



COELACANTH ANNOUNCES 2022 YEAR-END RESERVES

Calgary, Alberta, April 20, 2023 – COELACANTH ENERGY INC. (TSXV – CEI) (“Coelacanth” or the “Company”) is pleased to announce its 2022 year-end reserves as independently evaluated by GLJ Ltd. (“GLJ”) effective December 31, 2022 (the “GLJ Report”), in accordance with National Instrument 51-101 (“NI 51-101”) and the Canadian Oil and Gas Evaluation (“COGE”) Handbook. All dollar figures are Canadian dollars unless otherwise noted.

Introduction

During 2022, Coelacanth was formed as a spin-out of Leucrotta Exploration Inc. with its lands previously being a small part of a larger business plan for Leucrotta. The Coelacanth lands have previously been geologically delineated with vertical penetrations in three distinct Montney zones and production tested in two of these zones on certain portions of the lands with horizontal wells.

Coelacanth has estimated approximately 11.2 billion barrels of Original Oil in Place (“OOIP”) and 8.1 trillion cubic feet of Original Gas in Place (“OGIP”) over its land base.

To date, Coelacanth has booked reserves for two producing Montney horizontal wells, and four undrilled Montney locations representing only portions of 4 sections of its current land base of approximately 151 net sections. The reserves provided herein represent the starting point of what Coelacanth believes will develop into a large Montney producing project over the next several years.

Coelacanth is excited to initiate its business plan to aggressively develop the property, establish the ultimate reserve recoveries and move the established recoverable resource from land to its established producing reserve base.

Reserve Highlights

Coelacanth is pleased to report material reserve and value:

- Increased Total Proved plus Probable reserves by 278% to 4.5 million boe from 1.2 million boe
- Increased Total Proved reserves by 110% to 2.0 million boe from 0.9 million boe
- Increased Total Proved plus Probable Reserve value (net present value discounted at 10%) by 352% to \$32.2 million from \$7.1 million

Reserves Summary

Coelacanth’s December 31, 2022 reserves as prepared by GLJ effective December 31, 2022 and based on the GLJ (2023-01) future price forecast are as follows^(1,4):

Working Interest Reserves ⁽²⁾	Tight Oil (Mbbl)	Shale Natural Gas (Mmcf)	NGLs (Mbbl)	Total Oil Equivalent (Mboe) ⁽³⁾
Proved				
Producing	37	1,123	19	244
Developed non-producing	-	-	-	-
Undeveloped	349	7,620	130	1,749
Total proved	387	8,743	149	1,993
Probable	521	10,540	179	2,457
Total proved & probable	907	19,284	328	4,450

Notes:

- (1) Numbers may not add due to rounding.
- (2) “Working Interest” or “Gross” reserves means Coelacanth’s working interest (operating and non-operating) share before deduction of royalties and without including any royalty interest of Coelacanth.
- (3) Oil equivalent amounts have been calculated using a conversion rate of six thousand cubic feet of natural gas to one barrel of oil.
- (4) Disclosure of Net reserves are included in Company’s Annual Information Form (“AIF”) dated April 18, 2023 filed on SEDAR at www.sedar.com. “Net” reserves means Coelacanth’s working interest (operated and non-operated) share after deduction of royalties, plus Coelacanth’s royalty interest in reserves.

Reserves Values

The estimated future net revenues before taxes associated with Coelacanth's reserves effective December 31, 2022 and based on the GLJ (2023-01) future price forecast are summarized in the following table ^(1,2,3,4):

(\$000s)	Discount factor per year				
	0%	5%	10%	15%	20%
Proved					
Producing	1,908	1,937	1,929	1,901	1,863
Developed Non-producing	-	-	-	-	-
Undeveloped	21,251	16,471	12,846	10,062	7,891
Total proved	23,159	18,408	14,775	11,964	9,754
Probable	34,580	24,115	17,380	12,872	9,739
Total proved & probable	57,739	42,524	32,155	24,836	19,493

Notes:

- (1) Numbers may not add due to rounding.
- (2) The estimated future net revenues are stated prior to provision for interest, debt service charges or general administrative expenses and after deduction of royalties, operating costs, estimated well abandonment and reclamation costs and estimated future capital expenditures.
- (3) The estimated future net revenue contained in the table does not necessarily represent the fair market value of the reserves. There is no assurance that the forecast price and cost assumptions contained in the GLJ Report will be attained and variations could be material. The recovery and reserve estimates described herein are estimates only. Actual reserves may be greater or less than those calculated.
- (4) The after-tax present values of future net revenue attributed to Coelacanth's reserves are included in Company's AIF dated April 18, 2023 filed on SEDAR at www.sedar.com.

Price Forecast

The GLJ (2023-01) price forecast is as follows:

Year	WTI Oil @ Cushing (\$US / Bbl)	Edmonton Light Oil (\$Cdn / Bbl)	AECO Natural Gas (\$Cdn / Mmbtu)	Chicago Natural Gas (\$US / Mmbtu)	Foreign Exchange (US\$/Cdn\$)
2023	75.00	97.96	4.36	4.46	0.7350
2024	75.00	95.30	4.77	4.35	0.7450
2025	75.43	94.50	4.47	4.12	0.7550
2026	76.94	95.14	4.49	4.20	0.7650
2027	78.48	95.79	4.53	4.29	0.7750
2028	80.05	97.70	4.62	4.38	0.7750
2029	81.65	99.66	4.71	4.47	0.7750
2030	83.28	101.65	4.80	4.56	0.7750
2031	84.95	103.68	4.89	4.65	0.7750
2032	86.65	104.31	4.99	4.75	0.7750
Escalate thereafter ⁽¹⁾	2.0% per year	2.0% per year	2.0% per year	2.0% per year	

Note:
(1) Escalated at two per cent per year starting in 2033 in the January 1, 2023 GLJ price forecast with the exception of foreign exchange, which remains flat.

Reserve Life Index ("RLI")

Coelacanth's RLI presented below is based on estimated Q4 2022 average production of 315 boe per day.

Reserve Category	RLI
Proved plus Probable Reserves	38.7
Proved Reserves	17.3

Reserves Reconciliation

The following summary reconciliation of Coelacanth's working interest reserves compares changes in the Company's reserves as at December 31, 2022 to the reserves as at December 31, 2021 based on the GLJ (2023-01) future price forecast ^(1,2):

Total Proved	Tight Oil (Mbbbl)	Shale Natural Gas (Mmcf)	NGLs (Mbbbl)	Total Oil Equivalent (Mboe) ⁽³⁾
Opening balance	234	3,871	72	951
Discoveries	-	-	-	-
Extensions and improved recovery	103	3,732	64	788
Technical revisions	49	1,401	18	300
Acquisitions	-	-	-	-
Dispositions	-	-	-	-
Economic factors	20	333	6	82
Production	(19)	(594)	(10)	(128)
Closing balance	387	8,743	149	1,993

Proved plus Probable	Tight Oil (Mbbbl)	Shale Natural Gas (Mmcf)	NGLs (Mbbbl)	Total Oil Equivalent (Mboe) ⁽³⁾
Opening balance	288	4,797	89	1,177
Discoveries	-	-	-	-
Extensions and improved recovery	531	12,930	220	2,906
Technical revisions	78	1,668	21	377
Acquisitions	-	-	-	-
Dispositions	-	-	-	-
Economic factors	29	482	9	118
Production	(19)	(594)	(10)	(128)
Closing balance	907	19,284	328	4,450

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Capital Expenditures

Capital allocation by category is as follows:

(\$000s)	2022	2021
Undeveloped land	1,164	542
Acquisitions	1,164	542
Drilling and completion	9,009	67
Facilities and related infrastructure	3,689	354
Geological, geophysical and other	42	374
Exploration and development expenditures	12,740	795
Total capital expenditures	13,904	1,337

Finding and Development Costs (“F&D”) and Finding, Development and Acquisition Costs (“FD&A”)

Coelacanth has presented FD&A and F&D costs below:

(\$000's, except where noted)	2022	
	Proved	Proved & Probable
Exploration and development expenditures	12,740	12,740
Change in FDC ⁽¹⁾	11,400	33,748
F&D costs	24,140	46,488
Acquisitions	1,164	1,164
FD&A costs	25,304	47,652
Reserve Additions (Mboe) ⁽²⁾		
Exploration and development	1,169	3,400
Acquisitions	-	-
	1,169	3,400
F&D costs (\$/boe)	20.65	13.67
FD&A costs (\$/boe)	21.65	14.02

Notes:

- (1) Future development capital (“FDC”) expenditures required to recover reserves estimated by GLJ. The aggregate of the exploration and development costs incurred in the most recent financial period and the change during that period in estimated future development costs generally may not reflect total finding and development costs related to reserve additions for that period.
- (2) Sum of drilling extensions, technical revisions and economic factors in the reserves reconciliation included above.

For Coelacanth’s full NI 51-101 disclosure related to its 2022 year-end reserves please refer to the Company’s AIF dated April 18, 2023 filed on SEDAR at www.sedar.com.

Forward-Looking Information

This news release contains forward-looking statements and forward-looking information within the meaning of applicable securities laws. The use of any of the words “expect”, “anticipate”, “continue”, “estimate”, “may”, “will”, “should”, “believe”, “intends”, “forecast”, “plans”, “guidance” and similar expressions are intended to identify forward-looking statements or information.

More particularly and without limitation, this document contains forward-looking statements and information relating to the Company’s oil, NGLs and natural gas production and reserves and reserves values, capital programs, and oil, NGLs, and natural gas commodity prices. The forward-looking statements and information are based on certain key expectations and assumptions made by the Company, including expectations and assumptions relating to prevailing commodity prices and exchange rates, applicable royalty rates and tax laws, future well production rates, the performance of existing wells, the success of drilling new wells, the availability of capital to undertake planned activities and the availability and cost of labor and services.

Although the Company believes that the expectations reflected in such forward-looking statements and information are reasonable, it can give no assurance that such expectations will prove to be correct. Since forward-looking statements and information address future events and conditions, by their very nature they involve inherent risks and uncertainties. Actual results may differ materially from those currently anticipated due to a number of factors and risks. These include, but are not limited to, the risks associated with the oil and gas industry in general such as operational risks in development, exploration and production, delays or changes in plans with respect to exploration or development projects or capital expenditures, the uncertainty of estimates and projections relating to production rates, costs and expenses, commodity price and exchange rate fluctuations, marketing and transportation, environmental risks, competition, the ability to access sufficient capital from internal and external sources and changes in tax, royalty and environmental legislation. The forward-looking statements and information contained in this document are made as of the date hereof for the purpose of providing the readers with the Company’s expectations for the coming year. The forward-looking statements and information may not be appropriate for other purposes. The Company undertakes no obligation to update publicly or revise any forward-looking statements or information, whether as a result of new information, future events or otherwise, unless so required by applicable securities laws.

Reserves Data

There are numerous uncertainties inherent in estimating quantities of tight oil, shale gas, and NGLs reserves and the future cash flows attributed to such reserves. The reserve and associated cash flow information set forth above are estimates only. In general, estimates of economically recoverable tight oil, shale gas, and NGLs reserves and the future net cash flows therefrom are based upon a number of variable factors and assumptions, such as historical production from the properties, production rates, ultimate reserve recovery, timing and amount of capital expenditures, marketability of oil and natural gas, royalty rates, the assumed effects of regulation by governmental agencies and future operating costs, all of which may vary materially.

Individual properties may not reflect the same confidence level as estimates of reserves for all properties due to the effects of aggregation.

This news release contains estimates of the net present value of the Company’s future net revenue from its reserves. Such amounts do not represent the fair market value of the Company’s reserves.

The reserves data contained in this news release has been prepared in accordance with National Instrument 51-101 ("NI 51-101"). The reserve data provided in this news release presents only a portion of the disclosure required under NI 51-101. All of the required information will be contained in the Company's Annual Information Form for the year ended December 31, 2022, filed on SEDAR at www.sedar.com.

Reserves are estimated remaining quantities of oil and natural gas and related substance anticipated to be recoverable from known accumulations, as of a given date, based on the analysis of drilling, geological, geophysical and engineering data; the use of established technology, and specified economic conditions, which are generally accepted as being reasonable. Reserves are classified according to the degree of certainty associated with the estimates as follows:

Proved Reserves are those reserves that can be estimated with a high degree of certainty to be recoverable. It is likely that the actual remaining quantities recovered will exceed the estimated proved reserves.

Probable Reserves are those additional reserves that are less certain to be recovered than proved reserves. It is equally likely that the actual remaining quantities recovered will be greater or less than the sum of the estimated proved plus probable reserves.

Well Recoveries

Well recoveries are equivalent to EUR - Estimated Ultimate Recovery which is defined as "those quantities of petroleum which are estimated, on a given date, to be potentially recoverable from an accumulation, plus those quantities already produced therefrom."

Potential Drilling Locations

This news release discloses drilling locations in three categories: (i) proved undeveloped locations; (ii) probable undeveloped locations; and (iii) an aggregate total of (i) and (ii).

The 4 Montney locations referenced in page 1 of this news release have been assigned reserves in the following categories at December 31, 2022, as independently evaluated by GLJ, in accordance with NI 51-101:

- 2 Proved Undeveloped
- 2 Probable Undeveloped

The drilling locations on which the Company will actually drill wells, including the number and timing thereof is ultimately dependent upon the availability of funding, regulatory approvals, seasonal restrictions, oil and natural gas prices, costs, actual drilling results, additional reservoir information that is obtained and other factors.

Original Oil in Place (OOIP) and Original Gas in Place (OGIP)

OGIP (Original Gas in Place) and OOIP (Original Oil in Place) are equivalent to Total Petroleum Initially In Place ("TPIIP") for the purposes of this news release.

TPIIP, as defined in the COGE Handbook, is that quantity of petroleum that is estimated to exist originally in naturally occurring accumulations. It includes that quantity of petroleum that is estimated, as of a given date, to be contained in known accumulations, prior to production, plus those estimated quantities in accumulations yet to be discovered (equivalent to "total resources"). There is no certainty that any portion of the resources will be discovered. If discovered, there is no certainty that it will be commercially viable to produce any portion of the resources.

The OGIP and OOIP estimates quoted in this news release are unaudited internal estimates effective June 1, 2022 prepared by a qualified reserves evaluator in accordance with the COGE Handbook. "Internal estimate" means an estimate that is derived by the Company's internal APEGA certified engineer(s), and geologist(s) and prepared in accordance with National Instrument 51-101 - Standards of Disclosure for Oil and Gas Activities. Product type for the OOIP number is "tight oil" and product type for the OGIP number is "shale gas". The location of the resource is the Montney formation in the Two Rivers area of northeast British Columbia, where Coelacanth owned 151 net sections (159 Gross) with an average ownership working interest of 95% at the time of the evaluation. The key variables relevant to the evaluation are porosity, reservoir thickness, pressure, water saturation and gas composition which have increasing uncertainty, both positive and negative, with distance from existing wells

Industry Metrics

This news release contains metrics commonly used in the oil and natural gas industry. Each of these metrics is determined by the Company as set out below or elsewhere in this news release. These metrics are "F&D costs", "FD&A costs", and "reserve-life index". These metrics do not have standardized meanings and may not be comparable to similar measures presented by other companies. As such, they should not be used to make comparisons.

Management uses these oil and gas metrics for its own performance measurements and to provide shareholders with measures to compare the Company's performance over time, however, such measures are not reliable indicators of the Company's future performance and future performance may not compare to the performance in previous periods.

"F&D costs" are calculated by dividing the sum of the total capital expenditures for the year (in dollars) by the change in reserves within the applicable reserves category (in boe). F&D costs, including FDC, includes all capital expenditures in the year as well as the change in FDC required to bring the reserves within the specified reserves category on production.

"FD&A costs" are calculated by dividing the sum of the total capital expenditures for the year inclusive of the net acquisition costs and disposition proceeds (in dollars) by the change in reserves within the applicable reserves category inclusive of changes due to acquisitions and dispositions (in boe). FD&A costs, including FDC, includes all capital expenditures in the year inclusive of the net acquisition costs and disposition proceeds as well as the change in FDC required to bring the reserves within the specified reserves category on production.

The Company uses F&D and FD&A as a measure of the efficiency of its overall capital program including the effect of acquisitions and dispositions. The aggregate of the exploration and development costs incurred in the most recent financial year and the change during that year in estimated future development costs generally will not reflect total finding and development costs related to reserves additions for that year.

"Reserve life index" or "RLI" is calculated by dividing the reserves (in boe) in the referenced category by the latest quarter of production (in boe) annualized. The Company uses this measure to determine how long the booked reserves will last at current production rates if no further reserves were added.

BOE Conversions

BOE's may be misleading, particularly if used in isolation. A BOE conversion ratio of 6 Mcf: 1 Bbl is based on an energy equivalency conversion method primarily applicable at the burner tip and does not represent a value equivalency at the wellhead.

Abbreviations

<i>Bbl</i>	<i>barrel</i>
<i>Mbbl</i>	<i>thousands of barrels</i>
<i>MMbtu</i>	<i>millions of British thermal units</i>
<i>Mcf</i>	<i>thousand cubic feet</i>
<i>MMcf</i>	<i>million cubic feet</i>
<i>Tcf</i>	<i>trillion cubic feet</i>
<i>NGLs</i>	<i>natural gas liquids</i>
<i>BOE</i>	<i>barrel of oil equivalent</i>
<i>MBOE</i>	<i>thousands of barrels of oil equivalent</i>
<i>WTI</i>	<i>West Texas Intermediate at Cushing Oklahoma</i>

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