

#### CARNARVON PETROLEUM LTD

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Carnarvon Petroleum is a successful oil and gas exploration and production company, actively seeking to acquire more high quality assets that will add significant value to Carnarvon and its shareholders



### **Corporate Snapshot**

Capital Structure		Directors & Management	
Ordinary Shares	683 million	Chairman:	Peter Leonhardt
Market Capitalisation:	\$246 million	Managing Director:	Ted Jacobson
(fully diluted @ 35 cents)		Non Exec Directors:	Neil Fearis & Ken Judge
Cash on hand	\$70 million	Company Sec & CFO:	Bob Anderson
(1 March 2009)		COO:	Philip Huizenga
Debt	nil	Exploration Manager:	Dr Robert Bird
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Directors and Management	~ 11%	ASX: CVN	



# **Investment Highlights**

- Strong balance sheet
  - Approx A\$70 million cash<sup>1</sup>, no debt
- Strong reserve position:
  - Oil Reserves 16.6 mmbbls 2P and 37 mmbbls 3P
  - 2P reserves up 46% over 2008
  - Significant exploration and appraisal opportunities with 2 rigs under long term contract
- Strong production & free cashflow:
  - 4Q 2008 4,650 bopd net Carnarvon production
    - +A\$29 million revenue
- Strong Board supported by excellent technical and management team
- Seeking to utilise solid cash position and significant free cashflow to build quality oil & gas business, taking advantage of opportunities presented by the current economic environment

## Market Position

- One of the premier oil & gas producers listed on the ASX
- Carnarvon expects further growth over the coming year with significant exploration and appraisal upside to be assessed

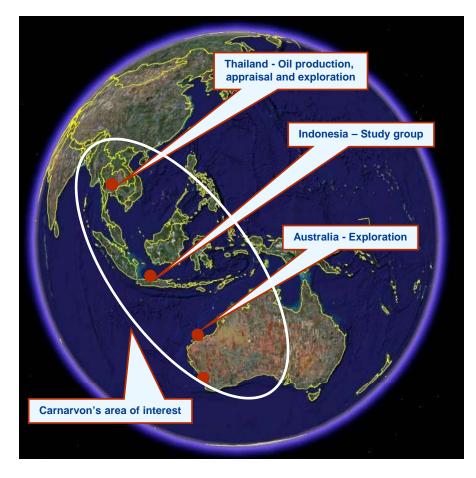


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1	WPL	Woodside Petroleum Limited	\$2	28,640,673,041
2	STO	Santos Limited	\$	9,891,331,778
3	OSH	Oil Search Limited	\$	6,259,912,269
4	AWE	Australian Worldwide Exploration Limited	\$	1,291,762,414
5	BPT	Beach Petroleum Limited	\$	961,515,372
6	KAR	Karoon Gas Australia Limited	\$	446,378,691
7	NZO	New Zealand Oil & Gas Limited	\$	430,155,442
8	ROC	ROC Oil Company Limited	\$	255,793,778
9	NXS	Nexus Energy Limited	\$	245,233,070
10	CVN	Carnarvon Petroleum Limited	\$	242,000,000
11	PPP	Pan Pacific Petroleum NL	\$	170,697,512
12	ТАР	Tap Oil Limited	\$	137,707,610
13	MAE	Marion Energy Limited	\$	137,534,418
14	PVE	Po Valley Energy Limited	\$	136,016,568
15	HZN	Horizon Oil Limited	\$	103,806,497
16	AED	AED Oil Limited	\$	95,970,905
17	COE	Cooper Energy Limited	\$	90,497,060
18	CUE	CUE Energy Resources Limited	\$	87,953,461
19	NDO	Nido Petroleum Limited	\$	86,166,811
20	ITR	Interra Resources Limited	\$	69,368,464
21	MOS	Mosaic Oil NL	\$	56,827,666
22	AMU	Amadeus Energy Limited	\$	53,556,716
23	RPM	Roma Petroleum NL	\$	47,544,058
24	STX	Strike Oil Limited	\$	39,427,012
25	OEL	Otto Energy Limited	\$	38,921,235
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## **Project Areas**

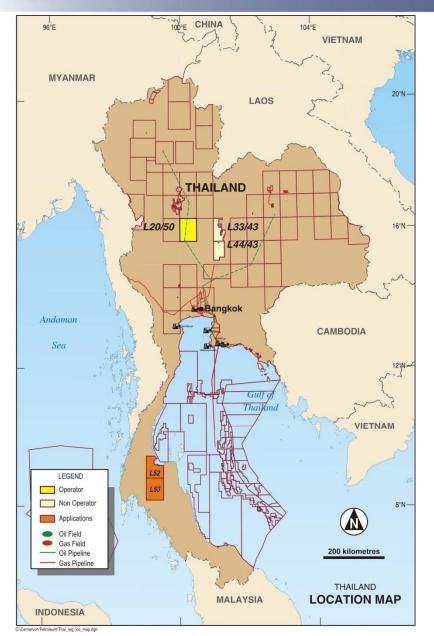
#### Significant production from onshore Thailand L44/43 licence

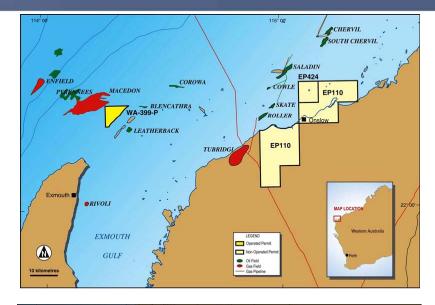
- Exploration and appraisal from onshore Thailand L44/43, L33/43 & L20/50 licences
- Exploration and appraisal from onshore Thailand L52 & L53 applications
- Active in Indonesia
- Three offshore Carnarvon Basin licences and one onshore Perth Basin ORRI in Australia
- Evaluating new opportunities in Australia and throughout South East Asia

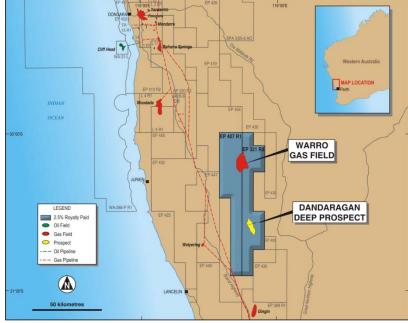




#### Asset Portfolio







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## **Thailand Reserves/Resources**

#### **Rapidly Growing Thailand Oil Reserves**

- Reviewed as at 31 December 2008 by independent consulting firm Gaffney Cline & Associates
- 16.6 mmbo 2P net reserves
  - Increase of 46% over the previous 12 months and almost 500% over previous 24 months
  - Approximate 60% translation of 3P to 2P (in line with appraisal success rate)
- 37 mmbo 3P net reserves large upside potential
  - Doesn't include 2008 discovery at L44-R
- Drilling programme of up to a further 10-15 development, appraisal and exploration wells throughout CY 2009 likely to lead to further reserve increases

#### **Considerable Additional Contingent Resources Estimated and to be Tested**

 ~ 30 mmbbls 2C net recoverable resources:

 Na Sanun
 Bo Rang
 Si Thep
 L44-R

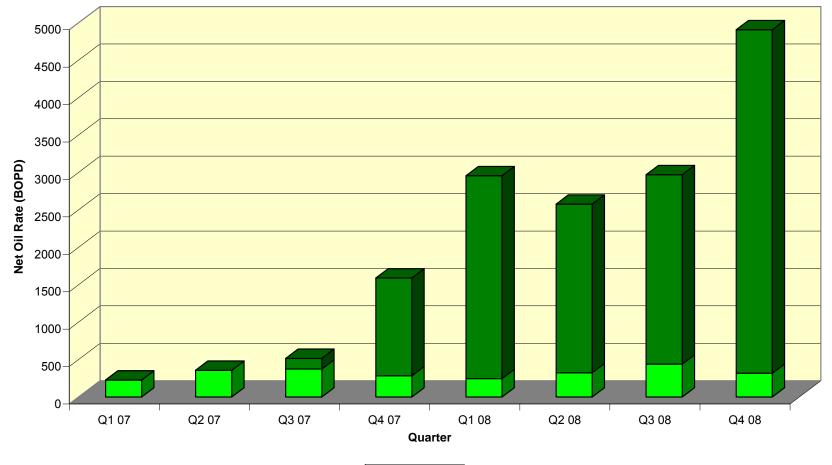
 Na Sanun East Na Sanun Wichian Buri Si Thep

es:	Net Carnarvon Reserves			
2008	Proved	Proved + Probable	Proved + Probable + Possible	Reservoir Type
	1P (million bbls)	2P (million bbls)	3P (million bbls)	
Sanun East	3.09	13.42	25.15	Volcanic
a Sanun	0.10	0.35	0.80	Volcanic
chian Buri	0.12	1.52	5.44	Sandstone
Si Thep	0.02	0.21	2.92	Sandstone
NSE-E1	0.38	1.14	2.54	Volcanic
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Total	3.72	16.64	36.85	Q



## **Thailand Production**

 4Q 2008 average production of ~4,650 bopd equated to revenue of ~A\$29 million for the quarter with average WTI of US\$58/bbl



**Quarterly Production BOPD (Net)** 



# High Margin, Low Cost Operations

#### **High Margins**

- PTT (Thai National Oil Co.) sales contract based on Singapore HSFO crude price (trades at discount to West Texas Crude)
- Operating costs per barrel decreasing with rising production rates. Less than US\$5 barrel including trucking and transport

#### **Excellent Infrastructure**

- Very good infrastructure in place with a multi lane highway running through permits, 3 hours to Bangkok
- Current road tanker fleet capacity of approximately 15,000 20,000 bopd
- Road tanker operation easily scalable with minimal investment

#### **Cheap and Simple Drilling**

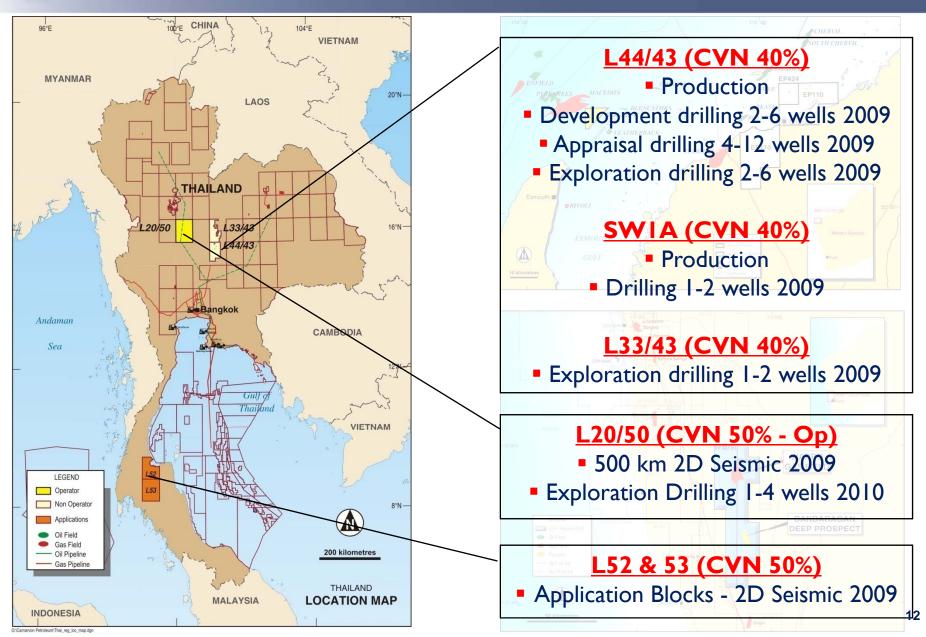
- ~US\$1.5 million per well to drill and complete
- ~30 days drilling and testing with wells on production within days
- Very fast payback (at average flow rates between 1 week and 1 month)

#### **Simple Fiscal Regime**

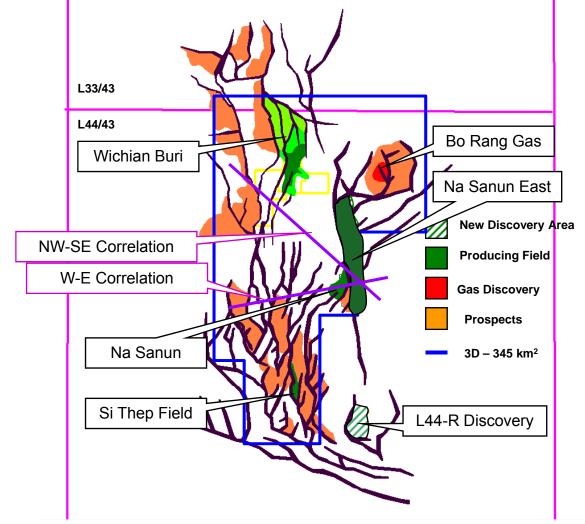
- Sliding scale royalty (5 15%) on monthly production levels (current ~8%)
- SRB tax (0 -75%) on profits once capital recovered and ring fenced by concession (2009 est ~20%)
- Company tax 50% on net profit after royalty and SRB (ie, can be offset against exploration expenditure elsewhere in Thailand)



### **Thailand Activity**

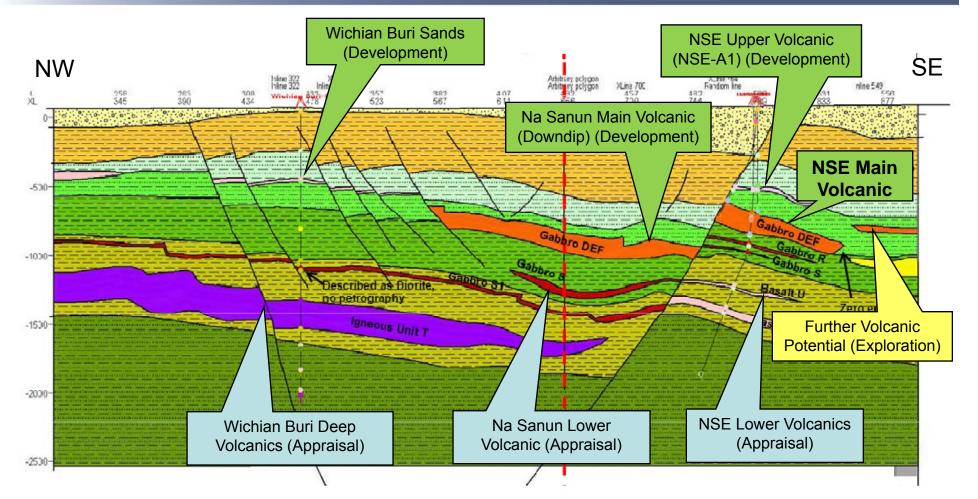


#### L44 Overview



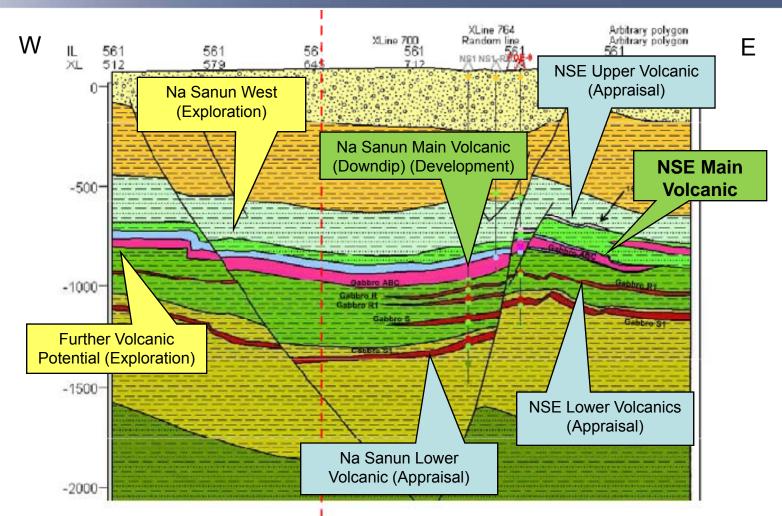
- Four producing oil fields
  - Na Sanun East
  - Wichian Buri
  - Na Sanun
  - Si Thep
- Two oil and gas discoveries
  - Bo Rang Gas
  - L44-R Oil
- Numerous undrilled prospects

## NW – SE Cross Section



- Correlation slide between Wichian Buri-1 well (left) to L44-H well in the Na Sanun East Field (right)
- The red dashed line is the correlation to following W-E slide

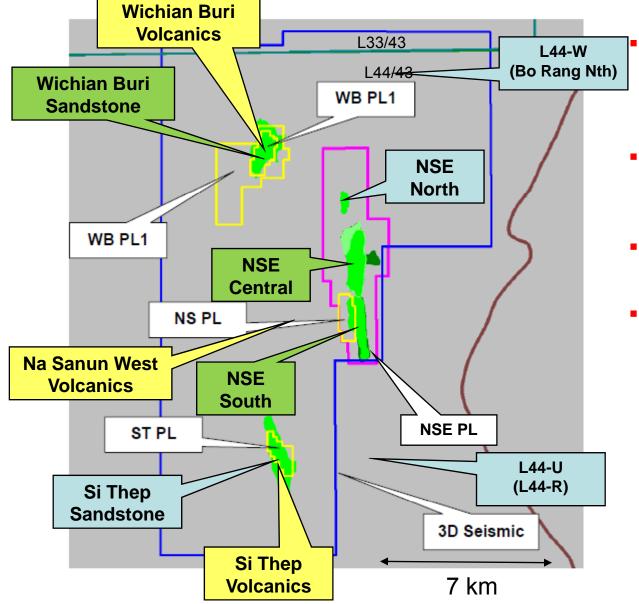
#### **W-E** Correlation



- Correlation slide across Na Sanun Field (downfaulted) and Na Sanun East Field (upthrown side of Fault)
- The red dashed line is the correlation to the previous NW-SE correlation



# Near term drilling



Wichian Buri (WB PL1), Na Sanun (NS PL) and Si Thep (ST PL) Production Licenses all within SW1A

- Na Sanun East (NSE PL) Production License within L44/43
- No Production License within L33/43
- L44/43, L33/43 & SW1A are separate concessions for SRB Tax purposes

Development
Appraisal
Exploration

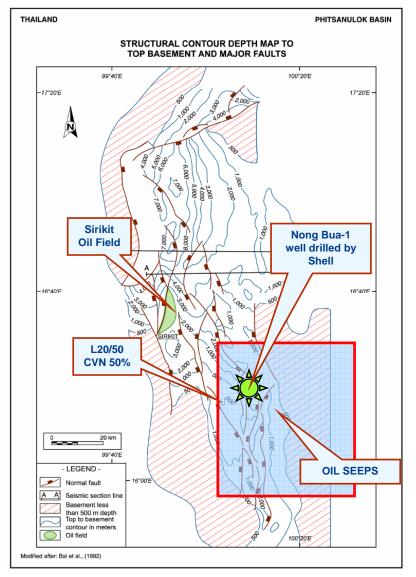
## Near term drilling

Well	Well Type	Potential			
NSE Central	Ongoing Development	Development 2P Reserves			
L44-R2	Appraisal – L44-R Oil Discovery	Appraise net 3mm bbls oil			
NSE-F1	Appraisal – NSE Central "A"	Appraise contingent NSE			
NSE-N1	Appraisal - NSE North "A"	Appraise 3P Reserves			
NSE-L1	Appraisal - NSE North "B"	Appraise 3P Reserves			
NSE South	Infill Development Wells	Development 2P Reserves			
L44-W	Appraisal/Exploration Bo Rang North	Appraise net 7 mm (2C) bbls oil			
Si Thep (Deep)	Volcanic Exploration	Appraise net 7 mm (2C) bbls oil			
L44-K	Si Thep SST Appraisal / Exploration	Exploration			
L44-CD2	Wichian Buri SST / Volcanic	Exploration / Appraisal			

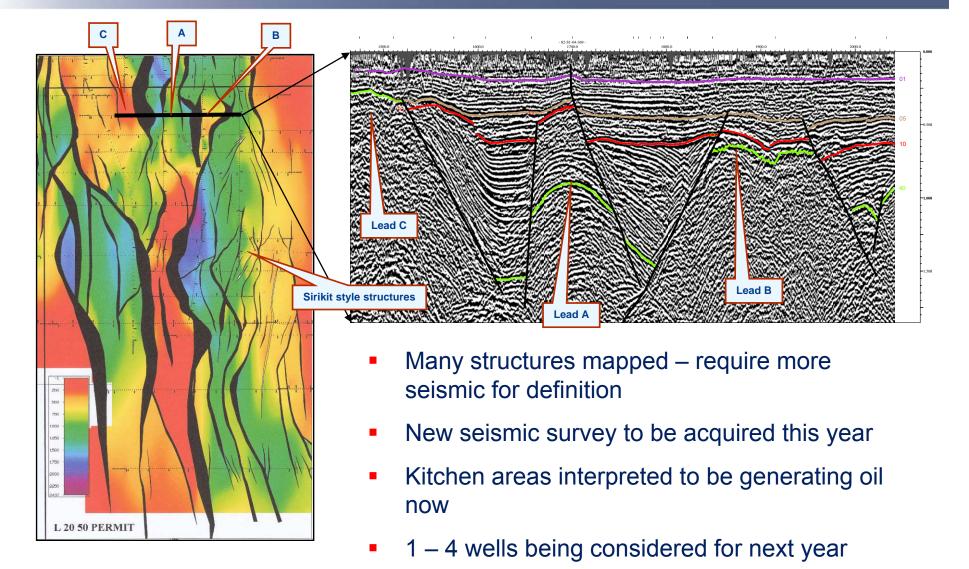
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## L20/50 Thailand

- Carnarvon 50% interest and operator, Sun Resources (ASX:SUR) 50%
- Southeast and on trend of large, 200 million barrel Sirikit Oil Field (produced over 150 mmbbls and still producing ~20,000bopd)
- ~1,000km 80's vintage 2D seismic interpreted
- Nong Bua-1 drilled by Shell with oil shows & potential oil column in sandstone
- Onshore infrastructure allows quick tie-in
- Analysis suggests potential for fractured volcanics similar to L44/43
- Seismic mid 2009
- Drilling 2010



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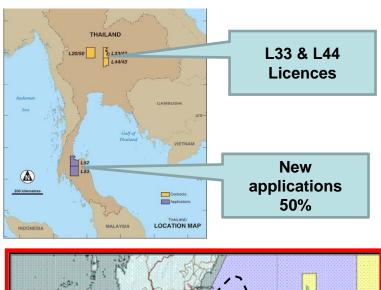


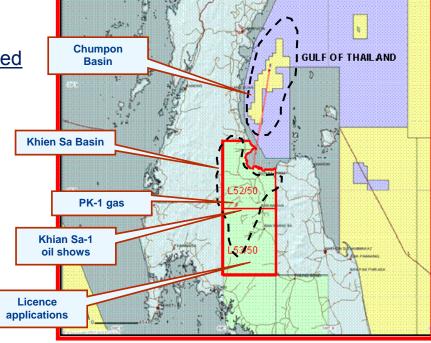
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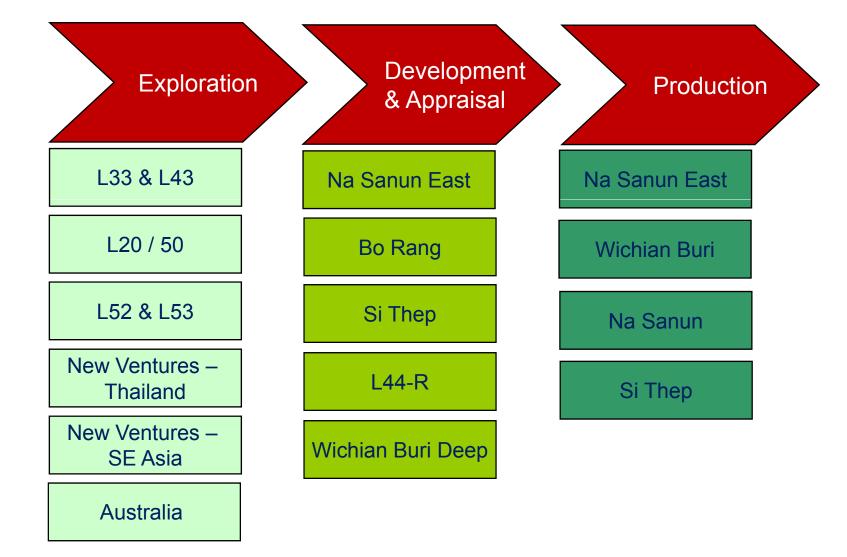
# L52 & L53 Applications Thailand

- Carnarvon 50%, Pearl Oil 50% and operator
- 2 large onshore permits 6,950 sq kms
- Onshore extension of offshore Gulf of Thailand
- 6 wells drilled (4 shallow for CBM and 2 deep for oil)
- Oil seeps surround basin
- Oil shows in Khian Sa-1
- Small gas discovery at PK-1
- Nearby Nang Nuan oil field offshore in <u>fractured</u> carbonates
  - Approx 5 mmbbls recovered
  - Max flow 10,540 bopd from 1 well
- Awaiting licence award
- Seismic planned for 2009





### Project Pipeline





#### Peers focus on balance sheet and survival, not growth

- Exploration a liability not an asset
- Bank loans onerous conditions
- Raising equity difficult, dilutive and at significant discounts
- Farm-outs no promotes being paid for anything but the best assets
- Farm-ins extensive options for incoming investors
- Companies overcommitted
- Development projects stalled on lower oil prices
- THEIR BUSINESS MODEL MUST CHANGE

### **Carnarvon Positioning**

#### CVN focus on growth!!!

- Increasing reserves
  Increasing production
- Increasing cash
- No debt
- Strong cashflow
- Self funded programme
- Strong technical ability
- Strong access to dealflow
- CVN BUSINESS MODEL REMAINS STRONG

### Carnarvon Assessment

#### Consolidate Current Position

- $\sqrt{10}$  Strong balance sheet with cash \$70 million and no debt
- $\sqrt{\rm Self}$  funded exploration and appraisal programme with excess cashflow for growth

#### Capitalise on Opportunities

- $\sqrt{}$  Market conditions are presenting a number of asset acquisition opportunities for Carnarvon to consider
- $\sqrt{}$  Carnarvon is selectively reviewing these opportunities
- $\sqrt{}$  New assets need to be considered in light of existing exciting appraisal and exploration upside in Thailand
- $\sqrt{}$  Carnarvon is well placed technically and corporately to evaluate these opportunities and move quickly

## Conclusion

- Growing cash
- Growing reserves and production
- Carnarvon actively looking for projects that fit defined investment criteria
- Carnarvon well poised for significant growth



#### Industry Award

# Carnarvon was awarded the 2008 Explorer of the Year at Good Oil Conference in Perth



#### RIU Good Oil 2008 Explorer Award

Awarded at the RIU Good Oil Conference 2008 to

Carnarvon Petroleum

Awarded for the firm's stunning successes in defining new play types and production from the L44/43 licence, onshore Thailand.

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