

25 June 2018

Non-executive director appointment

Cooper Energy (ASX: COE) announces that Ms Elizabeth (Betsy) Donaghey has been appointed a non-executive director of the company effective from 25 June 2018. Ms Donaghey's appointment, to a casual vacancy on the board, is to be confirmed by shareholders at the Annual General Meeting scheduled for 8 November 2018.

Ms Donaghey brings over 30 years' experience in the energy sector including technical, commercial and executive roles in EnergyAustralia, Woodside Energy and BHP Petroleum. She is also a director of Australian Energy Market Operator (AEMO).

Her board experience includes non-executive director roles at Imdex Ltd, an ASX-listed provider of drilling fluids and downhole instrumentation; St Barbara Ltd, a gold explorer and producer; and the Australian Renewable Energy Agency. She has performed extensive committee roles in these appointments, serving on audit and compliance, risk and audit, technical and regulatory, remuneration and health and safety committees.

John Conde AO, Cooper Energy's Chairman, said Ms Donaghey would provide a valuable contribution to the board's leadership of Cooper Energy's growth and development as an upstream energy company, with expanding operations and gas sales in south-east Australia.

"Ms Donaghey is an energy company director who brings relevant experience in gas commercialisation, strategy and portfolio management, sustainability and regulatory matters. These are important areas to Cooper Energy as the company builds its operations and production from its projects in the Gippsland and Otway Basins" Mr Conde said.

"On behalf of shareholders, I welcome Ms Donaghey to our board" said Mr Conde.

Ms Donaghey holds a Bachelor of Civil Engineering from Texas A&M University, a Masters of Science in Operations Research from the University of Houston and has completed the Harvard Business School Advanced Management Program.

A summary of Ms Donaghey's directorships, work experience and qualifications follows.

About Cooper Energy Limited (ASX: COE) is an ASX listed exploration and production company which generates revenue from gas supply to south-east Australia and low cost Cooper Basin oil production. The company is an emerging player in the south-east Australian energy sector holding a portfolio of gas supply contracts and one of the most extensive portfolios of gas-focussed acreage and assets, including well located reserves and resources in the Otway and Gippsland basins. The most significant resource, the Sole gas field in the Gippsland Basin, is currently being developed to provide a new source of gas supply for south-east Australia from 2019

Betsy Donaghey: summary of work experience and qualifications



Ms Elizabeth (Betsy) Donaghey

Board Experience

Australian Energy Market Operator (AEMO)	April 2017 – present	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Non-executive director • Member Risk and Audit committee and Technical and Regulatory Committee
Australian Renewable Energy Agency (ARENA)	June 2012 – June 2014	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Non-executive director • Member Risk and Audit committee
St Barbara Ltd	Apr 2011 – June 2014	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Member Remuneration committee and Health and Safety committee
Solar Flagship Council	2011 - 2012	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Member
Imdex Ltd	Oct 2009 – Nov 2016	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Non-executive director • Member Audit and Compliance committee and Remuneration committee

Executive Experience

EnergyAustralia	2014 - 2016	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Strategy and Business Development Exec, NextGen Exec, Corporate Exec
Woodside Petroleum	2001 - 2009	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Strategic Planning Manager, Gas Marketing Manager, Australia Business Unit Exec, Browse LNG Business Unit Exec
BHP Petroleum	1986 – 2001	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Strategy, economic analysis, gas contract management and marketing, reservoir engineering

Education

BS Civil Engineering	Texas A&M University (1980)
MS Operations Research	University of Houston (1981)
Advanced Management Program	Harvard Business School (2006)