



FY24 1st Half Results and Update

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Central Petroleum Limited (ASX:CTP)



Solid underlying operational performance



Sales volume

2.4 PJe (1H FY2024)

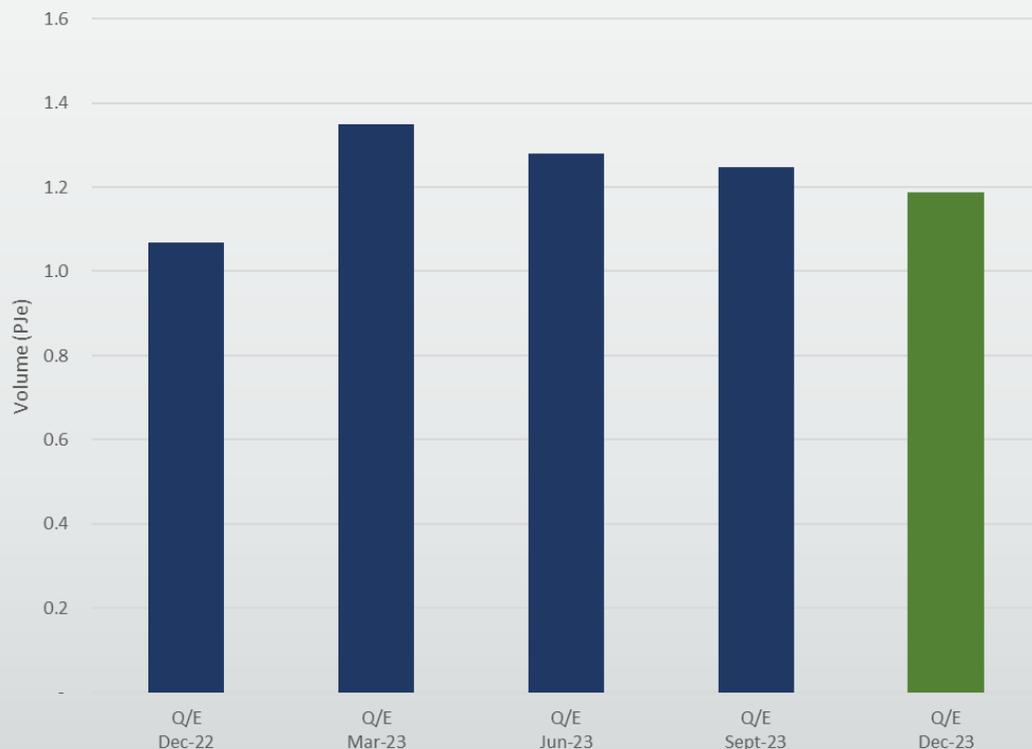
- YTD up 9% on 1H FY2023
- December qtr down 7% from September qtr
Impacted by intermittent closures of Northern Gas Pipeline

Sales revenue

\$19.9m (1H FY2024)

- Includes \$2.3m Take-or-pay release
- **Strong markets:** Realised portfolio price of **\$7.23/GJe** YTD

Quarterly Sales (PJe)



Sales margin

\$2.64 / GJe (1H FY2024)

- YTD up 35% from \$1.96 / GJe in 1H FY2023

Statutory profit

\$13.9m (1H FY2024)

- Includes \$13.8m profit on sale of Range gas project
- Lower exploration activity \$2.5m, down from \$11.3m in 1H FY2023
- Reduced corporate costs:
 - Admin costs: \$2.0m, down 24% from 1H FY2023
 - Finance costs: \$2.3m, down 6% from 1H FY2023

Mereenie sale valuation metrics

- Macquarie to sell a 50% interest in Mereenie for A\$85m-A\$103m*
- Upper value is 60% higher than Central's current 2P valuation

*Source: NZOG and Horizon Oil ASX Announcements 14/2/2024

Business strategy



Maximising cash flow to position the balance sheet for possible future distributions

Targets	Actions
Cost reduction	<ul style="list-style-type: none">➤ Comprehensive cost review underway➤ Ensure fit-for-purpose operating and corporate costs➤ Continuing to prioritise safety and environment
Debt and liability repayment	<ul style="list-style-type: none">➤ Decreasing loan balance➤ Pre-sold gas now fully-delivered➤ Repaid over 70% of the GBA overlift; repaid by May 2026
Gas marketing	<ul style="list-style-type: none">➤ Leveraged to emerging gas market dynamics with about 70% of 1P reserves uncontracted➤ NT Gas market in transition<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Traditional sources of NT gas have been declining▪ Amadeus Basin critical to the NT's emerging gas market▪ Ability to increase production through new wells subject to price signals and transportation certainty
Prioritise growth through promote transactions	<ul style="list-style-type: none">➤ Active discussions with potential farm-in participants➤ Reduce exploration costs through 3rd party funding

Debt reduction

Strong position with flexibility for growth opportunities

Strong cash position

- Cash balance \$21.4m (at 31 December 2023)
- Includes Range sale proceeds of \$12.5m

Reduced debt

- Loan Balance \$25.8m
- Net debt \$4.4m (at 31 December 2023)

Reducing debt service

Pre-Sale Acquisition Funding:
 Pre-sold gas has been fully-delivered at 31 December 2023

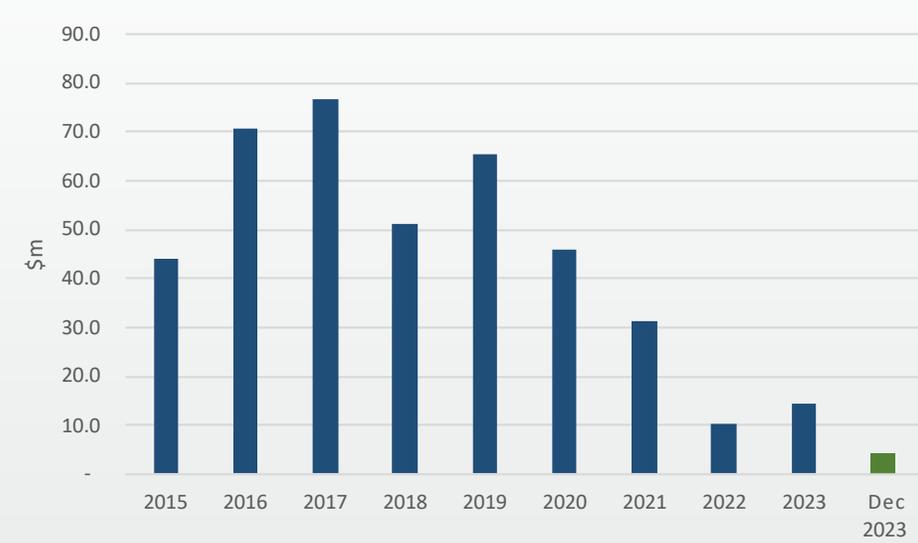
- Free cash flows to be boosted by more than \$6m* / year from this quarter

GBA Over-lift Funding:
 Over-lifted volume scheduled to be fully repaid by mid-2026

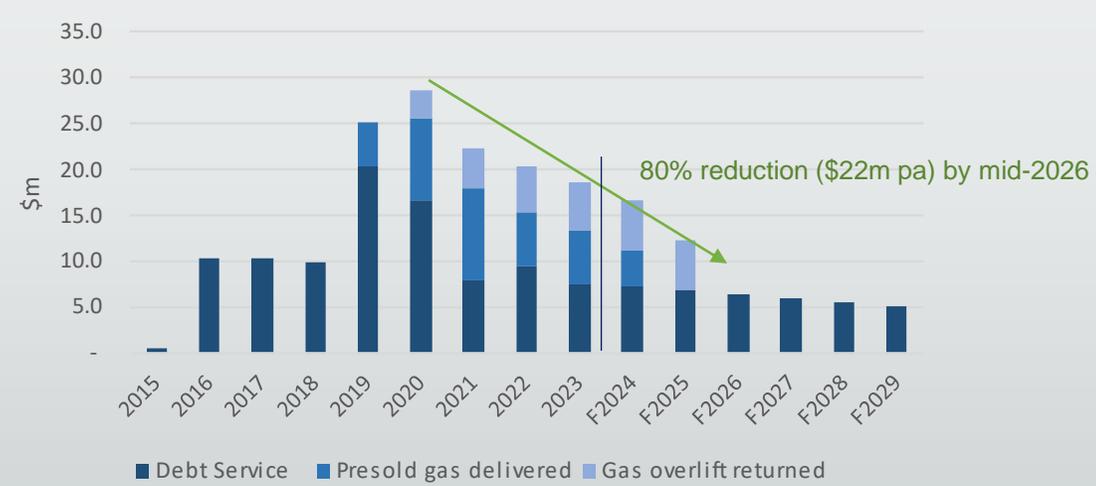
- Free cash flows to be boosted by over \$5m* / year from May 2026

*Assumes FY2023 portfolio average price

Net debt



Debt and gas-in-kind repayments (annualised)



Gas marketing

Highly leveraged to increasing gas prices through upcoming marketing

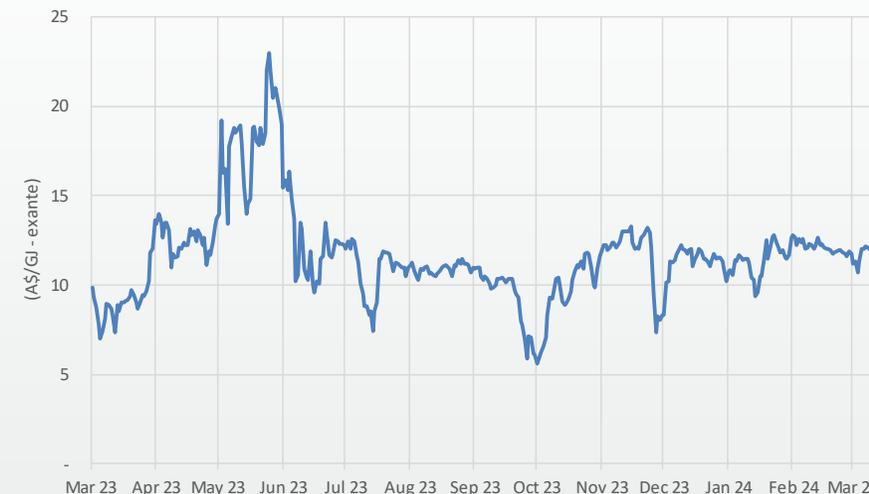
- Brisbane Short Term Trading Market prices have stabilised at around \$10 - \$12 / GJ over the last 9 months
- Strong interest for fixed-price term gas contracts

Competitive advantage from changing market fundamentals

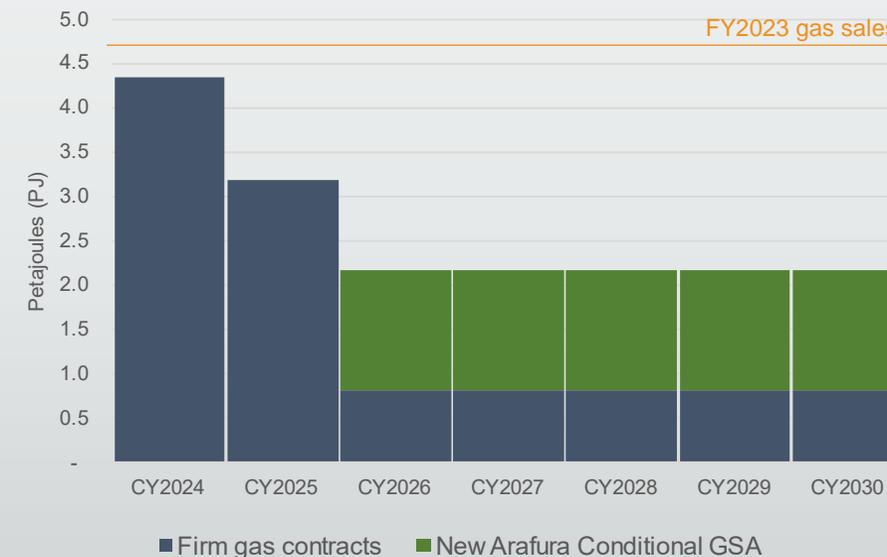
- About 70% of Central's existing 1P reserves are uncontracted
- Leveraged to increases in gas market prices
- Current portfolio margin (oil & gas) is \$2.64 / GJe, so a modest uplift in ex-field prices has a big impact on free cash flow
 - Each \$1/GJ increase in margin would result in a \$4.7m increase in cash flow each year (based on FY2023 volumes)

* Source: AEMO

Short Term Trading Market Pricing - Brisbane*

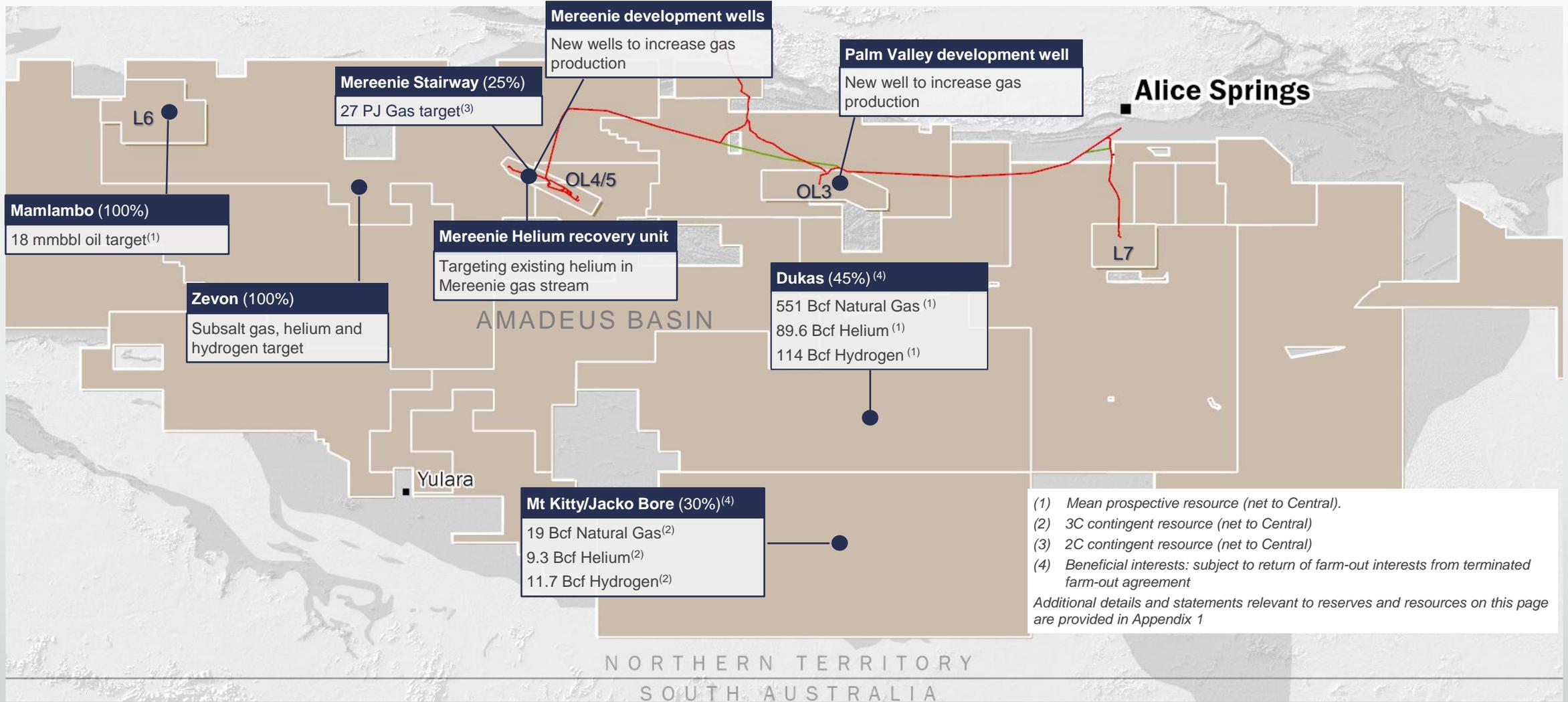


Central's firm contracted gas volumes



Focussed growth: high-impact / near-term

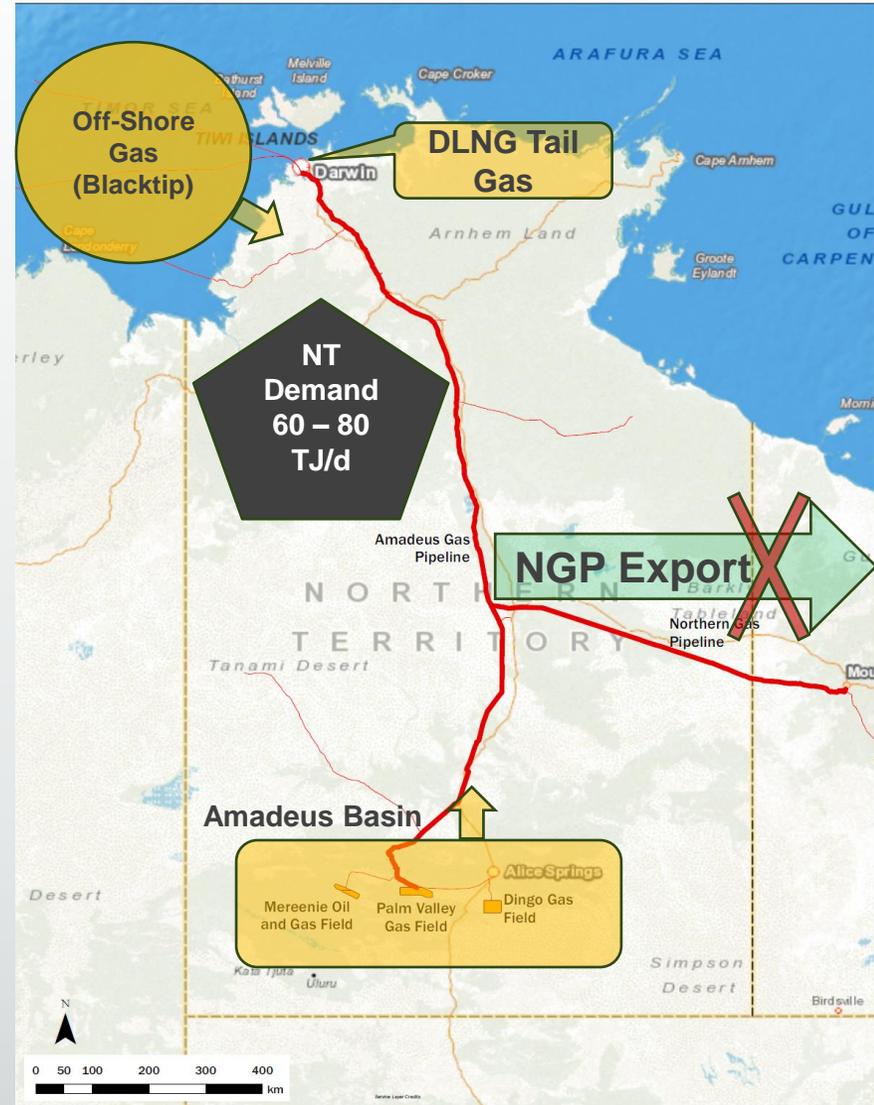
Large potential resources of natural gas, oil, helium, hydrogen



NT gas market

NGP Outage

- NT gas demand ranges from about 60 – 80 TJ/d
- Current NT gas supply:
 - Off-shore gas field (Blacktip)
 - Amadeus Basin
 - Temporary DLNG tail gas
- NT production surplus is currently insufficient for NGP exports

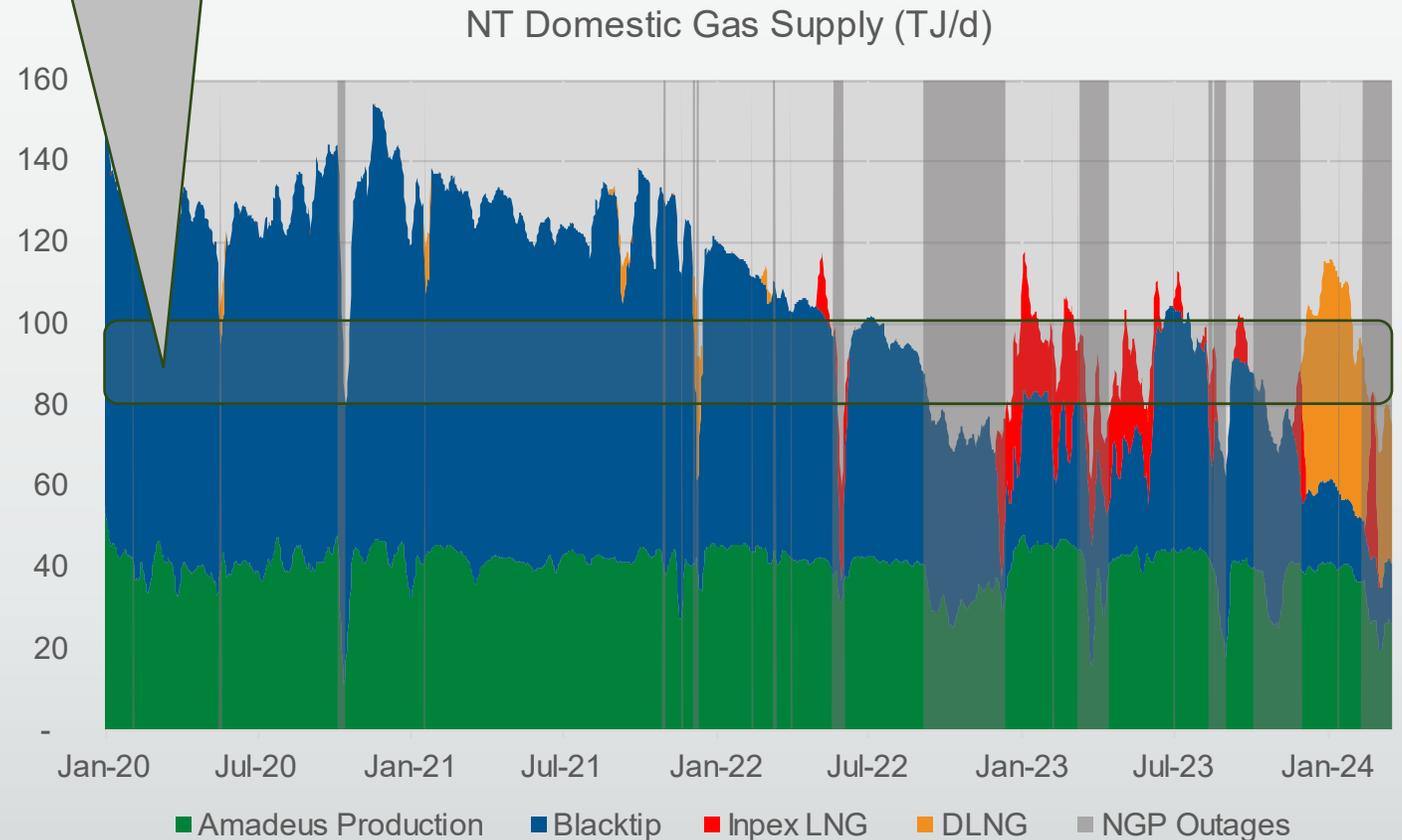


NT gas market in transition

NT's sources of gas supply is changing

- Significant decline in off-shore gas supply since 2022
- Currently offset by DLNG tail gas
- NGP outages coincide with NT production below 80 – 100 TJ/d
- Unfolding this year....
 - DLNG tail gas expected to end over the coming months
 - Off-shore production uncertain
 - Potential need for alternative gas supply
 - Emergency LNG arrangements
 - East Coast Imports (NGP “reverse flow”)
 - Amadeus Basin can quickly increase production with new wells

NT Production Required to Resume NGP Exports

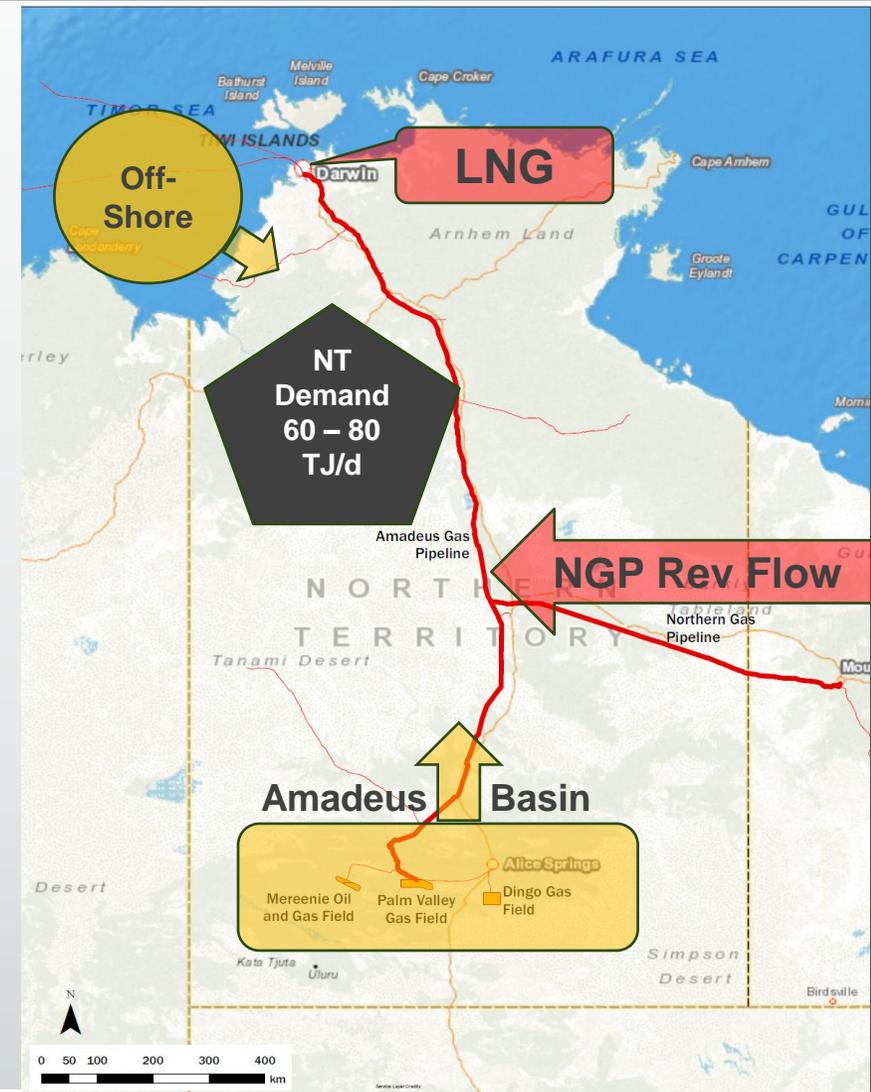
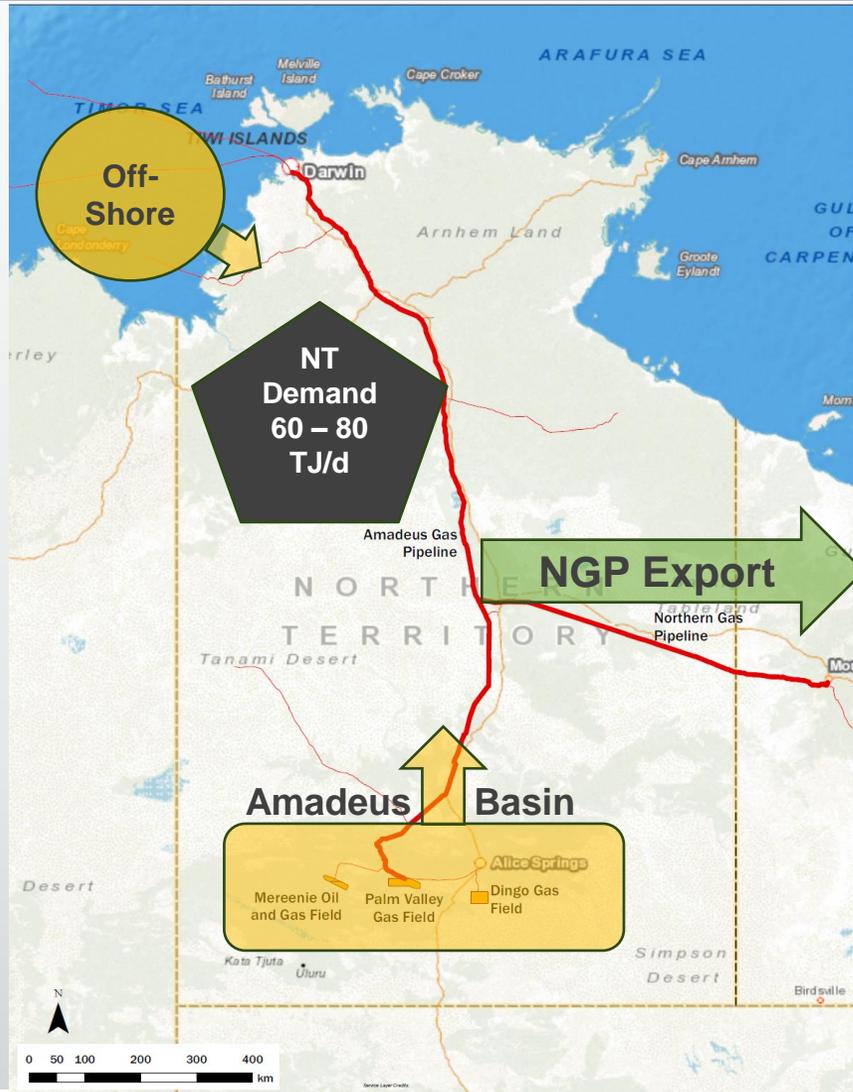


Source : AEMO (7 day rolling average)

NT gas market scenarios (near-term)

High NT Production Scenario

Low NT Production Scenario



Other updates

- Sub-Salt Farmout
 - Focus on Mt Kitty / Jacko Bore
- Helium Recovery Unit
 - Considering turn-key structure to accelerate development and minimise capital demand
- Flare Gas Recovery Project
 - Completed. Reduced Mereenie Scope 1 emissions by approximately 30 % and increased production
- Arafura Conditional GSA
 - CP date 30 June 2024





Appendix 1

Reserves and Resources Information

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Reserves and contingent resources

Central – existing producing fields (Central share)	Units	Reserves		Contingent Resources
		Proved	Proved & Probable	Best estimate
		1P	2P	2C
Mereenie oil	mmbbl	0.34	0.38	0.05
Mereenie gas	PJ	28.7	37.5	45.6
Palm Valley	PJ	12.6	13.4	4.6
Dingo	PJ	19.4	21.9	—
Total Amadeus Basin Producing Permits (oil converted at 5.816 PJ/mmbbl)	PJe	62.7	75.0	50.5

Exploration and appraisal	Contingent Resources			
Jacko Bore (EP125) Central 30% interest*	Units	1C	2C	3C
Helium	Bcf	1.2	5.4	20.7
Hydrogen	Bcf	1.5	6.6	25.8
Natural Gas	Bcf	2.8	11.7	43.8

Reserves and contingent resources

The reserves and contingent resources for the Mereenie, Palm Valley and Dingo fields in this report are as at 30 June 2023 and were first reported to ASX on 27 July 2023.

The contingent resources for Jacko Bore disclosed here are Central's 30% beneficial interest* equivalent of the resources first reported to ASX on 18 April 2023 for Central's 24% legal interest at that time.

The Mereenie contingent gas resources include 27 PJ attributable to the Mereenie Stairway formation.

The total aggregated reported 1P reserves may be a very conservative estimate and the aggregate 3P may be a very optimistic estimate due to the portfolio effects of arithmetic summation.

* Central is in the process of having its ownership interest in EP125 returned to its pre-farmout interest of 30% following termination of a farmout agreement.

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Prospective Resources

	Units	Low Estimate	Best Estimate	High Estimate	Mean
Dukas (EP112) Central 45% interest*					
Helium	Bcf	7.7	51.3	212.4	89.6
Hydrogen	Bcf	9.5	65.3	271.8	113.9
Natural Gas	Bcf	58.1	333.9	1,268.6	551.3
Mahler (EP82) Central 60% interest*					
Helium	Bcf	0.2	1.3	6.6	2.7
Hydrogen	Bcf	0.1	1.1	6.6	2.7
Natural Gas	Bcf	0.7	6.0	32.4	13.2
Dingo Deep (L7) Central 50% interest					
Natural Gas	PJ	7.5	24.5	71.5	34.5
Orange (EP82(DSA)) Central 100% interest					
Natural Gas	PJ	78.0	284.0	837.0	401.0
Palm Valley Deep (OL3) Central 50% interest					
Natural Gas	PJ	13.0	37.5	140.0	61.5
Mamlambo (L6) Central 100% interest					
Oil	mmbbls	3	13	39	18

Prospective Resources

The volumes of Prospective Resources included in this report represent the unrisks recoverable volumes derived from Monte Carlo probabilistic volumetric analysis.

The Prospective Resources for the Dukas and Mahler prospects are as at 17 April 2023 as first reported to ASX on 18 April 2023 and adjusted for Central's increased beneficial interests (Dukas was 35%, now 45%) (Mahler was 29%, now 60%).

The Prospective Resources for Dingo, Orange and Palm Valley were first reported to ASX on 7 August 2020, and adjusted for Central's reduced interests from 1 October 2021.

The Mamlambo Prospective Resources are as at 9 February 2022 as first reported to ASX on 10 February 2022.

Inputs required for these analyses have been derived from offset wells and fields relevant to each play and field. Recovery factors used have been derived from analogous field production data.

Cautionary statement: the estimated quantities of petroleum that may potentially be recovered by the application of a future development project(s) relate to undiscovered accumulations. These estimates have both a risk of discovery and a risk of development. Further exploration appraisal and evaluation is required to determine the existence of a significant quantity of potentially recoverable hydrocarbons.

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