

# **ASX** Release

### 31 January 2025

## **Entitlement Offer with options to fund Production Uplift Program**

- > Entitlement Ofer to raise \$2.1 million to fund substantial production uplift
- > Entitlement Offer of 1 for 4 at 0.5 cents per share
- Every New Share issued under entitlement offer to be accompanied by 1 free attaching option
- Production uplift program targeting near term returns for uplift in flow rates and cash generation

Vintage Energy Ltd (ASX: VEN, "Vintage") announces a \$2.1 million capital raising to fund increased production and cash generation in the current quarter through execution of a Production Uplift Program. The program is expected to increase gas production from the Odin and Vali gas fields through scale management measures at the Odin gas field and the addition of gas production from the Toolachee Formation at the Vali gas field.

Initial measures to remove the accumulated scale at Odin-1 resulted in raw gas production from the field increasing from 1.4 MMscf/d to over 3.0 MMscf/d. The program proposed will install permanent scale management solutions at Odin-1, and the field's metering apparatus, and determine if there are other opportunities for production improvement by removal of scale affecting other installations. The commencement of gas flow from the Toolachee formations is to be pursued at Vali, where production hitherto has been restricted to the Patchawarra Formation. The capital raising of \$2.1 million will fund the conduct of these operations and provide additional working capital.

The Entitlement Offer will result in the issue of 417.3 million new ordinary shares ("New Shares"), all at the price of 0.5 cents per share ("Offer Price"). In addition, every New Share issued will be accompanied by 1 free-attaching option with an exercise price of 0.9 cents and expiry date of two years after issue date. Eligible shareholders will receive a copy of the prospectus including a personalised entitlement and acceptance form which will provide further details of how to participate in the Entitlement Offer.

The Offer Price has parity with the last traded price of 30 January 2025 of 0.5 cents; is a 4% discount to the 10-day volume weighted average price (VWAP) of 0.52 cents; a 4% premium to the 30 day VWAP (0.48 cents) and parity with the theoretical ex-rights price (TERP) of 0.5 cents per share.

#### **Application of funds**

The funds raised through the capital raising will be used predominantly to complete scale management and investigation operations at Odin and Vali and work to enable gas flows from the Toolachee Formation at Vali-1 and Vali-2.

Gas produced by Odin and Vali is supplied respectively to Pelican Point Power (joint venture of ENGIE (72%) and Mitsui (28%)) and AGL. The work to be funded by the capital raising is expected to result in an immediate increase in gas flows to these contracts.

Purpose of funds raised	(\$ million)
Odin scale clean, installation and flow test	0.4
Vali 1 & 2 scale investigation, production logging and seek to flow Toolachee	0.7
Working capital and other costs	0.8
Capital raising costs*	0.2
Total	2.1

<sup>\*</sup>Estimate includes maximum fee payable to the Lead Manager being 6% of the value of the placement of any shortfall in the Entitlement Offer (assuming the entire amount of the Entitlement Offer is placed as shortfall).

If the full amount sought is not obtained under the Entitlement Offer, then at the discretion of the Board, the program will be scaled back based on an impact based ranking of individual project elements with consideration given to any dependency between projects. Implementation of the programs are conditional on contractor availability, joint venture approval and weather conditions.

#### **Managing Director comment**

"This capital raising will enable Vintage to conduct the work program we have prepared to increase gas production from Vali and Odin.

Our work at Odin-1 in the previous quarter demonstrated the scope of production increase that can be achieved and the clear merit of the project. Management of scale is simple, low risk and is expected to repay its cost many times over through increased gas sales and cash generation and accurate metering so we receive full value for our gas. We would expect to realise production benefits immediately and higher cash returns on receipt of payment for the first invoice after the work is conducted.

Furthermore, we plan to increase gas production from the Vali gas field by commencing production from the Toolachee Formation.

The cash benefits of these measures will be reinforced by the ongoing program of expenditure reductions which have yielded substantial savings in corporate and administration costs and the recent restructuring which will deliver a 41% reduction in employment costs with savings to emerge from June 2025.

The Production Uplift Program to be funded by this entitlement offer is undoubtedly in the best interest of shareholders and I encourage all fellow holders to join board and management in participating.

#### **Entitlement Offer Information**

Further information on the Entitlement Offer, including key dates, eligibility criteria Top-Up Facility availability and the Purpose and Effect of the Entitlement Offer and other important relevant information is provided in the Prospectus lodged with the ASX today, 31 January 2025.

#### **Investor presentation**

An Investor Presentation has been lodged with the ASX to provide further information on the rationale and anticipated benefits of the Production Uplift Program to be funded by the Entitlement Offer.

This release has been authorised on behalf of Vintage Energy Ltd by Mr Neil Gibbins, Managing Director.

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