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## **Merger Update**

The board of Range Resources Limited (ASX: RRS/ AIM: RRL) ("Range" or "the Company") notes the announcement, dated 14 October 2013, from International Petroleum Limited (NSX: IOP) ("International Petroleum"), whereby International Petroleum announced it had entered into two binding conditional terms sheets for the sale of its assets in Kazakhstan ("Kazakhstan Assets") and Russia ("Russian Assets") for US\$60 million.

As previously announced (24 April 2013), Range had proposed a merger with International Petroleum, subject to various conditions being met, which when announced was likely to be conducted as an off-market takeover offer by Range to International Petroleum shareholders. In conjunction with the proposed merger Range has advanced US\$8 million in secured loan financing to International Petroleum.

While the sale process for the Russian Assets was known to and supported by the Range board, the final terms of the proposed transaction, and the sale of the Kazakhstan Assets have only now been defined. As a result of clarity on the sale of these assets, the likely proceeds from this sale and the associated shift in focus of International Petroleum to its African assets, Range will now identify and consider a range of corporate alternatives to the original merger proposal, which may or may not include a merger of the two companies – albeit on terms to be renegotiated.

Yours faithfully

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# **Range Background**

Range Resources Limited is a dual listed (ASX:RRS; AIM:RRL) oil & gas exploration company with oil & gas interests in the frontier state of Puntland, Somalia, the Republic of Georgia, Texas, USA, Trinidad and Colombia.

- In Trinidad Range holds a 100% interest in holding companies with three onshore production licenses and fully operational drilling subsidiary. Independently assessed Proved (P1) reserves in place of 17.5 MMBO with 25.2 MMBO of proved, probable and possible (3P) reserves and an additional 81 MMBO of unrisked prospective resources.
- In the Republic of Georgia, Range holds a 45% farm-in interest in onshore blocks VIa and VIb, covering approx. 7,000sq.km. The Company is focussing on a revised development strategy that will focus on low-cost, shallow appraisal drilling of the contingent resources around the Tkibuli-Shaori ("Tkibuli") coal deposit, which straddles the central sections of the Company's two blocks, along with attracting potential farm-in partners across the license areas given the recent review performed across the licenses.
- In Puntland, Range holds a 20% working interest in two licenses encompassing the highly prospective Dharoor and Nugaal valleys. The operator and 60% interest holder, Horn Petroleum Corp. (TSXV:HRN) has completed two exploration wells and will continue with a further seismic and well program over the next 12-18 months.
- Range is earning a 65% (option to move to 75%) interest in highly prospective licences in the Putumayo Basin in Southern Colombia. The Company will undertake a 3D seismic program in the near term as part of its exploration commitments on the Company's Colombian interests.
- Range has taken a strategic stake (19.9%) in Citation Resources Limited (ASX: CTR) which holds a
  70% interest in Latin American Resources (LAR). LAR holds an 80-100% interest in two oil and gas
  development and exploration blocks in Guatemala with Canadian NI 51-101 certified proved plus
  probable (2P) reserves of 2.3 MMBBL (100% basis). Range also holds a 20% interest in LAR.

#### **Table of Reserves and Resources**

Detailed below are the estimated reserves for the Range project portfolio.

	Gross Oil Reserves			Range's	Net Attributable			
Project	1P	2P	3P	Interest	1P	2P	3P	Operator
Oil & NGL - mmbbls								
Trinidad	17.5	20.2	25.2	100%	17.5	20.2	25.2	Range
Guatemala	*	2.3*	*	32%	*	0.74*	*	Latin American Resources
Total Oil & Liquids	17.5	22.5	25.2		17.5	20.9	25.2	
Gas Reserves - Bcf								



Georgia – CBM	-	-	508	45%	-	-	229 Strait Oil & Gas
<b>Total Gas Reserves</b>	-	-	508		-	-	203

<sup>\*</sup> The reserves estimate for the Guatemalan Blocks in which LAR (and CTR) have an interest in is as reported by CTR. CTR has not reported 1P and 3P estimates, but Range is seeking such information from CTR for future reporting purposes.

Detailed below are the estimated resources and oil-in-place delineated across Range's portfolio of project interests.

	Gross Oil Resources			Range's	Net Attributable				
Project	Low	Best/ Mean	High	Interest	Low	Best/ Mean	High	Operator	
Prospective Oil Resources – mmbbls									
Trinidad	8.1	40.5	81.0	100%	8.1	40.5	81.0	Range	
Total Prospective Resources	8.1	40.5	81.0		8.1	40.5	81.0		
Undiscovered Oil-In-Place - mmbbls									
Puntland	-	16,000	-	20%	-	3,200	-	Horn Petroleum	
Georgia	-	403	-	45%	-	181	-	Strait Oil & Gas	
Colombia	-	7.8	-	65-75%	-	5.1 - 5.8	-	Petro Caribbean	
Undiscovered Gas-In-Place – Tcf									
Georgia - Conventional	-	18.44	-	45%	-	8.30	-	Strait Oil & Gas	
Georgia - CBM	-	3.16	-	45%	-	1.42	-	Strait Oil & Gas	

All of the technical information, including information in relation to reserves and resources that is contained in this document has been reviewed internally by the Company's technical consultant, Mr Mark Patterson. Mr Patterson is a geophysicist who is a suitably qualified person with over 25 years' experience in assessing hydrocarbon reserves and has reviewed the release and consents to the inclusion of the technical information.

The reserves estimate for the Guatemalan Blocks in which LAR (and CTR) have an interest in is as reported by CTR. CTR has not reported 1P and 3P estimates, but Range is seeking such information from CTR for future reporting purposes.

The reserves estimates for the 3 Trinidad blocks and update reserves estimates for the North Chapman Ranch Project and East Texas Cotton Valley referred above have been formulated by Forrest A. Garb & Associates, Inc. (FGA). FGA is an international petroleum engineering and geologic consulting firm staffed by experienced engineers and geologists. Collectively FGA staff has more than a century of world-wide experience. FGA have consented in writing to the reference to them in this announcement and to the estimates of oil and natural gas liquids provided. The definitions for oil and gas reserves are in accordance with SEC Regulation S-X an in accordance with the guidelines of the Society of Petroleum Engineers ("SPE"). The SPE Reserve definitions can be found on the SPE website at spe.org.

The prospective resource estimates for the two Dharoor Valley prospects are internal estimates reported by Africa Oil Corp, the operator of the joint venture, which are based on volumetric and related assessments by Gaffney, Cline & Associates.

The TSX certified 51-101 certified reserves with respect to the Guatemalan project are as reported by ASX listed Company Citation Resources (ASX: CTR).

In granting its consent to the public disclosure of this press release with respect to the Company's Trinidad operations, Petrotrin makes no representation or warranty as to the adequacy or accuracy of its contents and disclaims any liability that may arise because of reliance on it.

Reserve information on the Putumayo 1 Well published by Ecopetrol 1987.

The technical information included in this Announcement with respect to Georgia was prepared by Dr. M. Arif Yukler, COO of SOG Georgia. Dr Yukler is a geologist who is a suitably qualified person with more than 38 years of experience in the international oil & gas industry, and in assessing hydrocarbon reserves. Dr Yukler has advised companies and government entities of all size from small caps to super-majors, as well as state regulatory authorities on the management of resources and exploration areas. Dr. Yukler has reviewed the release and consents to the inclusion of the technical information with respect to Georgia.



**Proved Reserves** are those quantities of petroleum, which by analysis of geoscience and engineering data, can be estimated with reasonable certainty to be commercially recoverable, from a given date forward, from known reservoirs and under defined economic conditions, operating methods, and government regulations.

**Probable Reserves** are those additional Reserves which analysis of geoscience and engineering data indicate are less likely to be recovered than Proved Reserves but more certain to be recovered than Possible Reserves.

**Possible Reserves** are those additional reserves which analysis of geoscience and engineering data indicate are less likely to be recoverable than Probable Reserves.

**1P** refers to Proved Reserves, **2P** refers to Proved plus Probable Reserves and **3P** refers to Proved plus Probable plus Possible Reserves.

**Prospective Resources** are those quantities of petroleum estimated, as of a given date, to be potentially recoverable from undiscovered accumulations by application of future development projects. Prospective Resources have both an associated chance of discovery and a chance of development. Prospective Resources are further subdivided in accordance with the level of certainty associated with recoverable estimates assuming their discovery and development and may be sub-classified based on project maturity.

**Contingent Resources** are those quantities of hydrocarbons which are estimated, on a given date, to be potentially recoverable from known accumulations, but which are not currently considered to be commercially recoverable.

**Undiscovered Oil-In-Place** is that quantity of oil which is estimated, on a given date, to be contained in accumulations yet to be discovered. The estimated potentially recoverable portion of such accumulations is classified as Prospective Resources, as defined above.