



23 April 2013

QUARTERLY STATEMENT OF PRODUCTION, DEVELOPMENT AND EXPLORATION

1 JANUARY TO 31 MARCH 2013

CURRAGH

Production

Overburden removal was 23.8 per cent lower than the previous quarter due to a targeted reduction of overburden removal capacity, combined with wet weather impacts throughout the quarter.

Coal production for the quarter was 2,267,000 tonnes (comprising 1,535,000 tonnes of metallurgical coal and 732,000 tonnes of steaming coal), 15.2 per cent lower than the previous quarter. Coal production was impacted by wet weather associated with Cyclone Oswald, which significantly interrupted rail and port activity for four weeks and led to mine stockpiles reaching capacity. Metallurgical coal production decreased by 15.4 per cent and steaming coal production decreased by 14.8 per cent compared to the previous quarter.

For the 12 months to 31 March 2013, metallurgical coal production increased 26.5 per cent to 7,747,000 tonnes, reflecting the additional capacity of Curragh's new coal handling and preparation plant.

Development

There was no significant development activity during the quarter.

Exploration

There was no significant exploration activity during the quarter.

BENGALLA

Production

Wesfarmers' share of coal production for the quarter was 706,000 tonnes, 14.6 per cent below 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		
				Mar-12	Dec-12	Mar-13	Mar-11	Mar-12	Mar-13	Mar Qtr 2013 V Mar Qtr 2012	Mar Qtr 2013 V Dec Qtr 2012	Yr to Mar 2013 V Yr to Mar 2012
Curragh	Wesfarmers Curragh Pty Ltd	100%	Metallurgical	1,785	1,814	1,535	5,742	6,125	7,747	(14.0)%	(15.4)%	26.5%
			Steaming	809	859	732	2,503	2,827	3,104	(9.5)%	(14.8)%	9.8%
Bengalla	Wesfarmers Bengalla Limited	40%	Steaming	563	827	706	2,298	2,112	2,954	25.4%	(14.6)%	39.9%