Key to sections of the Official Information Act 1982 under which information has been withheld.

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[1] 9(2)(a) - to protect the privacy of natural persons, including deceased people

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[3] 9(2)(f)(iv) - to maintain the current constitutional conventions protecting the confidentiality of advice tendered by ministers and officials

[4] 9(2)(g)(i) - to maintain the effective conduct of public affairs through the free and frank expression of opinions

[5] 9(2)(i) - to enable the Crown to carry out commercial activities without disadvantage or prejudice

[6] 9(2)(j) - to protect the commercial position of the person who supplied the information, or who is the subject of the information; to enable the Crown to carry out commercial activities without disadvantage or prejudice; and to enable the Crown to negotiate without disadvantage or prejudice

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In preparing this Information Release, the Treasury has considered the public interest considerations in section 9(1) of the Official Information Act.
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Dear Ministers

QUARTERLY REPORT TO 30 JUNE 2012

The public quarterly production report was published on the 18 July 2012. We continue to update and refine the content and format of the report in line with the reporting trends of our peer group (Australasian resource companies).

This letter is for shareholder use only and contains financial results and commercially sensitive information that is not for public release. The detailed financial results for the quarter have been loaded directly into the CFIS consolidation system as requested. The financial result is draft, unaudited and subject to final Board approval on 20 August.

We have revised the format of this letter to align more closely with our monthly Shareholder report. This letter contains the following sections:

- Group financial performance summary
- Key operational issues
- Summary of year to date financial results and cashflows versus plan
- Underlying earnings adjustments
- Treasury summary
- Solid Energy Financial Outlook
- Market Outlook
- MOM milestones
- Draft profit announcement to be made public on 22nd August.

The asset impairments previously signalled have been detailed in the Underlying Earnings adjustments section. There are a number of specific issues noted on page 2 which the business is working through which should be noted by the Shareholding Ministers.

Please direct any queries in the first instance to Anthony Burg, Chief Financial Officer on

Yours sincerely,

[Signature]

CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

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