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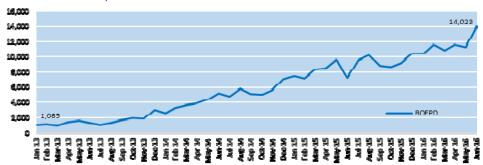
Alta Mesa Holdings, LP

Overview

Increasing focus and concentration of capital into high-profitability outcomes

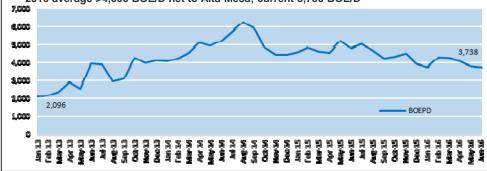
Sooner Trend STACK(1)

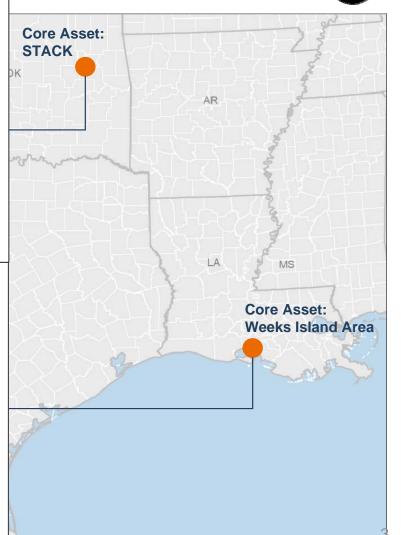
- 92,000+ net acre position assembled
- 104 Alta Mesa-operated horizontal wells, primarily Osage
- Targeting 2,500+ Osage/Meramec inventory; Manning, Oswego, Woodford prospective
- . Osage/Meramec spacing tests progressing across acreage
- Current rate ~16,000 BOE/D net to Alta Mesa



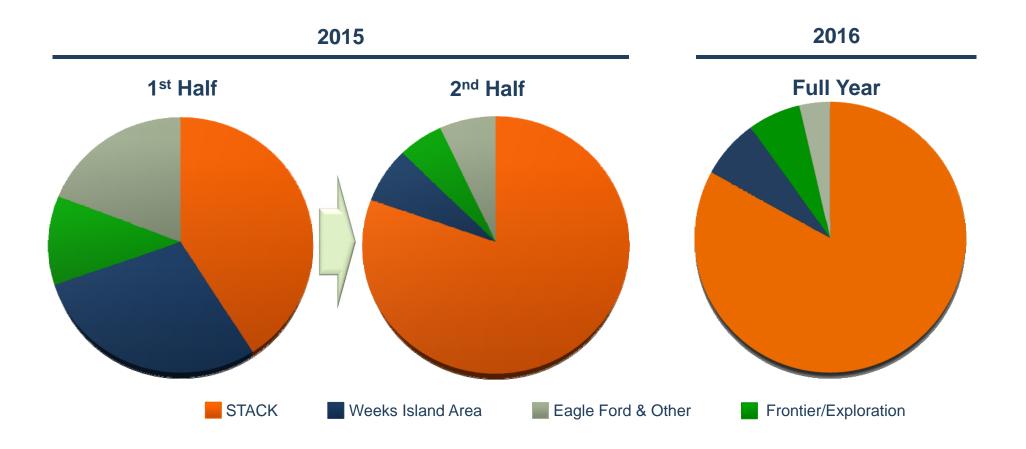
Weeks Island Field Area (1)

- 500 MMBOE oil field; targeting >50 MMBOE increase in EUR
- High-return completions in up to 55 pay zones
- Expanding acreage position in area with Cote Blanche and Avery Island
- Operate ~100% of Weeks, Cote Blanche
- Over two years with production 3,500-4,000 BOEPD net to Alta Mesa
- 2016 average >4,000 BOE/D net to Alta Mesa; current 3,750 BOE/D



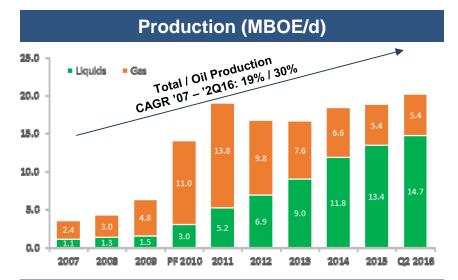


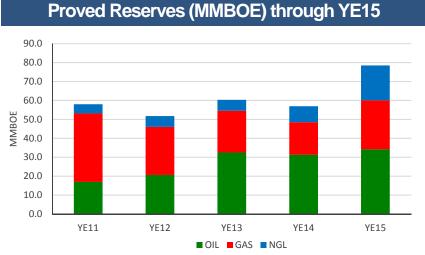
Capital Allocation: Cash-Flow Neutral Focus Sharpening Focus on STACK

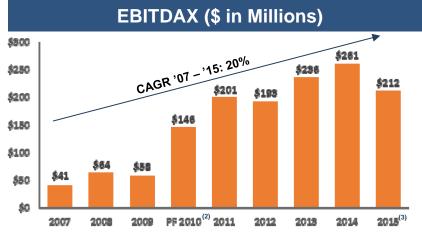


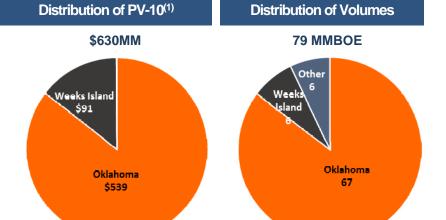
Performance and Reserves











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^{2.} Pro Forma for Meridian Acquisition.

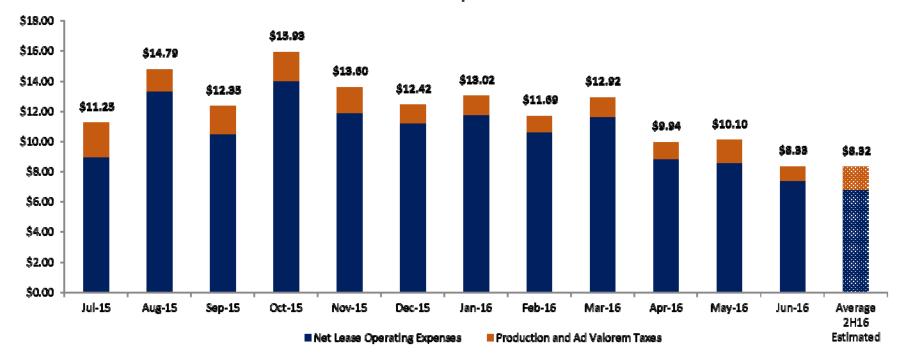
^{3.} Reflects EBITDAX reported by accounting, excluding one-time adjustments.

TTM Expense Trends – All Areas

Total Company – Strong Response to Commodity Prices



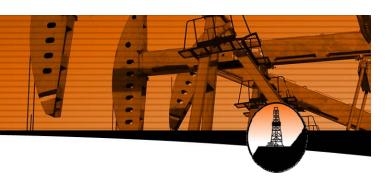
TTM vs. Estimated LOE per BOE – All Areas



- Average Net LOE/BOE reduced 25% from Q1 to Q2 2016
- Operations efficiencies in Sooner Trend area drive 47% of expense reduction
- Lower LOE/BOE trend expected to continue through second half of 2016

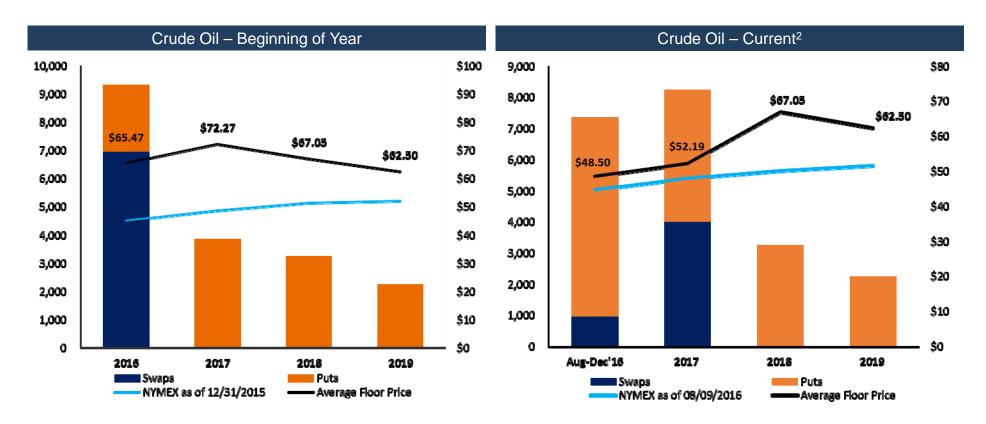
2016 Crude Oil Hedging

Disciplined Price Risk Management



Commodity Price Risk Management

- Realized >\$60MM in hedge revenue from oil in 1H16
- New hedges placed in 3Q16 protect an additional \$13MM in 2016 revenue
- Protection of >\$350MM in crude oil revenue through 2019¹

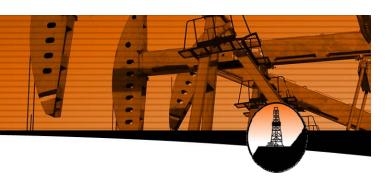


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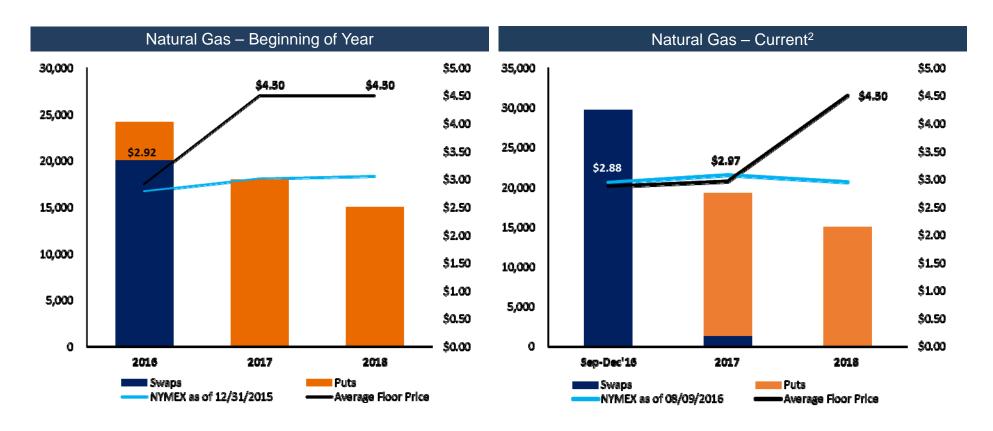
2016 Natural Gas Hedging

Disciplined Price Risk Management



Commodity Price Risk Management

- Realized >\$5MM in hedge revenue from natural gas in 1H16
- Panhandle Basis Swaps placed in 3Q16 lock in a differential of (\$0.26) to Henry Hub for 5,000 MMBTU/day
- Protection of >\$60MM in natural gas revenue through 2019¹



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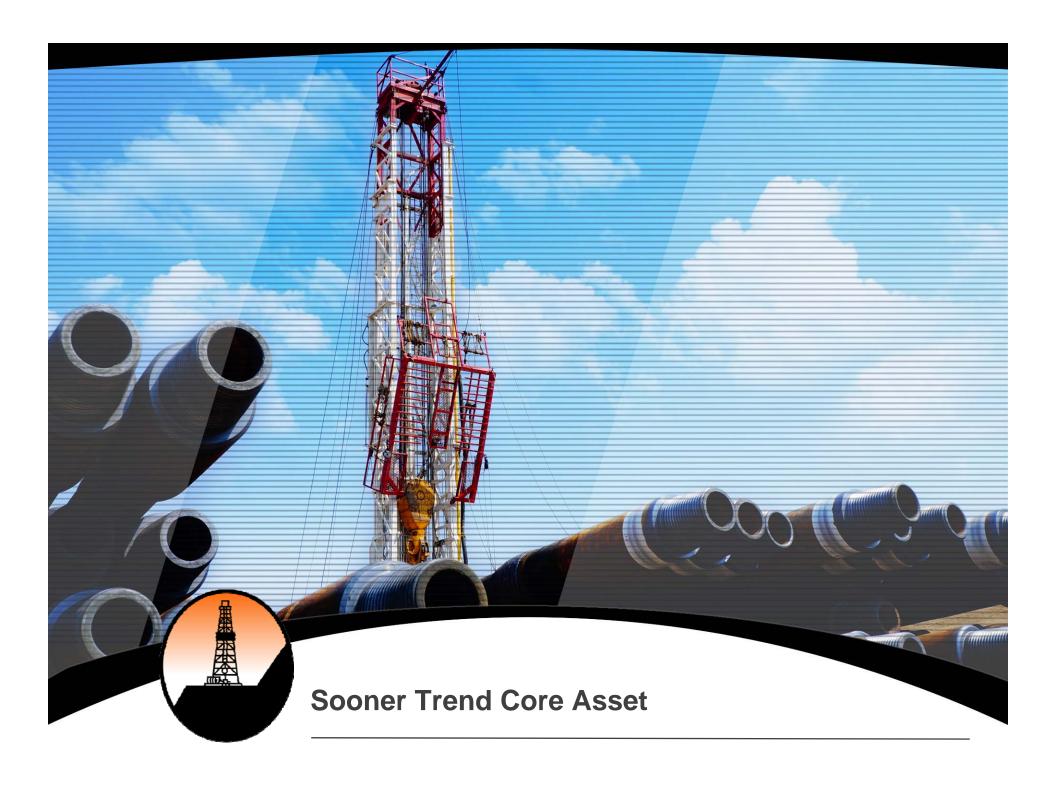
Hedges Provide Balance Sheet Durability

Significant Oil and Gas Downside Protection through 2019

Projected impact to cash flow from settlement of derivative contracts

n MMs)	<u>Oil Prices</u>				
	\$20	\$30	\$40	\$50	\$60
3Q 2016	\$13.7	\$7.0	\$0.3	(\$2.4)	(\$7.9)
4Q 2016	\$15.1	\$8.9	\$2.8	\$0.0	(\$4.3)
1Q 2017	\$16.3	\$12.4	\$8.0	\$1.1	(\$4.8)
2Q 2017	\$14.5	\$10.9	\$6.8	\$0.3	(\$4.9)
3Q 2017	\$14.8	\$11.1	\$7.0	\$0.5	(\$4.7)
4Q 2017	\$16.7	\$13.0	\$8.9	\$3.4	(\$2.0)
1Q 2018	\$6.1	\$6.1	\$6.1	\$5.1	\$3.1
2Q 2018	\$5.7	\$5.7	\$5.7	\$4.8	\$3.1
3Q 2018	\$5.1	\$5.1	\$5.1	\$3.9	\$1.5
4Q 2018	\$4.6	\$4.6	\$4.6	\$3.3	\$0.7
1Q 2019	\$3.5	\$3.5	\$3.5	\$2.5	\$0.5
2Q 2019	\$3.6	\$3.6	\$3.6	\$2.6	\$0.5
3Q 2019	\$3.6	\$3.6	\$3.6	\$2.6	\$0.5
4Q 2019	\$3.6	\$3.6	\$3.6	\$2.6	\$0.5
Total	\$127.0	\$99.1	\$69.6	\$30.3	(\$18.2)

(\$ in MMs)	<u>Gas Prices</u>				
	\$1.50	\$2.00	\$2.50	\$3.00	\$3.50
3Q 2016	\$3.7	\$2.4	\$1.0	(\$0.3)	(\$1.7)
4Q 2016	\$3.8	\$2.4	\$1.0	(\$0.3)	(\$1.7)
1Q 2017	\$0.5	\$0.5	\$0.5	(\$0.3)	(\$0.3)
2Q 2017	\$0.8	\$0.8	\$0.8	\$0.0	\$0.0
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4Q 2017	\$0.8	\$0.8	\$0.8	\$0.0	\$0.0
1Q 2018	\$0.7	\$0.7	\$0.7	\$0.7	\$0.7
2Q 2018	\$0.7	\$0.7	\$0.7	\$0.7	\$0.7
3Q 2018	\$0.7	\$0.7	\$0.7	\$0.7	\$0.7
4Q 2018	\$0.7	\$0.7	\$0.7	\$0.7	\$0.7
Total	\$13.2	\$10.5	\$7.7	\$1.7	(\$1.0)



Sooner Trend STACK

Demonstrated production and reserve growth

Overview (1)(2)				
Reserves	67 MMBOE YE 2015 SEC			
1P PV10 (\$MM)	\$539 SEC			
1P % Proved Developed	37%			
1P Proved R/P	13.1x			
June 2016 Production	14,000 Net BOEPD			
% Liquids (Production)	70%			
2016E Capex	\$94MM AMH + \$140MM DrillCo			

Key Result

 30, 60 and 90 day rates exceed competitors producing from over-pressured Meramec – implies higher reservoir quality

Position

- 92,000+ net acres, > 50,000 HBP
- Doubled acreage position in 2015
- 25,000 net acres optioned in Logan County
- 16,000 BOE/D net, up from <1,000 BOE/D in early 2013
- Principal focus ~500 ft thick Mississippian section targeting Meramec and Osage
- Additional drilling Woodford, Oswego and Manning



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We Are The Most Active Operator in the Oil Window STACK is rapidly consolidating

Execution

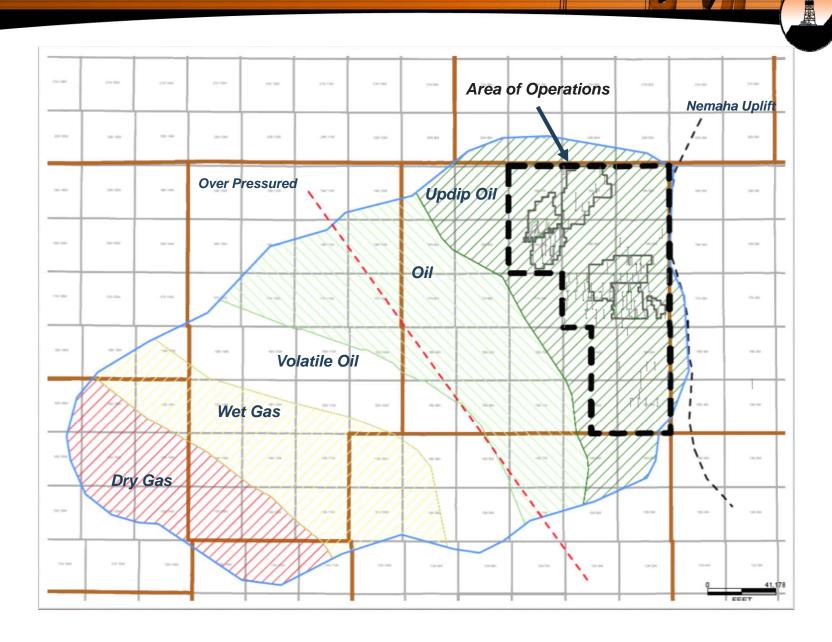
- Reservoir development, engineering and geology
- Drilling, completions, and production operations
- Midstream and marketing
- Land/lease management and regulatory interface

Value Accretion, Multiplication, and Realization

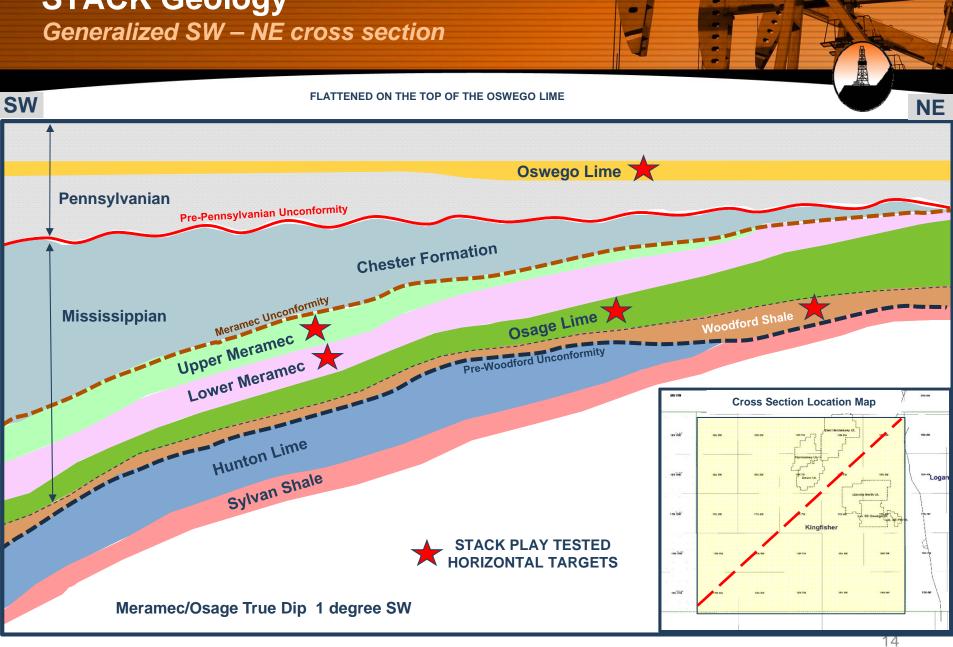
- Apply best-in-class cost structure and production results to create value
- Leverage and expand existing Alta Mesa operations to multiply value
- Apply Alta Mesa expertise and team to multiply and maximize value

Alta Mesa Position in STACK

Significant leasehold in updip, naturally-fractured oil window.



STACK Geology



Optimizing Recovery – Key Focus for Alta Mesa

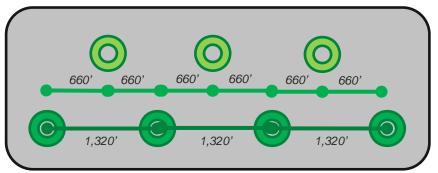
Confidence in average 7 wells/Section; up to 24 possible



2,500+ locations likely to be defined

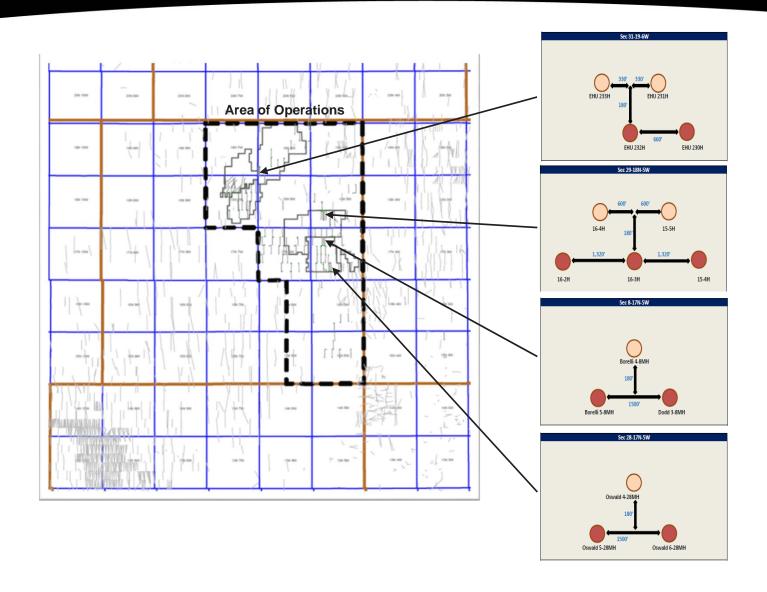
- Osage & Meramec section of Mississippian siliceous, naturally-fractured, overlain by Chester Shale
 - OOIP 40 MMBO per Section (Slb ELAN logs)
 - 8 historical vertical wells/section ~ 1-2% recovery
 - 7-24 Hz wells/section ~ 2.5-9% recovery
 - Water-Oil ratio: 1 to 1
- Oswego Lime an attractive horizontal target
 - 2 horizontal wells per section contemplated
 - In addition to existing vertical production
- Woodford Shale— oil-bearing, "Woodford Thick"; production established in offset acreage
- Hunton, Misener, Other historically prolific vertical wells in acreage; active development in Sooner Trend – 3D is key

Current Lower & Middle Miss Well Placement Scheme



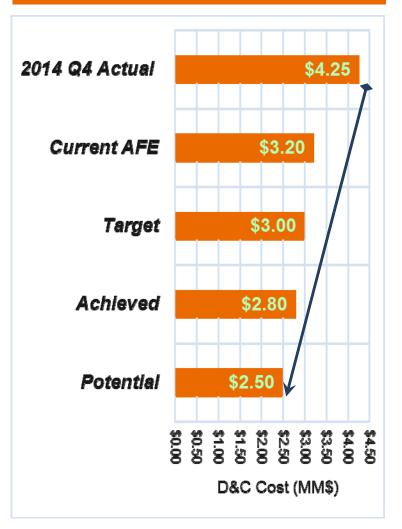
Focus: Multi-Well Pattern Definition and Development

Four pattern tests to date; multiple areas of optimization

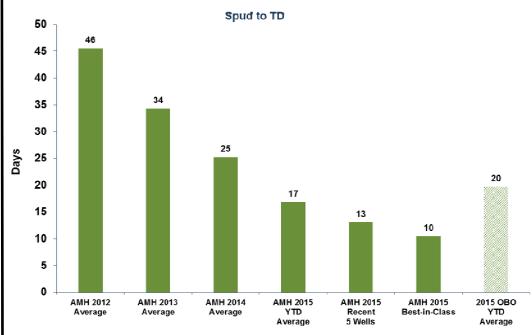


Osage/Meramec Development Progress Creating the Learning Curve

Osage/Meramec D&C Cost Progression

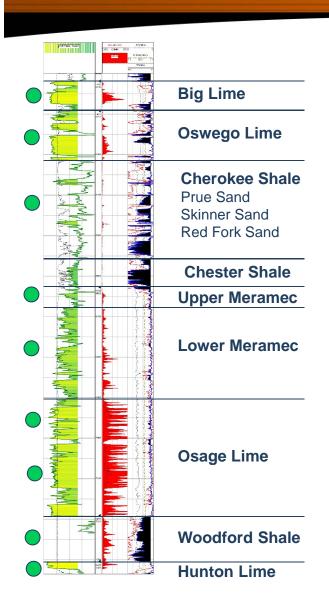


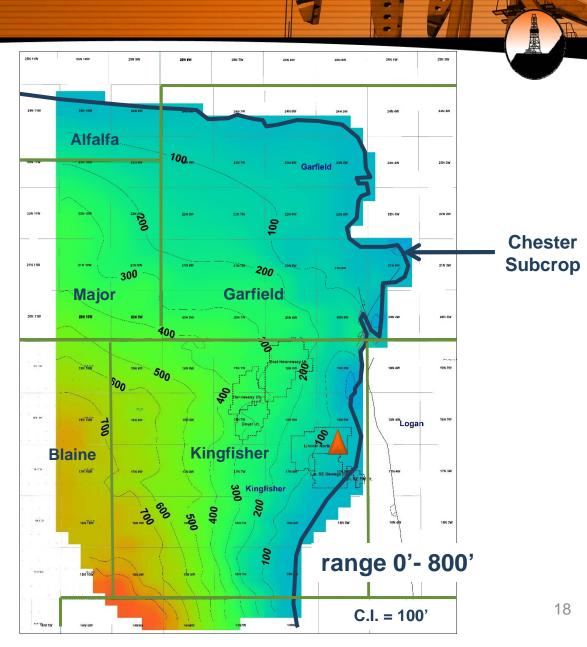
- \$3.0MM target cost/well
- \$2.8MM achieved cost/well
- \$2.5MM target potential cost/well



Stack of Pay Zones in STACK Play

Chester Uncomformity to Meramec Unconformity



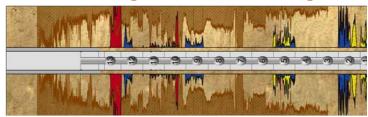


Optimizing the Cost Curve - Completions

Progressive Optimization of Completion, Rigorously Executed

- Defined "best" completion assembly
- Reduced spacing between frac clusters
- Increased proppant and fluid volumes in fracturing operations

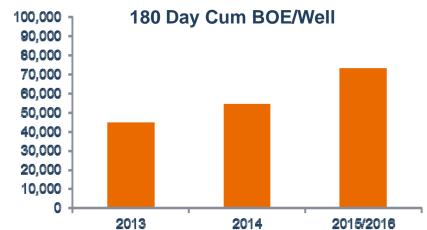
Initial Design + Fewer Frac Stages



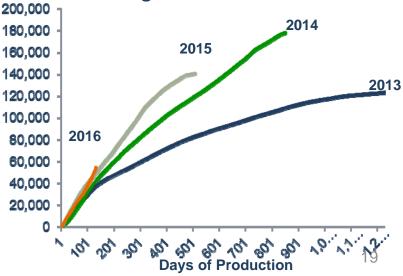
Mature Design + More Frac Stages



Colors depict presence of various tracers used to determine stimulation effectiveness









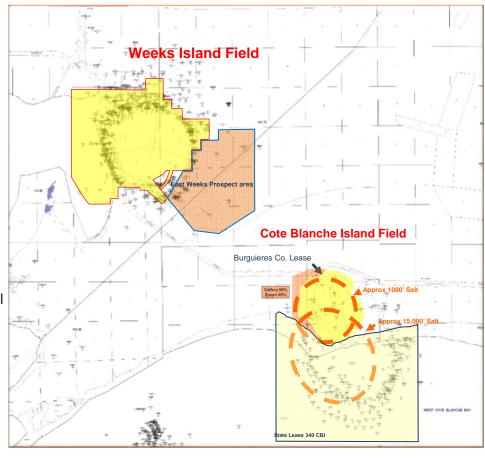
Weeks Island Area

Multi-discipline application of modern technology and sound operations

Overview (1)(2)				
Proved Reserves	6 MMBOE (SEC)			
PV10 (\$MM)	\$91 (SEC)			
% Proved Developed	69%			
Proved R/P	4.3x			
June 2016 Production	3,750 Net BOEPD			
% Liquids (Production)	88%			
2016E Capex	\$9ММ			

- 500 MMBOE field; targeting 20 MMBOE in additions at Weeks
- 250 MMBOE field; targeting 25 MMBOE in additions at CBI
- 60 Locations identified
- Average daily production rate >4,000 Net BOED for 1H16
- Generated ~\$14MM operating cash flow in 1H16
- New seismic processes show much clearer images at Weeks/CBI
- 3D salt model recently completed
- Intensive review of Cote Blanche Island underway

Three Salt Dome Fields in the Portfolio



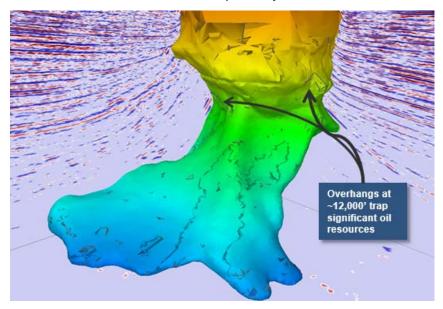
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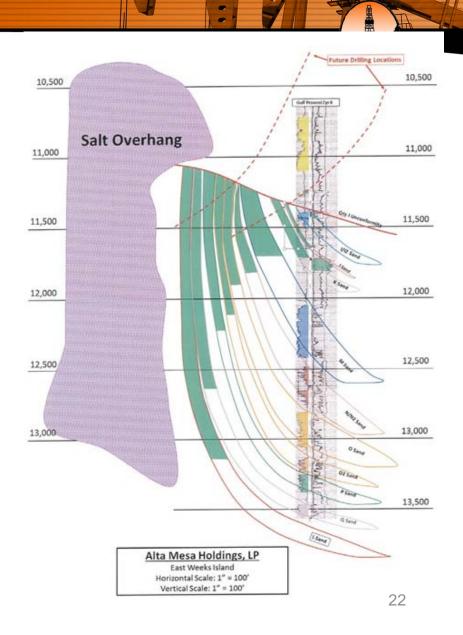
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Weeks Island Development

Updip Reserves Identified from Geology and 3D Seismic

- Generating multi-year drilling inventory and new reserves with advanced geophysics, geology, and engineering
- Systematic, progressive, and repeatable
- Definition and development of
 - Undrilled reservoirs
 - Updip, or "attic" oil
 - Undrained fault blocks in partially drilled reservoirs





Summary

Rigorous, Substantial Growth through Balance of Decade



Resilient Asset Base

- Portfolio with strong project economics >\$30 oil / NYMEX gas
- Large and expanding inventory in up-dip STACK
- Consistent cash flow with growth upside in Weeks Island/Cote Blanche and Frontier Areas

Strong, Experienced Management Team

- Flat organization
- Top-tier engineering and science competencies in critical areas
- Effective business processes and internal controls

Maintaining Financial Strength

- Cash-flow neutral budget, 48% lower capex than 2015
- BCE increases effective capital exposure
- Focus on minimizing costs via efficiencies and vendor collaboration
- Manage price risk by hedging in five-year horizon; strong 12-18 month position
- Concentrate capital <\$5-10/BOE drill-bit F&D

Building on 2015 Success

- 2015: LOE approx \$13.00/BOE all-in; Q2 2016 below \$9.43/BOE all-in (\$5.88/BOE Direct)
- 2015: Drill-bit F&D \$7.35/BOE; 2016 on track for ~\$5/BOE
- 2015: Non-core asset divestitures; continuing emphasis in 2016+