclosed in note 1, except for the following:

- Investments in subsidiaries are accounted for at cost, less any impairment, in the parent entity.
- Dividends received from subsidiaries are recognised as other income by the parent entity and its receipt may be an indicator of an impairment of the investment.

Note 32. Events after the reporting period

No matter or circumstance has arisen since 31 December 2015 that has significantly affected, or may significantly affect the Group's operations, the results of those operations, or the Group's state of affairs in future financial years.

Note 33. Reconciliation of loss after income tax to net cash from operating activities

Consolidated	2015 US\$	2014 US\$
Loss after income tax (expense)/benefit for the year	(19,208,141)	(11,056,159)
Adjustments for:		
Share-based payments	282,537	203,813
Impairment of assets	15,115,986	-
Option expense	1,485,724	1,103,388
Depreciation and depletion	6,004,728	25,024,623
Interest on convertible notes	-	97,072
Gain on conversion of convertible notes	-	(199,156)
Profit on disposal of non-current assets	44,476	(37,288)
Other non-cash items	(53,980)	(765,961)
Change in operating assets and liabilities:		
Decrease/(increase) in trade and other receivables	1,170,372	(225,639)
Decrease in inventories	75,949	16,236
(Increase) / Decrease in derivatives	1,557,909	(3,847,830)
(Increase) / Decrease in other financial assets	127,425	(390,877)
Increase/(decrease) in trade and other payables	(1,722,311)	571,622
Decrease in deferred tax liabilities	(404,000)	-
(Increase) / Decrease in borrowings	-	84,325
Net cash from operating activities	4,476,674	10,578,169

Note 34. Earnings per share

Consolidated	2015 US\$	2014 US\$
Loss after income tax	(19,208,141)	(11,056,159)
Non-controlling interest	52,635	(21,156)
Loss after income tax attributable to the owners of AusTex Oil Limited	(19,155,506)	(11,077,315)

	Number	Number
Weighted average number of ordinary shares used in calculating basic earnings per share	558,996,060	501,327,530
Weighted average number of ordinary shares used in calculating diluted earnings per share	558,996,060	501,327,530

	Cents	Cents
Basic loss per share	(3.43)	(2.21)
Diluted loss per share	(3.43)	(2.21)

In the directors' opinion:

- the attached financial statements and notes comply with the *Corporations Act 2001*, the Accounting Standards, the Corporations Regulations 2001 and other mandatory professional reporting requirements;
- the attached financial statements and notes comply with International Financial Reporting Standards as issued by the International Accounting Standards Board as described in note 1 to the financial statements;
- the attached financial statements and notes give a true and fair view of the Group's financial position as at 31 December 2015 and of its performance for the financial year ended on that date; and
- there are reasonable grounds to believe that the company will be able to pay its debts as and when they become due and payable.

The directors have been given the declarations required by section 295A of the *Corporations Act 2001*.

Signed in accordance with a resolution of directors made pursuant to section 295(5)(a) of the *Corporations Act 2001*.

On behalf of the directors



R A Adrey
Co-Managing Director

29 February 2016

The shareholder information set out below is applicable as at 25 February 2016:

Substantial Shareholders

Name	Number of Shares
National Nominees Limited	72,785,665
J P Morgan Nominees Australia Limited	60,385,012
Kwang Hou Hung	36,960,787
ABN Amro Clearing Sydney Nominees Pty Ltd	33,926,056

Number of Holders of Each Class of Equity Securities:

Class	Number of Holders
Fully Paid Ordinary Shares	2,046
Unquoted Options	16 (as per the table below)
Preference Shares (RCPA)	2
Preference Shares (RCPB)	4

Unquoted Options

As at 25 February, 2016, there were a total of 48,000,000 unlisted options outstanding. The holders of options do not have any voting rights in their capacity as option holders.

Grant Date	Number	Expiry Date	Exercise price	Number of holders
24 Oct. 2012	20,000,000	24 Oct. 2017	\$0.15	9
3 June 2013	10,000,000	3 June 2016	\$0.25	2
29 July 2014	18,000,000	29 July 2019	\$0.175	5

Voting Rights attaching to each class of equity security

Shareholder voting rights are specified in clause 11 of the Company's Constitution lodged with the ASX on 8 January 2008. Holders of unquoted options and Preference Shares do not have any voting rights until converted into ordinary shares.

Distribution Schedule Fully Paid Ordinary Shareholders

Range	Number of Holders
1 – 1,000	168
1,001 – 5,000	232
5,001 – 10,000	312
10,001 – 100,000	936
100,001 – and over	398

Number of holders with less than a marketable parcel of securities

There are 565 shareholders with an unmarketable parcel of shares being a holding of equal to or less than 8,928 shares each for a combined total of 2,047,222 shares. This is based on a closing price of \$0.056 per share as at 24 February 2016 and represents 0.3659% of the shares on issue.

Top 20 Shareholders

Name of Shareholder	Number of Shares	%
NATIONAL NOMINEES LIMITED	72,785,665	13.007
J P MORGAN NOMINEES AUSTRALIA	60,385,012	10.791
KWANG HOU HUNG	36,960,787	6.605
ABN AMRO CLEARING SYDNEY	33,926,056	6.063
HSBC CUSTODY NOMINEES	22,453,169	4.013
BNP PARIBAS NOMS PTY LTD	16,986,681	3.036
WILLIAM TAYLOR NOMINEES PTY	13,815,454	2.469
MR MERVYN WILLIAM CHAKLEY &	10,584,008	1.891
SEBASTES CAPITAL LLC	9,050,000	1.617
CITICORP NOMINEES PTY LIMITED	8,637,413	1.544
PHESOJ PTY LTD	8,123,429	1.452
CITICORP NOMINEES PTY LIMITED	7,949,547	1.421
TERSTAN NOMINEES PTY LTD	6,782,477	1.212
KENG CHUEN THAM	6,380,000	1.140
MR RICHARD A ADREY	6,013,565	1.075
DR LEON EUGENE PRETORIUS	5,507,170	0.984
MR DAVID GORDON O'REILLY &	5,254,000	0.939
MR VICTOR WAN	4,700,000	0.840
RONATAC PTY LTD	4,583,333	0.819
REMOVALE PTY LTD	4,300,334	0.769
Total of Top 20 Shareholders	345,178,100	61.686
Total Shares on Issue	562,571,402	100%

Escrowed Securities

There are no securities subject to escrow in Australia.

Buy-Back

There is no current on-market buy-back.

Corporate Directory

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