## Energy One Limited (ASX:EOL) Full Year Results FY21





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## Energy One - a profitable SaaS & Services company

- Energy One Limited (ASX:EOL) is a leading independent global supplier of Energy Trading and Risk Management (ETRM) software systems.
- Hybrid business model of recurring (SaaS) revenue (80%) and project T&M (20%)
- Solutions for the trading of energy derivatives and the scheduling of physical energy (including electricity, gas, liquid commodities and environmental and carbon trading).
- EOL has offices in Australia, UK and France, with 200+ customer installations in 19 countries, many with blue-chip international utility and infrastructure companies.
- With a market share approaching 50% in Australia, 15% in the UK and less than 5% in Europe, there is a long runway for growth.
- EOL has a strong track record of year-on-year growth in revenue and earnings.

#### Supplying large blue chip companies in essential industries

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Our customers are often large:

- Utilities such as power stations and vertically integrated retailers
- Infrastructure providers such as gas pipelines, electricity transmission
- Include new generation sources (such as wind and solar)
- Our customers supply an essential service, namely gas and electricity
- The software we supply is mission-critical to these enterprises
- Offices in Australia, UK and Europe

# EOL's suite of software tools are used by customers to manage their exposure to risk and volatility

**DB** NETZE ccop energy eniig alintaeneray centrica **SSE** nature energy RGON. RFS lemena Utilities OUTH FAST AUSTRALIA EnergyAustralia Invenergy SEA gas **engie** eon NTERGEN

Our software is used to trade and manage both physical energy and derivative contracts either bilaterally (B2B) or on public exchanges.

#### **Financial Results**

#### Financial results summary

	30 June 20	30 June 21	Change
Revenue	\$20,604,000	\$27,902,000	<b>1</b> 35%
EBITDA	\$5,320,000	\$8,130,000	<b>1</b> 53%
NPAT	\$1,647,000	\$3,705,000	125%
EPS diluted (cents)	7.30	14.30	<b>1</b> 96%
Cash and equivalents	\$3,534,000	\$5,422,000	<b>1</b> 54%
Borrowings	\$644,000	\$0	+

\* Excludes one off charges relating to acquisition costs



# Another great result and the 8<sup>th</sup> consecutive year of profit

Revenue was up 35% to \$27.9M

- This was driven in good part by having a full 12 months contribution from eZ-nergy
- Leaving aside the contribution from eZ, organic revenue growth was 15% for the year

EBITDA increased 53% to \$8.1M driven by:

- A full year's contribution from eZ-nergy. Underlying EBITDA growth was 26%
- Reduced costs associated with travel and marketing

NPAT increased 125% to \$3.7M driven by:

- Strong operating results
- Synergies and operational leverage being realized. (e,g. EBITDA margin grew from 26% to 29%)
- Lower acquisition costs than the previous period

# The results are evidence of the successful execution of our long-term strategy

#### Diversification



## This strategy has seen revenue grow at 45% & EBITDA at 48% p.a. over the last 5 years



## Revenue growth has been both organic and from acquisitions



#### NPAT for FY21 was strong



## 12months contribution from eZ-nergy and improved margin helped improve NPAT



## All of which translates into earnings per share and dividend growth



# Strong cash flows from recurring business model

Total receipts from customers increased 31% to \$27.6M

Operating cash flow increased 62% to \$8.1M

Recurring revenue of >80% across the group

All bank debt has been repaid

A strong balance sheet and good operational cash flows position the company well for any future acquisitions

#### Operational review



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#### The Australian business continued to grow

- Revenue increased 13% over the year and EBITDA increased 18%. A pleasing result given the maturity of the market and our market share.
- EBITDA margin increased from 30% to 31%.
- Work on the 5 Minute Settlement (5MS) market is complete. The new market is due to commence in October this year with many existing customers already upgraded.
- We have won 3 new customers as a result of the market change and we may pick up a few more during the year.
- Good sales pipeline. Need to sign 1-2 projects each year (20% project related revenue)

# Expanding European opportunity

At the end of FY20 44% of group revenue was generated in Europe this has increased to 54% at the end of FY21

Contigo delivered 17% organic revenue growth over the last year and improved EBITDA by 40%. Since acquisition the management team has steadily grown the EBITDA margin from 15% at acquisition to 25% last year.

In its first full year eZ-nergy performed well producing \$4.7M of revenue and \$1.6M of EBITDA - this was ahead of acquisition forecasts.

Contigo and eZ won and are successfully delivering their first joint customer, a prestigious European utility.

Like Australia, Contigo needs to win 1-2 new large projects each year. eZ model is less dependent on projects.



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# An operational restructure to facilitate future growth

Having successfully integrated a number of acquisitions over recent years and with a substantial part of our business now in Europe we have restructured some business operations to reflect the changing business and facilitate future growth. We will continue this investment in managerial resource during the year ahead.



### Sticky customer base...

SaaS Metric	FY 19	FY 20	FY 21
Average LTV per customer	\$1,449,506	\$1,666,245	\$2,470,876
LTV/CAC	11.7	14.8	28.9
Customer-installs	143	205	230
Typical contract length	1-5 year initial term, then annual renewals		
Churn	3.8%	4.1%	2.9%
Gross margin	60%	59%	62%

- Group ARR currently \$23.6M (FY20:\$20.3M). Up 16% on last year.
- GM% arises from recurring (80%) and project revenue (20%), so a hybrid SaaS model.
- We seek to sell more than one product from the range to customers. Current average 1.3 products per customer with 5 products the highest.

## The business has exceeded the "Rule of 40" for each of the last 5 years



#### Recurring revenue continues to grow strongly



## Company Outlook



## Rapidly changing energy markets are presenting new growth opportunities

- The energy market is fragmenting. In the future there will be fewer large generation units and more distributed energy resources.
- For example rather than a single 2,500MW thermal coal generator there might be 5 x 200MW solar farms plus 5 x 200MW wind farms combined with 5 x 200MW batteries. This fragmentation is termed Distributed Energy Resources or DER's.

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#### Dispatching distributed energy resources into electricity networks can be more difficult

- The growing share of green distributed power generation increases the complexity in both the European and Australian energy markets
- Given the smaller size of Distributed Energy Resources it is often uneconomical for operators to man 24/7 control rooms to dispatch energy. Furthermore, the two-sided market (users also nominate) is active in Europe and coming to Australia
- While eZ-nergy offers the software to facilitate market operations it also offers a bureau service to submit market notices on behalf of customers.
- This is done based on an agreed set of operational/commercial parameters. (i.e. EOL do not take energy market risk)

# Energy One will launch a new product offering to address this rapidly growing market by selling software with a service

- We intend expanding the types of services currently provided by eZ-nergy.
- Aspiring to a global 24/7 operations function to complement our software
- Our automation software (enFlow) means EOL is well placed to automate these manual operations on behalf of customers
- Goal is to expand this offering not only in Europe but also introduce it to Australia.



# The strategy to diversify revenue by product and geography has been successful

In FY22 we will continue this diversification with additional revenue from new services

In 2013 EOT was our biggest product representing 90% of total revenue or ~\$1.5M

In 2021 EOT is still a significant product with ~\$4.7M in sales but it now represents less than 17% of total revenue



### In FY22 we will continue to execute on our long-term strategy

#### Diversification



## Guidance for FY22

- Focus will be on consolidating a strong FY21 and leveraging our technologies and eZ capability in the dispatch services space.
- We will invest in additional managerial resources in Europe to facilitate additional growth.
- Group revenue consists of 80% recurring revenue and 20% project revenue.
- As we enter the second year of Covid-19 travel restrictions are making it more difficult to close the large new project work.
- The company currently has a number of projects in the pipeline. Until we have greater certainty regarding our growth prospects for FY22 we expect revenue and earnings to be similar to FY21.
- Pleasingly we are already beginning to see the easing of travel restrictions in Europe.
- With a strong balance sheet and cash flow we continue to seek strategic acquisition opportunities.

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## Appendix Additional information



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## Many energy market participants use EOL software



#### A comprehensive suite of software

#### Physical Bidding

Allows a power station to bid it's electricity (quantity, price, time and place) into the National Electricity Market. Takes into account potential constraints in the transmission system allowing optimum dispatch for companies with multiple generators.

#### **Market Analytics**

Detailed data and market analytics platform and various trading tools for energy traders

#### ETRM

Contract management for recording physical trades (PPA's) and financial derivatives (Swaps, Options, Caps etc). Records the trade allocating it to a hedge book / portfolio. As market prices change hedge books are revalued. Forward books can be five years of more. Provides risk analytics such as GMaR, VaR, CaR, Monte Carlo etc. Electricity, gas, carbon, diesel, coal and Fx

#### Business Process Automation

Many systems and contracts in energy markets can be very complex. These tools automate complex but mundane tasks increasing not only accuracy but also efficiency. Can be used to help transport gas from one point through several different pipelines to and end point. Pipeline capacity for each pipeline has to be bought in advance

#### Business analytics, intelligence and reporting

Wrapping around various software products is a user-configured dashboard that can provide alerts, various market feeds, task management etc. It also offers comprehensive reporting and analytics

#### EOL software makes life easier

Participant	Challenges faced	EOL group products
Generators	Accurate, compliant energy spot market bidding	$\checkmark$
	Efficiently dispatching generation during constrained network events	$\checkmark$
	Energy operations (B2B, bid preparation, monitoring, compliance)	$\checkmark$
	Hedging output against volatile spot market using derivatives	$\checkmark$
	Management and valuation of complex PPA's	$\checkmark$
Renewables	Automated bidding into the spot market	$\checkmark$
	Curtailing dispatch during negative price events	$\checkmark$
Retailers/Suppliers	Hedging load against the spot market and reconciliation with spot market	$\checkmark$
	Trading energy derivatives deal capture and contract management	$\checkmark$
	Logistics – transporting gas across multiple pipelines	$\checkmark$
	Evaluation of risk exposure, monitoring risk limits	$\checkmark$
	Renewable energy compliance	$\checkmark$
	Energy operations (B2B, bid preparation, monitoring, compliance)	$\checkmark$
Pipelines/TSOs	Deal capture, settlements, capacity trading	$\checkmark$
	Contract and network optimisation	$\checkmark$
Industrial	Management of PPA's and gas transport logistics	$\checkmark$
customers	Carbon trading management	$\checkmark$
	Energy monitoring	×
	Retail invoice reconciliation	×
Energy traders	Single comprehensive source of market data and analytics	$\checkmark$
	Trading tools to facilitate / manage complex derivative trades	$\checkmark$