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# \$81.6 million Blackspur Sale Settled

## HIGHLIGHTS

- **A\$81.6 million banked**, after Canadian tax provisions and net debt adjustments
- CE1 intends to distribute in one tranche, **A\$80 million** (~\$12.6 cents per share), subject to shareholder approval
- CE1 is seeking an ATO ruling on the return of capital. It is anticipated this will take 60-90 days
- Post distribution, Calima will have ~A\$5 million in cash and on-going production from the Paradise Field in British Columbia

## CALIMA ENERGY LIMITED (ASX:CE1 / OTC: CLMEF)

Calima Energy Limited (ASX:CE1 / OTC:CLMEF) ('Calima', 'CE1' or the 'Company') is pleased to confirm that the sale of **Blackspur Oil Corp.** ('Blackspur') to Astara Energy Corp. ('Astara') has completed and net proceeds of **A\$81.6 million** has been received. This amount reflects a provision for Canadian income tax and adjustment for Net Debt at Closing.

It is the Company's objective to **distribute in one tranche A\$80 million** from the Blackspur Sale to Calima shareholders in the most tax effective form. The Company is seeking an ATO ruling on this matter. A Notice of Meeting will be issued as soon as practicable following receipt of the Tax Ruling. It is anticipated that this process will take up to 3 months to complete.

Post distribution, Calima will have ~A\$5-6 million cash and a 100% interest in the Paradise Field in British Columbia which generates approximately A\$350,000 in free cash flow annually.

**Commenting on the Blackspur Sale, Mr Glenn Whiddon, Chairman of Calima said:** "I want to express my gratitude to the Blackspur team, Calima management, and Board for their professionalism and support during this sale process, especially as much of which happened over the Christmas and New Year period. We wish Astara well as the new owners of Blackspur."

*Despite the current shift by investors away from junior energy companies in Australia and the great work undertaken by the Calima and Blackspur team, it was difficult to achieve an appropriate valuation on the ASX. The sale to Astara represented an 80% premium to the*

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*share price pre-announcement, underscoring the quality of the business. The Board considers it appropriate that these funds are returned to shareholders and we are actively seeking an ATO ruling. Following the capital return, and subject to ASX rules, Calima will remain listed and funded and will actively seek opportunities to generate further value for shareholders."*

As previously advised, on 2<sup>nd</sup> July 2024, being 6 months from the date of the date of announcement of execution of the SPA, the ASX is likely to:

- suspend the Company's securities from official quotation; and
- apply Listing Rule 11.1.3 to any acquisition the Company enters into following the Blackspur Sale. In such a case, the Company's securities will likely remain suspended until the Company has re-complied with Chapters 1 and 2 of the Listing Rules.

Calima has made submissions to the ASX to extend this timeframe.

This release has been approved by the Board. For further information visit [www.calimaenergy.com](http://www.calimaenergy.com) or contact:

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