## **News Release**



# **Quarterly Statement of Production, Development and Exploration** 22 January 2016

#### **CURRAGH**

#### **Production**

Overburden removal and coal production during the quarter were affected by a planned mine site shutdown as a result of a power upgrade related to a required overhaul of coal crushing facilities.

During the quarter, overburden removal was 32.1 per cent lower than the previous quarter. Coal production of 2,467,000 tonnes was 25.5 per cent below the previous quarter and comprised 1,617,000 tonnes of metallurgical coal and 850,000 tonnes of steaming coal. Reflective of the mine site shutdown, metallurgical coal production was 31.7 per cent lower than the previous quarter. Steaming coal production was 9.7 per cent down reflecting lower opening inventories relative to metallurgical coal and contracted coal delivery requirements to Stanwell Power Station.

For the 12 months to 31 December 2015, metallurgical coal production decreased by 9.5 per cent to 8,472,000 tonnes and steaming coal production increased by 4.1 per cent to 3,435,000 tonnes.

#### **Development**

There was no significant development activity during the quarter.

#### **Exploration**

There was no significant exploration activity during the quarter.

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#### **BENGALLA**

#### **Production**

Wesfarmers' share of coal production for the quarter was 866,000 tonnes, 6.4 per cent above the previous quarter due to operating in a more productive section of the mining sequence. For the 12 months to 31 December 2015, Wesfarmers' share of coal production decreased by 2.9 per cent to 3,326,000 tonnes.

#### **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	Equity Interest	Coal Type	Quarter ended ('000 tonnes)			Full year ended ('000 tonnes)			% Change		
				Dec-14	Sep-15	Dec-15	Dec-13	Dec-14	Dec-15	Dec Qtr 2015 V Dec Qtr 2014	Dec Qtr 2015 V Sep Qtr 2015	Yr to Dec 2015 V Yr to Dec 2014
Curragh	Wesfarmers Curragh Pty Ltd	100%	Metallurgical	2,290	2,369	1,617	7,542	9,361	8,472	(29.4)%	(31.7)%	(9.5)%
			Steaming	701	941	850	3,332	3,301	3,435	21.3%	(9.7)%	4.1%
Bengalla	Wesfarmers Bengalla Limited	40%	Steaming	825	814	866	3,293	3,424	3,326	5.0%	6.4%	(2.9)%