

FROM THE DESK OF INGRAM GILLMORE, PRESIDENT & CEO

Gear is pleased to provide the following key operational and financial information for investors:

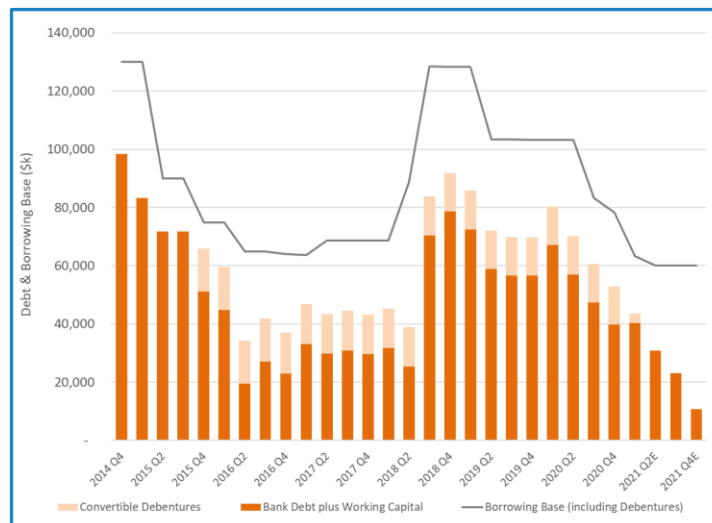
	Q1 20	Q2 20	Q3 20	Q4 20	2020	Jan-21	Feb-21	Mar-21	2021 TD
WTI Benchmark Price (\$US/bbl)	46.17	27.85	40.93	42.66	39.40	52.10	59.06	62.36	57.84
WCS Heavy Oil Differential (\$US/bbl)	(20.53)	(11.47)	(9.09)	(9.31)	(12.60)	(12.06)	(13.93)	(11.42)	(12.47)
MSW Light Oil Differential (US\$/bbl)	(7.58)	(6.14)	(3.51)	(4.07)	(5.33)	(5.78)	(5.68)	(4.26)	(5.24)
Funds from Operations (\$MM)	6.3	8.1	10.8	8.3	33.4	2.7	2.1	3.4	8.3
Capital and Abandonment Expenditures (\$MM)	11.8	0.3	0.8	0.5	13.4	3.5	3.0	1.8	8.3
Net Debt (\$MM)	80.3	70.2	60.5	52.9	52.9	53.1	54.0	42.9	42.9
Production (boe/d)	6,744	2,749	5,867	5,821	5,298	5,487	5,140	5,357	5,335

Note: All items are based on estimates; actuals will vary from estimates due to accruals and adjustments. Such variances may be material.

The Gear team is working diligently to roll up the results of another busy quarter with the details expected to be released on May 5, 2021. As you can see above, initial estimates of Q1 capital pretty much match expectations and also match estimated funds from operations for the quarter. The majority of the \$8.3 million dollars was invested in a 10 well heavy oil drilling program in Paradise Hill as well as 33.33% participation in a light oil well in Wilson Creek. We look forward to sharing the results of that successful investment in a future update. Additionally, it should be noted that we built approximately 100 bbls/d of inventory over the first quarter with an eye to selling it at higher prices during the second quarter.

The most notable item in the March data is the substantial reduction in net debt compared to February. This reduction was facilitated primarily through the redemption of the majority of outstanding convertible debentures as announced via press release on March 23, 2021. At year-end 2020, Gear had \$13.2 million of 7% coupon convertible debentures outstanding. As of March 31, 2021 that balance dropped by \$9.9 million to \$3.3 million remaining, through the issuance of 30.9 million GXE shares. With the redemption date set at April 26, 2021, it is expected that the remaining balance of debentures will also be equitized in the next two weeks.

The current corporate presentation on Gear's website ([April 2021](#)) includes an updated forecast for funds from operations and for year-end 2021 net debt using recent strip prices. Assuming the current \$20 million capital budget, the forecast should provide Gear a very enviable balance sheet by the end of this year.



This kind of financial flexibility will provide Gear with material financial optionality. If oil prices continue to be stable at current levels, Gear will be in a position to seriously consider (in no particular order); investing incremental growth capital, pursuing mergers and acquisitions, buying back shares, accelerating ARO retirements and potentially one day paying a dividend.

After surviving the unprecedented market of the last year, it is great to now have a line of sight to so many options to enhance future shareholder value.

WTI US\$/bbl	40	50	60	70
2021 FFO Estimate (MM)	\$25	\$36	\$48	\$57
FFO/share	\$0.10	\$0.14	\$0.19	\$0.23
2021 Exit Net Debt (MM)	\$35	\$24	\$11	\$3
Net Debt/FFO Ratio	1.4x	0.6x	0.2x	0.1x

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