

# **INTRODUCTION TO ATLAS ENERGY**

An International Upstream Royalty Company

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# **OVERVIEW OF ATLAS ENERGY**

An Internationally Focused Oil and Gas Investment Company



# Building a portfolio of royalty interests in international upstream assets

- Targeting a diverse range of countries across the globe in both emerging and developed markets
- Seeking investments in both oil and gas assets, ranging from pre-development through to mature production



# Straightforward and flexible funding approach based on a royalty financing model

- Atlas provides capital to E&P companies to fund organic growth and acquisitions and for other corporate purposes
- Investments generate royalty interests in target assets using flexible and accommodating financing structures



# **Expertise in building and funding E&P companies**

- Atlas' management team and board have successfully grown and sold multiple E&P companies
- Atlas team has completed >\$19 billion in M&A/finance transactions and raised >\$1 billion in public equity capital



# Extensive in-house expertise providing value-add to investment partners

- Decades of combined experience touching over 70 oil and gas producing countries
- Extensive commercial, technical and on-the-ground operational experience on multiple continents



## ATLAS' STRATEGY FILLS A FINANCING VOID IN THE MARKETPLACE

ESG Factors + Emergence of US Unconventional have Eroded Available Capital for International E&P Companies

### Intl E&P funding sources 10 yrs ago:

### **Equity**

- ➤ 40+ dedicated international E&P fund managers, 2P NAV valuations
- ➤ 30+ private equity firms funding startups

#### **Debt**

- 20+ dedicated E&P teams at Intl banks plus a wide range of participant banks
- > 15+ multi-laterals/ECAs
- Good access to HY bonds as a 2ry source of finance

### Funding sources today:

### **Equity**

- <5 dedicated international E&P fund managers, 2x DACF valuations
- Minimal private equity engagement

### Debt

- <5 dedicated E&P teams at Intl banks – lenders of all types steadily exiting
- Traders active (but offtake dependent), HY bonds still an option for larger raises

Atlas sees an abundance of opportunities to support high quality teams with:

#### **DEVELOPMENT**



E&A BY MATURE COMPANIES



# ASSET ACQUISITIONS



**INFRASTRUCTURE** 



### TARGET OPPORTUNITIES

Atlas is Currently Evaluating a Pipeline of Potential Investments Across the International Landscape



### **Small Cap International E&Ps**

- Companies producing less than c. 20,000 boepd with scope to grow production organically
- Atlas funding would be used to accelerate appraisal and development on existing assets
- Funding can also be used for new (brownfield/greenfield) projects and acquisitions
- Target deal size US\$25-50 million



### Mid Cap International Oil Companies (IOCs)

- Companies active across multiple jurisdictions with a portfolio of investment opportunities
- Atlas funding can be used for non-core opportunities for which corporate funding is unavailable
- Funding can also be used together with/in place of non-recourse financing for ring-fenced projects and acquisitions
- Target deal size US\$50-100 million



### **National Oil Companies (NOCs)**

- State-owned oil companies seeking active participation alongside Majors and IOCs in their domestic projects
- Atlas funding can be used to help fill the void left by multi-laterals/banks/ECAs that have stopped financing oil and gas
- Target deal size US\$100-200 million
- Atlas has relationships with large private equity firms that have expressed interest in co-investing in such opportunities

# **ROYALTY FINANCING MODEL**

A Win-Win Model Targeting a Segment of the Market with Diminished Interest from Traditional Capital Sources

A straightforward and flexible financing solution structured as a revenue-based or in certain cases profit-based royalty, typically implemented at the asset/project level

### Benefits to the company

#### Attractive alternative to equity:

- ✓ Royalty acts as a non-dilutive funding mechanism
- ✓ No private equity overhang or handcuffs
- ✓ Competitive cost of capital

#### Retained control of decision-making:

✓ Full control of asset stewardship, capital planning, corporate leadership and eventual monetisation

#### **Expands the M&A tool kit:**

- ✓ Straightforward alternative to a partial asset monetization or farm-down process
- ✓ Can be structured off balance sheet
- ✓ Fits well within the capital stack to fill funding gaps between debt and equity on acquisition finance

#### Limited obligations and restrictions:

- ✓ Unlike debt, no fixed repayments and associated repayment/refinancing risks
- ✓ Flexible use of proceeds and limited restrictive covenants
- √ No offtake commitment

#### Aligned partner for the long term:

- ✓ Unlike debt providers, royalty holders directly share commodity and production risks
- ✓ Long term asset performance and viability of the business is in the interest of both parties

#### Partnership with Atlas:

- ✓ Offering technical and operational support based on decades of experience working across the globe
- ✓ Access to Atlas network and intel
- ✓ Enhanced profile and capital markets exposure including tier A institutional investors



# STRUCTURING CONSIDERATIONS

Royalty Interests are Effected Using Flexible Financing Structures Adapted to the Company's Requirements



### Wide ranging applications

- Royalty financing is suited to wide range of funding requirements and can be applied across the capital structure (ranging from debt-like to equity-like in its uses)
- Royalty interests can be structured to accommodate a variety of creditors in the capital structure with flexibility on priority of payments, security (if applicable) and other key lender/inter-creditor considerations



### **Basic structuring points**

- Royalty payments are typically structured as a percentage of gross revenue from the target assets or, in some cases, net profit
- Royalty rates will be determined based on Atlas' assessment of future cashflow generation for the target assets (taking an equity-like view of performance and commodity prices) adjusted according to Atlas' target IRRs for the investment



### Target assets and uses

- Royalty interests can be structured across one or more existing fields/blocks or more broadly in the corporate structure (specific corporate entities or company-wide) or ring-fenced to specific projects or acquisitions
- Atlas is flexible on the use of proceeds, though investment in the target assets is preferred, enabling growth and value upside



#### **Jurisdictional factors**

- Jurisdiction will dictate whether the royalty interest takes the form of a genuine royalty (i.e. on title) vs. a synthetic royalty (i.e. contractual)
- The financing structure will be adapted according to local legal, tax and other factors to ensure an optimal structure for both the company and Atlas



# **COMPARISON OF PRIMARY FUNDING OPTIONS**

An Atlas Royalty Has Many Advantages Over Traditional Funding Options

Category	Atlas Royalty	Debt Facility	HY Bond	Equity	
Restrictions	Low: possible restrictions on use of proceeds, specific cash waterfall provisions	High: numerous restrictive covenants	Medium: fewer restrictive covenants than bank/trader debt	N/A	
Repayment	N/A: percentage of revenue	Fixed repayment profile (typically amortizing), possibility of mandatory prepayments and acceleration	Fixed repayment profile (typically bullet); often no-call for period with prepayment penalties	N/A: flexibility to manage dividend payments	
Security	Generally not required but case specific	Typically comprehensive and senior secured  Medium/high: increasing as banks move away from sector, risk-off emerging markets, trader debt offtake dependant	Varies: can be unsecured, more flexible in terms of subordination  Medium: min. size considerations, narrower application than bank debt, timing of offering crucial	N/A	
Execution risk / viability	Low/medium: jurisdictional factors to unpack during structuring, max size more limited			Medium/high: becoming much more difficult for Intl E&Ps, dilution a major consideration	
Refinancing risk	N/A	Medium: increasing as banks move away from sector, often mitigated through amortization	High: typically bullet repayment, risk increasing as investors move away from sector	N/A	
Cost	Medium: competitive vs. debt and equity	Low/Medium: increasing as banks move away from sector with additional cost for transaction fees/offtake	Medium: structure, jurisdiction and counterparty dependant	Medium/High: high cost of capital for many smaller Intl E&Ps (can be prohibitive)	
Relationship	Long-term, good alignment of interests, Atlas value add	Short-term, often high admin and scope for conflict but regular dialogue can be beneficial	Short-term, low admin but limited dialogue can be a drawback, limited alignment of interests	Varies by company and shareholder, interests typically aligned but not always	



# HIGHLY EXPERIENCED MANAGEMENT TEAM AND BOARD

Decades of Experience Building and Funding Upstream Companies Across the Globe

#### **MANAGEMENT TEAM**

Ī	Mark Hodgson President, CEO & Director	>	20+ years of experience – Former VP and co-founder of Spartan Delta Corp.; VP Operations Obsidian Energy; VP BD and Country Manager Bankers Petroleum Albania, Croatia, Hungary and Romania; Director of International E&P Institutional Sales at Tristone Capital London		
	<b>Confidential</b> CFO	>	20+ years of public company CFO experience, predominantly with international oil and gas companies		
	Blair Anderson VP Geoscience	>	40+ years of experience – Former CEO of Marsa Energy (Turkey); senior executive roles with Aventura (Trinidad), Verenex (Libya), Condor (CIS); extensive international experience including Indonesia, Australia, Asia, Mexico, South America, Caribbean, North and West Africa, Middle East and Europe.		
	Ryan Giroux VP Business Development	>	23+ years of experience including 17 years focused on international assets, working as a senior reservoir engineer with Petro-Canada UK and DONG Energy, then as a technical and commercial advisor and finance specialist with a number of London-based banks, most recently Societe Generale.		
	<b>Don Kornelsen</b> VP Commercial	>	Senior M&A specialist with 18+ years and over \$14 billion of international E&P transaction experience focused on Africa, Asia, Europe and the Middle East, most recently with Vermilion Energy, and prior to this with Standard Chartered Bank.		
	Richard Naden  VP Engineering	>	Senior executive with 35+ years of experience – VP, Operations Dorset Exploration; VP, Engineering & Operations Baytex Energy/Trust; extensive international petroleum engineering projects in USA, Central & South America, Caribbean, Europe, MENA and Asia.		

#### **BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

Richard "Rick" McHardy Chairman	25+ years of experience – Co-founder, CEO and Director of Logan Energy; Co-founder and Chairman (formerly Executive Chairman) of Spartan Delta Corp.; Co-founder and CEO of Spartan Energy, Spartan Exploration, Spartan Oil and Titan Exploration
<b>Gary Brown</b> Director	> 30+ years of experience – SVP and CFO of Wheaton Precious Metals
John Bookout III Director	40+ years of experience – Former Partner, PE at Apollo Global Management LLC; Managing Director of Energy and Infrastructure at KKR & Co., including principal backing of Flowstream; Director and Head of the 17 global industry practices at McKinsey & Co. including Co-head of NA Energy and Head of European Energy.
<b>Glenn McNamara</b> Director	40+ years of experience – Former CEO of Heritage Royalty; Former President of BG Canada, Exxon Canada West and Petromanas; multitude of senior leadership roles at Exxon in South America, USA, Europe and Asia Pacific.
Scott Price Director	40+ years of experience – Former lead independent director of Gran Tierra, CEO of Solana Resources and Aventura Energy; CFO of Ocelot International

# **ATLAS PARTNERSHIP**

More Than a Capital Provider

### **Technical Expertise**

 Deep in-house knowledge based on decades of experience executing geoscience and engineering projects spanning every continent

### **Operational Expertise**

 Team members have been country managers of assets across multiple jurisdictions and understand the complexities inherent to international operations



### **Commercial & Country Expertise**

 Evaluations carried out in 70+ countries: decades of experience assessing and managing commercial, legal and political challenges

### **Transactional Expertise**

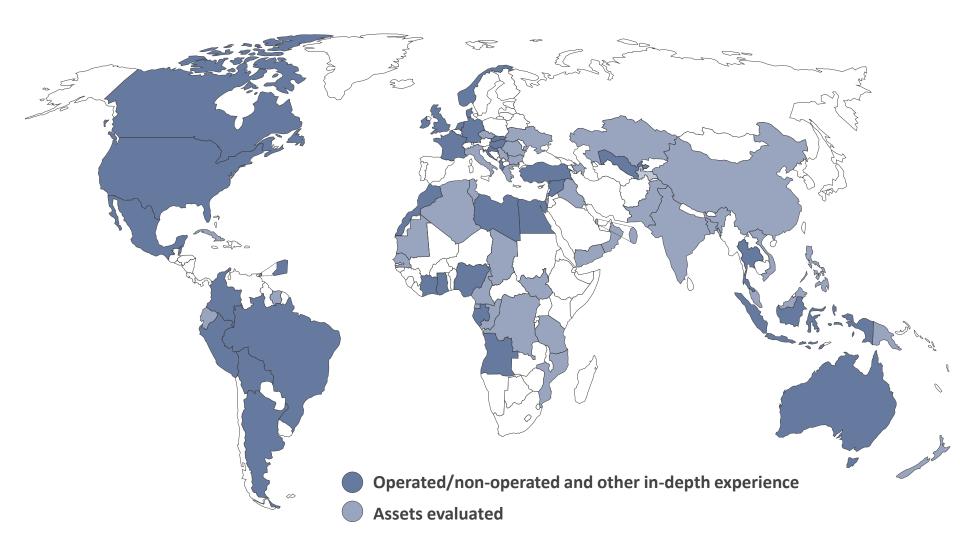
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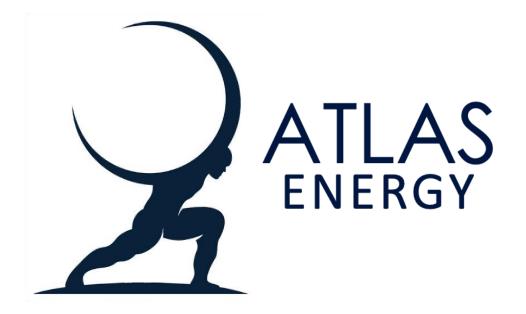
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# **GLOBAL EXPERIENCE OF THE ATLAS TEAM**

Collective experience covering more than 70 countries







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