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Attached please find the above mentioned Quarterly Report for Cue Energy Resources Ltd.

Yours faithfully

Andrew M Knox Chief Financial Officer

## QUARTERLY REPORT FOR THE QUARTER ENDING 30 JUNE 2003

#### **QUARTER HIGHLIGHTS**

#### Papua New Guinea

• Quarterly revenue from SE Gobe field was US\$1,132,382.

#### Indonesia

- A US\$293,996 insurance payment was received subsequent to the end of the quarter
- Oyong field front end engineering design and environmental impact studies continued.
- Subsequent to the quarter, a Gas Sales Agreement was signed for the sale of all Oyong gas to PT Indonesian Power at Grati.

#### 1. PRODUCTION

PDL 3 - SE Gobe Field, PNG (5.568892% interest)

**Operator: Santos** 

SE Gobe Unit, PNG (3.285646 % interest, over lift interest 3.8565%)

**Operator: Chevron** 

Cue's oil production revenue received during the quarter from the SE Gobe oil field in PNG was US\$1,132,382 and equated to 37,886 barrels. Cue did not have any hedging arrangements in place during the quarter.

At the end of the quarter, the SE Gobe field was producing at a rate of approximately 9,600 barrels of oil per day (Cue's net interest is approximately 370 barrels of oil per day).

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#### 2. DEVELOPMENT ACTIVITY

Sampang PSC – Madura Strait, East Java, Indonesia (15% Interest)

**Operator: Santos** 

Subsequent to the end of the quarter, a Gas Sales Contract was signed with PT Indonesia Power for the entire gas reserves of the Oyong field. The signing follows the Heads of Agreement which was signed in February 2003.

The Oyong field was discovered in mid 2001 and has over 90 billion cubic feet of proven and probable natural gas reserves and a conservatively estimated 5 million barrels of recoverable oil from the 80 million barrels of oil estimated to be in place.

Oyong is in 45 metres of water, 60 kilometres north east of PT Indonesian Power's 766 Megawatt open and combined cycle gas turbine facility at Grati, Indonesia. The gas is expected to be produced from the field at a minimum rate of 40 million cubic feet of gas per day. The combined gas and oil flow stream will be processed onshore at a facility which will be established adjacent to the Grati Power station.

First production is now expected to commence in early 2005.

Various development studies continued during the quarter, including front end engineering design and environmental impact studies.

#### **Finance**

During the quarter, Cue received a detailed expression of interest from a lender to project finance Cue's entire share of the gross capital cost of the development.

#### 3. EXPLORATION ACTIVITIES

PDL 3 - Papuan Basin, PNG (5.568892% Interest)

**Operator: Santos** 

No exploration activity took place during the quarter in the SE Gobe licence.

PPL 189 - Papuan Basin, PNG (14.894% Interest)

PRL 9 - Papuan Basin, PNG (14.894% Interest)

No exploration activity took place during the quarter.

PPL 190 - Papuan Basin, PNG (10.947% Interest)

**Operator: Santos** 

During the quarter, Santos continued to examine development options for the Bilip -1 discovery which straddles the boundary of the PDL-4 and PPL -190.

Bilip -1 which was drilled in late 2002, encountered 15 metres of gas overlying a 16 metric oil column with an oil water contact. The discovery is in the Iagifu Sandstone in the hanging wall (upper closure) of the Bilip structure.

### PRL 8 - Papuan Basin, PNG (10.72% Interest) (formerly PPL 193)

#### **Operator: Oil Search**

Subsequent to the end of the quarter, Oil Search announced that it had entered into an agreement with Mitsubishi Gas Chemical Corporation Inc and Itochu Corporation of Japan to complete a feasibility study into the potential for using PNG natural gas for manufacturing methanol in PNG.

The study will review location and infrastructure requirements and determine the funding and commercialisation options available for a methanol plant. The natural gas feedstock would largely be supplied by the Kimu gas field in PRL -8.

Kimu is estimated by the operator to contain in excess of 1 trillion cubic feet (Cue net share approximately 107 billion cubic feet) of recoverable gas that contains no sulphur and no carbon dioxide.

#### Sampang PSC – Madura Strait, East Java, Indonesia (15% Interest)

#### **Operator: Santos**

A wild cat well is expected to be drilled on the Mangga structure in October 2003. Mangga has the potential to hold similar volumes of hydrocarbons to Oyong and has the same Mundu Formation objective. Mangga is located in the western portion of the contract area adjacent to the Anggur structure which was drilled in 2000 and 2001. An additional wild cat well may be drilled in early 2004.

#### EP 363 Carnarvon Basin - Western Australia (10% buy back option)

#### **Operator: Apache Energy**

No activity.

#### **Corporate**

Subsequent to the end of the quarter, US\$293,996 was received as an insurance payment relating to the Anggur -2 blowout in 2001.

By Order of the Board

Andrew Knox Public Officer

25 July 2003

### APPENDIX II

(Rule 10.10.4)

## QUARTERLY REPORT OF CONSOLIDATED CASH FLOWS

## **Cue Energy Resources Limited**

	Quarterly Report of Consolidated Cash Flows in accordance with Listing Rule 10.10.4. These figures are based on accounts which are <b>unaudited</b> . If these figures are based on audited accounts, a statement is required of any material qualification made by the auditor. The Mining Issuer <b>does have</b> a formally constituted Audit Committee of the Board of Directors.	Quarter Ended 30/06/03 \$NZ 000	Year to Date (Twelve Months) \$NZ 000
1.	cash flows relating to operating activities  a) Receipts from product sales and related debtors  b) Payments: for exploration and evaluation     for development     for production     for administration	2,004 (560) - (392) (317)	7,656 (3,985) (419) (2,020) (1,345)
	<ul> <li>c) Dividends received</li> <li>d) Interest and other items of a similar nature received</li> <li>e) Interest and other costs of finance paid</li> <li>f) Income taxes paid</li> <li>g) Other</li> <li>h) NET OPERATING CASH FLOWS</li> </ul>	1 15 - - - 751	2 109 - (138) - (140)
2.	CASH FLOWS RELATED TO INVESTING ACTIVITIES  a) Cash paid for purchases of prospects	- - - - - - - -	235 6 - - 241
3.	CASH FLOWS RELATED TO FINANCING ACTIVITIES  a) Cash proceeds from issues of shares, options, etc b) Proceeds from sale of forfeited shares c) Borrowings d) Repayments of borrowings e) Dividends paid f) Other (provide details if material) g) NET FINANCING CASH FLOWS	- - - - -	- - - - -
4.	<ul> <li>a) *NET INCREASE (DECREASE) IN CASH HELD</li> <li>b) Cash at beginning of quarter/year to date</li> <li>c) Exchange rate adjustments to Item 4(a) above</li> <li>d) CASH AT END OF QUARTER</li> </ul>	751 3,629 (172) 4,208	101 4,823 (716) 4,208

#### 5. NON-CASH FINANCING AND INVESTING ACTIVITIES

a)	Provide details of financing and investing transactions which have had a material effect on consolidated assets and liabilities but did not involve cash flows.  N/A		
b)	Provide details of outlays made by other entities to establish or increase their shares in projects in which the reporting entity has an interest.		
	N/A		

#### 6. FINANCING FACILITIES AVAILABLE

Provide details of used and unused loan facilities and credit standby arrangements, adding such notes as are necessary for an understanding of the position.

Amount Available \$NZ 000	Amount Used \$NZ 000
-	-
-	-

**TOTAL** 

#### 7. ESTIMATED OUTLAYS FOR SPECIFIED QUARTERS

a) Exploration and evaluation

b) Development

**TOTAL** 

Current Quarter # \$NZ 000	Following Quarter \$NZ 000		
1,745	1,150		
21	21		
1,766	1,171		

# The outlays to be shown in this column are the estimates made for this quarter in the previous quarterly report. Where these estimates differ by more than 15% from the actual outlays reported in Item 1(b) of this report, provide an explanation of the reason(s) for these differences as an attachment to this report.

#### 8. RECONCILIATION OF CASH

For the purposes of this statement of cash flows, cash includes:

Cash at the end of the quarter as shown in the statement of cash flows is reconciled to the related items in the amounts as follows:

Cash on hand and at bank

Deposits at call

Bank overdraft

Other (provide details)

TOTAL = CASH AT END OF QUARTER [Items 4(d)/4(b)]

Current Quarter \$NZ 000	Previous Quarter \$NZ 000
6	56
4,202	3,573
4,208	3,629

#### 9. CHANGES IN INTERESTS IN MINING TENEMENTS

	Tenement Reference	Nature of Interest	Interest at Beginning Of Quarter	Interest at End of Quarter
a) Interests in mining tenements relinquished, reduced and/or lapsed	-	-	-	1
b) Interests in mining tenements acquired and/or increased	-	-	-	-

c) Where changes are reported in (a) and/or (b), an amended list of interests in mining tenements is to be attached to this statement.

## $10. \quad \textbf{ISSUED AND QUOTED SECURITIES AT END OF CURRENT QUARTER}$

Category of Securities	Note	Number Issued	Number Quoted	Par Value Cents	Paid-Up Value Cents
PREFERENCE SHARES: Of which issued during current quarter:		-	-	-	-
ORDINARY SHARES:		333,943,755	333,943,755	N/A	N/A
Of which issued during current quarter:		-	-	N/A	N/A
<b>CONVERTIBLE NOTES:</b> Of which issued during current quarter:		-	-	-	-
OPTIONS:		500,000 500,000 500,000 500,000	- - -	Exercise Price AUD Cents 8 10 12 15	Expiry Date 02/05/04 02/05/04 02/05/04 02/05/04
Of which issued during current quarter		- - - -	- - -	- - - -	- - - -
DEBENTURES - Totals only:		-	-	-	-
UNSECURED NOTES - Totals only:		-	-	-	-

Andrew Knox Public Officer

25 July 2003

## QUARTERLY REPORT OF CONSOLIDATED CASHFLOWS - QUARTER ENDED 30 JUNE 2003

#### ESTIMATED OUTLAYS FOR SPECIFIED QUARTERS

**Exploration Variation** 

The variation in the quarter was due to variation in the exploration programme.

**Development Variation** 

The variation in the quarter was due to variation in the development programme.

## QUARTERLY REPORT OF CONSOLIDATED CASHFLOWS - QUARTER ENDED 30 JUNE 2003

## **Amended List of Mining Tenements**

PERMIT	OPERATOR	CUE INTEREST (%)
Petroleum Properties		
<b>Indonesia</b> Sampang PSC	Santos Asia Pacific Pty Ltd	15.0
Papua New Guinea PPL 189 PPL 190 PDL 3 PRL 9 SE Gobe Field Unit PRL 8	Barracuda Pty Ltd  " " Chevron Niugini Pty Ltd Oil Search Limited	14.894 10.947 5.568892 14.894 3.285646 10.72