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QUARTERLY STATEMENT OF PRODUCTION, DEVELOPMENT AND EXPLORATION

1 JULY TO 30 SEPTEMBER 2012

CURRAGH

Production

Overburden removal was 28.7 per cent higher than the previous quarter.

Coal production for the quarter was 2,856,000 tonnes (comprising 2,053,000 tonnes of metallurgical coal and 803,000 tonnes of steaming coal), 6.5 per cent lower than the previous quarter due to mine sequencing and above target production in the previous quarter. Metallurgical coal production decreased by 12.5 per cent, while steaming coal production increased by 13.1 per cent compared to the previous quarter.

As previously reported, practical completion of Curragh's second coal handling and preparation plant was achieved on 29 June 2012 and the plant is operating satisfactorily. Metallurgical coal production was consistent with the expanded annual capacity of 8.0-8.5 million tonnes per annum.

Development

There was no significant development activity during the quarter.

Exploration

The Curragh North drilling program continued with 53 holes drilled during the quarter. The primary objectives were infill structural definition and coal quality analysis.

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BENGALLA

Production

Wesfarmers' share of coal production for the quarter was 661,000 tonnes, 13 per cent lower than the previous quarter due to operating in a less productive section of the mining sequence.

Development

There was no significant development activity during the quarter.

Exploration

There was no significant exploration activity during the quarter.

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ATTRIBUTABLE PRODUCTION

Mine	Ownership	Beneficial Interest	Coal Type	Quarter ended ('000 tonnes)		Full year ended ('000 tonnes)			% Change			
				Sep-11	Jun-12	Sep-12	Sep-10	Sep-11	Sep-12	Sep Qtr 2012 V Sep Qtr 2011	Sep Qtr 2012 V Jun Qtr 2012	Yr to Sep 2012 V Yr to Sep 2011
Curragh	Wesfarmers Curragh Pty Ltd	100%	Metallurgical	1,520	2,345	2,053	6,286	5,519	7,750	35.1%	(12.5%)	40.4%
			Steaming	725	710	803	2,550	2,497	2,962	10.8%	13.1%	18.6%
Bengalla	Wesfarmers Bengalla Limited	40%	Steaming	520	760	661	2,101	2,318	2,477	27.1%	(13.0)%	6.9%