Management's Discussion and Analysis

Q3 2017



This Management's Discussion and Analysis of the financial condition and results of operations ("MD&A") of Athabasca Oil Corporation ("Athabasca" or the "Company") is dated November 2, 2017 and should be read in conjunction with the audited consolidated financial statements of the Company for the years ended December 31, 2016 and 2015 and the unaudited condensed interim consolidated financial statements of the Company for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2017. These financial statements, including the comparative figures, were prepared in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards ("IFRS"). This MD&A contains forward looking information based on the Company's current expectations and projections. For information on the material factors and assumptions underlying such forward looking information, refer to the "Forward Looking Information" advisory on page 20 of this MD&A. See "Reserves and Resource Information" on page 22 for important information regarding the Company's reserves and resource information included in this MD&A. For a listing of abbreviations, refer to "Abbreviations" on page 24 of this MD&A. Additional information relating to Athabasca is available on SEDAR at www.sedar.com, including the Company's most recent Annual Information Form dated March 9, 2017 ("AIF"). The Company's common shares are listed on the Toronto Stock Exchange under the trading symbol "ATH".

ATHABASCA'S STRATEGY

Athabasca is an intermediate oil weighted producer with exposure to several of the largest resource plays in Western Canada, including the Montney, Duvernay and oil sands. The Company has a funded and flexible development outlook capable of delivering strong economic growth.

The Company's near term focus is maximizing profitability and shareholder returns through modest activity in Light Oil and ongoing Thermal Oil optimization. Both divisions are positioned for accelerated operations and growth with commodity price support. The Company is guided by a strategy that includes:

Light Oil: Defined and Material Margin Growth

- A scalable operated Montney position at Placid ("Greater Placid")
- Funded Kaybob Duvernay ("Greater Kaybob") development through the joint venture with Murphy Oil Company Ltd. ("Murphy")
- Current production in excess of 10,000 boe/d with scalable growth to 20,000 boe/d by 2020 with a 1-rig program in the Montney and current Duvernay development plans

Thermal Oil: Free Cash Flow with Leverage to Oil Prices

- A large and established low decline production base
- Significant free cash flow generation in the current environment
- Reserve life index of over 70 years (proved plus probable)

Financial Sustainability

- Maturing cash flow profile with strong sustainability metrics and a low overall corporate production decline of approximately 10% annually
- Diverse asset base provides flexibility in future capital allocation decisions
- Five year term debt with no financial covenants and strong liquidity

HIGHLIGHTS FOR THE QUARTER ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2017

Light Oil Division

- Achieved third quarter 2017 production of 7,875 boe/d (54% liquids), representing growth of 9% over the second quarter of 2017, and 161% compared to the third quarter of 2016 despite a planned Keyera turnaround in the third quarter which impacted production by approximately 600 boe/d. Continued growth was driven by the tie-in of the liquids rich Placid Montney wells drilled in Q1 2017 resulting in net production rates exceeding 10,000 boe/d in September.
- Realized netback of \$18.98/boe, and generated operating income of \$13.7 million, an increase of 149% over the prior year.
- At Greater Placid, eight (gross) wells were completed, three (gross) wells were placed on production and a six (gross) well pad was spud. Five (gross) wells have been brought on production in October.
- At Greater Kaybob, two (gross) wells were rig released and three (gross) wells were placed on production. An additional six (gross) Duvernay wells are planned to be spud in the fourth quarter of 2017.

Thermal Oil Division

- Achieved third quarter 2017 production of 28,258 bbl/d, 220% higher than the third quarter of 2016. Year over year growth was driven by the Statoil Leismer acquisition. Current Thermal Oil production is approximately 30,400 bbl/d (October field estimate).
- Generated operating income of \$38.6 million, which exceeded capital expenditures for the quarter by \$18.2 million. Realized netbacks of \$14.66/bbl including \$17.78/bbl for Leismer and \$2.90/bbl for Hangingstone.
- Increased commodity hedge positions to protect near-term cash flow with 20,000 bbl/d hedged for the fourth quarter of 2017 at approximately \$50.75/bbl WCS, 18,000 bbl/d hedged for the first quarter of 2018 at approximately \$48/bbl WCS, 11,000 bbl/d hedged for the second quarter of 2018 at approximately \$48/bbl WCS and 5,000 bbl/d hedged for the third quarter of 2018 at approximately \$48/bbl WCS.

Corporate

- Achieved third quarter production of 36,133 bbl/d, an increase of 205% over the prior year.
- Generated record funds flow from operations of \$34.4 million and net income of \$5.1 million.
- Reduced G&A to \$2.00/boe, a decrease of 64% from the prior year.
- Exited the quarter with \$174 million of cash and cash equivalents, a \$120 million credit facility and a \$183 million (undiscounted) capital carry balance.

FINANCIAL & OPERATIONAL HIGHLIGHTS

The following tables summarize selected financial information of the Company for the periods indicated:

	Three mon Septem					ths ended iber 30,	
(\$ Thousands, unless otherwise noted) ⁽¹⁾	2017	2016		2017		2016	
CONSOLIDATED PRODUCTION							
Petroleum and natural gas volumes (boe/d)	36,133	11,848		33,183		12,098	
LIGHT OIL DIVISION							
Petroleum and natural gas volumes (boe/d)	7,875	3,018		6,197		5,019	
Light Oil Operating Income ⁽¹⁾	\$ 13,748	\$ 5,511	\$	37,001	\$	17,632	
Light Oil Operating Netback ⁽¹⁾ (\$/boe)	\$ 18.98	\$ 19.85	\$	21.87	\$	12.82	
Capital expenditures	\$ 53,406	\$ 18,920	\$	162,113	\$	55,095	
Recovery of capital-carry through capital expenditures	\$ (6,092)	\$ (4,286)	\$	(30,265)	\$	(5,760)	
THERMAL OIL DIVISION							
Bitumen production (bbl/d)	28,258	8,830		26,986		7,079	
Thermal Oil Operating Income (Loss) ⁽¹⁾	\$	\$	\$	-	\$	(41,079)	
Thermal Oil Operating Netback ⁽¹⁾ (\$/bbl)	\$ -	\$			\$	(20.99)	
Capital expenditures ⁽²⁾	\$ 20,382	\$ • •	\$	45,376	\$	6,857	
CASH FLOW AND FUNDS FLOW							
Cash flow from operating activities	\$ 49,488	\$ (18,990)	\$	24,637	\$	(51,297)	
per share (basic)	\$ •	\$ 		0.05	\$	(0.13)	
Funds Flow from Operations ⁽¹⁾	\$ 34,400	\$ 		60,315	\$	(84,622)	
per share (basic)	\$ 0.07	\$ 			\$	(0.21)	
NET INCOME (LOSS) AND COMPREHENSIVE INCOME (LOSS)							
Net income (loss) and comprehensive income (loss)	\$ 5,113	\$ (33,032)	\$	181	\$	(157,331)	
per share (basic and diluted)	\$ 0.01	\$ 	\$	_	\$	(0.39)	
COMMON SHARES OUTSTANDING							
Weighted average shares outstanding - basic	509,335,251	405,556,092	49	96,845,215	40	5,357,248	
Weighted average shares outstanding - diluted	513,332,423	405,556,092	50	02,283,110	40	5,357,248	
ACQUISITIONS AND FINANCINGS							
Leismer Corner Acquisition ⁽³⁾	\$ (881)	\$ _	\$	(626,645)	\$	_	
Net proceeds from sale of assets	\$ _	\$ (1,944)	\$	90,205	\$	390,394	
Net proceeds from issuance of 2022 Notes	\$ _	\$	\$	542,117	\$	_	
Repayment of 2017 Notes and term loan	\$ 	\$	\$	(550,000)	\$	(285,441)	

Refer to "Advisories and Other Guidance" beginning on page 18 for additional information on Non-GAAP Financial Measures.
 Thermal Oil capital expenditures excludes the cost of the Leismer Corner Acquisition (see page 7).
 Consists of cash of \$435.9 million, common shares of \$166.0 million and contingent payment obligations of \$24.7 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2017.

	Septembe	r 30,	Dec	ember 31,	
As at (\$ Thousands)	:	2017	201		
LIQUIDITY AND INDEBTEDNESS					
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 174	,076	\$	650,301	
Restricted cash	\$ 113	,372	\$	107,012	
Capital-carry receivable (current and long-term portion - undiscounted)	\$ 183	,204	\$	213,469	
Face value of long-term debt (current and long-term portion) ⁽⁴⁾	\$ 562	,950	\$	550,000	

⁽⁴⁾ Face value of the US dollar denominated 2022 Notes as at September 30, 2017 is US\$450 million. The 2022 Notes were translated into Canadian dollars at the period end exchange rate of US\$1.00 = C\$1.2510.

OUTLOOK

Athabasca's 2017 capital budget is unchanged at \$210 million with 2017 corporate production expected to average approximately 35,000 boe/d.

2017 Operational & Financial Guidance (\$ millions, unless otherwise noted)	Full year
Corporate (net)	
Production (boe/d) ⁽¹⁾	33,500 - 36,500
Liquids weighting (%)	~91%
Funds Flow from Operations ⁽²⁾	~\$80
Light Oil (net)	
Production (boe/d)	6,500 - 7,500
Light Oil Operating Income ⁽²⁾	~\$60
Capital expenditures	\$150
Thermal Oil	
Bitumen production (bbl/d) ⁽¹⁾	27,000 - 29,000
Thermal Oil Operating Income ⁽²⁾	~\$105
Capital expenditures	\$60
Commodity assumptions	
WTI (US\$/bbl)	\$50.00
Western Canadian Select (C\$/bbl)	\$49.25
AECO Gas (C\$/mcf)	\$2.15
FX (US\$/C\$)	0.77

⁽¹⁾ Production guidance includes the Leismer Project's volumes from February to December 2017 (see page 7).

In 2018, Athabasca expects to align capital spending with corporate cash flow. The Company's assets afford it significant capital flexibility in both the Light Oil and Thermal Oil divisions.

Placid Montney activity has no near-term land expiries and a program of six to eight wells annually is expected to hold production flat. Drilling operations are underway on a six (gross) well development pad with completions expected to follow in the first quarter of 2018. This base level of activity is expected to support Light Oil volume in excess of 10,000 boe/d for 2018.

In the Duvernay, funded growth is driven through the Company's joint venture with Murphy and the Company is protected by a capital carry on the first \$1 billion of investment (7.5% capital exposure for a 30% working interest). 2018 activity is expected to be consistent with the joint development agreement between the parties which contemplates approximately \$350 million of gross investment (approximately \$26 million net), up from approximately \$200 million gross in 2017.

In Thermal Oil, the Company will continue to optimize capital and operations in order to maximize profitability and long-term recoveries.

Athabasca is firmly positioned as an intermediate producer and in 2018 expects to maintain production in excess of 40,000 boe/d (~90% liquids), representing approximately 15% growth year over year, with a modest capital program. The Company retains readiness to accelerate activity in both divisions with commodity price support. The 2018 capital budget and guidance will be released on December 6th.

⁽²⁾ Refer to "Advisories and Other Guidance" beginning on page 18 for additional information on Non-GAAP Financial Measures.

BUSINESS ENVIRONMENT

Benchmark prices

		nonths en tember 30		Nine months ended September 30,					
(Average)	2017	2016	Change		2017		2016	Change	
Crude oil:									
West Texas Intermediate (WTI) (US\$/bbl)	\$ 48.21	\$ 44.94	7 %	\$	49.47	\$	41.33	20 %	
West Texas Intermediate (WTI) (C\$/bbl)	\$ 60.35	\$ 58.87	3 %	\$	64.65	\$	54.56	18 %	
Western Canadian Select (WCS) (C\$/bbl)	\$ 47.76	\$ 41.01	16 %	\$	49.02	\$	36.30	35 %	
Edmonton Par (C\$/bbl)	\$ 56.62	\$ 54.66	4 %	\$	60.78	\$	50.00	22 %	
Edmonton Condensate (C5+) (C\$/bbl)	\$ 59.01	\$ 55.31	7 %	\$	64.10	\$	52.48	22 %	
Differential:									
WTI vs. WCS (US\$/bbl)	\$ (10.00)	\$ (13.63)	27 %	\$	(12.05)	\$	(13.83)	13 %	
WTI vs. WCS (C\$/bbl)	\$ (12.59)	\$ (17.86)	30 %	\$	(15.63)	\$	(18.26)	14 %	
Differential as a % of WTI	(21)%	(30)%	30 %		(24)%		(33)%	27 %	
Natural gas:									
AECO (C\$/GJ)	\$ 1.38	\$ 2.20	(37)%	\$	2.19	\$	1.76	24 %	
NYMEX Henry Hub (US\$/MMBtu)	\$ 3.00	\$ 2.81	7 %	\$	3.17	\$	2.29	38 %	
Foreign exchange:									
USD : CAD	1.25	1.31	(5)%		1.31		1.32	(1)%	

The price of WTI for crude oil sales at Cushing, Oklahoma is the primary benchmark for crude oil pricing in North America. The price Athabasca receives for its oil production in both its Light Oil and Thermal Oil Divisions is primarily driven by the price of WTI, the foreign exchange rate, transportation costs and quality differentials. For the three and nine months ended September 30, 2017, the US\$ WTI price increased by 7% and 20%, respectively, compared to the same periods in the prior year.

The WCS price at Hardisty, Alberta is the primary benchmark for Athabasca's blended bitumen sales. The WCS price trades at a wider differential to the WTI price compared to lighter crude oil products. The increases in 2017 primarily reflect the increase in the WTI price and the narrower WCS to WTI differential.

The Edmonton Par price is the primary benchmark for crude oil sales in the Company's Light Oil Division. Higher prices in 2017 are consistent with the movement in the WTI price.

The Edmonton Condensate (C5+) price is the primary benchmark for condensate sales in the Company's Light Oil Division. In the Thermal Oil Division, the Edmonton Condensate (C5+) price is the primary benchmark for diluent purchases which Athabasca utilizes in the blending process at its Leismer and Hangingstone projects in order to deliver produced bitumen to the market. The increases in 2017 are consistent with the increases in the Edmonton Par price.

In the Thermal Oil Division, the AECO price is the primary benchmark for natural gas purchases consumed by Athabasca in order to generate steam in the SAGD recovery process. In the Light Oil Division, the AECO and NYMEX gas prices are the primary benchmarks for natural gas sales. For the three months ended September 30, 2017 the AECO price declined while the NYMEX gas price increased compared to the same period in the prior year and for the nine months ended September 30, 2017 prices for these natural gas benchmarks increased over the same period in 2016.

Athabasca's realized pricing reflects transportation costs and quality differentials relative to the benchmark prices discussed above.

LIGHT OIL DIVISION

Overview

Athabasca produces light oil and liquids-rich natural gas from unconventional reservoirs. Development has been focused on the Montney and Duvernay in the Greater Placid area and Greater Kaybob area near the town of Fox Creek, Alberta.

On May 13, 2016, Athabasca entered into a strategic joint venture with Murphy to develop the Montney and Duvernay formations in the Greater Kaybob and Greater Placid areas (the "Murphy Transaction"). As part of the transaction, Athabasca sold an operated 70% interest in its Greater Kaybob area assets and a non-operated 30% interest in its Greater Placid area assets for gross proceeds of \$486.5 million. Athabasca received \$267.5 million in cash, including purchase price adjustments from the January 1, 2016 effective

date, and also recognized additional consideration of \$219.0 million (undiscounted) in the form of a capital-carry in the Greater Kaybob area, whereby Murphy will fund 75% of Athabasca's share of development capital up to a maximum five year period. The carry supports approximately \$1 billion of Duvernay investment over the next four years of which Athabasca's financial exposure is limited to \$75 million to retain its 30% working interest.

In Greater Placid, Athabasca has an operated position in approximately 80,000 gross Montney acres, of which 48,000 gross acres (36,000 net) are high-graded Placid development. An inventory of over 200⁽¹⁾ gross drilling locations positions the Company for multi-year growth in this area. Athabasca also has a 30% non-operated interest in over 200,000 gross acres of commercially prospective Duvernay lands in the Greater Kaybob area with exposure to both liquids-rich gas and volatile oil opportunities and an inventory of approximately 1,500⁽¹⁾ gross drilling locations. Athabasca's Light Oil Division assets are supported by jointly-owned regional infrastructure primarily consisting of four batteries, including the recently commissioned Placid battery, and a network of gas pipelines which connect the facilities to two regional third party gas processing plants.

(1) Refer to "Advisories and Other Guidance" beginning on page 18 for additional information regarding the Company's drilling locations.

Light Oil Operating Results

	Three mon Septem		Nine mont Septem	
	2017	2016	2017	2016
SALES VOLUMES				
Oil (bbl/d)	3,945	1,126	3,124	2,026
Natural gas (Mcf/d)	21,556	9,841	16,504	15,401
Natural gas liquids (bbl/d)	337	252	322	427
Total (boe/d)	7,875	3,018	6,197	5,019
Consisting of:				
Greater Placid area (boe/d)	6,155	1,818	4,676	1,823
% liquids	51%	42%	54%	48%
Greater Kaybob area (boe/d)	1,720	1,200	1,521	3,196
% liquids	66%	51%	60%	49%

	Three months ended September 30,					Nine mon Septem		
(\$ Thousands, unless otherwise noted)		2017		2016		2017	2016	
Petroleum and natural gas sales	\$	23,840	\$	8,285	\$	60,034	\$ 34,850	
Midstream revenue		355		5		597	842	
Royalties		(2,194)		(199)		(3,854)	(1,227)	
Operating and transportation expenses		(8,253)		(2,580)		(19,776)	(16,833)	
Light Oil Operating Income ⁽¹⁾	\$	13,748	\$	5,511	\$	37,001	\$ 17,632	
REALIZED PRICES								
Oil (\$/bbl)	\$	52.93	\$	53.01	\$	56.03	\$ 44.51	
Natural gas (\$/Mcf)		1.90		2.69		2.26	1.86	
Natural gas liquids (\$/bbl)		27.82		15.34		23.88	19.76	
Realized price (\$/boe)		32.91		29.84		35.49	25.34	
Royalties (\$/boe)		(3.03)		(0.72)		(2.28)	(0.89)	
Operating and transportation expenses ⁽²⁾ (\$/boe)		(10.90)		(9.27)		(11.34)	(11.63)	
LIGHT OIL OPERATING NETBACK ⁽¹⁾ (\$/boe)	\$	18.98	\$	19.85	\$	21.87	\$ 12.82	

⁽¹⁾ Refer to "Advisories and Other Guidance" beginning on page 18 for additional information on Non-GAAP Financial Measures.

During the three and nine months ended September 30, 2017, Athabasca's Light Oil production averaged 7,875 boe/d and 6,197 boe/d, increases of 161% and 23% compared to the same periods in the prior year, despite the impact of the planned Keyera turnaround in the third quarter of 2017 which impacted production by approximately 600 boe/d. The increases are mainly due to the tie-in of 14 (gross) Montney and seven (gross) Duvernay wells in 2017. The year to date increase is partially offset by the impact of the Murphy Transaction.

⁽²⁾ For the three and nine months ended September 30, 2017, per unit operating and transportation expenses include midstream revenues of \$0.49/boe and \$0.35/boe, respectively (September 30, 2016 - \$0.02/boe, \$0.61/boe).

Athabasca's Light Oil Operating Netbacks were \$18.98/boe and \$21.87/boe during the three and nine months ended September 30, 2017. The Light Oil Operating Netback for the three months ended September 30, 2017 was 4% lower compared to 2016 primarily due to gas cost allowance and equalization credits in 2016 which resulted in lower royalty and operating & transportation per unit costs in 2016, partially offset by higher liquids rates in 2017. Year to date 2017 Light Oil Operating Netback increased 71% over 2016 primarily due to higher liquids content and commodity prices, both of which resulted in a higher realized price, and lower per unit operating expenses, partially offset by higher royalties.

Light Oil Segment Income (Loss)

	Three months ended September 30,					Nine mor Septer		
(\$ Thousands)		2017		2016		2017		2016
Light Oil Operating Income ⁽¹⁾	\$	13,748	\$	5,511	\$	37,001	\$	17,632
Depletion and depreciation		(10,003)		(5,293)		(24,794)		(26,056)
Loss on sale of assets		_		(2,084)		(101)		(7,668)
Exploration expense and other		(31)		(24)		(77)		(23)
LIGHT OIL SEGMENT INCOME (LOSS)	\$	3,714	\$	(1,890)	\$	12,029	\$	(16,115)

⁽¹⁾ Refer to "Advisories and Other Guidance" beginning on page 18 for additional information on Non-GAAP Financial Measures.

Depletion of oil and gas assets increased \$4.7 million in the third quarter of 2017 compared to the prior year third quarter mainly due to higher production partially offset by lower depletion rates. Depletion of oil and gas assets decreased by \$1.3 million during the nine months ended September 30, 2017, compared to the same period in the prior year, as lower depletion rates resulting from reserve additions more than offset the increase in production.

During the three and nine months ended September 30, 2016, Athabasca recognized a loss on sale of assets of \$2.1 million and \$7.7 million, respectively, primarily related to closing adjustments and transaction costs associated with the Murphy Transaction.

Light Oil Capital Expenditures

	Three months ended September 30,				Nine mon Septen		
(\$ Thousands)	2017		2016		2017		2016
Greater Placid area							
Drilling, completion and equipping	\$ 37,915	\$	13,035	\$	88,384	\$	36,087
Facilities	6,094		1,175		28,811		6,813
Land acquisitions and other	953		295		5,613		1,052
	44,962		14,505		122,808		43,952
Greater Kaybob area							
Drilling, completion and equipping	7,638		4,397		37,826		10,444
Facilities	418		_		1,099		507
Land acquisitions and other	388		18		380		192
	8,444		4,415		39,305		11,143
TOTAL LIGHT OIL CAPITAL EXPENDITURES ⁽¹⁾	\$ 53,406	\$	18,920	\$	162,113	\$	55,095
Less: Greater Kaybob capital carry	(6,092)		(4,286)		(30,265)		(5,760)
Net cash outflow from Light Oil capital expenditures	\$ 47,314	\$	14,634	\$	131,848	\$	49,335

⁽¹⁾ For the three and nine months ended September 30, 2017, capital expenditures included \$1.4 million and \$4.4 million in capitalized staff costs, respectively (September 30, 2016 - \$1.0 million, \$4.4 million).

In the first nine months of 2017, Athabasca finished its 20 (gross) well winter drilling program in the Greater Placid area. All 20 wells were rig-released ahead of spring break-up, with three of the five multi-well pads on production by the end of the second quarter. During the third quarter of 2017, the remaining two multi-well pads were completed with three (gross) wells on production in the third quarter and the remaining five (gross) wells on-stream early in the fourth quarter. An additional six (gross) well pad was spud in the third quarter and is expected to be on-stream in the first half of 2018. The Placid battery was also commissioned during the second quarter of 2017 to accommodate production growth in the area.

Including the recovery of the capital-carry, Athabasca's net cash outflow from capital expenditures in the Greater Kaybob area was \$9.0 million during the nine months ended September 30, 2017. In the third quarter of 2017, Athabasca drilled and rig released a two

(gross) well Duvernay pad and brought on-stream a three (gross) well Duvernay pad. An additional six (gross) Duvernay wells are anticipated to be spud in the fourth quarter of 2017.

THERMAL OIL DIVISION

Overview

Athabasca's Thermal Oil Division consists of two operating oil sands projects and a large resource base of exploration areas in the Athabasca region of northeastern Alberta.

On January 31, 2017, Athabasca completed the acquisition of Canadian oil sands assets from Statoil Canada Ltd. and its wholly-owned affiliate KKD Oil Sands Partnership, both subsidiaries of Statoil ASA (collectively "Statoil"). The acquired assets include the operating Leismer Thermal Oil Project (the "Leismer Project"), the delineated Corner exploration area and related strategic infrastructure (the "Leismer Corner Acquisition"). The acquisition had an effective date of January 1, 2017.

The Leismer Project was commissioned in 2010 and has proven reserves in place to support a flat production profile for over 30 years. The acquired assets are high quality and resilient to lower commodity prices which has resulted in higher year-over-year netbacks and operating income within the Thermal Oil Division.

Strategic infrastructure acquired as part of the acquisition includes ownership of dilbit and diluent pipelines from Leismer to the Cheecham Terminal, 300,000 barrels of storage capacity at the Cheecham Terminal and access to multiple sales points with marketing agreements on the Enbridge Waupisoo transportation pipeline. Athabasca has also secured 20,000 bbl/d of blended bitumen capacity on the Trans Mountain Pipeline Expansion (the "TMX Pipeline") which will provide the Company with exposure to long-term global oil demand growth.

Consideration for the transaction included cash of \$435.9 million, including \$0.9 million in purchase price adjustments, and the issuance of 100 million common shares which were valued at \$166.0 million based on Athabasca's January 31, 2017 closing share price of \$1.66/share. Athabasca also agreed to a series of annual contingent payments which are only triggered at oil prices above US\$65/bbl WTI for a four year term ending in 2020. Each annual payment is calculated on one-third of the Leismer Project bitumen production multiplied by an oil price factor (monthly average US\$WTI/bbl less US\$65/bbl, adjusted for inflation). The payments are capped at \$75.0 million annually and \$250.0 million over the four year term. Athabasca incurred \$11.0 million in acquisition costs associated with the Leismer Corner Acquisition.

Athabasca also operates the Hangingstone Thermal Oil Project (the "Hangingstone Project"), a SAGD oilsands project with a design capacity of 12,000 bbl/d.

Athabasca's legacy Thermal Oil exploration areas consist of Dover West Leduc Carbonates, Dover West Sands, Birch and Grosmont. Future development targets include oil sands in the McMurray and Wabiskaw formations as well as carbonates in the Leduc formation.

Leismer Operating Results

	Three months ended September 30,		
	2017	2017	2017
VOLUMES			
Bitumen production (bbl/d)	19,498	20,598	18,259
Bitumen sales (bbl/d)	19,943	20,560	18,226
Blended bitumen sales (bbl/d)	27,203	29,025	25,729

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(\$ Thousands, unless otherwise noted)	2017	2017
Blended bitumen sales	\$ 111,435	\$ 324,007
Cost of diluent	(51,107)	(166,209)
Total bitumen sales	60,328	157,798
Leismer gas revenue	357	357
Royalties	(691)	(2,877)
Operating expenses - non-energy	(17,052)	(45,736)
Operating expenses - energy	(5,076)	(17,681)
Transportation and marketing	(5,237)	(14,105)
Leismer Operating Income ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾	\$ 32,629	\$ 77,756
REALIZED PRICE		
Blended bitumen sales (\$/bbl)	\$ 44.53	\$ 46.13
Bitumen sales (\$/bbl)	\$ 32.88	\$ 31.71
Royalties (\$/bbl)	(0.38)	(0.58)
Operating expenses - non-energy ⁽³⁾ (\$/bbl)	(9.10)	(9.12)
Operating expenses - energy (\$/bbl)	(2.77)	(3.55)
Transportation and marketing (\$/bbl)	(2.85)	(2.83)
LEISMER OPERATING NETBACK ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾ (\$/bbl)	\$ 17.78	\$ 15.63

⁽¹⁾ Refer to "Advisories and Other Guidance" beginning on page 18 for additional information on Non-GAAP Financial Measures.

From the date of closing the acquisition to the end of September 2017 the Leismer Project has averaged production of 20,598 bbl/d and generated operating income of \$77.8 million. Maintenance activities in the third quarter of 2017 reduced overall production volumes from the previous quarter. Current production is approximately 20,900 bbl/d (October field estimate).

Athabasca realized a bitumen price of \$32.88/bbl during the third quarter of 2017. The realized bitumen price represents the Company's realized price for blended bitumen sales, less the cost of diluent supply and transportation. Energy operating expenses, which primarily consist of electricity to power the facility and natural gas which is used to create steam for the SAGD recovery process, were \$2.77/bbl during the third quarter of 2017 and non-energy operating costs, which include all other operational expenditures relating to production, were \$9.10/bbl. Transportation and marketing expenses for the third quarter of 2017 were \$2.85/bbl, benefiting from the Leismer Project's owned infrastructure.

During the quarter ended September 30, 2017, the Leismer Operating Netback was \$17.78/bbl, which represents an improvement of 14% over the second quarter of 2017. The increase was primarily a result of lower blending costs and lower energy operating costs per bbl partially offset by lower realized pricing for blended bitumen sales. The Company will continue to closely manage reservoir performance and optimize capital and operating expenses to maximize profitability.

⁽²⁾ The Leismer Project was acquired on January 31, 2017. The table above reflects Leismer Operating Income from February onwards for the nine months ended September 30, 2017.

⁽³⁾ For the three and nine months ended September 30, 2017, per unit operating expenses - non-energy include Leismer gas revenues of \$0.19/bbl and \$0.07/bbl, respectively.

Hangingstone Operating Results

	Three mon Septem	iths ended iber 30,	Nine mon Septem	ths ended iber 30,
	2017	2016	2017	2016
VOLUMES				
Bitumen production (bbl/d)	8,760	8,830	8,727	7,079
Bitumen sales (bbl/d)	8,697	9,744	8,750	7,138
Blended bitumen sales (bbl/d)	11,906	13,286	12,259	9,952

	Three months ended September 30,				Nine months ended September 30,			
(\$ Thousands, unless otherwise noted)		2017		2016		2017		2016
Blended bitumen sales	\$	49,607	\$	45,276	\$	153,525	\$	85,878
Cost of diluent		(21,973)		(19,674)		(77,922)		(45,575)
Total bitumen sales		27,634		25,602		75,603		40,303
Royalties		(295)		(152)		(1,210)		(291)
Operating expenses - non-energy		(12,000)		(16,152)		(36,394)		(43,846)
Operating expenses - energy		(3,810)		(4,658)		(15,357)		(11,126)
Transportation and marketing		(9,213)		(10,728)		(28,744)		(26,119)
Hangingstone Operating Income (Loss) ⁽¹⁾	\$	2,316	\$	(6,088)	\$	(6,102)	\$	(41,079)
REALIZED PRICE								
Blended bitumen sales (\$/bbl)	\$	45.29	\$	37.04	\$	45.87	\$	31.49
Bitumen sales (\$/bbl)	\$	34.54	\$	28.56	\$	31.65	\$	20.61
Royalties (\$/bbl)		(0.37)		(0.17)		(0.51)		(0.15)
Operating expenses - non-energy (\$/bbl)		(15.00)		(18.02)		(15.24)		(22.42)
Operating expenses - energy (\$/bbl)		(4.76)		(5.20)		(6.43)		(5.69)
Transportation and marketing (\$/bbl)		(11.51)		(11.97)		(12.03)		(13.34)
HANGINGSTONE OPERATING NETBACK ⁽¹⁾ (\$/bbl)	\$	2.90	\$	(6.80)	\$	(2.56)	\$	(20.99)

⁽¹⁾ Refer to "Advisories and Other Guidance" beginning on page 18 for additional information on Non-GAAP Financial Measures.

For the three and nine months ended September 30, 2017, Athabasca averaged 8,760 bbl/d and 8,727 bbl/d of bitumen production, respectively, a decrease of 1% and an increase of 23% compared to the same periods in the prior year. Maintenance activities in the third quarter of 2017 reduced overall production volumes. The Hangingstone Project achieved first oil during the third quarter of 2015. Current production is approximately 9,500 bbl/d (October field estimate).

The Hangingstone Operating Netback was \$2.90/bbl and \$(2.56)/bbl for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2017, compared to \$(6.80)/bbl and \$(20.99)/bbl during the same periods in 2016. The improvement in the Hangingstone Operating Netback is primarily due to higher realized pricing, lower non-energy operating expenses and higher production volumes for the year to date period.

Compared to the same periods in the prior year, operating expenses per bbl decreased by 15% and 23% to \$19.76/bbl and \$21.67/bbl during the three and nine months ended September 30, 2017, respectively. The decreases were primarily due to lower non-energy operating expenses combined with higher production for the year to date period.

In the second quarter of 2016, Hangingstone bitumen production was impacted by a 19 day shutdown as a result of the regional Fort McMurray wildfires. In the second quarter of 2017, Athabasca recognized \$8.0 million of insurance proceeds in Other Income with respect to the settlement of an insurance claim filed to recover certain losses associated with the shutdown.

Consolidated Thermal Oil Operating Results

	Three mon Septem	iths ended iber 30,	Nine mon Septem		
	2017	2017	2016		
VOLUMES					
Bitumen production (bbl/d)	28,258	8,830	26,986	7,079	
Bitumen sales (bbl/d)	28,640	9,744	26,976	7,138	
Blended bitumen sales (bbl/d)	39,109	13,286	37,988	9,952	

	Three months ended September 30,					nths ended nber 30,	
(\$ Thousands, unless otherwise noted)		2017		2016	2017		2016
Blended bitumen sales	\$	161,042	\$	45,276	\$ 477,532	\$	85,878
Cost of diluent		(73,080)		(19,674)	(244,131)		(45,575)
Total bitumen sales		87,962		25,602	233,401		40,303
Leismer gas revenue		357		_	357		_
Realized gain on commodity risk management contracts		3,665		_	6,691		_
Royalties		(986)		(152)	(4,087)		(291)
Operating expenses - non-energy		(29,052)		(16,152)	(82,130)		(43,846)
Operating expenses - energy		(8,886)		(4,658)	(33,038)		(11,126)
Transportation and marketing		(14,450)		(10,728)	(42,849)		(26,119)
Thermal Oil Operating Income (Loss) ⁽¹⁾	\$	38,610	\$	(6,088)	\$ 78,345	\$	(41,079)
REALIZED PRICE							
Blended bitumen sales (\$/bbl)	\$	44.76	\$	37.04	\$ 46.05	\$	31.49
Bitumen sales (\$/bbl)	\$	33.38	\$	28.56	\$ 31.69	\$	20.61
Realized gain on commodity risk management contracts (\$/bbl)		1.39		_	0.91		_
Royalties (\$/bbl)		(0.37)		(0.17)	(0.55)		(0.15)
Operating expenses - non-energy ⁽²⁾ (\$/bbl)		(10.89)		(18.02)	(11.10)		(22.42)
Operating expenses - energy (\$/bbl)		(3.37)		(5.20)	(4.49)		(5.69)
Transportation and marketing (\$/bbl)		(5.48)		(11.97)	(5.82)		(13.34)
THERMAL OIL OPERATING NETBACK ⁽¹⁾ (\$/bbl)	\$	14.66	\$	(6.80)	\$ 10.64	\$	(20.99)

⁽¹⁾ Refer to "Advisories and Other Guidance" beginning on page 18 for additional information on Non-GAAP Financial Measures.

Thermal Oil Segment Income (Loss)

	Three months ended September 30,					Nine mon Septen		
(\$ Thousands)		2017		2016		2017		2016
Thermal Oil Operating Income (Loss) ⁽¹⁾	\$	38,610	\$	(6,088)	\$	78,345	\$	(41,079)
Unrealized gain (loss) on commodity risk management contracts		(13,169)		_		2,288		_
Depletion and depreciation		(17,804)		(8,083)		(50,428)		(20,080)
Acquisition expense		_		_		(11,047)		_
Loss on sale of assets		_		_		(271)		_
Exploration expenses and other		(17)		(14)		(229)		(236)
THERMAL OIL SEGMENT INCOME (LOSS)	\$	7,620	\$	(14,185)	\$	18,658	\$	(61,395)

⁽¹⁾ Refer to "Advisories and Other Guidance" beginning on page 18 for additional information on Non-GAAP Financial Measures.

The increases in depletion and depreciation expense in the three and nine months ended September 30, 2017, compared to 2016, were primarily due to the Leismer Corner Acquisition.

⁽²⁾ For the three and nine months ended September 30, 2017, per unit operating expenses - non-energy include Leismer gas revenues of \$0.14/bbl and \$0.05/bbl, respectively (2016 - nil).

Thermal Oil Capital Expenditures

	Three months ended September 30,				Nine mon Septen	
(\$ Thousands)	2017		2016		2017	2016
Leismer Project ⁽¹⁾	\$ 13,471	\$	_	\$	26,376	\$ _
Hangingstone Project	5,496		1,960		16,528	4,437
Other Thermal Oil exploration	1,415		1,794		2,472	2,420
TOTAL THERMAL OIL CAPITAL EXPENDITURES ⁽²⁾	\$ 20,382	\$	3,754	\$	45,376	\$ 6,857

⁽¹⁾ Thermal Oil capital expenditures in the table above exclude the cost of the Leismer Corner Acquisition.

Thermal Oil capital expenditures for the nine months ended September 30, 2017 were primarily related to downhole pump conversions and replacements, an enhanced diluent recovery project at Hangingstone and work performed on previously drilled infill wells at Leismer. In response to lower commodity prices, the Company previously reduced its 2017 capital budget to \$60 million, from its initial 2017 budget of \$105 million, with near-term activity focused on production optimization across the fields.

Sale of Contingent Bitumen Royalty to Burgess

During the year ended December 31, 2016, Athabasca granted a Contingent Bitumen Royalty (the "Royalty") on its legacy Thermal Oil assets to Burgess Energy Holdings L.L.C. ("Burgess") for gross cash proceeds of \$307.0 million. Under the terms of the Royalty, Athabasca will pay Burgess a linear-scale Royalty of 0% - 12%, relative to a WCS benchmark price, applied to Athabasca's realized bitumen price (C\$), which is determined net of diluent, transportation and storage costs.

On February 24, 2017, Athabasca granted an additional Royalty under the same terms to Burgess on its newly acquired Leismer and Corner assets for additional cash proceeds of \$90.0 million, bringing the total gross proceeds received by the Company from the sale of the Royalty to \$397.0 million.

The Royalty has been structured so that the assets will not be encumbered at lower pricing levels nor is it expected to materially impact the economics of future Leismer or Hangingstone expansion phases or other future Thermal Oil exploration projects. The Royalty has no associated commitments to develop future expansions or projects and Burgess has the option of either receiving the Royalty in cash or in kind.

The following table summarizes the Royalty rates applicable at different WCS benchmark prices:

Hangingstone, Leismer and Corner		Dover West, Birch and Grosmont	
WCS benchmark price (US\$/bbl)	Royalty rate	WCS benchmark price (US\$/bbl)	Royalty rate
Below \$60/bbl		Below \$70/bbl	
\$60/bbl to \$139.99/bbl ⁽¹⁾	2% - 12%	\$70/bbl to \$149.99/bbl ⁽¹⁾	2% - 12%
\$140/bbl and above	12%	\$150/bbl and above	12%

⁽¹⁾ The WCS benchmark price is used to determine the linear sliding-scale royalty rate.

During the nine months ended September 30, 2017 and 2016, no amounts were payable in respect of the Royalty to Burgess.

CORPORATE REVIEW

Liquidity and Capital Resources

Funding

Balance sheet strength and flexibility continues to remain a key priority for Athabasca and the Company's objective in managing capital is to maintain sufficient available reserves to meet its liquidity requirements at any point in time. The Company expects to achieve this objective by aligning capital expenditures with cash flow from operating activities, an active commodity risk management program and by maintaining sufficient funds for anticipated short-term spending in cash, cash equivalent and short-term investment accounts and through available credit facilities.

⁽²⁾ For the three and nine months ended September 30, 2017, capital expenditures included \$2.1 million and \$5.0 million in capitalized staff costs, respectively (September 30, 2016 - \$0.5 million, \$1.2 million).

As at September 30, 2017, Athabasca had \$287.4 million of cash and cash equivalents (including \$113.4 million of restricted cash see page 13). The Company also had available credit of \$61.9 million under its \$120 million New Credit Facility (see below) and additional funding available through the capital-carry receivable from Murphy of \$183.2 million (undiscounted).

In 2018, it is anticipated that Athabasca's Light Oil and Thermal Oil capital and operating activities, based on current business plans, will be funded through cash flow from operating activities, the capital-carry receivable, existing cash and cash equivalents and available credit facilities. Beyond 2018, depending on the Company's level of capital spend and the commodity price environment, the Company may require additional funding which could include debt, equity, joint ventures, asset sales or other external financing. The availability of any additional future funding will depend on, among other things, the current commodity price environment, operating performance, the Company's credit rating at the time and the current state of the equity and debt capital markets.

Indebtedness

	Sep	tember 30,	De	cember 31,
As at (\$ Thousands)		2017		2016
2022 Notes ⁽¹⁾	\$	562,950	\$	_
2017 Notes		_		550,000
Debt issuance costs ⁽¹⁾		(44,786)		(21,664)
Amortization of debt issuance costs		5,618		17,873
TOTAL LONG-TERM DEBT	\$	523,782	\$	546,209

⁽¹⁾ As at September 30, 2017, the US dollar denominated 2022 Notes and associated debt issuance costs were translated into Canadian dollars at the period end exchange rate of US\$1.00 = C\$1.2510.

Throughout 2016 and early 2017, Athabasca repositioned its capital structure through a series of refinancing transactions which included:

- the repayment of the Company's US\$225 million senior secured first lien term loan (the "Term Loan") in the second quarter of 2016;
- the issuance of US\$450.0 million (C\$589.0 million) of senior secured second lien notes on February 24, 2017 (the "2022 Notes"), the proceeds of which were used to retire the Company's existing C\$550.0 million of senior secured second lien notes which were due in November 2017 (the "2017 Notes"); and,
- the establishment of a new \$120 million reserve-based credit facility (the "New Credit Facility").

This balance sheet refinancing provides a multi-year funding platform and a strong liquidity outlook which will allow the Company to advance its strategic objectives and maintain business flexibility.

2022 Notes

The 2022 Notes bear interest at a rate of 9.875% per annum, payable semi-annually, and have a term of five years maturing on February 24, 2022. At any time prior to February 24, 2019, Athabasca has the option to redeem the 2022 Notes at the make whole redemption price set forth in the 2022 Notes indenture. On or after February 24, 2019, Athabasca may redeem the 2022 Notes at the following specified redemption prices:

- February 24, 2019 to February 23, 2020 104.9% of principal
- February 24, 2020 to February 23, 2021 102.5% of principal
- February 24, 2021 to maturity 100% of principal

New Credit Facility

The New Credit Facility, which was reaffirmed by the lenders on May 31, 2017, is a \$120 million, 364 day committed facility available on a revolving basis until May 31, 2018, at which time it may be extended at the lenders' option. If the revolving period is not extended, the undrawn portion of the facility will be cancelled and any amount outstanding would be required to be repaid at the end of the non-revolving term, being May 31, 2019. The New Credit Facility is subject to a semi-annual borrowing base review of the Company's Light Oil and Thermal Oil properties with the next review occurring in the latter part of the fourth quarter of 2017. The borrowing base of the New Credit Facility will be based on the lender's evaluation of the Company's petroleum and natural gas reserves at the time and their commodity price outlook.

Amounts borrowed under the New Credit Facility bear interest at a floating rate based on the applicable Canadian prime rate, US base rate, LIBOR or bankers' acceptance rate, plus a margin of 4.0-4.5%. As at September 30, 2017, the New Credit Facility had \$58.1 million of letters of credit issued and outstanding related to long-term transportation agreements.

Cash-Collateralized Letter of Credit Facility

Athabasca maintains a \$110.0 million cash-collateralized letter of credit facility (the "Letter of Credit Facility") with a Canadian bank for issuing letters of credit to counterparties. The facility is available on a demand basis and letters of credit issued under the Letter of Credit Facility bear an issuance fee of 0.25%. Letters of credit issued under the Letter of Credit Facility are used to satisfy certain financial assurance requirements under Athabasca's long-term transportation agreements. Under the terms of the Letter of Credit Facility, Athabasca is required to contribute cash to a cash-collateral account equivalent to 101% of the value of all letters of credit issued under the facility. As at September 30, 2017, Athabasca had \$109.2 million in letters of credit issued under the Letter of Credit Facility, as well as \$113.4 million in restricted cash that was primarily related to the Letter of Credit Facility.

Financing and Interest

	Three months ended September 30,					Nine mor Septer		
(\$ Thousands)	2017 2016				2017		2016	
Financing and interest expense on indebtedness	\$	15,075	\$	10,551	\$	45,360	\$	45,651
Amortization of debt issuance costs		2,454		1,345		10,150		11,784
Accretion of provisions		2,913		1,841		6,985		5,702
TOTAL FINANCING AND INTEREST	\$	20,442	\$	13,737	\$	62,495	\$	63,137

During the three and nine months ended September 30, 2017, financing and interest expenses were primarily attributable to the Company's 2022 Notes and 2017 Notes, including \$3.0 million related to the acceleration of remaining debt issuance costs associated with the 2017 Notes which were repaid in the first quarter of 2017. Athabasca also incurred fees related to its New Credit Facility and Letter of Credit Facility.

During the three and nine months ended September 30, 2016, financing and interest expenses were primarily attributable to Athabasca's 2017 Notes and Term Loan, including \$6.8 million related to the acceleration of remaining debt issuance costs associated with the Term Loan repayment and Credit Facility amendments in the second quarter of 2016. Athabasca also incurred standby fees and fees on issued letters of credit.

Foreign Exchange Gain, Net

	Three months ended September 30,				Nine mor Septer		
(\$ Thousands)	2017 2016				2017		2016
Unrealized foreign exchange gain	\$	19,699	\$	_	\$ 23,951	\$	_
Realized foreign exchange gain		2,285		_	478		19,880
FOREIGN EXCHANGE GAIN, NET	\$	21,984	\$		\$ 24,429	\$	19,880

During the first quarter of 2017, Athabasca became exposed to foreign currency risk on the principal and interest components of its newly issued US dollar denominated 2022 Notes. For the nine months ended September 30, 2017, the Company recognized a net foreign exchange gain of \$24.4 million primarily due to an unrealized gain on the note principal as the average value of the Canadian dollar improved relative to the US dollar from the date the notes were issued to the end of the third quarter from 1.31:1 to 1.25:1.

During the nine months ended September 30, 2016, Athabasca was exposed to foreign currency risk on the principal and interest components of it US dollar denominated Term Loan and recognized a net foreign exchange gain of \$19.9 million primarily due to a realized gain on the loan principal as the average value of the Canadian dollar increased relative to the US dollar from 1.38:1 to 1.29:1 from the beginning of the year until the date of the repayment of the Term Loan.

Risk Management Contracts

Following the Leismer Corner Acquisition, Athabasca commenced a commodity risk management program designed to support a base level of cash flow and capital spending.

As at September 30, 2017, Athabasca has the following risk management contracts in place:

			C\$ /	Average Price/ bbl unless			
Instrument	Period	Period Volume					
WTI/WCS differential fixed price swaps	October - December 2017	12,000 bbl/d	\$	(19.86)			
WCS fixed price swaps	October - December 2017	8,000 bbl/d	\$	52.66			
WTI fixed price swaps	October - December 2017	8,000 bbl/d	\$	70.53			
WTI costless collar	October - December 2017	4,000 bbl/d	\$	62.50 - 71.25			
WTI/WCS differential fixed price swaps	January - March 2018	3,000 bbl/d	\$	(16.20)			
WTI/WCS differential fixed price swaps - US\$	January - March 2018	2,000 bbl/d	US\$	(13.53)			
WCS fixed price swaps	January - March 2018	2,000 bbl/d	\$	46.80			
WCS fixed price swaps - US\$	January - March 2018	1,000 bbl/d	US\$	37.50			
WTI fixed price swaps	January - March 2018	2,000 bbl/d	\$	62.93			
WTI fixed price swaps - US\$	January - March 2018	3,000 bbl/d	US\$	51.00			
WTI/WCS differential fixed price swaps	January - December 2018	3,000 bbl/d	\$	(17.72)			

Additional commodity risk management activity related to 2018 has taken place subsequent to September 30, 2017. The Company currently has the following 2018 risk management contracts in place (2017 remains consistent with the above table):

Instrument	Period	Volume	C\$ Average Price/ bbl unless otherwise noted
WTI/WCS differential fixed price swaps	January - March 2018	5,000 bbl/d	\$ (16.48)
WCS fixed price swaps	January - March 2018	10,000 bbl/d	\$ 48.60
WTI fixed price swaps	January - March 2018	8,000 bbl/d	\$ 64.31
WTI/WCS differential fixed price swaps	April - June 2018	6,000 bbl/d	\$ (18.38)
WCS fixed price swaps	April - June 2018	2,000 bbl/d	\$ 48.05
WTI fixed price swaps	April - June 2018	9,000 bbl/d	\$ 66.17
WCS fixed price swaps	July - September 2018	5,000 bbl/d	\$ 48.00
WTI/WCS differential fixed price swaps	January - December 2018	3,000 bbl/d	\$ (17.72)

The following table summarizes the Company's net gain (loss) on risk management contracts during the three and nine months ended September 30, 2017 and 2016:

	Three months ended September 30,				Nine mon Septen		
(\$ Thousands)		2017		2016	2017	2016	
COMMODITY CONTRACTS							
Unrealized gain (loss) on commodity risk management contracts	\$	(13,169)	\$	_	\$ 2,288	\$ _	
Realized gain on commodity risk management contracts		3,665		_	6,691	_	
FOREIGN EXCHANGE CONTRACTS							
Realized loss on foreign exchange risk management contracts		_		_	_	(21,628)	
GAIN (LOSS) ON RISK MANAGEMENT CONTRACTS (NET)	\$	(9,504)	\$	_	\$ 8,979	\$ (21,628)	

The commodity risk management contracts for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2017 are valued on the balance sheet by multiplying the contractual volumes by the differential between the anticipated market price (forecasted strip price) and the contractual fixed price at each future settlement date. The corresponding change in asset or liability is recognized as an unrealized gain or loss in net income (loss), respectively. As the commodity derivatives are unwound (i.e. settled in cash), Athabasca recognizes a corresponding realized gain or loss in net income (loss).

During the nine months ended September 30, 2016, Athabasca recognized a loss on risk management contracts of \$21.6 million related to a foreign currency derivative put in place with respect to the Company's US dollar denominated Term Loan.

Commitments and Contingencies

The following table summarizes Athabasca's estimated future minimum commitments as at September 30, 2017 for the following five years and thereafter:

(\$ Thousands)	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	Thereafter	Total
Transportation	\$ 24,639	\$ 93,763	\$ 74,743	\$ 115,089	\$ 111,950	\$1,895,081	\$ 2,315,265
Repayment of long-term debt ⁽¹⁾	_	_	_	_	_	562,950	562,950
Interest expense on long-term debt ⁽¹⁾	_	55,591	55,591	55,591	55,591	27,872	250,236
Office leases	613	2,452	2,452	2,452	2,452	9,356	19,777
Purchase commitments and other	4,274	4,376	700	_	_	_	9,350
TOTAL COMMITMENTS	\$ 29,526	\$ 156,182	\$ 133,486	\$ 173,132	\$ 169,993	\$2,495,259	\$ 3,157,578

⁽¹⁾ The 2022 Notes and associated interest expense were translated into Canadian dollars at the September 30, 2017 exchange rate of US\$1.00 = C\$1.2510.

During the first quarter of 2017, Athabasca acquired firm service on the TMX Pipeline by entering into a long-term transportation service agreement with Trans Mountain Pipeline L.P. to deliver up to 20,000 bbl/d of the Company's blended bitumen from Edmonton, Alberta to Burnaby, B.C., starting in late 2019. The TMX Pipeline commitment has been included in the above table.

In conjunction with the Leismer Corner Acquisition, Statoil reassigned to Athabasca its existing commitment for the transportation of blended bitumen on the Enbridge Waupisoo pipeline. During the third quarter of 2017, Athabasca entered into a new long-term transportation agreement with Enbridge Pipelines (Athabasca) Inc. for the delivery of up to 33,000 bbl/d of blended bitumen which replaced the previous Waupisoo commitment. The new agreement was effective July 1, 2017. The new Waupisoo commitment has been included in the above table.

A second transportation commitment was reassigned by Statoil to Athabasca for the transportation of diluent to the Leismer Project's central processing facility. This commitment has been included in the above table.

Excluded from the table above is a commitment for \$111.7 million of office leases over 10 years which was assigned to an investment-grade third party in December 2013.

The Company is, from time to time, involved in claims arising in the normal course of business. The Company is also currently undergoing income tax and partner related audits in the normal course of business. The final outcome of such claims and audits cannot be predicted with certainty and management believes that it has appropriately assessed any impact to the consolidated financial statements.

Other Corporate Items

General and administrative ("G&A")

	Three months ended September 30,			Nine months ended September 30,				
(\$ Thousands, unless otherwise noted)		2017		2016		2017		2016
TOTAL GENERAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE	\$	6,635	\$	5,992	\$	20,129	\$	18,432
G&A per boe	\$	2.00	\$	5.50	\$	2.22	\$	5.56

During the three and nine months ended September 30, 2017, Athabasca's general and administrative expenses increased compared to the same periods in the prior year, primarily reflecting higher employee costs related to the Leismer Corner Acquisition. However, for the same time periods, G&A per boe decreased 64% and 60% primarily due to the significant production growth achieved in both the Thermal and Light Oil Divisions. The Company believes it has sufficient resources in place to support planned capital and operating activities over the next several years which is expected to result in further reductions to per unit general and administrative costs.

Stock-based compensation

During the nine months ended September 30, 2017, stock-based compensation expense decreased to \$5.3 million compared to \$7.0 million in the same period in the prior year. The decrease is primarily due to a higher capitalization rate of stock based compensation expense based on current activity.

Gain (loss) on Revaluation of Provisions and Other

During the nine months ended September 30, 2017, Athabasca incurred a gain of \$14.2 million relating to a decline in the fair value of the Company's contingent payment obligation to Statoil, mainly due to declines in the forecasted price for WTI from the date of closing of the Leismer Corner Acquisition on January 31, 2017 to the end of the third quarter of 2017. The contingent payment obligation is remeasured at each reporting period with any gains or losses recognized in net income (loss). No amounts are currently payable with respect to the continent payment obligation.

Off Balance Sheet Arrangements

The Company does not have any off-balance sheet arrangements that have or are reasonably likely to have a material current or future effect on the Company's consolidated financial statements.

Equity Instruments

On January 31, 2017, Athabasca issued 100 million common shares to Statoil in respect of the Leismer Corner Acquisition. During the nine months ended September 30, 2017, Athabasca also issued 3.3 million common shares in respect of the Company's equity-settled share-based compensation plans.

Outstanding Share Data

The following table summarizes the number of share capital instruments outstanding at the date indicated:

As at October 24, 2017	
Common shares issued and outstanding	509,780,486
Convertible securities:	
Stock options	12,362,032
Restricted share units (2010 RSU Plan)	2,929,252
Restricted share units (2015 RSU Plan)	9,417,632
Performance share units	3,414,267
Deferred share units	1,828,066

For additional information regarding these compensation plans, refer to the consolidated financial statements of the Company for the year ended December 31, 2016.

SUMMARY OF QUARTERLY RESULTS

The following table summarizes selected consolidated financial information for the Company for the preceding eight quarters:

		2017			2015			
(\$ Thousands, unless otherwise noted)	Q3	Q2	Q1	Q4	Q3	Q2	Q1	Q4
BUSINESS ENVIRONMENT								
WTI (US\$/bbl)	48.21	48.29	51.91	49.29	44.94	45.59	33.45	42.18
WTI (C\$/bbl)	60.35	64.95	68.52	65.56	58.87	58.81	45.83	56.52
Western Canadian Select (C\$/bbl)	47.76	49.99	49.34	46.61	41.01	41.62	26.30	36.86
Edmonton Par (C\$/bbl)	56.62	61.92	63.87	61.59	54.66	54.78	40.67	52.85
Edmonton Condensate (C5+) (C\$/bbl)	59.01	65.15	68.73	63.38	55.31	56.80	46.32	54.52
NYMEX Henry Hub (US\$/MMBtu)	3.00	3.19	3.32	2.98	2.81	1.95	2.09	2.27
AECO (C\$/GJ)	1.38	2.64	2.55	2.93	2.20	1.32	1.74	2.33
Foreign exchange (CAD : USD)	1.25	1.34	1.32	1.33	1.31	1.29	1.37	1.34
LIGHT OIL DIVISION								
Sales volumes (boe/d)	7,875	7,246	3,421	3,337	3,018	5,743	6,319	5,873
Realized price (\$/boe)	32.91	36.69	38.97	35.99	29.84	26.93	21.73	27.39
Revenues (\$) ⁽²⁾	22,001	23,169	11,607	10,607	8,091	13,936	12,440	17,624
Light Oil Operating Income (\$) ⁽¹⁾	13,748	16,391	6,863	6,152	5,511	7,215	4,908	10,551
Light Oil Operating Netback (\$/boe) ⁽¹⁾	18.98	24.85	22.28	20.04	19.85	13.80	8.53	19.50
Capital expenditures (\$)	53,406	31,061	77,646	62,003	18,920	5,518	30,658	50,921
Recovery of the capital-carry receivable (\$)	(6,092)	(13,493)	(10,680)	(52)	(4,286)	(1,474)	_	_
THERMAL ON DIVISION								
THERMAL OIL DIVISION	20.250	20.220	22.246	0.202	0.020	F 250	7.020	F 700
Bitumen production (bbl/d)	28,258	29,328	23,316	8,293	8,830	5,358	7,029	5,708
Sales volumes (bbl/d)	28,640	28,970	23,257	8,015	9,744	4,463	7,176	4,096
Realized bitumen price (\$/bbl) ⁽³⁾ Revenues (\$) ⁽²⁾	33.38	31.82	29.41	31.46	28.56	24.51	7.27	21.23
Thermal Oil Operating Income (Loss) (\$) ⁽¹⁾⁽³⁾	160,413 38,610	175,291 27,396	138,098 12,341	44,058 (4,719)	45,124 (6,088)	19,386	21,076	15,033 (18,166)
Thermal Oil Operating Income (Loss) (\$) Thermal Oil Operating Netback (\$/bbl) ⁽¹⁾⁽³⁾	14.66	10.39	5.89	(6.41)	(6.80)	(11,915) (29.33)	(23,074) (35.34)	(48.22)
	20,382	14,127	10,868	4,088	3,754	2,187	916	2,257
Capital expenditures (\$)	20,382	14,127	10,808	4,000	3,734	2,107	910	2,237
OPERATING RESULTS								
Cash Flow from Operating Activities (\$)	49,488	28,049	(52,896)	(19,656)	(18,990)		(38,017)	(54,496)
Funds Flow from Operations (\$) ⁽¹⁾	34,400	27,567	(1,649)	(16,867)	(15,778)	(27,304)	(39,982)	(30,141)
Net income (loss) (\$)	5,113	24,233	(29,162)	(779,405)	(33,032)	(59,169)	(65,129)	(604,375)
Net income (loss) per share - basic (\$)	0.01	0.05	(0.06)	(1.92)	(0.08)	(0.15)	(0.16)	(1.50)
BALANCE SHEET ITEMS								
Cash and cash equivalents (\$)	174,076	179,611	212,999	650,301	535,477	447,282	493,510	559,487
Short-term investments (\$)	_	_	_	_	35,000	25,533	_	_
Restricted cash (\$)	113,372	113,853	113,823	107,012	103,827	101,652	_	_
Capital-carry receivable (discounted) (\$) ⁽⁴⁾	169,611	173,714	183,745	191,174	188,448	188,742	_	_
Promissory notes (\$) ⁽⁴⁾	_	_	_	_	_	133,892	133,892	133,892
Assets held for sale (\$)			_		_		466,159	
Total assets (\$)	2,498,740	2,488,995	2,524,187	2,257,887	3,017,285	3,028,938	3,394,367	3,462,442
Long-term debt (\$) ⁽⁴⁾	523,782	541,199	553,377	546,209	545,126	544,042	820,478	838,205
Shareholders' equity (\$)		1,723,735						
(1) Refer to "Advisories and Other Guidance" beginning on page 1								

⁽¹⁾ Refer to "Advisories and Other Guidance" beginning on page 18 for additional information on Non-GAAP financial measures.

Refer to the Results of Operations and other sections of this MD&A for detailed financial and operational variances between reporting periods as well as to Athabasca's previously issued annual and quarterly MD&As for changes in prior periods.

⁽²⁾ Consists of petroleum and natural gas sales and Light Oil midstream revenues and Thermal Oil Leismer gas revenues, net of royalties. Excludes interest income and other.

⁽³⁾ Figures include the impact of realized gains on commodity risk management contracts.

⁽⁴⁾ Balances include the current and long-term portions as reported in the consolidated balance sheets.

ACCOUNTING POLICIES AND ESTIMATES

During the nine months ended September 30, 2017, there were no changes to Athabasca's accounting policies or use of estimates in the preparation of the consolidated financial statements and the notes thereto that had a material impact to the consolidated financial statements. Refer to the December 31, 2016 audited consolidated financial statements of the Company for further guidance regarding Athabasca's accounting policies and use of estimates.

Future Accounting Pronouncements

The following standards that have been issued, but are not yet effective, up to the date of issuance of the Company's consolidated financial statements are disclosed below. The Company intends to adopt these standards, if applicable, when they become effective.

IFRS 15 Revenue from Contracts with Customers

The IASB issued IFRS 15 Revenue from Contracts with Customers in May 2014. This IFRS replaces IAS 18 Revenue, IAS 11 Construction Contracts and several revenue-related interpretations. IFRS 15 establishes a single revenue recognition framework which requires an entity to recognize revenue to reflect the transfer of goods and services for the amount it expects to receive, when control is transferred to the purchaser. The new standard is effective for periods beginning on or after January 1, 2018, with earlier adoption permitted. The Company has completed its review of its various revenue streams and is in the final stages of its review of the underlying contracts and potential impact on the consolidated financial statements. Work will continue on determining the extent of the new additional disclosures required under IFRS 15. The Company does not expect IFRS 15 to have a material impact on its consolidated financial statements outside of additional disclosures. Athabasca will adopt the new standard on the required effective date.

IFRS 9 Financial Instruments

In July 2014, the IASB issued the final version of IFRS 9 *Financial Instruments* that replaces IAS 39 and all previous versions of IFRS 9. IFRS 9 brings together all three aspects of the accounting for financial instruments: classification & measurement, impairment and hedge accounting. IFRS 9 is effective for annual periods beginning on or after January 1, 2018, with early adoption permitted. IFRS 9 introduces a single approach to determine whether a financial asset is measured at amortized cost or fair value and replaces the multiple rules in IAS 39. The approach is based on how an entity manages its financial instruments in the context of its business model and the contractual cash flow characteristics of the financial assets. For financial liabilities, IFRS 9 retains most of the requirements of IAS 39; however, where the fair value option is applied to financial liabilities, any change in fair value resulting from an entity's own credit risk is recorded in other comprehensive income. The Company does not currently apply hedge accounting to its risk management contracts and does not currently intend to apply hedge accounting to any of its existing risk management contracts on adoption of IFRS 9. The Company continues to assess the impact of IFRS 9, however it does not currently expect a material impact on its consolidated financial statements on applying these new requirements. Athabasca will adopt the new standard on the required effective date.

IFRS 16 Leases

The IASB issued its new Lease Standard on January 13, 2016. This new IFRS requires that, for lessees, former operating leases will now be capitalized and recognized on the balance sheet (exceptions for short-term leases and low-value assets are provided). Lease assets and liabilities will be initially measured at the present value of the unavoidable lease payments and amortized over the lease term. Lessor accounting remains consistent with current IFRS standards. Two transition methods are available under IFRS 16: full retrospective and cumulative catch-up. A significant amount of transition relief is permitted under the cumulative catch-up method, but will require additional disclosure information. The effective date will be for annual periods beginning on or after January 1, 2019. Earlier adoption is permitted, but only if IFRS 15 - Revenue from Contracts with Customers is also applied. The Company is currently evaluating the impact of adopting IFRS 16 on its consolidated financial statements.

ADVISORIES AND OTHER GUIDANCE

Non-GAAP Financial Measures

The "Funds Flow from Operations", "Light Oil Operating Income", "Light Oil Operating Netback", "Thermal Oil Operating Income" and "Thermal Oil Operating Netback" financial measures contained in this MD&A do not have standardized meanings which are prescribed by IFRS and they are considered to be non-GAAP measures. These measures may not be comparable to similar measures presented by other issuers and should not be considered in isolation with measures that are prepared in accordance with IFRS.

The following table reconciles cash flow from operating activities in the consolidated financial statements for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2017 and 2016 to Funds Flow from Operations:

	Three months ended September 30,			Nine months ended September 30,				
(\$ Thousands)		2017		2016		2017		2016
Cash flow from operating activities	\$	49,488	\$	(18,990)	\$	24,637	\$	(51,297)
Acquisition expenses		_		_		11,047		_
Receipt of proceeds from derivative unwind		_		_		_		(40,956)
Changes in non-cash working capital		(16,047)		1,772		18,598		3,071
Settlement of provisions		959		1,440		6,033		4,560
FUNDS FLOW FROM OPERATIONS	\$	34,400	\$	(15,778)	\$	60,315	\$	(84,622)

Funds Flow from Operations is not intended to represent cash flow from operating activities, net earnings or other measures of financial performance calculated in accordance with IFRS. The Funds Flow from Operations measure allows management and others to evaluate the Company's ability to fund its capital programs and meet its ongoing financial obligations using cash flow internally generated from ongoing operating related activities. Funds Flow from Operations per share (basic and diluted) is calculated as Funds Flow from Operations divided by the number of weighted average basic and diluted shares outstanding.

The Light Oil Operating Income and Light Oil Operating Netback measures in this MD&A are calculated by subtracting royalties and operating and transportation expenses from petroleum and natural gas sales and midstream revenues received. The Light Oil Operating Netback measure is presented on a per boe basis. The Light Oil Operating Income and the Light Oil Operating Netback measures allow management and others to evaluate the production results from the Company's Light Oil assets. The table on page 6 reconciles Light Oil Operating Income to *Note 12 - Segmented Information* in the consolidated financial statements for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2017.

The Operating Income and Operating Netback measures in this MD&A with respect to the Leismer Project and Hangingstone Project are calculated by subtracting the cost of diluent blending, royalties, operating expenses and transportation expenses from blended bitumen sales. The Leismer Project measures also include gas revenues received. The consolidated Thermal Oil Operating Income and Operating Netback measures also include realized gains on commodity risk management contracts. The Thermal Oil Operating Netback measure is presented on a per barrel basis. The Thermal Oil Operating Income and the Thermal Oil Operating Netback measures allow management and others to evaluate the production results from the Company's Thermal Oil assets. The table on page 10 reconciles Thermal Oil Operating Income to *Note 12 - Segmented Information* in the consolidated financial statements for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2017.

Risk Factors

Factors currently influencing the Company's ability to succeed include, but are not limited to, the following:

Operational risks

- the performance of the Company's assets;
- Athabasca's 2017 exploration and development budget and Athabasca's capital expenditure programs;
- failure to realize anticipated benefits of acquisitions or divestments, including the Leismer Corner Acquisition;
- uncertainties inherent in estimating quantities of Proved Reserves, Probable Reserves and Contingent Resources;
- the timing of certain of Athabasca's operations and projects, including the commencement of its planned Thermal Oil Division development projects, the exploration and development of Athabasca's Light Oil assets and the levels and timing of anticipated production;
- the timing of the project activities related to the Hangingstone Project including the timing of the ramp-up of Hangingstone Project production to nameplate capacity;
- dependence upon Murphy as a working interest participant in its Light Oil assets and as operator of the Greater Kaybob assets;
- risks and uncertainties inherent in Athabasca's operations, including those related to exploration, development and production of petroleum, natural gas and oil sands reserves and resources;
- risks related to gathering and processing facilities and pipeline systems;
- reliance on third party infrastructure;
- risks associated with events of force majeure;
- expiration of leases and permits or the failure of Athabasca or the holder of certain licenses, leases or permits to meet specific requirements of such licenses, leases or permits.

Planning risks

- · the business strategy, objectives and business strengths of Athabasca;
- Athabasca's growth strategy and opportunities;
- Athabasca's plans to submit additional regulatory applications;
- Athabasca's drilling plans and plans and results regarding the completion of wells that have been drilled and other exploration and development activities;
- failure to accurately estimate abandonment and reclamation costs;
- the potential for management estimates and assumptions to be inaccurate.

Financial and market risks

- general economic, market and business conditions in Canada, the United States and globally;
- future market prices for crude oil, natural gas, condensate and bitumen blend;
- Athabasca's projections of commodity prices, costs and netbacks;
- the substantial capital requirements of Athabasca's projects and the Company's ability to raise capital;
- the potential for future joint venture arrangements;
- insurance risks;
- hedging risks;
- variations in foreign exchange and interest rates;
- risks related to the New Credit Facility, the Letter of Credit Facility and the 2022 Notes;
- risks related to the Common Shares.

Legal and compliance risks

- the regulatory framework governing royalties, taxes, environmental matters and foreign investment in the jurisdictions in which Athabasca conducts and will conduct its business;
- actions taken by the new American administration, including the potential renegotiation of the terms of the North American Free Trade Agreement, the withdrawal of the United States from the Trans-Pacific Partnership and the imposition of taxes on the importation of goods into the United States;
- aboriginal claims;
- risks associated with establishing and maintaining systems of internal controls;
- inaccuracy of forward-looking information.

For additional information regarding the risks and uncertainties to which the Company and its business are subject, please see the information under the headings "Forward Looking Information" below, and under the headings "Forward Looking Statements" and "Risk Factors" in the Company's most recent AIF, on the Company's SEDAR profile at www.sedar.com.

Forward Looking Information

This MD&A contains forward-looking information that involves various risks, uncertainties and other factors. All information other than statements of historical fact is forward-looking information. The use of any of the words "anticipate," "plan," "continue", "estimate", "expect", "may", "will", "project", "target", "should", "believe", "predict", "pursue" and "potential" and similar expressions are intended to identify forward-looking information. The forward-looking information is not historical fact, but rather is based on the Company's current plans, objectives, goals, strategies, estimates, assumptions and projections about the Company's industry, business and future financial results. This information involves known and unknown risks, uncertainties and other factors that may cause actual results or events to differ materially from those anticipated in such forward-looking information. No assurance can be given that these expectations will prove to be correct and such forward-looking information included in this MD&A should not be unduly relied upon. This information speaks only as of the date of this MD&A. In particular, this MD&A may contain forward-looking information pertaining to the following: the Company's five-year growth outlook and how that growth outlook is funded; the benefits expected to be realized by the Company from the offering of the 2022 Notes and the New Credit Facility; the benefits expected to be realized by the Company from the Leismer Corner Acquisition; the timing by which the Corporation expects to achieve sustainable free cash flow generation, cash and cash equivalents and liquidity, for certain future periods; expectations with respect to future production hedging levels; estimates of corporate, Thermal Oil and Light Oil production levels and base decline rates; estimates of future depletion rates on the Hangingstone Project; the expectation that operating and transportation expenses will decrease at Hangingstone; the in-service date of the TMX Pipeline and the benefits Athabasca expects to realize by having capacity thereon; estimates of funds flow from operations, operating income and capital expenditures; the capability of the Company's five-year development outlook to deliver potential growth in per share production; the estimated impact of the Royalty on the economics of future expansion phases and development projects; future drilling and completion plans; the timing for achievement of name plate capacity at the Hangingstone Project the timing of facilities construction and in service dates and the capacity thereof; the timing of well spudding and completion operations and wells coming on-stream; the Company's expected flexibility in its pace of development; the Company's plans for, and results of, exploration and development activities; the Company's estimated future commitments; Athabasca's continued balance-sheet strength; the Company's business and financing plans and strategies; expectations regarding the 2017 capital budget; the Company's anticipated sources of funding for 2017 and beyond; the Company's estimate future minimum capital commitments; the future allocation of capital; and other matters.

Information relating to "reserves" is also deemed to be forward-looking information, as it involves the implied assessment, based on certain estimates and assumptions, that the reserves described exist in the quantities predicted or estimated and that the reserves can be profitably produced in the future.

With respect to forward-looking information contained in this MD&A, assumptions have been made regarding, among other things: that Athabasca and its security holders will obtain the anticipated benefits from the 2022 Notes and the New Credit Facility; commodity prices, including for petroleum, natural gas and blended bitumen; the regulatory framework governing royalties, taxes and environmental matters in the jurisdiction in which the Company conducts and will conduct business and the effects that such regulatory framework will have on the Company, including on the Company's financial condition and results of operations; the Company's financial and operational flexibility; the Company's financial sustainability; Athabasca's cash flow break-even commodity price; the Company's ability to obtain qualified staff and equipment in a timely and cost-efficient manner; the applicability of technologies for the recovery and production of the Company's reserves and resources; future capital expenditures to be made by the Company; future sources of funding for the Company's capital programs; the Company's future debt levels; future production levels; the Company's ability to obtain financing and/or enter into joint venture arrangements, on acceptable terms; operating costs; compliance of counterparties with the terms of contractual arrangements; impact of increasing competition; collection risk of outstanding accounts receivable from third parties; geological and engineering estimates in respect of the Company's reserves and resources; recoverability of reserves and resources; the geography of the areas in which the Company is conducting exploration and development activities and the quality of its assets.

Actual results could differ materially from those anticipated in this forward-looking information as a result of the risk factors set forth in the Company's most recent AIF available on SEDAR at www.sedar.com, including, but not limited to: weakness in the oil and gas industry; fluctuations in market prices for crude oil, natural gas and bitumen blend; general economic, market and business conditions in Canada, the United States and globally; insurance risks; claims made in respect of Athabasca's operations, properties or assets; the substantial capital requirements of Athabasca's projects and the ability to obtain financing for Athabasca's capital requirements; global financial uncertainty; failure to realize anticipated benefits of acquisitions or divestments; risks related to hydraulic fracturing; factors affecting potential profitability; failure to obtain regulatory approvals or maintain compliance with regulatory requirements; extent of, and cost of compliance with, government laws and regulations and the effect of changes in such laws and regulations from time to time; risks relating to changing royalty regimes; additional funding requirements and liquidity risk; variations in foreign exchange and interest rates; environmental risks and hazards and the cost of compliance with environmental regulations, including the licensee liability rating program, seismic activity regulations, greenhouse gas regulations and potential Canadian and U.S. climate change legislation; risks related to the Murphy Transaction, dependence on Murphy as the operator of the Greater Kaybob assets, dependence on Murphy as the Company's joint venture participant in the Company's Greater Kaybob and Greater Placid assets and dependence on Murphy's continued ability to pay the Greater Kaybob carry commitment, risks associated with events of force majeure; risks related to the New Credit Facility, the Letter of Credit Facility and the 2022 Notes; geopolitical risks; uncertainties inherent in estimating quantities of reserves and resources; contractual counterparty risks and operational dependence; risks related to future acquisition and joint venture activities; risks and uncertainties inherent in Athabasca's operations, including those related to exploration, development and production of petroleum, natural gas and oil sands reserves and resources, including the production of oil sands reserves and resources using SAGD, TAGD or other in-situ recovery technologies; failure to meet development schedules and potential cost overruns; aboriginal claims; reliance on, competition for, loss of, and failure to attract key personnel; financial assurance covenants and collateral requirements under the Company's pipeline transportation agreements; risks related to gathering and processing facilities and pipeline systems; availability of drilling and related equipment and limitations on access to Athabasca's assets; increases in operating costs could make Athabasca's projects uneconomic; the effect of diluent and natural gas supply constraints and increases in the costs thereof; costs of new technologies; alternatives to and changing demand for petroleum products; gas over bitumen issues affecting operational results; risks related to Athabasca's filings with taxation authorities, including the risk of tax related reviews and reassessments; failure to accurately estimate abandonment and reclamation costs; the potential for management estimates and assumptions to be inaccurate; long-term reliance on third parties; reliance on third party infrastructure; seasonality; risks associated with establishing and maintaining systems of internal controls; competition for, among other things, capital, the acquisition of reserves and resources, export pipeline capacity and skilled personnel; expiration of leases and permits or the failure of Athabasca or the holder of certain licenses, leases or permits to meet specific requirements of such licenses, leases or permits; breaches of confidentiality; inaccuracy of forward-looking information; expansion into new activities; risks related to the Common Shares.

In addition, information and statements in this MD&A relating to "Reserves" and "Resources" are deemed to be forward-looking information, as they involve the implied assessment, based on certain estimates and assumptions, that the reserves and resources described exist in the quantities predicted or estimated, and that the reserves and resources described can be profitably produced in the future. Certain assumptions related to the Company's Reserves and Resources are contained in the reports of GLJ and D&M

evaluating Athabasca's Proved Reserves, Probable Reserves and Contingent Resources as at December 31, 2016 (which are respectively referred to herein as the "GLJ Report" and the "D&M Report").

The risks and uncertainties referred to above are described in more detail in Athabasca's most recent AIF, which is available on the Company's SEDAR profile at www.sedar.com. Readers are cautioned that the foregoing list of risk factors should not be construed as exhaustive. The forward-looking information included in this MD&A is expressly qualified by this cautionary statement and is made as of the date of this MD&A. The Company does not undertake any obligation to publicly update or revise any forward-looking information except as required by applicable securities laws.

The Company's financial condition and results of operations discussed in this MD&A will not necessarily be indicative of the Company's future performance, particularly considering that many of the Company's activities are currently in the early stages of their planned exploration and/or development.

Reserves and Resource Information

Both the GLJ Report and the D&M Report were prepared using the assumptions and methodology guidelines outlined in the COGE Handbook and in accordance with National Instrument 51-101 Standards of Disclosure for Oil and Gas Activities, effective December 31, 2016. There are numerous uncertainties inherent in estimating quantities of bitumen, crude oil, natural gas and natural gas liquids reserves and the future cash flows attributed to such reserves. The reserve and associated cash flow information set forth above are estimates only. In general, estimates of economically recoverable reserves and the future net cash flows therefrom are based upon a number of variable factors and assumptions, such as historical production from the properties, production rates, ultimate reserve recovery, timing and amount of capital expenditures, marketability of oil and natural gas, royalty rates, the assumed effects of regulation by governmental agencies and future operating costs, all of which may vary materially. For those reasons, estimates of the economically recoverable reserves attributable to any particular group of properties, classification of such reserves based on risk of recovery and estimates of future net revenues associated with reserves prepared by different engineers, or by the same engineers at different times, may vary. The Company's actual production, revenues, taxes and development and operating expenditures with respect to its reserves will vary from estimates thereof and such variations could be material. There is no certainty that it will be commercially viable to produce any portion of the resources. Reserves figures described herein have been rounded to the nearest MMbbl or MMboe. Contingent Resources described herein have been rounded to the nearest billion barrels. For additional information regarding the consolidated reserves and resources of the Company as evaluated by GLJ in the GLJ Report and by D&M in the D&M Report, please refer to the Company's AIF that is available on SEDAR at www.sedar.com.

Additionally, the reserves and resources data relating to the Leismer and Corner assets is based on a report prepared by GLJ reporting the reserves attributable to such assets as at December 31, 2016, and was prepared in accordance with the standards contained in the COGE Handbook and the reserve definitions contained in NI 51-101 and the COGE Handbook.

Oil and Gas Information

"Boe" may be misleading, particularly if used in isolation. A BOE conversion ratio of six thousand cubic feet of natural gas to one barrel of oil equivalent (6 Mcf: 1 bbl) is based on an energy equivalency conversion method primarily applicable at the burner tip and does not represent a value equivalency at the wellhead. As the value ratio between natural gas and crude oil based on the current prices of natural gas and crude oil is significantly different from the energy equivalency of 6:1, utilizing a conversion on a 6:1 basis may be misleading as an indication of value.

Drilling Locations

The 1,500 Duvernay drilling locations referenced on page 5 of this MD&A include: 31 proved undeveloped or non-producing locations and 42 probable undeveloped locations for a total of 73 undeveloped booked locations with the balance being unbooked locations. The 200 Montney drilling locations referenced on page 5 of this MD&A include: 34 proved undeveloped and 12 probable undeveloped locations, for a total of 46 undeveloped booked locations with the balance being unbooked locations. Proved undeveloped locations and probable undeveloped locations are booked and derived from the Company's most recent independent reserves evaluation as prepared by GLJ as of December 31, 2016 and account for drilling locations that have associated proved and/or probable reserves, as applicable. Unbooked locations are internal management estimates. Unbooked locations do not have attributed reserves or resources (including contingent or prospective). Unbooked locations have been identified by management as an estimation of Athabasca's multi-year drilling activities expected to occur over the next two decades based on evaluation of applicable geologic, seismic, engineering, production and reserves information. There is no certainty that the Company will drill all unbooked drilling locations and if drilled there is no certainty that such locations will result in additional oil and gas reserves, resources or production. The drilling locations on which the Company will actually drill wells, including the number and timing thereof is ultimately dependent

upon the availability of funding, oil and natural gas prices, provincial fiscal and royalty policies, costs, actual drilling results and additional reservoir information that is obtained and other factors.

Definitions

"Best Estimate" is a classification of estimated resources described in the COGE Handbook as being considered to be the best estimate of the quantity that will actually be recovered. It is equally likely that the actual remaining quantities recovered will be greater or less than the Best Estimate. If probabilistic methods are used, there should be a 50% probability (P50) that the quantities actually recovered will equal or exceed the Best Estimate.

"Contingent Resources" are those quantities of petroleum estimated, as of a given date, to be potentially recoverable from known accumulations using established technology or technology under development, but which are not currently considered to be commercially recoverable due to one or more contingencies. Contingencies may include such factors as economic, legal, environmental, political and regulatory matters or a lack of markets. It is also appropriate to classify as "Contingent Resources" the estimated discovered recoverable quantities associated with a project in the early evaluation stage. Contingent resources may be divided into the following project maturity sub-classes: "Development Pending" is assigned to Contingent Resources for a particular project where resolution of the final conditions for development is being actively pursued (high chance of development); "Development On Hold" is assigned to Contingent Resources for a particular project where there is a reasonable chance of development, but there are major non-technical contingencies to be resolved that are usually beyond the control of the operator; "Development Unclarified" is assigned to Contingent Resources for a particular project where evaluation is incomplete and there is ongoing activity to resolve any risks or uncertainties or which require significant further appraisal to clarify potential for development and where contingencies have yet to be defined; "Development Not Viable" is assigned to Contingent Resources for a particular project where no further data acquisition or evaluation is currently planned and there is a low chance of development. As at December 31, 2016, the Company is reporting Contingent Resources on a risked and unrisked basis located in its: Hangingstone asset area in the Development Pending project maturity subclass; and, Hangingstone, Dover West Sands and Birch asset areas for Development On Hold and Development Unclarified project maturity sub-classes.

"Proved Reserves" are those reserves that can be estimated with a high degree of certainty to be recoverable. It is likely that the actual remaining quantities recovered will exceed the estimated Proved Reserves.

"Probable Reserves" are those additional reserves that are less certain to be recovered than Proved Reserves. It is equally likely that the actual remaining quantities recovered will be greater or less than the sum of the estimated Proved Reserves plus Probable Reserves.

"Reserve Life Index" is a measure of the estimated length of time it will take to deplete the Company's oil and gas reserves (typically reported in number of years).

"Risked" or "risked" means the applicable reported volumes or revenues have been risked (or adjusted) based on the chance of commerciality of such resources in accordance with the COGE Handbook. In accordance with the COGE Handbook for contingent resources, the chance of commerciality is solely based on the chance of development based on all contingencies required for the reclassification of the contingent resources as reserves being resolved. Therefore risked reported volumes and values of contingent resources reflect the risking (or adjustment) of such volumes or values based on the chance of development of such resources.

"Unrisked" or "unrisked" means applicable reported volumes or values of resources have not been risked (or adjusted) based on the chance of commerciality of such resources. In accordance with the COGE Handbook for contingent resources, the chance of commerciality is solely based on the chance of development based on all contingencies required for the re-classification of the contingent resources as reserves being resolved. Therefore unrisked reported volumes and values of contingent resources do not reflect the risking (or adjustment) of such volumes or values based on the chance of development of such resources.

Abbreviations

AECO physical storage and trading hub for natural gas on the TransCanada Alberta transmission system which is the delivery

point for various benchmark Alberta index prices.

bbl barrel

bbl/d barrels per day

boe barrels of oil equivalent

boe/d barrels of oil equivalent per day

C\$ Canadian Dollars

COGE Canadian Oil and Gas Evaluation

GAAP Generally Accepted Accounting Principles

G&A general and administrative LIBOR London interbank offered rate

Mcf thousand cubic feet

Mcf/d thousand cubic feet per day

MMbbl millions of barrels

MMboe millions of barrels of oil equivalent

MMBtu million British thermal units NYMEX New York Mercantile Exchange

OPEC Organization of the Petroleum Exporting Countries

SAGD steam assisted gravity drainage

SOR steam to oil ratio

TAGD thermal assisted gravity drainage

US\$ United States Dollars
WTI West Texas Intermediate
WCS Western Canadian Select