# PEYTO

# **Exploration & Development Corp.**

1



Interim Report for the three months ended March 31, 2024

# HIGHLIGHTS

	Three Months En	Three Months Ended Mar 31		
	2024	2023	Change	
Operations				
Production				
Natural gas (Mcf/d)	647,234	544,278	19%	
NGLs (bbl/d)	17,145	12,205	40%	
Thousand cubic feet equivalent (Mcfe/d @ 1:6)	750,105	617,509	21%	
Barrels of oil equivalent (boe/d @ 6:1)	125,018	102,918	21%	
Production per million common shares (boe/d)	643	589	9%	
Product prices  Realized natural gas price – after hedging and diversification (\$/Mcf)	4.05	3.91	4%	
Realized NGL price – after hedging (\$/bbl)	60.36	79.03	-24%	
Net Sales Price (\$/Mcfe)	4.87	5.01	-3%	
Operating expenses (\$/Mcfe)	0.55	0.50	10%	
Royalties (\$/Mcfe)	0.24	0.53	-55%	
Transportation (\$/Mcfe)	0.30	0.24	25%	
Field netback <sup>(1)</sup> (\$/Mcfe)	3.82	3.82	0%	
General & administrative expenses (\$/Mcfe)	0.06	0.03	100%	
Interest expense (\$/Mcfe)	0.36	0.22	64%	
Financial (\$000, except per share) Natural gas and NGL sales including realized hedging gains (losses) <sup>(2)</sup>	332,541	278,332	19%	
Funds from operations <sup>(1)</sup>	204,622	179,817	14%	
Funds from operations per share - basic <sup>(1)</sup>	1.05	1.03	2%	
Funds from operations per share - diluted <sup>(1)</sup>	1.05	1.02	3%	
Total dividends	64,158	57,678	11%	
Total dividends per share	0.33	0.33	0%	
Earnings	99,875	89,981	11%	
Earnings per share – basic	0.51	0.51	0%	
Earnings per share – diluted	0.51	0.51	0%	
Total capital expenditures <sup>(1)</sup>	113,762	121,802	-7%	
Decommissioning expenditures	4,206	-	-	
Total payout ratio <sup>(1)</sup>	89%	100%	-11%	
Weighted average common shares outstanding - basic	194,416,710	174,778,048	11%	
Weighted average common shares outstanding - diluted	195,159,389	176,570,311	11%	
Net debt <sup>(1)</sup>	1,339,558	877,827	53%	
Shareholders' equity	2,683,990	2,305,076	16%	
Total assets	5,373,202	4,119,135	30%	

<sup>(1)</sup> This is a Non-GAAP financial measure or ratio. See "non-GAAP and Other Financial Measures" in this news release and in the Q1 2024 MD&A

<sup>(2)</sup> Excludes revenue from sale of third-party volumes

# **Report from President**

Peyto Exploration & Development Corp. ("Peyto" or the "Company") is pleased to report operating and financial results for the first quarter of 2024.

# Q1 2024 Highlights:

- Delivered \$204.6 million in funds from operations<sup>1,2</sup>, or \$1.05/diluted share, which funded \$113.8 million of capital expenditures<sup>3</sup> and \$64.2 million of dividends to shareholders. Peyto generated earnings of \$99.9 million, or \$0.51/diluted share, and reduced net debt<sup>4</sup> by \$23.2 million in the quarter.
- First quarter production volumes averaged 125,018 boe/d (647.2 MMcf/d of natural gas, 17,145 bbls/d of NGLs), a 21% increase year over year, mainly due to the Repsol Canada Energy Partnership acquisition that closed in the fourth quarter of 2023 (the "Repsol Acquisition" or "Repsol Assets").
- The successful drilling program on the Repsol Assets continued during the quarter with sustained increases to average well productivity of approximately 30% above Peyto's recent annual drilling programs.
- The Company's disciplined hedging and diversification program protected first quarter revenues from the sharp decline in benchmark natural gas prices. Peyto's realized natural gas price for the quarter of \$4.05/Mcf (or \$3.52/GJ) was 49% higher than the average AECO daily price of \$2.37/GJ. The Company exited the quarter with a strong hedge position, which currently protects approximately 70% and 60% of forecasted gas production for summer 2024 (April-October 2024) and calendar 2025, respectively. The securing of future revenues supports the sustainability of the Company's dividends, capital program, and continued strengthening of the balance sheet.
- Quarterly cash costs<sup>5</sup> totaled \$1.51/Mcfe, including royalties of \$0.24/Mcfe, operating costs of \$0.55/Mcfe, transportation of \$0.30/Mcfe, G&A of \$0.06/Mcfe and interest expense of \$0.36/Mcfe. Peyto's operating costs have increased due to the higher cost structure of the Repsol facilities. The Company expects to reduce operating costs by at least 10% by the end of 2024 with continued optimization and increased utilization of the acquired gas processing plants. Peyto continues to have the lowest cash costs in the Canadian oil and natural gas industry.
- Total capital expenditures were \$113.8 million in the quarter. Peyto drilled 18 wells (17.5 net), completed 14 wells (14.0 net), and brought 15 wells (15.0 net) on production.
- Peyto delivered a 69% operating margin<sup>6</sup> and a 30% profit margin<sup>7</sup>, resulting in a 9% return on capital employed<sup>8</sup> ("ROCE") and a 11% return on equity<sup>8</sup> ("ROE"), on a trailing 12-month basis.

# First Quarter 2024 in Review

Natural gas storage levels in the US and Canada started 2024 at the high end of the five-year average after strong production gains in 2023 and a warmer than normal start to winter. The cold weather finally arrived in January causing short-lived production freeze-offs and spiking gas prices in the spot market, followed by mild temperatures for the rest of winter. Consequently, natural gas storage levels remained elevated, and spot prices declined sharply in February and March, leading to weak summer 2024 prices. Despite the gas price decline, Peyto delivered a strong quarter with production averaging 125,018 boe/d (647.2 MMcf/d of natural gas and 17,145 bbls/d of NGLs), funds from operations totaling \$204.6 million (\$1.05/diluted share) and free funds flow totaling \$86.7 million, as hedging gains from the Company's mechanistic risk management program mitigated the decline in natural gas prices. Peyto's profit margin of 30% remained solid and drove quarterly earnings of \$99.9 million (\$0.51/diluted share), allowing the Company to declare \$64.2 million in dividends to shareholders.

This press release contains certain non-GAP and other financial measures to analyze financial performance, financial position, and cash flow including, but not limited to "operating margin", "profit margin", "return on capital", "return on equity", "netback", "finals from operations", "free finals flow", "total cash costs", and "net debr". These non-GAP and other financial measures do not have any standardized meaning prescribed under IFRS and therefore may not be comparable to similar measures for the content of the content measures presented by other entities. The non-GAAP and other financial measures should not be considered to be more meaningful than GAAP measures which are determined in accordance with IFRS, such as earnings, cash flow from operating activities, and cash flow used in investing activities, as indicators of Peyo's performance. See "Non-GAAP and Other Financial Measures" included at the end of this press release and in Peyo's most recently filed MD&A for an explanation of these financial measures and reconciliation to the most directly comparable financial measure under IFRS.

Funds from operations is a non-GAAP financial measure. See "non-GAAP and Other Financial Measures" in this news release and in the Q1 2024 MD&A.

Notal capital expenditures is a non-GAAP financial measure. See "non-GAAP and Other Financial Measures" in this news release and in the Q1 2024 MD&A.

Notal capital expenditures is a non-GAAP financial measure. See "non-GAAP and Other Financial Measures" in this news release and in the Q1 2024 MD&A.

Operating Margin is a non-GAAP financial ratio. See "non-GAAP and Other Financial Measures" in this news release.

Operating Margin is a non-GAAP financial ratio. See "non-GAAP and Other Financial Measures" in this news release.

Return on capital employed and return on equity are non-GAAP and Other Financial Measures" in this news release and in the Q1 2024 MD&A.

Return on capital employed and return on equity are non-GAAP and Other Financial Measures" in this news release and in the Q1 2024 MD&A.

Free funds flow is a non-GAAP financial measure. See "non-GAAP and Other Financial Measures" in this news release and in the Q1 2024 MD&A.

Operationally, Peyto continued to outperform on its land position acquired from Repsol with average sustained well productivity that is approximately 30% higher than the Company's recent annual drilling programs. Capital expenditures totaled \$113.8 million and Peyto incurred \$4.2 million of decommissioning expenditures in the quarter.

	Three Months Er	<b>Three Months Ended Mar 31</b>	
	2024	2023	Change
Operations			
Production			
Natural gas (Mcf/d)	647,234	544,278	19%
NGLs (bbl/d)	17,145	12,205	40%
Thousand cubic feet equivalent (Mcfe/d @ 1:6)	750,105	617,509	21%
Barrels of oil equivalent (boe/d @ 6:1)	125,018	102,918	21%
Production per million common shares (boe/d)	643	589	9%
Product prices  Realized natural gas price – after hedging and diversification (\$/Mcf)	4.05	3.91	4%
Realized NGL price – after hedging (\$/bbl)	60.36	79.03	-24%
Net Sales Price (\$/Mcfe)	4.87	5.01	-3%
Operating expenses (\$/Mcfe)	0.55	0.50	10%
Royalties (\$/Mcfe)	0.24	0.53	-55%
Transportation (\$/Mcfe)	0.30	0.24	25%
Field netback <sup>(1)</sup> (\$/Mcfe)	3.82	3.82	0%
General & administrative expenses (\$/Mcfe)	0.06	0.03	100%
Interest expense (\$/Mcfe)	0.36	0.22	64%
Financial (\$000, except per share) Natural gas and NGL sales including realized hedging gains (losses) <sup>(2)</sup>	332,541	278,332	19%
Funds from operations <sup>(1)</sup>	204,622	179,817	14%
Funds from operations per share - basic <sup>(1)</sup>	1.05	1.03	2%
Funds from operations per share - diluted <sup>(1)</sup>	1.05	1.02	3%
Total dividends	64,158	57,678	11%
Total dividends per share	0.33	0.33	0%
Earnings	99,875	89,981	11%
Earnings per share – basic	0.51	0.51	0%
Earnings per share – diluted	0.51	0.51	0%
Total capital expenditures <sup>(1)</sup>	113,762	121,802	-7%
Decommissioning expenditures	4,206	-	-
Total payout ratio <sup>(1)</sup>	89%	100%	-11%
Weighted average common shares outstanding - basic	194,416,710	174,778,048	11%
Weighted average common shares outstanding - diluted	195,159,389	176,570,311	11%
Net debt <sup>(1)</sup>	1,339,558	877,827	53%
Shareholders' equity	2,683,990	2,305,076	16%
Total assets	5,373,202	4,119,135	30%

<sup>(3)</sup> This is a Non-GAAP financial measure or ratio. See "non-GAAP and Other Financial Measures" in this news release and in the Q1 2024 MD&A

<sup>(4)</sup> Excludes revenue from sale of third-party volumes

# **Capital Expenditures**

Peyto drilled 18 wells (17.5 net), completed 14 wells (14.0 net) and brought 15 wells (15.0 net) on production for total drilling, completion, equipping and tie-in costs of \$93.9 million in the first quarter. Facilities and pipeline projects totaled \$18.1 million in the quarter, which included pipeline debottlenecking and integration projects, compressor upgrades to accommodate future higher pipeline pressures anticipated on the NGTL system and plant upgrade projects. The Company drilled 9 wells on the acquired Repsol lands in the quarter (including 6 Wilrich and 3 Notikewin), which remain a core part of Peyto's 2024 capital program. To the end of the quarter, Peyto has brought on production a total of 15 wells on the Repsol lands. These wells exhibit a sustained average productivity increase of approximately 30% greater than Peyto's recent annual drilling programs. The Company continued to increase the average length of horizontal wells in the quarter to over 2,200 meters, or a 14% increase over the previous quarter. Drilling costs per meter in the quarter were down 3%, while completion costs per meter were up 7% as compared to Q4 2023.

	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2023 Q1	2023 Q2	2023 Q3	2023 Q4	2024 Q1 <sup>(1)</sup>
Gross Hz Spuds	126	135	70	61	64	95	95	72	19	15	19	19	18
Measured Depth (m)	4,197	4,229	4,020	3,848	4,247	4,453	4,611	4,891	5,198	4,768	4,728	4,868	5,220
Drilling (\$MM/well)	\$1.82	\$1.90	\$1.71	\$1.62	\$1.68	\$1.89	\$2.56	\$2.85	\$3.05	\$2.74	\$2.64	\$2.94	\$3.05
\$ per meter	\$433	\$450	\$425	\$420	\$396	\$424	\$555	\$582	\$587	\$574	\$559	\$603	\$585
Completion (\$MM/well)	\$0.86	\$1.00	\$1.13	\$1.01(2)	\$0.94	\$1.00	\$1.35	\$1.54	\$1.73	\$1.64	\$1.38	\$1.48	\$1.80
Hz Length (m)	1,460	1,241	1,348	1,484	1,682	1,612	1,661	1,969	1,947	2,140	1,853	1,949	2,223
\$ per Hz Length (m)	\$587	\$803	\$751	\$679	\$560	\$620	\$813	\$781	\$888	\$776	\$743	\$759	\$809
\$ '000 per Stage	\$79	\$81	\$51	\$38	\$36	\$37	\$47	\$52	\$59	\$50	\$46	\$53	\$55

<sup>(1)</sup> Based on field estimates and may be subject to minor adjustments going forward.

In addition to the capital program, Peyto incurred \$4.2 million on decommissioning expenditures in the quarter as part of the Company's responsible asset retirement plan in 2024.

# **Commodity Prices and Realizations**

During Q1 2024, Peyto realized a natural gas price after hedging and diversification of \$4.05/Mcf, or \$3.52/GJ, 49% higher than the average AECO daily price of \$2.37/GJ. Peyto's natural gas hedging activity resulted in a realized gain of \$1.59/Mcf (\$93.6 million) due to the sharp decline in AECO and Henry Hub natural gas prices during the quarter.

Condensate and pentanes averaged \$91.72/bbl in the quarter, down 11% from \$103.06/bbl in Q1 2023, while Canadian dollar WTI ("WTI CAD") increased 1% over the same period. The decrease in the condensate and pentanes price is due to declining benchmark condensate differentials, which decreased to a \$5.84/bbl discount to WTI CAD in the quarter compared to a \$5.34/bbl premium to WTI CAD in Q1 2023. Butane, propane and ethane averaged \$31.37/bbl, down 20% from \$39.20/bbl in Q1 2023 due to a higher percentage of lower priced ethane production in the quarter from the Repsol Assets. Peyto's combined realized NGL price in the quarter was \$60.50/bbl before hedging, and \$60.36/bbl including a hedging loss of \$0.13/bbl.

# Netbacks

The Company's realized natural gas and NGL sales yielded a combined revenue stream of \$3.50/Mcfe before hedging gains of \$1.37/Mcfe, resulting in a net sales price of \$4.87/Mcfe in the quarter. Peyto's net sales price was 3% lower than the \$5.01/Mcfe realized in Q1 2023 due to the sharp decline in natural gas prices, partially offset by hedging. Total cash costs of \$1.51/Mcfe were consistent with \$1.52/Mcfe in Q1 2023 due to lower royalties that offset higher operating, transportation, G&A and interest costs. Peyto's cash netback (net sales price including other income, third-party sales net of purchases, realized gain on foreign exchange, less total cash costs), was \$3.41/Mcfe resulting in a strong 69% operating margin which allowed the Company to fund the capital program, pay dividends to shareholders, and repay debt during the quarter. Historical cash costs and operating margins are shown in the following table:

<sup>(2)</sup> Peyto's Montney well is excluded from drilling and completion cost comparison.

	2021			2022			2023				2024		
(\$/Mcfe)	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1
Revenue (1)	3.70	2.92	3.33	4.42	5.25	5.48	5.01	5.74	5.10	4.07	4.32	4.83	4.92
Royalties	0.29	0.26	0.36	0.53	0.60	0.95	0.70	0.72	0.53	0.18	0.29	0.30	0.24
Op Costs Transportation G&A Interest Cash cost pre- royalty	0.36 0.17 0.04 0.38 0.95	0.35 0.22 0.05 <u>0.33</u> 0.95	0.35 0.23 0.02 <u>0.26</u> 0.86	0.32 0.23 0.02 <u>0.22</u> 0.79	0.41 0.28 0.03 <u>0.21</u> 0.93	0.39 0.27 0.02 <u>0.20</u> 0.88	0.38 0.26 0.02 <u>0.21</u> 0.87	0.41 0.22 0.02 <u>0.21</u> 0.86	0.50 0.24 0.03 <u>0.22</u> 0.99	0.47 0.29 0.05 <u>0.22</u> 1.03	0.44 0.29 0.04 <u>0.28</u> 1.05	0.55 0.26 0.06 <u>0.40</u> 1.27	0.55 0.30 0.06 <u>0.36</u> 1.27
Total Cash Costs <sup>10</sup>	1.24	1.21	1.22	1.32	1.53	1.83	1.57	1.58	1.52	1.21	1.34	1.57	1.51
Cash Netback <sup>11</sup>	2.46	1.71	2.11	3.10	3.72	3.65	3.44	4.16	3.58	2.86	2.98	3.26	3.41
Operating Margin	67%	59%	63%	70%	71%	67%	69%	72%	71%	70%	69%	67%	69%

<sup>(1)</sup> Revenue includes other income, net third party sales and realized gains on foreign exchange.

Depletion, depreciation, and amortization charges of \$1.38/Mcfe, along with provisions for current tax, deferred tax and stock-based compensation payments resulted in earnings of \$1.46/Mcfe, or a 30% profit margin. Dividends to shareholders totaled \$0.94/Mcfe.

#### **Hedging and Marketing**

The Company has been active in hedging future production with financial and physical fixed price contracts to protect a portion of its future revenue from commodity price and foreign exchange volatility. The following table summarizes Peyto's hedge position for the remainder of 2024, 2025, and 2026.

	Q2 2024	Q3 2024	Q4 2024	2025	2026
Natural Gas					
Volume (MMcf/d)	462	462	436	450	223
Average Fixed Price (\$/Mcf)	3.58	3.55	4.09	4.09	4.03
WTI Swaps					
Volume (bbls/d)	5,100	4,200	3,300	719	-
Average Fixed Price (\$/bbl)	103.77	102.62	101.19	98.46	-
WTI Collars					
Volume (bbls/d)	500	500	500	497	-
Put-Call (\$/bbl)	90.00-100.25	85.00-95.00	90.00-104.50	88.33-103.18	-
USD FX Contracts					
Amount sold (USD 000s)	86,500	81,000	80,000	246,000	28,000
Rate (CAD/USD)	1.3532	1.3484	1.3461	1.3513	1.3550

The Company's fixed price contracts combined with its diversification to the Cascade power plant, expected to commence in Q3 of 2024, and other premium market hubs in North America allow for revenue security and support continued shareholder returns through dividends and debt reduction. Details of Peyto's ongoing marketing and diversification efforts are available on Peyto's website at <a href="https://www.peyto.com/Marketing.aspx">https://www.peyto.com/Marketing.aspx</a>

# **Activity Update**

Drilling operations have continued into breakup with four rigs drilling in Peyto's core areas specifically in areas where surface access is more favorable for wet conditions. The rigs are drilling 3-well pads to minimize equipment movement and completions will be timed to coincide with drier conditions to avoid extra costs, especially in light of current low natural gas prices. Since the beginning of the quarter, 8 wells (7.0 net) have been drilled, while 6 wells (6.0 net) have been completed and brought on production. Recently, Peyto tied-in 2 Dunvegan wells which continue to impress with strong deliverability and higher liquid content (20–30 bbls/MMcf) than the Spirit River targets. Peyto plans to dedicate one rig in the second half of the year to this species, which would result in 10–12 wells to be drilled in total for 2024.

<sup>10</sup> Total Cash costs is a non-GAAP financial ratio. See "non-GAAP and Other Financial Measures" in this news release.

<sup>11</sup> Cash netback is a non-GAAP financial ratio. See "non-GAAP and Other Financial Measures" in this news release and in the Q1 2024 MD&A

At the end of March, Peyto elected to reroute approximately 50 MMcf/d of raw natural gas from a third-party operated deep cut facility to Peyto's operated plants at Wild River and Edson. This re-direction of raw gas leaves low value ethane in the gas phase which avoids third-party processing fees, other costs, and increases utilization at Peyto's existing plants. The impact of the optimization lowers current production by 2,000 boe/d but is expected to reduce corporate operating costs by approximately \$0.02/Mcfe, increase the average NGL price by approximately 12%, and have a minimal effect on overall revenue beginning in the second quarter.

The decision to redirect gas fits with Peyto's overall strategy to control production, optimize Company infrastructure, reduce costs, and increase reliability. Peyto expects to more than offset the current loss in base ethane production with the quality of its drilling prospects for the remainder of the year.

Driving down per unit costs on the Repsol Assets is a key priority for the Company in 2024 which includes modifications to plant processes and increased utilization to optimize and simplify operations. The Company has set a target to achieve at least a 10% reduction from first quarter unit costs by the end of 2024.

#### Outlook

Peyto expects weaker natural gas prices will continue during the summer across North America. However, the significant buildout of LNG egress in Canada and the US, which is estimated by the Energy Information Agency to double from 12 bcf/d to near 25 bcf/d by the end of the decade, is supportive for a natural gas supply market to keep pace with future demand. Additionally, increases in local industrial projects and the potential to supply power grids for data centres with a reliable and secure energy source is encouraging for the long-term future of natural gas prices.

The Company continues to execute a 2024 capital program targeting the lower end of Peyto's guidance range between \$450 to \$500 million, specifically designed with flexibility in the back half of the year. The Company will be prudent with summer activity to avoid additional costs to bring on production in a low gas price environment but is poised with a breadth of quality inventory to respond to positive movements in commodity prices. In the meantime, the Company's disciplined hedging program and low-cost operations secure cash flows to support future dividends and continued strengthening of the balance sheet over the balance of 2024 and beyond.

Jean-Paul Lachance President & Chief Executive Officer May 14, 2024

#### **Cautionary Statements**

#### Forward-Looking Statements

This news release contains certain forward-looking statements or information ("forward-looking statements") as defined by applicable securities laws that involve substantial known and unknown risks and uncertainties, many of which are beyond Peyto's control. These statements relate to future events or the Company's future performance. All statements other than statements of historical fact may be forward-looking statements. The use of any of the words "plan", "expect", "prospective", "project", "intend", "believe", "should", "anticipate", "estimate", or other similar words or statements that certain events "may" or "will" occur are intended to identify forward-looking statements. The projections, estimates and beliefs contained in such forward-looking statements are based on management's estimates, opinions, and assumptions at the time the statements were made, including assumptions relating to: macro-economic conditions, including public health concerns and other geopolitical risks, the condition of the global economy and, specifically, the condition of the crude oil and natural gas industry, and the ongoing significant volatility in world markets; other industry conditions; changes in laws and regulations including, without limitation, the adoption of new environmental laws and regulations and changes in how they are interpreted and enforced; increased competition; the availability of qualified operating or management personnel; fluctuations in other commodity prices, foreign exchange or interest rates; stock market volatility and fluctuations in market valuations of companies with respect to announced transactions and the final valuations thereof; results of exploration and testing activities; and the ability to obtain required approvals and extensions from regulatory authorities. Management of the Company believes the expectations reflected in those forward-looking statements are reasonable, but no assurances can be given that any of the events anticipated by the forward-looking statements will transpire or occur, or if any of them do so, what benefits that Peyto will derive from them. As such, undue reliance should not be placed on forward-looking statements. Forward-looking statements contained herein include, but are not limited to, statements regarding: management's assessment of Peyto's future plans and operations, including the 2024 capital expenditure program, management's expectation that redirecting raw gas volumes will avoid third-party processing fees, other costs, and increases utilization at Peyto's existing plants; management's estimate that redirecting raw gas volumes will lower current production by 2,000 boe/d, will reduce corporate operating costs by approximately \$0.02/Mcfe, increase the average NGL price by approximately 12%, and have a minimal effect on overall revenue beginning in the second quarter; Peyto's expectation to more than offset the current loss in base ethane production with the quality of the drilling prospects for the remainder of the year; the commencement date of the Cascade Power Plant, the sustainability of the Company's dividend; expectations regarding cost reductions with continued optimization and increased utilization of the acquired gas processing plants; the Company's target of at least a 10% reduction in per unit operating costs from the first quarter of 2024 to the end of 2024; Peyto's outlook on North American natural gas prices and supply/demand fundamentals; the timing of Peyto's annual general meeting; and the Company's overall strategy and focus.

The forward-looking statements contained herein are subject to numerous known and unknown risks and uncertainties that may cause Peyto's actual financial results, performance or achievement in future periods to differ materially from those expressed in, or implied by, these forward-looking statements, including but not limited to, risks associated with: continued changes and volatility in general global economic conditions including, without limitations, the economic conditions in North America and public health concerns; continued fluctuations and volatility in commodity prices, foreign exchange or interest rates; continued stock market volatility; imprecision of reserves estimates; competition from other industry participants; failure to secure required equipment; increased competition; the lack of availability of qualified operating or management personnel; environmental risks; changes in laws and regulations including, without limitation, the adoption of new environmental and tax laws and regulations and changes in how they are interpreted and enforced; the results of exploration and development drilling and related activities; and the ability to access sufficient capital from internal and external sources. In addition, to the extent that any forward-looking statements presented herein constitutes future-oriented financial information or financial outlook, as defined by applicable securities legislation, such information has been approved by management of Peyto and has been presented to provide management's expectations used for budgeting and planning purposes and for providing clarity with respect to Peyto's strategic direction based on the assumptions presented herein and readers are cautioned that this information may not be appropriate for any other purpose. Readers are encouraged to review the material risks discussed in Peyto's latest annual information form under the heading "Risk Factors" and in Peyto's annual management's discussion and analysis under the heading "Risk Management".

The Company cautions that the foregoing list of assumptions, risks and uncertainties is not exhaustive. Readers are cautioned that the assumptions used in the preparation of such information, although considered reasonable at the time of preparation, may prove to be imprecise and, as such, undue reliance should not be placed on forward-looking statements. Peyto's actual results, performance or achievement could differ materially from those expressed in, or implied by, these forward-looking statements and, accordingly, no assurance can be given that any of the events anticipated by the forward-looking statements will transpire or occur, or if any of them do so, what benefits Peyto will derive there from. The forward-looking statements, including any future-oriented financial information or financial outlook, contained in this news release speak only as of the date hereof and Peyto does not assume any obligation to publicly update or revise them to reflect new information, future events or circumstances or otherwise, except as may be required pursuant to applicable securities laws.

#### Information Regarding Disclosure on Oil and Gas Reserves

Some values set forth in the tables above may not add due to rounding. It should not be assumed that the estimates of future net revenues presented in the tables above represent the fair market value of the reserves. There is no assurance that the forecast prices and costs assumptions will be attained, and variances could be material. The aggregate of the exploration and development costs incurred in the most recent financial year and the change during that year in estimated future development costs generally will not reflect total finding and development costs related to reserves additions for that year.

#### Barrels of Oil Equivalent

To provide a single unit of production for analytical purposes, natural gas production and reserves volumes are converted mathematically to equivalent barrels of oil (BOE). Peyto uses the industry-accepted standard conversion of six thousand cubic feet of natural gas to one barrel of oil (6 Mcf = 1 bbl). The 6:1 BOE ratio is based on an energy equivalency conversion method primarily applicable at the burner tip. It does not represent a value equivalency at the wellhead and is not based on current prices. While the BOE ratio is useful for comparative measures and observing trends, it does not accurately reflect individual product values and might be misleading, particularly if used in isolation. As well, given that the value ratio, based on the current price of crude oil to natural gas, is significantly different from the 6:1 energy equivalency ratio, using a 6:1 conversion ratio may be misleading as an indication of value.

#### Thousand Cubic Feet Equivalent (Mcfe)

Natural gas volumes recorded in thousand cubic feet (mcf) are converted to barrels of oil equivalent (boe) using the ratio of six (6) thousand cubic feet to one (1) barrel of oil (bbl). Natural gas liquids and oil volumes in barrel of oil (bbl) are converted to thousand cubic feet equivalent (Mcfe) using a ratio of one (1) barrel of oil to six (6) thousand cubic feet. This could be misleading, particularly if used in isolation as it is based on an energy equivalency conversion method primarily applied at the burner tip and does not represent a value equivalency at the wellhead.

#### Non-GAAP and Other Financial Measures

Throughout this press release, Peyto employs certain measures to analyze financial performance, financial position, and cash flow. These non-GAAP and other financial measures do not have any standardized meaning prescribed under IFRS and therefore may not be comparable to similar measures presented by other entities. The non-GAAP and other financial measures should not be considered to be more meaningful than GAAP measures which are determined in accordance with IFRS, such as net income (loss), cash flow from operating activities, and cash flow used in investing activities, as indicators of Peyto's performance.

# Non-GAAP Financial Measures

#### Funds from Operations

"Funds from operations" is a non-GAAP measure which represents cash flows from operating activities before changes in non-cash operating working capital, decommissioning expenditure, provision for future performance-based compensation and transaction costs. Management considers funds from operations and per share calculations of funds from operations to be key measures as they demonstrate the Company's ability to generate the cash necessary to pay dividends, repay debt and make capital investments. Management believes that by excluding the temporary impact of changes in non-cash operating working capital, funds from operations provides a useful measure of Peyto's ability to generate cash that is not subject to short-term movements in operating working capital. The most directly comparable GAAP measure is cash flows from operating activities.

	Three Month.	Ended March 31
(\$000)	2024	2023
Cash flows from operating activities	196,829	183,606
Change in non-cash working capital	3,587	(3,789)
Decommissioning expenditures	4,206	-
Funds from operations	204,622	179,817

#### Free Funds Flow

Peyto uses "free funds flow" as an indicator of the efficiency and liquidity of Peyto's business, measuring its funds after capital investment available to manage debt levels, pay dividends, and return capital to shareholders through activities such as share repurchases. In reporting for prior periods, decommissioning expenditures incurred were excluded from the Company's free funds flow non-GAAP financial measure as they were insignificant. Peyto has changed the reporting of free funds flow to no longer exclude decommissioning expenditures in the non-GAAP financial measure as the Company expects an increase in abandonment and reclamation projects going forward associated with the Repsol Assets. Peyto calculates free funds flow as cash flows from operating activities before changes in non-cash operating working capital less total capital expenditures, allowing Management to monitor its free funds flow to inform its capital allocation decisions. The most directly comparable GAAP measure to free funds flow is cash from operating activities. The following table details the calculation of free funds flow and the reconciliation from cash flow from operating activities to free funds flow.

	Three Months Ended March 31			
(\$000)	2024	2023		
Cash flows from operating activities	196,829	183,606		
Change in non-cash working capital	3,587	(3,789)		
Total capital expenditures	(113,762)	(121,802)		
Free funds flow	86,654	58,015		

#### **Total Capital Expenditures**

Peyto uses the term "total capital expenditures" as a measure of capital investment in exploration and production activity, as well as property acquisitions and divestitures, and such spending is compared to the Company's annual budgeted capital expenditures. The most directly comparable GAAP measure for total capital expenditures is cash flow used in investing activities. The following table details the calculation of cash flow used in investing activities to total capital expenditures.

	Three Months Ended March 31			
(\$000)	2024	2023		
Cash flows used in investing activities	97,634	126,250		
Change in prepaid capital	(4,653)	(163)		
Change in non-cash working capital relating to				
investing activities	20,781	(4,285)		
Total capital expenditures	113,762	121,802		

#### Net Debt

"Net debt" is a non-GAAP financial measure that is the sum of long-term debt and working capital excluding the current financial derivative instruments, current portion of lease obligations and current portion of decommissioning provision. It is used by management to analyze the financial position and leverage of the Company. Net debt is reconciled to long-term debt which is the most directly comparable GAAP measure.

(\$000)	As at March 31, 2024	As at December 31, 2023	As at March 31, 2023
Long-term debt	1,296,844	1,340,881	734,132
Current assets	(403,467)	(490,936)	(270,430)
Current liabilities	260,380	279,903	283,023
Financial derivative instruments - current	194,917	238,865	133,899
Current portion of lease obligation	(1,322)	(1,310)	(1,276)
Decommissioning provision - current	(7,794)	(4,626)	(1,521)
Net debt	1,339,558	1,362,777	877,827

# Third-Party Sales Net of Purchases

Peyto uses the term "third-party sales net of purchases" to evaluate the profitability of natural gas and NGLs purchased from third parties. Third-party sales net of purchases is calculated as sales of natural gas and NGLs from third parties less natural gas and NGLs purchased from third parties.

	Three Months Ended March 31			
(\$000)	2024	2023		
Sales of natural gas and NGLs from third parties	25,851	-		
Natural gas and NGLs purchased from third parties	(26,238)	-		
Third-party sales net of purchases	(387)	-		

#### Non-GAAP Financial Ratios

# Funds from Operations per Share

Peyto presents funds from operations per share by dividing funds from operations by the Company's diluted or basic weighted average common shares outstanding. "Funds from operations" is a non-GAAP financial measure. Management believes that funds from operations per share provides investors an indicator of funds generated from the business that could be allocated to each shareholder's equity position.

#### Netback per MCFE and BOE

"Netback" is a non-GAAP measure that represents the profit margin associated with the production and sale of petroleum and natural gas. Peyto computes "field netback per Mcfe" as commodity sales from production, plus third party sales net of purchases, if any, plus other income, less royalties, operating, and transportation expense divided by production. "Cash netback" is calculated as "field netback" less interest, less general and administration expense and plus or minus realized gain on foreign exchange, divided by production. Netbacks are before tax, per unit of production measures used to assess Peyto's performance and efficiency. The primary factors that produce Peyto's strong netbacks and high margins are a low-cost structure and the high heat content of its natural gas that results in higher commodity prices.

	Three Months	Ended March 3.
(\$/Mcfe)	2024	2023
Gross Sale Price	3.50	6.22
Realized hedging gain (loss)	1.37	(1.21)
Net Sale Price	4.87	5.01
Third party sales net of purchases	(0.01)	-
Other income	0.05	0.08
Royalties	(0.24)	(0.53)
Operating costs	(0.55)	(0.50)
Transportation	(0.30)	(0.24)
Field netback	3.82	3.82
Net general and administrative	(0.06)	(0.03)
Interest and financing	(0.36)	(0.22)
Realized gain on foreign exchange	0.01	0.01
Cash netback (\$/Mcfe)	3.41	3.58
Cash netback (\$/boe)	20.49	21.47

#### Third party sales net of purchases per Mcfe

"Third party sales net of purchases per Mcfe" is comprised of sales of natural gas from third parties less natural gas purchased from third parties, as determined in accordance with IFRS, divided by the Company's total production.

#### **Total Payout Ratio**

"Total payout ratio" is a non-GAAP measure which is calculated as the sum of dividends declared plus total capital expenditures and decommissioning expenditures, divided by funds from operations. In reporting for prior periods, decommissioning expenditures incurred were excluded from the Company's total payout ratio as they were insignificant. Peyto has changed the reporting of total payout ratio to no longer exclude decommissioning expenditures in the non-GAAP financial ratio as the Company expects an increase in abandonment and reclamation projects going forward associated with the Repsol Assets. This ratio represents the percentage of the capital expenditures, decommissioning expenditures and dividends that is funded by cashflow. Management uses this measure, among others, to assess the sustainability of Peyto's dividend and capital program.

	Three Months Ended March 31			
(\$000, except total payout ratio)	2024	2023		
Total dividends declared	64,158	57,678		
Total capital expenditures	113,762	121,802		
Decommissioning expenditures	4,206	-		
Total payout	182,126	179,480		
Funds from operations	204,622	179,817		
Total payout ratio (%)	89%	100%		

#### Operating Margin

Operating Margin is a non-GAAP financial ratio defined as funds from operations, before current tax, divided by revenue before royalties but including realized hedging gains/losses and third-party sales net of purchases.

#### Profit Margin

Profit Margin is a non-GAAP financial ratio defined as net earnings divided by revenue before royalties but including realized hedging gains/losses and third-party sales net of purchases.

### Cash Costs

Cash costs is a non-GAAP financial ratio defined as the sum of royalties, operating expenses, transportation expenses, G&A and interest, on a per Mcfe basis. Peyto uses total cash costs to assess operating margin and profit margin.

# Management's discussion and analysis

This Management's Discussion and Analysis ("MD&A") of Peyto Exploration & Development Corp. ("Peyto" or the "Company") is Management's analysis of the financial performance and significant trends and external factors that may affect future performance. This MD&A was prepared using information that is current as of May 14, 2024 and should be read in conjunction with the unaudited condensed consolidated financial statements (the "financial statements") as at and for the three months ended March 31, 2024 and the MD&A and audited consolidated financial statements as at and for the year ended December 31, 2023, as well as Peyto's Annual Information Form, each of which is available at www.sedarplus.ca and on Peyto's website at <a href="https://www.Peyto.com">www.Peyto.com</a>.

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the International Accounting Standards Board's ("IASB") most current International Financial Reporting Standards ("IFRS" or "GAAP"). All references are to Canadian dollars unless otherwise indicated.

Throughout this MD&A and in other materials disclosed by the Company, Peyto adheres to GAAP, however the Company also employs certain non-GAAP and other financial measures to analyze financial performance, financial position, and cash flow including, but not limited to "funds from operations", "free funds flow", "total capital expenditures" and "net debt". These non-GAAP and other financial measures do not have any standardized meaning prescribed under IFRS and therefore may not be comparable to similar measures presented by other entities. The non-GAAP and other financial measures should not be considered to be more meaningful than GAAP measures which are determined in accordance with IFRS, such as earnings (loss), cash flow from operating activities, and cash flow used in investing activities, as indicators of Peyto's performance. See "Non-GAAP and Other Financial Measures" included at the end of this MD&A for an explanation of these financial measures and reconciliation to the most directly comparable financial measure under IFRS.

Readers are cautioned that this MD&A contains certain forward-looking information and should be read in conjunction with Peyto's "Forward-Looking Statements" section included at the end of this MD&A.

#### **OVERVIEW**

Peyto is a Canadian energy company involved in the development and production of natural gas, oil and natural gas liquids in Alberta's deep basin. At December 31, 2023, the Company's total Proved plus Probable reserves were 7.8 trillion cubic feet equivalent (1.3 billion barrels of oil equivalent) as evaluated by its independent petroleum engineers. Production is weighted approximately 87 per cent to natural gas and 13 per cent to natural gas liquids.

The Peyto model is designed to deliver a superior total return with growth in value, assets, production and income, all on a debt adjusted per share basis. The model is built around three key strategies:

- Use technical expertise to achieve the best return on capital employed through the development of internally generated drilling projects.
- Build an asset base which is made up of high-quality natural gas reserves.
- Over time, balance dividends paid to shareholders with earnings and cash flow, and balance funding for the capital program with cash flow, equity and available credit lines.

Operating results over the last 25 years indicate that these strategies have been successfully implemented.

# QUARTERLY FINANCIAL INFORMATION

	2024		202	3	_		2022	
(\$000 except per share amounts)	Q1	Q4	Q3	Q2	Q1	Q4	Q3	Q2
Natural gas and NGL sales, net of royalties								
and including realized hedging gains/losses (1)	315,893	297,647	216,456	209,714	248,766	282,999	239,637	253,992
Funds from operations <sup>(2)</sup>	204,622	200,319	147,980	142,354	179,817	220,815	197,388	205,901
Per share – basic (2)	1.05	1.05	0.84	0.81	1.03	1.28	1.15	1.21
Per share – diluted (2)	1.05	1.05	0.84	0.81	1.02	1.26	1.13	1.18
Earnings	99,875	87,795	57,444	57,415	89,981	113,441	84,861	94,545
Per share – basic	0.51	0.46	0.33	0.33	0.51	0.66	0.50	0.56
Per share – diluted	0.51	0.46	0.33	0.33	0.51	0.64	0.48	0.54
Total dividends declared <sup>(3)</sup>	64,158	63,811	59,802	57,715	57,678	25,908	25,686	25,485
Per share	0.33	0.33	0.33	0.33	0.33	0.15	0.15	0.15
Total capital expenditures <sup>(2)</sup>	113,762	115,218	93,579	82,319	121,802	115,040	140,400	108,089
Corporate Acquisitions	-	699,358	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total payout ratio (%) <sup>(2)</sup>	89%	89%	104%	98%	100%	64%	84%	65%

<sup>(1)</sup> Excludes revenue from sale of natural gas volumes from third parties

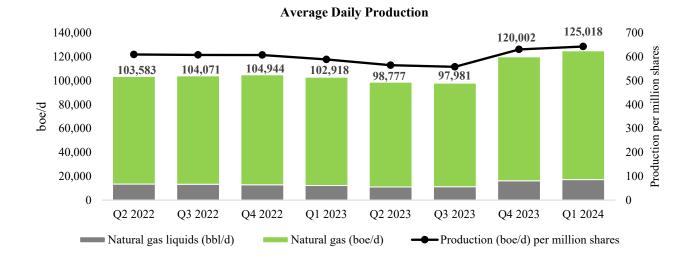
# **RESULTS OF OPERATIONS**

# **Production**

	Three Months Ended March 31			
	2024	2023	% Change	
Natural gas (MMcf/d)	647.2	544.3	19%	
NGLs (or "Liquids") (bbl/d)	17,145	12,205	40%	
Total (boe/d)	125,018	102,918	21%	
Total (MMcfe/d)	750.1	617.5	21%	

Peyto's total production in the first quarter of 2024 increased 21 per cent to 125,018 boe/d, compared to 102,918 boe/d in the first quarter of 2023. The production increase in the three months ended March 31, 2024, is largely due to the Repsol Canada Energy Partnership acquisition (the "Acquisition" or "Repsol Assets") completed in the fourth quarter of 2024.

<sup>(2)</sup> This is a non-GAAP financial measure or ratio. Refer to the section entitled "Non-GAAP and Other Financial Measures" contained within this MD&A for further information.



# **Natural Gas Liquids Production by Component**

	Three Months Ended March 31			
	2024	2023	% Change	
Condensate and Pentanes Plus (bbl/d)	8,276	7,063	17%	
Other Natural gas liquids (bbl/d)	8,869	5,142	72%	
Natural gas liquids (bbl/d)	17,145	12,205	40%	
Liquid to gas ratio (bbls/MMcf)	26.5	22.4	18%	

The liquid to gas ratio increased 18 per cent to 26.5 bbls/MMcf in the first quarter of 2024 from 22.4 bbls/MMcf in the first quarter of 2023. This increase is due to higher ethane recovery associated with the Repsol Assets, which included approximately 2,200 bbls/d of ethane which was being extracted from the raw gas through a third-party operated deep cut facility.

The agreement with the third-party operated deep-cut facility expired at the end of March 2024, and Peyto elected to reroute 50 MMcf/d of raw gas back to Company operated facilities where the ethane will be sold in the gas stream. This increases Peyto's gas sales volumes by approximately seven per cent and the heat content of the sales gas by approximately seven per cent on the effected volume but will reduce overall production by approximately 2,000 boe/d starting in April 2024. The Company expects the increased natural gas revenue, coupled with decreased third-party processing costs, will more than offset the lost ethane revenue going forward.

# Revenue from Natural Gas and NGL Sales and Realized Hedging Gains (Losses)

	Three Months Ended March			
(\$000)	2024	2023	% Change	
Natural gas sales <sup>(1)</sup>	144,746	261,861	-45%	
Realized hedging gains (losses) - gas	93,613	(70,339)	-233%	
Natural gas sales including realized hedging gains (losses)	238,359	191,522	24%	
NGL sales	94,392	83,650	13%	
Realized hedging gains (losses) - NGLs	(210)	3,160	-107%	
NGL sales including realized hedging gains (losses)	94,182	86,810	8%	
Natural gas and NGL sales	239,138	345,511	-31%	
Realized hedging gains (losses)	93,403	(67,179)	-239%	
Natural gas and NGL sales including realized hedging gains (losses)	332,541	278,332	19%	

<sup>(1)</sup> Excludes revenue from sale of natural gas and NGLs purchased from third parties

In the first quarter of 2024, natural gas and NGL sales net of realized hedging gains (losses) increased 19 per cent to \$332.5 million from \$278.3 million in the first quarter of 2023. The increase for the three months March 31, 2024 was a result of higher production volumes coupled with realized hedging gains on natural gas volumes, partially offset by lower realized natural gas prices.

Peyto's natural gas and NGL sales including realized hedging gains (losses) over the past eight quarters is summarized below.

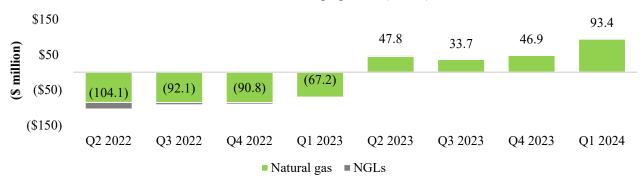


Natural gas sales including realized hedging gains (losses)
 NGL sales including realized hedging gains (losses)

Peyto enters into risk management contracts with well-established counterparties for the purpose of protecting a portion of its future revenues from the volatility of oil and natural gas prices. In periods of increasing commodity prices, Peyto expects to realize hedging losses and in periods of falling commodity prices, Peyto expects to realize hedging gains. Peyto's hedging program since inception in 2003 has generated cumulative realized gains of \$289 million.

Realized hedging gains (losses) over the past eight quarters are summarized below.

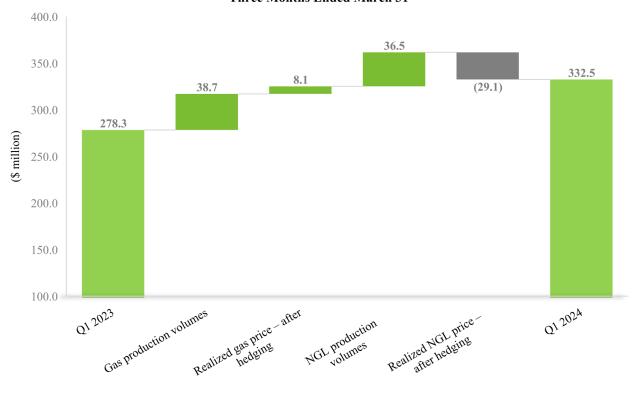
# **Realized Hedging Gains (Losses)**



The change in revenue from natural gas and NGL sales including realized hedging gains (losses) in the three months ended March 31, 2024 from the same period of 2023, are detailed in the following table and chart:

	Three Mon	Three Months Ended March 31			
	2024	2023	\$ million		
2023			278.3		
change due to:					
Natural gas					
Volume (MMcf)	58,895	48,987	38.7		
Price (\$/Mcf)	4.05	3.91	8.1		
NGL					
Volume (Mbbl)	1,560	1,098	36.5		
Price (\$/bbl)	60.36	79.03	(29.1)		
2024			332.5		

# Change in Natural Gas and NGL Sales, including Realized Hedging Gains and Losses Three Months Ended March 31



# **Benchmark Commodity Prices**

# **Three Months Ended March 31**

	2024	2023	% Change
AECO 7A monthly (\$/GJ)	1.94	4.12	-53%
AECO 5A daily (\$/GJ)	2.36	3.05	-22%
Henry Hub daily (US\$/MMBtu)	2.41	2.67	-10%
Emerson2 (US\$/MMBtu)	2.29	2.67	-14%
Malin monthly (US\$/MMBtu)	3.42	18.98	-82%
Dawn (US\$/MMBtu)	2.25	2.72	-17%
Ventura daily (US\$/MMBtu)	3.36	2.76	22%
Canadian WTI (\$/bbl)	103.82	102.90	1%
Conway C3 (US\$/bbl)	33.16	32.98	1%
Exchange rate (CDN/USD)	1.35	1.35	0%

# **Commodity Prices**

	Three Months Ended March 31			
	2024	2023	% Change	
Condensate and Pentanes Plus <sup>(1)</sup> (\$/bbl)	91.72	103.60	-11%	
Other Natural gas liquids <sup>(1)</sup> (\$/bbl)	31.37	39.20	-20%	
Realized NGL price – before hedging (\$/bbl)	60.50	76.15	-21%	
Realized hedging gain (loss) (\$/bbl)	(0.13)	2.88	-105%	
Realized NGL price – after hedging (\$/bbl)	60.36	79.03	-24%	
Natural gas <sup>(2)</sup> (\$/Mcf)	3.22	5.97	-46%	
Diversification activities (\$/Mcf)	(0.76)	(0.62)	23%	
Realized natural gas price (\$/Mcf)	2.46	5.35	-54%	
Realized hedging gain (loss) (\$/Mcf)	1.59	(1.44)	-210%	
Realized natural gas price – after hedging and				
diversification (\$/Mcf)	4.05	3.91	4%	
Total realized hedging gain (loss) (\$/Mcfe)	1.37	(1.21)	-213%	
Total realized hedging gain (loss) (\$/boe)	8.21	(7.25)	-213%	

(1) Condensate, pentanes plus and other liquids prices are Peyto realized prices in Canadian dollars adjusted for fractionation and transportation

Peyto's realized natural gas price, before hedging, averaged \$2.46/Mcf during the first quarter of 2024, a decrease of 54 per cent from \$5.35/Mcf in the first quarter of 2023 due to the decline in benchmark gas prices. The Company's realized hedging gains totaled \$1.59/Mcf in the first quarter, offsetting the sharp decrease in benchmark natural gas prices over the past year. Peyto's realized natural gas price, after hedging and diversification, totaled \$4.05/Mcf in the quarter, 81 per cent higher than the AECO 7A monthly index price and 4 per cent higher than the first quarter of 2023.

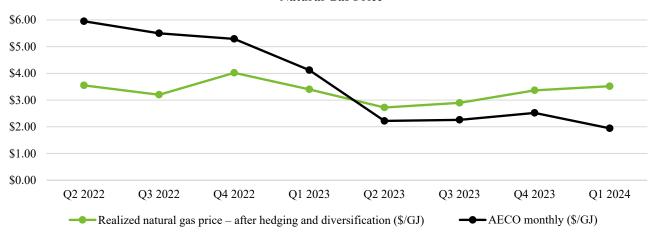
The Company's NGL price, before hedging, averaged \$60.50/bbl, in the first quarter of 2024, a decrease of 21 per cent from \$76.15/bbl a year earlier. This decrease is due to benchmark Edmonton condensate differentials, which decreased to a \$5.84/bbl discount to Canadian dollar WTI ("WTI CAD") in the quarter compared to a \$5.34/bbl premium to WTI CAD in Q1 2023. Additionally, Peyto's relative weighting of NGLs included a higher percentage of lower value ethane production in the quarter associated with the Repsol Assets, which decreased the overall realized NGL price compared to the first quarter of 2023.

Peyto actively markets all components of its production stream including natural gas, condensate, pentane, butane and propane. Peyto's market diversification activity resulted in natural gas being sold at various hubs including AECO, Ventura, Emerson 2, Malin, Dawn and Henry Hub using both physical fixed price and temporary basis transactions to access those locations. Natural gas prices were left to float on daily pricing or locked in using fixed price swaps at those hubs and Peyto's realized price was benchmarked against those local prices, then adjusted for marketing arrangements (either physical or short-term synthetic) to those markets. This gas market diversification cost represents the total marketing and synthetic transportation cost, not just the difference between those markets and an AECO equivalent price.

The Company's liquids were also actively marketed with condensate being sold on a monthly index differential linked to WTI oil prices. Peyto's NGLs (a blend of pentanes plus, butane, propane and ethane) are fractionated by a third party in Fort Saskatchewan, Alberta however Peyto markets each product separately. Pentanes Plus were sold on a monthly index differential linked to WTI, with some volumes forward sold on fixed differentials to WTI. Butane was sold as a percent of WTI or a fixed differential to the Mount Belvieu, Texas market. Propane was sold on a fixed differential to the Conway, Kansas market. While some products were sold pursuant to annual term contracts to ensure delivery paths remain open, others were marketed on the daily spot market.

<sup>(2)</sup> Excludes revenue from sale of natural gas volumes from third parties but includes fixed price physical contracts

#### **Natural Gas Price**



# Sales and Purchases of Natural Gas and NGLs from Third Parties

	Three Months Ended March 31			
(\$000)	2024	2023	% Change	
Sales of natural gas and NGLs from third parties	25,851	-		
Natural gas and NGLs purchased from third parties	(26,238)	-	_	
Third-party sales net of purchases <sup>(1)</sup>	(387)	-	-	

<sup>(1)</sup> This is a non-GAAP financial measure or ratio. Refer to the section entitled "Non-GAAP and Other Financial Measures" contained within this MD&A for further information.

In the three months ended March 31, 2024, Peyto recorded sales of natural gas and NGLs from third parties totaling \$25.9 million, which was purchased for \$26.2 million. The third-party purchases in 2024 relate to midstream contracts acquired with the Repsol Asset. Most of these agreements terminated on March 31, 2024.

# Other Income

# **Three Months Ended March 31**

(\$000)	2024	2023	% Change
Other Income	3,421	5,067	-32%

In the three months ended March 31, 2024, other income decreased to \$3.4 million from \$5.1 million in the same period of 2023. This decrease is due to lower sales of excess transportation service compared to the same period in 2023, partially offset by electricity sales generated from a cogeneration plant that was acquired with the Repsol Assets.

# **Royalties**

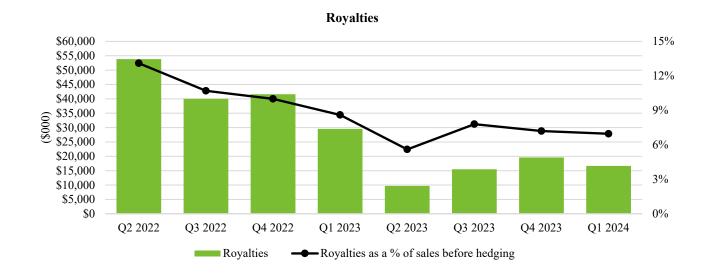
Royalties are paid to the owners of the mineral rights with whom leases are held, including the provincial government of Alberta. Alberta natural gas Crown royalties are invoiced on the Crown's share of production based on a monthly established Alberta Reference Price. The Alberta Reference Price is a monthly weighted average price of gas consumed in Alberta and gas exported from Alberta reduced for transportation and marketing allowances. All Peyto's new wells qualify for the Crown's Drilling and Completion Cost Allowance program, which has a five per cent initial royalty rate.

**Three Months Ended March 31** 

	2024	2023	% Change
Royalties (\$000)	16,648	29,566	-44%
per cent of sales before hedging	7.0%	8.6%	-19%
\$/Mcfe	0.24	0.53	-54%
\$/boe	1.46	3.19	-54%

For the first quarter of 2024, royalties decreased to \$0.24/Mcfe or 7.0 per cent of Peyto's natural gas and NGL sales, compared to \$0.53/Mcfe or 8.6 per cent in the same period of 2023. The decreased royalties was due to declines in AECO prices coupled with higher gas cost allowance credits in three months ended March 31, 2024, compared to the same period of 2023.

In its 25-year history, Peyto has invested \$8.5 billion in capital projects and acquisitions, found, acquired and developed 6.0 TCFe of natural gas reserves and paid over \$1.2 billion in royalties.



# **Operating Costs & Transportation**

Peyto's operating expenses include all costs with respect to day-to-day well and facility operations.

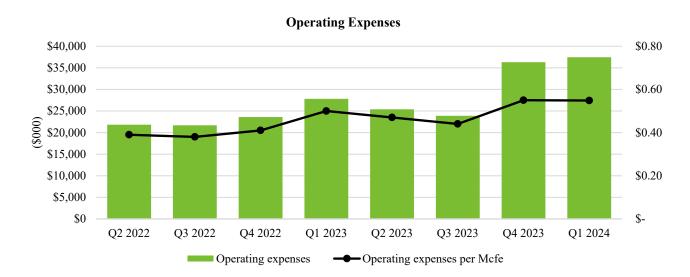
Thusas	Months	Ended 1	March 31

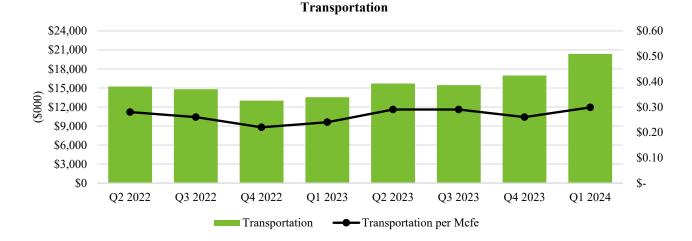
	2024	2023	% Change
Payments to Government (\$000)	7,748	5,168	50%
Other expenses (\$000)	29,695	22,644	31%
Operating costs (\$000)	37,443	27,812	35%
\$/Mcfe	0.55	0.50	10%
\$/boe	3.29	3.00	10%
Transportation (\$000)	20,377	13,552	50%
\$/Mcfe	0.30	0.24	24%
\$/boe	1.79	1.46	23%

For the three months ended March 31, 2024, operating expenses were \$37.4 million, compared to \$27.8 million in the same period in 2023. The increase in operating expenses is reflective of increased production due to the Repsol Assets compared to the same period of 2023.

On a unit-of-production basis, operating costs increased 10 per cent to \$0.55/Mcfe in the first quarter of 2024 from \$0.50/Mcfe in the first quarter of 2023. This increase is primarily due to the addition of the Repsol Assets, which have higher operating expenses than Peyto's legacy assets. Peyto focuses on being the industry leader in operating costs and strives for cost reductions on a continuous basis. Driving down per unit costs on the Repsol Assets is a key priority for the Company in 2024.

Transportation expenses increased 24 per cent on a unit-of production basis to \$0.30/Mcfe in the first quarter 2024 from \$0.24/Mcfe in the first quarter 2023. The increased transportation expense in the three months ended March 31, 2024 is due to an additional 150,000 GJ/d of Empress service that commenced in April 2023, coupled with a January 2024 fee increase on the NGTL system. Physical transportation contracts to Emerson and Empress were entered into as part of Peyto's sales diversification strategy.





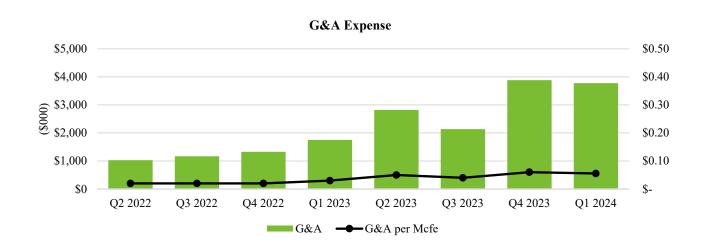
# General and Administrative ("G&A") Expenses

**Three Months Ended March 31** 

	2024	2023	% Change
Gross G&A expenses (\$000)	7,282	4,871	49%
Overhead recoveries (\$000)	(3,505)	(3,119)	12%
G&A expenses (\$000)	3,777	1,752	116%
\$/Mcfe	0.06	0.03	84%
\$/boe	0.33	0.14	137%

For the first quarter of 2024, G&A expenses (before overhead recoveries) increased to \$7.3 million compared to \$4.9 million in the first quarter of 2023. This increase is due primarily to increased employment, information technology and insurance costs associated with the Acquisition.

Gross G&A expenses averaged \$0.11/Mcfe before overhead recoveries of \$0.05/Mcfe for G&A expenses of \$0.06/Mcfe in the first quarter of 2024 (\$0.09/Mcfe before overhead recoveries of \$0.06/Mcfe for G&A expenses of \$0.03/Mcfe in the first quarter of 2023).



#### **Performance and Stock Based Compensation**

The Company awards performance-based compensation to employees, key consultants and directors. Performance and stock-based compensation is comprised of stock options, deferred share units, and reserve value-based components.

#### **Performance Based Compensation**

The reserve value-based component is 4 per cent of the incremental increase in per share value, if any, as adjusted to reflect changes in debt, dividends, general and administrative expenses and interest expense, of proved producing reserves calculated using realized prices at March 31 of the current year and a discount rate of 8 per cent. Peyto recorded \$nil performance-based compensation expense in the three months ended March 31, 2024 (2023 - \$nil).

#### **Stock Based Compensation**

The Company has a stock option plan allowing for the granting of stock options to officers, employees and consultants of the Company. Stock options are to be granted periodically with a three-year vesting period. At the vesting, recipients have thirty days to exercise options after which any unexercised options expire.

Peyto has a deferred share unit ("DSU") plan, whereby DSUs may be issued to members of the Board of Directors. Each DSU is a notional unit equal in value to one Common Share, which entitles the holder to receive a common share upon redemption. DSUs vest immediately but can only be converted to a share upon the holder ceasing to be a Director of the Company. The expense associated with the DSU plan is determined based on the 5-day VWAP of Common Shares at the grant date. The expense is recognized in the income statement in the quarter in which the units are granted, with a corresponding charge to contributed surplus in the balance sheet.

Stock based compensation costs is calculated on 10.4 million non-vested stock options (5.3 per cent of the total number of common shares outstanding) and 0.3 million vested DSU's (0.1 per cent of the total number of common shares outstanding). The stock option plan limits the number of common shares that may be granted to 10 per cent of the outstanding common shares.

Peyto records a non-cash provision for compensation expense over the life of the stock options calculated using a Black-Scholes valuation model. Stock based compensation costs for the three months ended March 31, 2024 was \$4.0 million (2023 - \$3.1 million).

# **Stock Option Plan**

	Number of Options	Weighted average exercise price (\$)
Balance, December 31, 2023	9,868,323	12.02
Stock options granted	1,575,127	12.25
Exercised	(865,245)	8.09
Expired	(228,205)	13.80
Balance, March 31, 2024	10,350,000	12.34

# **Deferred Share Units**

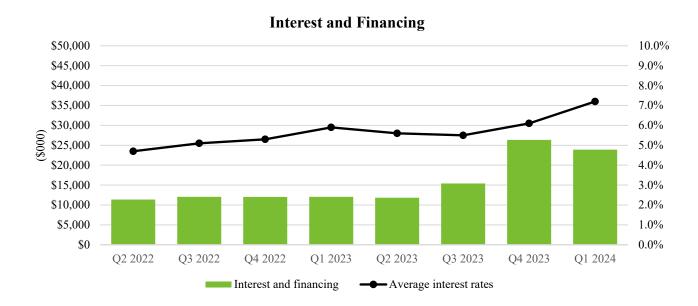
	Number of DSUs
Balance, December 31, 2023	248,037
DSU's granted	24,678
Balance March 31, 2024	272,715

# **Finance Expense**

# **Three Months Ended March 31**

	2024	2023	% Change
Accretion of decommissioning provision (\$000)	2,386	1,082	121%
Financing costs (\$000)	835	-	-
Interest (\$000)	23,909	12,047	98%
Interest and financing costs	24,744	12,047	105%
Finance expense	27,130	13,129	107%
Interest and financing \$/Mcfe	0.36	0.22	67%
Interest and financing \$/boe	2.17	1.30	67%
Average interest rate	7.2%	5.9%	22%
Average Bank of Canada rate	5.00%	4.33%	15%

For the three months ended March 31, 2024, finance expense increased to \$27.1 million compared to \$13.1 million for the same period of 2023. The increase in finance expense is mainly due to higher interest costs associated with increased average debt outstanding on the Company's credit facilities, due to the Acquisition, coupled with Peyto's average interest rate increasing to 7.2 per cent in the quarter compared to 5.9 per cent in the same period of 2023. The increase in the average interest rate is due to the new term loan and additional draws on Peyto's revolving credit facility related to financing the Acquisition, and refinancing the note that matured in October 2023.

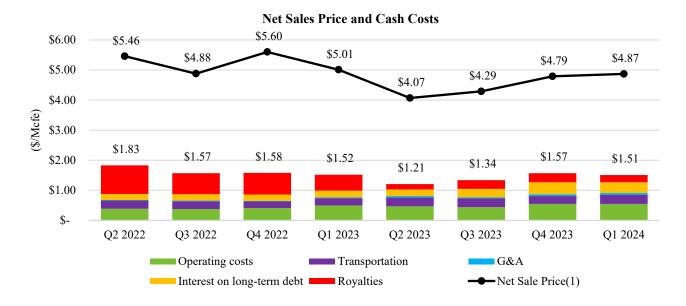


# Netbacks

	Three Months E	Three Months Ended March 31		
(\$/Mcfe)	2024	2023	% Change	
Gross Sale Price	3.50	6.22	-44%	
Realized hedging gain (loss)	1.37	(1.21)	-213%	
Net Sale Price	4.87	5.01	-3%	
Third party sales net of purchases <sup>(1)</sup>	(0.01)	0.00	-	
Other income	0.05	0.08	-38%	
Royalties	(0.24)	(0.53)	-55%	
Operating costs	(0.55)	(0.50)	10%	
Transportation	(0.30)	(0.24)	25%	
Field netback <sup>(1)</sup>	3.82	3.82	0%	
G&A	(0.06)	(0.03)	100%	
Interest and financing	(0.36)	(0.22)	64%	
Realized gain (loss) on foreign exchange	0.01	0.01	0%	
Cash netback <sup>(1)</sup> (\$/Mcfe)	3.41	3.58	-5%	
Cash netback <sup>(1)</sup> (\$/boe)	20.49	21.47	-5%	

<sup>(1)</sup> This is a non-GAAP ratio. Refer to the section entitled "Non-GAAP and Other Financial Measures" contained within this MD&A for further information

Netbacks are a non-GAAP measure that represent the profit margin associated with the production and sale of petroleum and natural gas. Netbacks are per unit of production measures used to assess Peyto's performance and efficiency. The primary factors that produce Peyto's strong netbacks and high margins are a low-cost structure and the high heat content of its natural gas that results in higher commodity prices.



(1) Excludes revenue from sale of natural gas volumes from third parties and other income

# **Depletion and Depreciation**

The Company's depletion and depreciation totaled \$94.5 million (\$1.38/Mcfe) in the first quarter of 2024 compared to \$77.0 million (\$1.39/Mcfe) in the first quarter of 2023. The increase in depletion and depreciation for the three months ended March 31, 2024 is due to higher production volumes over 2023 associated with the Repsol Assets. On a per unit basis, depletion and depreciation was consistent with the first quarter of 2023.

#### **Income Taxes**

Peyto recorded current income tax expense of \$28.5 million for the three months ended March 31, 2024 compared to \$19.1 million for the same period in 2023. For the three months ended March 31, 2024, Peyto recognized \$2.6 million of deferred income tax expense compared to \$8.7 million for the same period in 2023.

The increase in current income tax in the three months ended March 31, 2024 is due to higher net income for tax purposes and lower income tax pools available to claim compared to the same period in 2023.

# MARKETING AND RISK MANAGEMENT

#### **Financial Derivative Instruments**

The Company is a party to certain derivative financial instruments, including fixed price contracts. The Company enters into these forward contracts with well-established counterparties for the purpose of protecting a portion of its future revenues from the volatility of oil, natural gas prices, the foreign exchange rate and interest rates. To minimize counterparty risk, these marketing contracts are executed with financial institutions which are members of Peyto's banking syndicate.

Financial derivative instruments are valued on the consolidated balance sheet using quoted market prices at period end. Physical delivery contracts are not considered financial instruments and therefore, no asset or liability is recognized on the consolidated balance sheet.

# **Commodity Price Risk Management**

During the three months ended March 31, 2024, Peyto recorded realized hedging gains on commodity contracts of \$93.4 million as compared to losses of \$67.2 million in the same period of 2023. A summary of contracts outstanding in respect of the hedging activities are as follows:

Natural Gas	_		Average Price
Period Hedged – AECO Monthly Index	Type	Daily Volume (GJ)	(AECO CAD/GJ)
Q2 2024	Fixed Price	170,000	\$2.83
Q3 2024	Fixed Price	170,000	\$2.83
Q4 2024	Fixed Price	232,989	\$3.65
Q1 2025	Fixed Price	265,000	\$3.92
Q2 2025	Fixed Price	290,000	\$3.33
Q3 2025	Fixed Price	290,000	\$3.33
Q4 2025	Fixed Price	256,848	\$3.85
Q1 2026	Fixed Price	240,000	\$4.17
Q2 2026	Fixed Price	200,000	\$3.31
Q3 2026	Fixed Price	200,000	\$3.31
Q4 2026	Fixed Price	67,391	\$3.31

Natural Gas			Average Price
Period Hedged – AECO Daily Index	Type	Daily Volume (GJ)	(AECO CAD/GJ)
Q2 2024	Fixed Price	45,000	\$2.72
Q3 2024	Fixed Price	45,000	\$2.72
Q4 2024	Fixed Price	15,163	\$2.72
Q2 2025	Fixed Price	25,000	\$3.60
Q3 2025	Fixed Price	25,000	\$3.60
Q4 2025	Fixed Price	8,424	\$3.60

Natural Gas		Daily Volume	Average Price
Period Hedged – NYMEX	Type	(MMBTU)	(NYMEX USD/MMBtu)
Q2 2024	Fixed Price	205,000	\$3.60
Q3 2024	Fixed Price	205,000	\$3.60
Q4 2024	Fixed Price	208,315	\$3.89
Q1 2025	Fixed Price	210,000	\$4.03
Q2 2025	Fixed Price	195,000	\$3.80
Q3 2025	Fixed Price	195,000	\$3.80
Q4 2025	Fixed Price	75,652	\$3.89
Q1 2026	Fixed Price	15,000	\$4.51

Crude Oil			<b>Average Price</b>
Period Hedged – WTI	Type	Daily Volume (bbl)	(WTI CAD/bbl)
Q2 2024	Fixed Price	5,000	\$103.54
Q3 2024	Fixed Price	4,000	\$102.26
Q4 2024	Fixed Price	3,100	\$100.75
Q1 2025	Fixed Price	1,500	\$97.83
Q2 2025	Fixed Price	900	\$97.34

Crude Oil			Put - Call
Period Hedged – WTI	Type	Daily Volume (bbl)	(WTI CAD/bbl)
Q2 2024	Collar	500	\$90.00-\$100.25
Q3 2024	Collar	500	\$85.00-\$95.00
Q4 2024	Collar	500	\$90.00-\$104.50
Q1 2025	Collar	1,000	\$85.00-\$102.63
Q2 2025	Collar	500	\$90.00-\$100.25

As at March 31, 2024, Peyto had committed to the future sale of 232,475,000 gigajoules (GJ) of natural gas at an average price of \$3.46 per GJ or \$3.98 per Mcf, 119,575,000 MMBtu at an average price of \$3.80 USD per MMBtu, 1,325,100 barrels of crude at an average price of \$101.62 CAD per bbl, and 273,000 barrels of crude with an average collar of \$87.51–\$100.86 CAD per bbl. Had these contracts closed on March 31, 2024, Peyto would have realized a gain in the amount of \$265.6 million. Total hedged volumes represent approximately 10 per cent of Peyto's March 31, 2024 Proved plus Probable Developed reserves.

Subsequent to March 31, 2024, Peyto entered into the following hedging contracts:

Natural Gas			Average Price
Period Hedged – AECO Monthly Index	Type	Daily Volume (GJ)	(AECO CAD/GJ)
April 1, 2026 to October 31, 2026	Fixed	5,000	\$3.25

Natural Gas Period Hedged – NYMEX	Type	Daily Volume (MMBTU)	Average Price (NYMEX USD/MMBtu)
November 1, 2025 to March 31, 2026	Fixed Price	20,000	\$3.87
November 1, 2025 to October 31, 2026	Fixed Price	15,000	\$3.95

Crude Oil Period Hedged – WTI	Туре	Daily Volume (bbl)	Average Price (WTI CAD/bbl)
April 1, 2024 to June 30, 2024	Fixed Price	100	\$115.45
July 1, 2024 to September 30, 2024	Fixed Price	100	\$111.70
October 1, 2024 to December 31, 2024	Fixed Price	100	\$107.95
July 1, 2024 to December 31, 2024	Fixed Price	100	\$108.00
January 1, 2025 to June 30, 2025	Fixed Price	200	\$102.90
July 1, 2025 to September 30, 2025	Fixed Price	100	\$100.15

Crude Oil			Put - Call
Period Hedged – WTI	Type	Daily Volume (bbl)	(WTI CAD/bbl)
July 1, 2025 to September 30, 2025	Collar	500	\$90.00-\$106.74

Propane		Daily Volume	Price
Period Hedged- Conway	Type	(US Gal)	(USD/US Gal)
April 1, 2024 to March 31, 2025	Fixed Price	10,500 US Gal	\$0.8225

# **Foreign Exchange Forward Contracts**

During the three months ended March 31, 2024, Peyto recorded a realized hedging gain of \$0.02 million on foreign exchange forward contracts (2023 - \$0.2 million). Peyto has the following foreign exchange forward contracts in place at March 31, 2024.

Average Rate forward	Amount (USD)	Rate (CAD/USD)
<b>Sold USD Contracts</b>		
Q2 2024	\$86.5 million	1.3532
Q3 2024	\$81.0 million	1.3484
Q4 2024	\$62.0 million	1.3421
Q1 2025	\$54.0 million	1.3458
Q2 2025	\$69.0 million	1.3517
Q3 2025	\$63.0 million	1.3523
Q4 2025	\$33.0 million	1.3500

Had these contracts settled on March 31, 2024, Peyto would have realized a gain in the amount of \$0.02 million.

Subsequent to March 31, 2024, Peyto entered into the following foreign exchange forward contracts:

Average Rate forward	Amount (USD)	Rate (CAD/USD)
Sold USD Contracts		
Q4 2024	\$18.0 million	1.3600
Q1 2025	\$27.0 million	1.3600
Q2 2026	\$12.0 million	1.3550
Q3 2026	\$12.0 million	1.3550
Q4 2026	\$4.0 million	1.3550

### **Interest Rate Contracts**

During the three months ended March 31, 2024, Peyto recorded realized hedging gains on interest rate swaps of \$0.2 million (2023 - \$nil), which was netted against interest expense. Peyto has the following interest rate swap contracts in place at March 31, 2024.

Term	Notional Amount	Peyto pays fixed rate	Peyto receives floating rate
March 17, 2023 to March 17, 2026	\$50 million	3.565%	1-Month CDOR

Had these contracts settled on March 31, 2024, Peyto would have realized a gain in the amount of \$0.8 million.

# **Commodity Price Sensitivity**

Peyto's earnings are largely determined by commodity prices for crude oil and natural gas including the US/Canadian dollar exchange rate. Volatility in these oil and gas prices can cause fluctuations in Peyto's earnings and cash flow. Low operating costs and a long reserve life reduce Peyto's sensitivity to changes in commodity prices.

#### **Currency Risk Management**

The Company is exposed to fluctuations in the Canadian/US dollar exchange ratio since commodities are effectively priced in US dollars and converted to Canadian dollars. Peyto mitigates exchange rate risks using foreign exchange forward contracts and by hedging certain products with Canadian dollar contracts. Additionally, the \$40 million USD in senior secured notes provides structural foreign exchange risk mitigation.

# **Interest Rate Risk Management**

The Company is exposed to interest rate risk in relation to interest expense on its revolving credit facility and term loan. Peyto uses interest rate swaps on a portion of its floating rate debt to mitigate its interest rate exposure. At March 31, 2024, the increase or decrease in earnings for each 100 bps (1 per cent) change in weighted average borrowing rate paid on the outstanding revolving demand loan and term loan amounts to approximately \$2.3 million per quarter. Average debt outstanding for the quarter was \$1.38 billion (including \$479 million fixed rate debt).

# Cash Flow from Operating Activities, Funds from Operations and Earnings

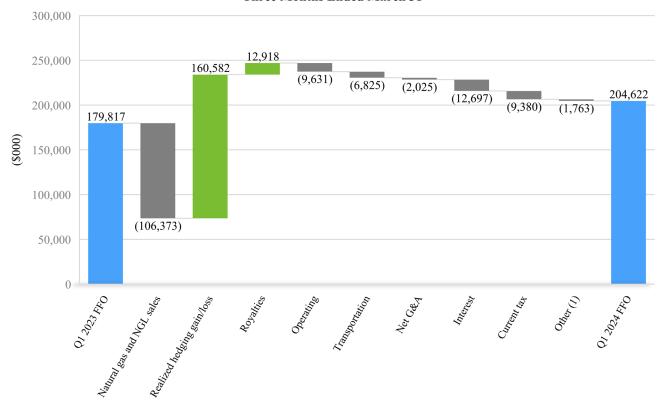
	Three Mont	hs Ended M	arch 31	
(\$000 except per share amounts)	2024	2023	% Change	
Cash Flow from Operating Activities	196,829	183,606	7%	
Funds from Operations <sup>(1)</sup>	204,622	179,817	14%	
Funds from operations per share <sup>(1)</sup> – basic	1.05	1.03	2%	
Funds from operations per share <sup>(1)</sup> – diluted	1.05	1.02	3%	
Free Funds Flow <sup>(1)</sup>	86,654	58,015	49%	
Earnings	99,875	89,981	11%	
Earnings per share – basic	0.51	0.51	0%	
Earnings per share – diluted	0.51	0.51	0%	

<sup>(1)</sup> This is a non-GAAP measure or ratio. Refer to the section entitled "Non-GAAP and Other Financial Measures" contained within this MD&A for further information.

# Cash Flow from Operating Activities and Funds from Operations

For the first quarter of 2024, cash flow from operating activities increased to \$196.8 million from \$183.6 million in the first quarter of 2023. Funds from operations ("FFO") increased 14 per cent to \$204.6 million in the first quarter of 2024, compared to \$179.8 million in the first quarter of 2023. The increases in cash flow from operating activities and FFO were mainly due to increased production volumes, higher realized hedging gains and lower royalties, partially offset by a sharp decrease in natural gas prices, and increased operating costs, interest expense, G&A and current taxes. Funds from operations is a non-GAAP financial measure, refer to the section entitled "Non-GAAP and Other Financial Measures" for additional information contained within this MD&A.

# Change in Funds from Operations Three Months Ended March 31



(1) "Other" includes other income, net third-party sales, and realized gain/loss on foreign exchange

#### Free Funds Flow

Peyto uses free funds flow, defined as cash flow from operating activities before changes in non-cash operating working capital, less total capital expenditures, as an indicator of the funds available for capital allocation. For the three months ended March 31, 2024, free funds flow increased to \$86.7 million from \$58.0 million for the same period of 2023. Free funds flow is a non-GAAP financial measure, refer to the section entitled "Non-GAAP and Other Financial Measures" for additional information contained within this MD&A.

#### **Earnings**

The Company's earnings in the three months ended March 31, 2024 increased to \$99.9 million from \$90.0 million for the same period of 2023. The increased earnings was mainly driven by the increased funds from operations, partially offset by increased depletion and depreciation associated with increased production volumes.

# **Capital Expenditures**

Peyto invested \$113.8 million in capital expenditures for the first quarter of 2024. The Company drilled 18 wells (17.5 net), completed 14 wells (14.0 net) and brought 15 wells (15.0 net) on production for drilling, completions, equipping and tie-in capital of \$93.9 million. Facilities and pipeline projects totaled \$18.1 million in the quarter, which included pipeline debottlenecking and integration projects, compressor upgrades to accommodate higher line pressure at the TC Emerson Creek meter station, and plant upgrade projects.

The following table summarizes capital expenditures for the three months ended March 31, 2024 and 2023:

Three	<b>Months</b>	Ended	March 3	1
-------	---------------	-------	---------	---

(\$000)	2024	2023	% Change
Land	879	482	82%
Seismic	32	800	-96%
Drilling	51,658	56,990	-9%
Completions	34,469	25,236	37%
Equipping & tie-ins	7,777	6,585	18%
Facilities & pipelines	18,097	31,709	-43%
Other	850	-	_
Total capital expenditures <sup>(1)</sup>	113,762	121,802	-7%

<sup>(1)</sup> This is a non-GAAP measure or ratio. Refer to the section entitled "Non-GAAP and Other Financial Measures" contained within this MD&A for further information.

# LIQUIDITY AND CAPITAL RESOURCES

#### **Net Debt**

Net debt is a non-GAAP financial measure used by the Company in monitoring and assessing its capital structure. Net debt as at March 31, 2024, December 31, 2023, and March 31, 2023 is summarized as follows:

	As at	As at	As at
(\$000)	March 31, 2024	December 31, 2023	March 31, 2023
Long-term debt	1,296,844	1,340,881	734,132
Current assets	(403,467)	(490,936)	(270,430)
Current liabilities	260,380	279,903	283,023
Financial derivative instruments - current	194,917	238,865	133,899
Current portion of lease obligation	(1,322)	(1,310)	(1,276)
Decommissioning provision - current	(7,794)	(4,626)	(1,521)
Net debt <sup>(1)</sup>	1,339,558	1,362,777	877,827

<sup>(1)</sup> This is a non-GAAP financial measure. Refer to the section entitled "Non-GAAP and Other Financial Measures" contained within this MD&A for further information.

Peyto's net debt of \$1.34 billion as at March 31, 2024 decreased by \$23.2 million from December 31, 2023.

The Company's 2024 capital expenditure budget has been approved at \$450 to \$500 million. Peyto believes funds from operations based on current strip pricing, together with available borrowings under the Revolving Facility will be sufficient to maintain dividends, finance current operations, and fund the planned capital expenditure program. Peyto has specifically designed the program to have flexibility in the back half of the year when natural gas prices are forecasted to strengthen. Until that time, the Company plans to target the low end of capital guidance and will react to changes in commodity prices as they unfold.

The total amount of capital invested in 2024 will be driven by the number and quality of projects generated. Capital will only be invested if it meets the long-term return objectives of the Company. The majority of the capital program will involve drilling, completion and tie-in of lower risk development gas wells. Peyto's rapidly scalable business model has the flexibility to match planned capital expenditures to actual cash flow.

# **Current and Long-Term Debt**

	As at	As at
(\$000)	March 31, 2024	December 31, 2023
Revolving credit facility	716,621	746,977
Term Loan	158,751	173,870
Long-term senior secured notes	479,200	477,904
Balance, end of the period	1,354,572	1,398,751
Current portion of bank debt, net of financing	57,728	57,870
Non-current portion of bank debt, net of financing costs	1,296,844	1,340,881

On October 17, 2023, in conjunction with the closing of the Acquisition, the Company amended and restated its credit facilities (the "Credit Facilities") with a syndicate of banks increasing the committed revolving facility (the "Revolving Facility") from \$800 million to \$1 billion and adding a new \$174 million two-year amortizing term loan (the "Term Loan"). The Credit Facilities maturity date is October 13, 2025. The Revolving Facility includes a \$40 million working capital subtranche and a \$960 million production line and is available on a revolving basis. The term loan requires equal quarterly payments in the amount of \$14.5 million with a lump sum payment due on October 13, 2025, in the amount of \$72.5 million.

Borrowings under the Credit Facilities bear interest at Canadian bank prime or US base rate, or, at Peyto's option, Canadian dollar bankers' acceptances or US dollar SOFAR loan rates, plus applicable margin and stamping fees. The Company had \$5.8 million of Letters of Credit outstanding at March 31, 2024 (December 31, 2023 - \$6.7 million). The undrawn portion of the Revolving Facility totaled \$274.2 million at March 31, 2024 (December 31, 2023 - \$243.3 million), and is subject to standby fees.

Peyto is subject to financial covenants as defined in the credit facility and note purchase agreements. The Company's financial covenants include financial measures defined within its revolving credit facility agreement that are not defined under IFRS. These financial measures are defined in the amended credit facility agreement as follows:

- Total Debt: includes long-term debt and subordinated debt plus bank overdraft and letters of credit.
- Senior Debt: includes long-term debt plus bank overdraft and letters of credit.
- EBITDA: trailing twelve-month net income before non-cash items, interest, and income taxes.

Financial covenant	Limit	March 31, 2024	December 31, 2023
Total Debt to EBITDA	Less than 4.0	1.58	1.66
Senior Debt to EBITDA	Less than 3.5	1.58	1.66
Interest coverage	Greater than 3.0	11.74	14.01

Peyto is in compliance with all financial covenants at March 31, 2024.

Outstanding secured senior notes as at March 31, 2024 are as follows:

<b>Senior Secured Notes</b>	<b>Date Issued</b>	Rate	<b>Maturity Date</b>
\$65 million (CAD)	May 1, 2015	4.26%	May 1, 2025
\$100 million (CAD)	January 3, 2012	4.39%	January 3, 2026
\$100 million (CAD)	January 2, 2018	3.95%	January 2, 2028
\$40 million (USD)	October 29, 2021	3.98%	October 29, 2028
\$160 million (CAD)	October 24, 2023	6.46%	October 24, 2030

On October 24, 2023, Peyto issued \$160 million of senior secured notes. The notes have a coupon rate of 6.46% and mature on October 24, 2030. The notes were issued by way of a private placement pursuant to a note purchase agreement and rank equally with Peyto's obligations under its bank facility and existing note purchase and private shelf agreement. Interest will be paid semi-annually in arrears. Proceeds from the notes were used to repay the \$100 million, 3.70% notes that matured on October 24, 2023.

# Capital

Authorized: Unlimited number of voting common shares

**Issued and Outstanding** 

	Number of		
	Common	Amount	
Common Shares (no par value)	Shares	\$000	
Balance, December 31, 2023	193,678,975	1,920,311	
Common shares issued on exercise of stock options	865,245	6,996	
Contributed surplus on exercise of stock options	<del>-</del>	2,117	
Balance, March 31, 2024	194,544,220	1,929,424	

#### **Total Payout Ratio**

"Total payout ratio" is a non-GAAP measure which is calculated as the sum of dividends declared plus total capital expenditures and decommissioning expenditures, divided by funds from operations. This ratio represents the percentage of the capital expenditures, decommissioning expenditures and dividends that is funded by cashflow. Management uses this measure, among others, to assess the sustainability of Peyto's dividend and capital program. Refer to the section entitled "Non-GAAP and Other Financial Measures" in this MD&A for further information.

#### **Three Months Ended March 31**

(\$000, except total payout ratio)	2024	2023	% Change
Total dividends declared	64,158	57,678	11%
Total capital expenditures <sup>(1)</sup>	113,762	121,802	-7%
Decommissioning expenditures	4,206	-	
Total payout <sup>(1)</sup>	182,126	179,480	1%
Funds from operations <sup>(1)</sup>	204,622	179,817	14%
Total payout ratio <sup>(1)</sup>	89%	100%	-11%

<sup>(1)</sup> This is a non-GAAP financial measure. Refer to the section entitled "Non-GAAP and Other Financial Measures" contained within this MD&A for further information.

# **Contractual Obligations**

In addition to those recorded on the Company's balance sheet, the following is a summary of Peyto's contractual obligations and commitments at March 31, 2024:

(\$000)	2024	2025	2026	2027	2028	Thereafter
Interest payments (1)	19,432	20,243	18,858	14,468	13,481	20,672
Transportation commitments	62,415	91,480	68,496	52,142	26,575	377,652
Operating leases	1,685	2,247	2,247	-	-	-
Methanol	1,551	-	-	_	-	<u>-</u>
Total	85,083	113,970	89,601	66,610	40,056	398,324

<sup>(1)</sup> Fixed interest payments on senior secured notes

# **Related Party Transactions**

Certain directors of Peyto are considered to have significant influence over other reporting entities that Peyto engages in transactions with. Such services are provided in the normal course of business and at market rates. These directors are not involved in the day-to-day operational decision making of the Company. The dollar value of the transactions between Peyto and the related reporting entities is summarized below:

Expense	Expense (\$000)		Accounts Payable (\$000)		
Three Months of	ended March 31	As at March 31			
2024	2023	2024	2023		
159.8	95.2	18.6	16.2		

#### RISK FACTORS

Investors who purchase common shares are participating in the total returns from a portfolio of western Canadian natural gas producing properties. As such, the total returns earned by investors and the value of the shares are subject to numerous risks inherent in the oil and natural gas industry.

Expected returns depend largely on the volume of petroleum and natural gas production and the price received for such production, along with the associated costs. The price received for oil depends on a number of factors, including West Texas Intermediate oil prices, Canadian/US currency exchange rates, quality differentials and Edmonton par oil prices. The price received for natural gas production is dependent on current Alberta, Henry Hub, Malin, Dawn, Ventura, and Emerson market prices and Canadian/US currency exchange rates. Peyto's marketing strategy is designed to smooth out short-term fluctuations in the price of natural gas through future sales. It is meant to be methodical and consistent and to avoid speculation.

Although Peyto's focus is on internally generated drilling programs, any acquisition of oil and natural gas assets depends on an assessment of value at the time of acquisition. Incorrect assessments of value can adversely affect dividends to shareholders and the value of the common shares. Peyto employs experienced staff and performs appropriate levels of due diligence on the analysis of acquisition targets, including a detailed examination of reserve reports; if appropriate, re-engineering of reserves for a large portion of the properties to ensure the results are consistent; site examinations of facilities for environmental liabilities; detailed examination of balance sheet accounts; review of contracts; review of prior year tax returns and modeling of the acquisition to attempt to ensure accretive results to the shareholders.

Inherent in development of the existing oil and gas reserves are the risks, among others, of drilling dry holes, encountering production or drilling difficulties or experiencing high decline rates in producing wells. To minimize these risks, Peyto employs experienced staff to evaluate and operate wells and utilize appropriate technology in operations. In addition, prudent work practices and procedures, safety programs and risk management principles, including insurance coverage protect Peyto against certain potential losses.

Peyto's operating costs could escalate and become uncompetitive due to supply chain disruptions, inflationary cost pressures, equipment limitations, escalating supply costs, commodity prices, and additional government intervention through stimulus spending or additional regulations. Peyto's inability to manage costs may impact project returns and future development decisions, which could have a material adverse effect on its financial performance and cash flows.

The cost or availability of oilfield services may adversely affect Peyto's ability to undertake exploration, development and construction projects. The crude oil and natural gas industry is cyclical in nature and is prone to shortages of supply of equipment and services including drilling rigs, geological and geophysical services, engineering and construction services, major equipment items for infrastructure projects, and construction materials generally. These materials and services may not be available when required at reasonable prices. A failure to secure the services and equipment necessary to Peyto's operations for the expected price, on the expected timeline, or at all, may have an adverse effect on Peyto's financial performance and cash flows.

Peyto routinely monitors its financial forecasts, capital spending, balance sheet and dividend policy and has the ability to make operational and financial changes to help ensure Peyto remains compliant with all financial covenants. If necessary, Peyto can request temporary relief from financial covenants from lenders. In the event Peyto does not comply with it's financial covenants and lenders do not grant covenant relief, Peyto's access to capital could be restricted or repayment required.

The value of Peyto's common shares is based on, among other things, the underlying value of the oil and natural gas reserves. Geological and operational risks can affect the quantity and quality of reserves and the cost of ultimately recovering those reserves. Lower oil and gas prices increase the risk of write-downs on oil and gas property investments. In order to mitigate this risk, proven and probable oil and gas reserves are evaluated each year by a firm of independent reservoir engineers. Both the reserves committee and the Board of Directors reviews and approves the reserve report.

Access to markets may be restricted at times by pipeline or processing capacity. These risks are minimized by controlling as much of the processing and transportation activities as possible and ensuring transportation and processing contracts are in place with reliable cost-efficient counterparties.

The petroleum and natural gas industry is subject to extensive controls, regulatory policies and income and resource taxes imposed by various levels of government. These regulations, controls and taxation policies are amended from time to time. Peyto has no control over the level of government intervention or taxation in the petroleum and natural gas industry. Peyto operates in such a manner to ensure, to the best of its knowledge that it is in compliance with all applicable regulations and are able to respond to changes as they occur.

The petroleum and natural gas industry is subject to both environmental regulations and an increased environmental awareness. Peyto has reviewed its environmental risks and is, to the best of its knowledge, in compliance with the appropriate environmental legislation and have determined that there is no current material impact on operations. Peyto employs environmentally responsible business operations and looks to both Alberta provincial authorities and Canada's federal authorities for direction and regulation regarding environmental and climate change legislation.

Changes to the demand for oil and natural gas products and the rise of petroleum alternatives may negatively affect Peyto's financial condition, results of operations and cash flows. Fuel conservation measures, alternative fuel requirements, increasing consumer demand for alternatives to oil and natural gas and technological advances in fuel economy and renewable energy generation systems could reduce the demand for oil, natural gas and liquid hydrocarbons. Recently, certain jurisdictions have implemented policies or incentives to decrease the use of hydrocarbons and encourage the use of renewable fuel alternatives, which may lessen the demand for petroleum products and put downward pressure on commodity prices. Advancements in energy efficient products have a similar effect on the demand for oil and natural gas products. Peyto cannot predict the impact of changing demand for oil and natural gas products, and any major changes may have a material adverse effect on Peyto's business, financial condition, results of operations and cash flow by decreasing Peyto's profitability, increasing its costs, limiting its access to capital and decreasing the value of its assets.

A number of factors, including the effects of the use of hydrocarbons on climate change, the impact of crude oil and natural gas operations on the environment, environmental damage relating to spills of crude oil products during production and transportation, and Indigenous rights, have affected certain investors' sentiments towards investing in the crude oil and natural gas industry. As a result of these concerns, some institutional, retail and governmental investors have announced that they are no longer funding or investing in crude oil and natural gas assets or companies, or are reducing the amount thereof over time. In addition, certain institutional investors are requesting that issuers develop and implement more robust ESG policies and practices. Developing and implementing such policies and practices can involve significant costs and require a significant time commitment from the Board, Management and employees of Peyto. Failing to implement the policies and practices, as requested by institutional investors, may result in such investors reducing their investment in Peyto, or not investing in Peyto at all. Any reduction in the investor base interested or willing to invest in the crude oil and natural gas industry and more specifically, Peyto, may result in limiting Peyto's access to capital, increasing the cost of capital, and decreasing the price and liquidity of Peyto's securities even if Peyto's operating results, underlying asset values, or cash flows have not changed.

Peyto is subject to financial market risk. In order to maintain substantial rates of growth, Peyto must continue reinvesting in, drilling for or acquiring petroleum and natural gas. The capital expenditure program is funded primarily through funds from operations, debt and, if appropriate, equity.

Information technology systems and cyber-security breaches of Peyto's cyber-security and loss of, or unauthorized access to, electronic data may adversely impact Peyto's operations and financial position. Peyto has become increasingly dependent upon the availability, capacity, reliability, and security of our information technology infrastructure and our ability to expand and continually update this infrastructure to conduct daily operations. Peyto depends on various information technology systems to estimate reserve quantities, process and record financial data, manage Peyto's land base, manage financial resources, analyze seismic information, administer contracts with operators and lessees, and communicate with employees and third-party partners.

Further, Peyto is subject to a variety of information technology and system risks as a part of its normal course operations, including potential breakdown, invasion, virus, cyber-attack, cyber-fraud, security breach, and destruction or interruption of Peyto's information technology systems by third parties or insiders. Unauthorized access to these systems by employees or third parties could lead to corruption or exposure of confidential, fiduciary or proprietary information, interruption to communications or operations or disruption to business activities, or Peyto's competitive position. In addition, cyber-phishing attempts, in which a malicious party attempts to obtain sensitive information such as usernames, passwords, credit card and banking details, or approval of wire transfer requests by disguising as a trustworthy entity in an electronic communication, have become more widespread and sophisticated in recent years.

Increasingly, social media is used as a vehicle to carry out cyber-phishing attacks. Information posted on social media sites, for business or personal purposes, may be used by attackers to penetrate Peyto's systems and obtain confidential information. Peyto provides employees with social media guidelines that align with its Code of Business Conduct and Ethics Policy. Despite these efforts, as social media continues to grow in influence and access to social media platforms becomes increasingly prevalent, there are significant risks that Peyto may not be able to properly regulate social media use and preserve adequate records of business activities.

If Peyto becomes a victim to a cyber-phishing attack it could result in a loss or theft of Peyto's financial resources or critical data and information, or could result in a loss of control of Peyto's technological infrastructure or financial resources. Peyto's employees are often the targets of such cyber-phishing attacks, as they are and will continue to be targeted by parties using fraudulent "spoof" emails to misappropriate information or to introduce viruses or other malware through "Trojan horse" programs to Peyto's computers. These emails appear to be legitimate emails, but direct recipients to fake websites operated by the sender of the email or request recipients to send a password or other confidential information through email or to download malware.

Peyto maintains policies and procedures that address and implement employee protocols with respect to electronic communications and electronic devices and conducts regular cyber-security risk assessments and training and education programs for its employees. Peyto also employs encryption protection of its confidential information on all computers and other electronic devices. Despite Peyto's efforts to mitigate such cyber-phishing attacks through education and training, cyber-phishing activities remain a serious problem that may damage its information technology infrastructure. Peyto applies technical and process controls in line with industry-accepted standards to protect its information, assets and systems, including a written incident response plan for responding to a cybersecurity incident. However, these controls may not adequately prevent cyber-security breaches. Disruption of critical information technology services, or breaches of information security, could have a negative effect on Peyto's performance and earnings, as well as its reputation, and any damages sustained may not be adequately covered by Peyto's current insurance coverage, or at all. The significance of any such event is difficult to quantify, but may in certain circumstances be material and could have a material adverse effect on Peyto's business, financial condition, and results of operations.

For a detailed discussion of the risks, uncertainties and industry conditions associated with Peyto's business, refer to the Company's Annual Information Form, which is available under Peyto's SEDAR+ profile at www.sedarplus.ca and at www.peyto.com.

#### CONTROLS AND PROCEDURES

# **Disclosure Controls and Procedures**

The Company's Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer have designed, or caused to be designed under their supervision, disclosure controls and procedures to provide reasonable assurance that: (i) material information relating to the Company is made known to the Company's Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer by others, particularly during the period in which the annual and interim filings are being prepared; and (ii) information required to be disclosed by the Company in its annual filings, interim filings or other reports filed or submitted by it under securities legislation is recorded, processed, summarized and reported within the time period specified in securities legislation.

#### **Internal Control over Financial Reporting**

The Company's Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer have designed, or caused to be designed under their supervision, internal control over financial reporting to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of the Company's financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with GAAP. Such officers have evaluated, or caused to be evaluated under their supervision, the effectiveness of the Company's internal control over financial reporting at the financial period end of the Company and concluded that the Company's internal control over financial reporting is effective, at the financial period end of the Company, for the foregoing purpose.

Peyto is required to disclose herein any change in Peyto's internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the period ended March 31, 2024 that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, Peyto's internal control over financial reporting. No material changes in Peyto's internal control over financial reporting were identified during such period that has materially affected, or are reasonably likely to materially affect, Peyto's internal control over financial reporting.

It should be noted that a control system, including the Company's disclosure and internal controls and procedures, no matter how well conceived, can provide only reasonable, but not absolute, assurance that the objectives of the control system will be met and it should not be expected that the disclosure and internal controls and procedures will prevent all errors or fraud.

# OFF-BALANCE SHEET FINANCING

Peyto does not have any guarantees or off-balance sheet arrangements that have been excluded from the balance sheets other than commitments disclosed in the "Contractual Obligations" section of this MD&A.

# CRITICAL ACCOUNTING ESTIMATES

#### **Reserve Estimates**

Estimates of oil and natural gas reserves, by necessity, are projections based on geologic and engineering data, and there are uncertainties inherent to the interpretation of such data as well as the projection of future rates of production and the timing of development expenditures. Reserve engineering is an analytical process of estimating underground accumulations of oil and natural gas that can be difficult to measure. The accuracy of any reserve estimate is a function of the quality of available data, engineering and geological interpretation and judgment. Estimates of economically recoverable oil and natural gas reserves and future net cash flows necessarily depend upon a number of variable factors and assumptions, such as historical production from the area compared with production from other producing areas, the assumed effects of regulations by governmental agencies and assumptions governing future oil and natural gas prices, future royalties and operating costs, development costs and workover and remedial costs, all of which may in fact vary considerably from actual results. For these reasons, estimates of the economically recoverable quantities of oil and natural gas attributable to any particular group of properties, classifications of such reserves based on risk recovery, and estimates of the future net cash flows expected there from may vary substantially. Any significant variance in the assumptions could materially affect the estimated quantity and value of the reserves, which could affect the carrying value of Peyto's oil and natural gas properties and the rate of depletion of the oil and natural gas properties as well as the calculation of the reserve value based compensation. Actual production, revenues and expenditures with respect to Peyto's reserves will likely vary from estimates, and such variances may be material.

Peyto's estimated quantities of proved and probable reserves at December 31, 2023 were evaluated by independent petroleum engineers GLJ Ltd.

# **Depletion and Depreciation Estimate**

All costs of exploring for and developing petroleum and natural gas reserves, together with the costs of production equipment, are capitalized and then depleted and depreciated on the unit-of-production method based on proved plus probable reserves. Petroleum and natural gas reserves and production are converted into equivalent units based upon estimated relative energy content (6 mcf to 1 barrel of oil). Costs for gas plants and other facilities are capitalized and depreciated on a declining balance basis.

# **Impairment of Long-Lived Assets**

Impairment is indicated if the carrying value of the long-lived asset or oil and gas cash generating unit exceeds its recoverable amount under IFRS. If impairment is indicated, the amount by which the carrying value exceeds the estimated fair value of the long-lived asset is charged to earnings. The determination of the recoverable amount for impairment purposes under IFRS involves the use of numerous assumptions and judgments including future net cash flows from oil and gas reserves, future third-party pricing, inflation factors, discount rates and other uncertainties. Future revisions to these assumptions impact the recoverable amount.

# **Decommissioning Provision**

The decommissioning provision is estimated based on existing laws, contracts or other policies. The fair value of the obligation is based on estimated future costs for abandonment and reclamation discounted at a credit adjusted risk free rate. The liability is adjusted each reporting period to reflect the passage of time and for revisions to the estimated future cash flows, with the accretion charged to earnings. By their nature, these estimates are subject to measurement uncertainty and the impact on the financial statements could be material.

# **Reserve Value Performance Based Compensation**

The reserve value-based compensation is calculated using the year end independent reserves evaluation which was completed in February 2024. A quarterly provision for the reserve value-based compensation is calculated using estimated proved producing reserve additions adjusted for changes in debt, equity and dividends. Actual proved producing reserves additions and forecasted commodity prices could vary significantly from those estimated and may have a material effect on the calculation.

#### **Income Taxes**

The determination of the Company's income and other tax liabilities requires interpretation of complex laws and regulations often involving multiple jurisdictions. All tax filings are subject to audit and potential reassessment after the lapse of considerable time. Accordingly, the actual income tax liability may differ significantly from that estimated and recorded.

# **Accounting Changes**

Voluntary changes in accounting policy are made only if they result in financial statements which provide more reliable and relevant information. Accounting policy changes are applied retrospectively unless it is impractical to determine the period or cumulative impact of the change. Corrections of prior period errors are applied retrospectively and changes in accounting estimates are applied prospectively by including these changes in earnings. When the Company has not applied a new primary source of GAAP that has been issued, but is not effective, the Company will disclose the fact along with information relevant to assessing the possible impact that application of the new primary source of GAAP will have on the financial statements in the period of initial application.

# ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Additional information relating to Peyto Exploration & Development Corp. can be found on SEDAR+ at <a href="www.sedarplus.ca">www.sedarplus.ca</a> and <a href="www.Peyto.com">www.Peyto.com</a>.

# NON-GAAP AND OTHER FINANCIAL MEASURES

Throughout this MD&A and in other materials disclosed by the Company, Peyto employs certain measures to analyze financial performance, financial position, and cash flow. These non-GAAP and other financial measures do not have any standardized meaning prescribed under IFRS and therefore may not be comparable to similar measures presented by other entities. The non-GAAP and other financial measures should not be considered to be more meaningful than GAAP measures which are determined in accordance with IFRS, such as net income (loss), cash flow from operating activities, and cash flow used in investing activities, as indicators of Peyto's performance.

# **Non-GAAP Financial Measures**

# **Funds from Operations**

"Funds from operations" is a non-GAAP measure which represents cash flows from operating activities before changes in non-cash operating working capital, decommissioning expenditure, provision for future performance-based compensation and transaction costs, if any. Management considers funds from operations and per share calculations of funds from operations to be key measures as they demonstrate the Company's ability to generate the cash necessary to pay dividends, repay debt and make capital investments. Management believes that by excluding the temporary impact of changes in non-cash operating working capital, funds from operations provides a useful measure of Peyto's ability to generate cash that is not subject to short-term movements in operating working capital. The most directly comparable GAAP measure is cash flows from operating activities.

(\$000)	2024	
(4000)	2024	2023
Cash flows from operating activities	196,829	183,606
Change in non-cash working capital	3,587	(3,789)
Decommissioning expenditures	4,206	_
Funds from operations	204,622	179,817

# Free Funds Flow

Peyto uses "free funds flow" as an indicator of the efficiency and liquidity of Peyto's business, measuring its funds after capital investment available to manage debt levels, pay dividends, and return capital to shareholders through activities such as share repurchases. In reporting for prior periods, decommissioning expenditures incurred were excluded from the Company's free funds flow non-GAAP financial measure as they were insignificant. Peyto has changed the reporting of free funds flow to no longer exclude decommissioning expenditures in the non-GAAP financial measure as the Company expects an increase in abandonment and reclamation projects going forward associated with the Repsol Assets. Peyto calculates free funds flow as cash flows from operating activities before changes in non-cash operating working capital less total capital

expenditures, allowing Management to monitor its free funds flow to inform its capital allocation decisions. The most directly comparable GAAP measure to free funds flow is cash from operating activities. The following table details the calculation of free funds flow and the reconciliation from cash flow from operating activities to free funds flow.

	Three Months Ende	ed March 31
(\$000)	2024	2023
Cash flows from operating activities	196,829	183,606
Change in non-cash working capital	3,587	(3,789)
Total capital expenditures	(113,762)	(121,802)
Free funds flow	86,654	58,015

# **Total Capital Expenditures**

Peyto uses the term "total capital expenditures" as a measure of capital investment in exploration and production activity, as well as property acquisitions and divestitures, and such spending is compared to the Company's annual budgeted capital expenditures. The most directly comparable GAAP measure for total capital expenditures is cash flow used in investing activities. The following table details the calculation of cash flow used in investing activities to total capital expenditures.

(\$000)	Three Months Ende	Three Months Ended March 31		
	2024	2023		
Cash flows used in investing activities	97,634	126,250		
Change in prepaid capital	(4,653)	(163)		
Change in non-cash working capital relating to				
investing activities	20,781	(4,285)		
Total capital expenditures	113,762	121,802		

# **Net Debt**

"Net debt" is a non-GAAP financial measure that is the sum of long-term debt and working capital excluding the current financial derivative instruments, current portion of lease obligations and current portion of decommissioning provision. It is used by management to analyze the financial position and leverage of the Company. Net debt is reconciled to long-term debt which is the most directly comparable GAAP measure.

(\$000) As at	March 31, 2024	December 31, 2023	March 31, 2023
Long-term debt	1,296,844	1,340,881	734,132
Current assets	(403,467)	(490,936)	(270,430)
Current liabilities	260,380	279,903	283,023
Financial derivative instruments - current	194,917	238,865	133,899
Current portion of lease obligation	(1,322)	(1,310)	(1,276)
Decommissioning provision - current	(7,794)	(4,626)	(1,521)
Net debt	1,339,558	1,362,777	877,827

# **Third-Party Sales Net of Purchases**

Peyto uses the term "third-party sales net of purchases" to evaluate the profitability of natural gas and NGLs purchased from third parties. Third-party sales net of purchases is calculated as sales of natural gas and NGLs from third parties less natural gas and NGLs purchased from third parties.

	Three Months Ended	March 31
(\$000)	2024	2023
Sales of natural gas and NGLs from third parties	25,851	-
Natural gas and NGLs purchased from third parties	(26,238)	_
Third-party sales net of purchases	(387)	-

# **Non-GAAP Financial Ratios**

# Funds from Operations per Share

Peyto presents funds from operations per share by dividing funds from operations by the Company's diluted or basic weighted average common shares outstanding. "Funds from operations" is a non-GAAP financial measure. Management believes that funds from operations per share provides investors an indicator of funds generated from the business that could be allocated to each shareholder's equity position.

# **Netback per MCFE and BOE**

"Netback" is a non-GAAP measure that represents the profit margin associated with the production and sale of petroleum and natural gas. Peyto computes "field netback per Mcfe" as commodity sales from production, plus third party sales net of purchases, if any, plus other income, less royalties, operating, and transportation expense divided by production. "Cash netback" is calculated as "field netback" less interest, less general and administration expense and plus or minus realized gain on foreign exchange, divided by production. Netbacks are before tax, per unit of production measures used to assess Peyto's performance and efficiency. The primary factors that produce Peyto's strong netbacks and high margins are a low-cost structure and the high heat content of its natural gas that results in higher commodity prices.

	Three Months Ended March	
(\$/Mcfe)	2024	2023
Gross Sale Price	3.50	6.22
Realized hedging gain (loss)	1.37	(1.21)
Net Sale Price	4.87	5.01
Third party sales net of purchases <sup>(1)</sup>	(0.01)	_
Other income	0.05	0.08
Royalties	(0.24)	(0.53)
Operating costs	(0.55)	(0.50)
Transportation	(0.30)	(0.24)
Field netback <sup>(1)</sup>	3.82	3.82
G&A	(0.06)	(0.03)
Interest and financing	(0.36)	(0.22)
Realized gain (loss) on foreign exchange	0.01	0.01
Cash netback <sup>(1)</sup> (\$/Mcfe)	3.41	3.58
Cash netback <sup>(1)</sup> (\$/boe)	20.49	21.47

# Third party sales net of purchases per Mcfe

"Third party sales net of purchases per Mcfe" is comprised of sales of natural gas from third parties less natural gas purchased from third parties, as determined in accordance with IFRS, divided by the Company's total production.

# **Total Payout Ratio**

"Total payout ratio" is a non-GAAP measure which is calculated as the sum of dividends declared plus total capital expenditures and decommissioning expenditures, divided by funds from operations. In reporting for prior periods, decommissioning expenditures incurred were excluded from the Company's total payout ratio as they were insignificant. Peyto has changed the reporting of total payout ratio to no longer exclude decommissioning expenditures in the non-GAAP financial ratio as the Company expects an increase in abandonment and reclamation projects going forward associated with the Repsol Assets. This ratio represents the percentage of the capital expenditures, decommissioning expenditures and dividends that is funded by cashflow. Management uses this measure, among others, to assess the sustainability of Peyto's dividend and capital program.

# **Three Months Ended March 31**

(\$000, except total payout ratio)	2024	2023	
Total dividends declared	64,158	57,678	
Total capital expenditures	113,762	121,802	
Decommissioning expenditures	4,206		
Total payout	182,126	179,480	
Funds from operations	204,622	179,817	
Total payout ratio (%)	89%	100%	

# **Supplementary Financial Measures**

"Diversification activities" are the costs of the basis on physical natural gas sales contracts that access various hubs including Ventura, Emerson 2, Malin, Dawn and Henry Hub, divided the Company's natural gas production.

"DD&A expense per Mcfe and boe" is comprised of DD&A expense, as determined in accordance with IFRS, divided by the Company's total production.

"Gross sale price" is comprised of natural gas and natural gas liquids sales, as determined in accordance with IFRS, divided by the Company's total production.

"G&A expense per Mcfe and boe" is comprised of G&A expense, as determined in accordance with IFRS, divided by the Company's total production.

"Interest and financing expense per Mcfe and boe" is comprised of interest and financing expense, as determined in accordance with IFRS, divided by the Company's total production.

"Liquids production to sales gas ratio" is comprised of NGLs production, divided by the Company's natural gas production.

"Net sale price" is comprised of natural gas and natural gas liquids sales including hedging gains or losses, as determined in accordance with IFRS, divided by the Company's total production.

"Operating costs per Mcfe and boe" is comprised of operating expense, as determined in accordance with IFRS, divided by the Company's total production.

"Other income per Mcfe" is comprised of other income, as determined in accordance with IFRS, divided by the Company's total production.

"Production per million common shares" is comprised of the Company's total production divided by the weighted average number of shares outstanding at the end of the period.

"Realized condensate and pentanes plus price" is comprised of condensate and pentanes commodity sales from production, as determined in accordance with IFRS, divided by the Company's condensate and pentanes production.

"Realized gain on foreign exchange per Mcfe" is comprised of realized gain on foreign exchange, as determined in accordance with IFRS, divided by the Company's total production.

"Realized natural gas price" is comprised of natural gas commodity sales from production, as determined in accordance with IFRS, divided by the Company's natural gas production.

"Realized NGLs price" is comprised of NGLs commodity sales from production, as determined in accordance with IFRS, divided by the Company's NGLs production.

Realized gain on foreign exchange and other income

"Royalties as a percentage of sales" is comprised of royalties, as determined in accordance with IFRS, divided by commodity sales from production as determined in accordance with IFRS.

"Royalties per Mcfe and boe" is comprised of royalties, as determined in accordance with IFRS, divided by the Company's total production.

"Sale price" is comprised of total commodity sales from production including hedging gains or losses, as determined in accordance with IFRS, divided by the Company's total production.

"Total dividends per common share" is comprised of dividends declared, as determined in accordance with IFRS, divided by the number of shares outstanding at the dividend record date.

"Total realized hedging gain (loss) per Mcfe and boe" is comprised of realized gain (loss) on derivative financial instruments, as determined in accordance with IFRS, divided by the Company's total production.

"Transportation per Mcfe and boe" is comprised of transportation expense, as determined in accordance with IFRS, divided by the Company's total production

# FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS

Certain statements contained in this MD&A constitute forward-looking statements or forward-looking information (collectively, "forward-looking statements") within the meaning of applicable Canadian securities laws. These forward-looking statements relate to future events or Peyto's future performance. All statements other than statements of historical fact are forward-looking statements. The use of any of the words "anticipate", "plan", "continue", "estimate", "expect", "may", "will", "project", "predict", "potential", "should", "believe" and similar expressions are intended to identify forward-looking statements. These statements involve known and unknown risks, uncertainties and other factors that may cause actual results or events to differ materially from those anticipated in such forward-looking statements. These statements speak only as of the date of this MD&A.

Forward-looking statements are based on a number of factors and assumptions which have been used to develop such forward-looking statements but which may prove to be incorrect. Although Peyto believes that the expectations reflected in such forward-looking statements are reasonable, undue reliance should not be placed on forward-looking statements because Peyto can give no assurance that such expectations will prove to be correct. In addition to other factors and assumptions which may be identified in this MD&A, assumptions have been made regarding, among other things: the impact of increasing competition; the general stability of the economic and political environment in which Peyto operates; the timely receipt of any required regulatory approvals; the ability of Peyto to obtain qualified staff, equipment and services in a timely and cost efficient manner; drilling results; the ability of the operator of the projects which Peyto has an interest in to operate the field in a safe, efficient and effective manner; the ability of Peyto to obtain financing on acceptable terms; field production rates and decline rates; the ability to replace and expand oil and natural gas reserves through acquisitions, development and exploration; the timing and costs of pipeline, storage and facility construction and expansion and the ability of Peyto to secure adequate product transportation; future oil and natural gas prices; currency, exchange and interest rates; the regulatory framework regarding royalties, taxes, environmental and climate change matters in the jurisdictions in which Peyto operates; and the ability of Peyto to successfully market its oil and natural gas products.

In particular, this MD&A contains forward-looking statements pertaining to the following:

- the Company's 2024 capital expenditure budget of \$450 to \$500 million;
- Peyto's ability to lower per unit costs on the Repsol Assets in 2024;
- the Company's expectation that selling ethane in the gas stream will reduce overall production by approximately 2,000 boe/d, will result in increased natural gas revenue, coupled with decreased third-party processing costs, that will more than offset lost ethane revenue going forward;
- Peyto's belief that funds from operations based on current strip pricing, together with available borrowings under the credit facility will be sufficient to maintain dividends, finance current operations, and fund the planned capital expenditure program;
- the existence, operation and strategy of Peyto's commodity price risk management program; and
- the approximate and maximum amount of forward sales and hedging to be employed by Peyto.

The actual results could differ materially from those anticipated in these forward-looking statements as a result of the risk factors set forth below and elsewhere in this MD&A:

• public health risks;

- volatility in market prices for oil and natural gas;
- fluctuations in foreign exchange or interest rates and stock market volatility;
- loss of markets:
- changes to the Corporation's capital budget;
- liabilities inherent in oil and natural gas operations;
- uncertainties associated with estimating oil and natural gas reserves;
- risks and uncertainties associated with Peyto's oil and natural gas exploration and development program;
- competition for, among other things, capital, acquisitions of reserves, undeveloped lands and skilled personnel;
- incorrect assessments of the value of acquisitions and exploration and development programs;
- geological, technical, drilling and processing problems;
- restrictions and/or limitations on transportation, including pipeline systems;
- uncertainties associated with changes in legislation, including, but not limited to, changes in income tax laws, oil and natural gas royalty and regulatory frameworks and climate change laws and frameworks; and
- the other factors discussed under "Risk Factors" in Peyto's latest Annual Information Form.

Statements relating to reserves are deemed to be forward-looking statements as they involve the implied assessment, based on current estimates and assumptions, that the reserves described can be profitably produced in the future. The foregoing lists of factors are not exhaustive. The forward-looking statements contained in this MD&A are expressly qualified by this cautionary statement. Peyto does not undertake any obligation to publicly update or revise any forward-looking statements, except as required by applicable securities law.

# **CONVERSION RATIO**

Natural gas liquids volumes are recorded in barrels of oil (bbl) and are converted to a thousand cubic feet equivalent (Mcfe) using a ratio of six (6) thousand cubic feet to one (1) barrel of oil (bbl). Natural gas volumes recorded in thousand cubic feet (mcf) are converted to barrels of oil equivalent (boe) using the ratio of six (6) thousand cubic feet to one (1) barrel of oil (bbl). Boe may be misleading, particularly if used in isolation. A boe conversion ratio of 6 Mcf:1 bbl is based in an energy equivalency conversion method primarily applicable at the burner tip and does not represent a value equivalency at the wellhead. In addition, given that the value ratio based on the current price of oil as compared with natural gas is significantly different from the energy equivalent of six to one, utilizing a boe conversion ratio of 6 Mcf:1 bbl may be misleading as an indication of value.

# **GLOSSARY**

The following is a list of abbreviations that may be used in this MD&A:

Measurement bbl barrel bbl/d barrels per day Mbbl thousand barrels MMbbl million barrels boe (1) barrels of oil equivalent boe/d (1) barrels of oil equivalent per day Mboe (1) thousands of barrels of oil equivalent MMboe (1) millions of barrels of oil equivalent Mcf thousand cubic feet Mcf/d thousand cubic feet per day MMcf million cubic feet MMcf/d million cubic feet per day Bcf billion cubic feet MMBtu million British thermal units GJ gigajoule

# **Quarterly information**

	2024	2023		23	
	Q1	Q4	Q3	Q2	Q1
Operations					
Production					
Natural gas (Mcf/d)	647,234	622,963	520,504	526,732	544,278
NGLs (bbl/d)	17,145	16,175	11,231	10,989	12,205
Total (boe/d @ 6:1)	125,018	120,002	97,981	98,777	102,918
Total (Mcfe/d @ 6:1)	750,105	720,014	587,888	592,655	617,508
Liquid to gas ratio (bbl per MMcf)	26.5	26.0	21.6	20.9	22.4
Average product prices  Realized natural gas price – after hedging and diversification (\$/Mcf)	4.05	3.87	3.33	3.13	3.91
Realized NGL price – after hedging (\$/bbl)	60.36	64.32	70.25	69.28	79.03
\$/Mcfe					
Net sale price (\$/Mcfe)	4.87	4.79	4.29	4.07	5.01
Net third party sales (\$/Mcfe) <sup>(2)</sup>	(0.01)	-	-	-	-
Other income (\$/Mcfe)	0.05	0.05	0.02	0.02	0.08
Royalties (\$/Mcfe)	(0.24)	(0.30)	(0.29)	(0.18)	(0.53)
Operating costs (\$/Mcfe)	(0.55)	(0.55)	(0.44)	(0.47)	(0.50)
Transportation (\$/Mcfe)	(0.30)	(0.26)	(0.29)	(0.29)	(0.24)
Field netback (\$/Mcfe)(2)	3.82	3.73	3.29	3.15	3.82
General & administrative expense (\$/Mcfe)	(0.06)	(0.06)	(0.04)	(0.05)	(0.03)
Interest expense (\$/Mcfe)	(0.36)	(0.40)	(0.28)	(0.22)	(0.22)
Realized gain (loss) on foreign exchange	0.01	(0.01)	0.01	(0.02)	0.01
Cash netback (\$/Mcfe) <sup>(2)</sup>	3.41	3.26	2.98	2.86	3.58
Financial (\$000 except per share)					
Revenue and realized hedging gains (losses)(1)	332,541	317,246	231,938	219,409	278,332
Royalties	16,648	19,599	15,482	9,695	29,566
Funds from operations <sup>(2)</sup>	204,622	200,319	147,980	142,354	179,817
Funds from operations per share <sup>(2)</sup>	1.05	1.05	0.84	0.81	1.03
Funds from operations per diluted share <sup>(2)</sup>	1.05	1.05	0.84	0.81	1.02
Total dividends declared	64,158	63,811	59,802	57,715	57,678
Total dividends declared per share <sup>(2)</sup>	0.33	0.33	0.33	0.33	0.33
Earnings	99,875	87,795	57,444	57,415	89,981
Earnings per share	0.51	0.46	0.33	0.33	0.51
Earnings per diluted share	0.51	0.46	0.33	0.33	0.51
Total capital expenditures <sup>(2)</sup>	113,762	115,218	93,579	82,319	121,802
Total payout ratio (%) <sup>(2)</sup>	89%	89%	104%	98%	100%
Weighted average shares outstanding (basic)	194,416,710	190,196,093	175,573,752	174,895,215	174,778,048
Weighted average shares outstanding (diluted)	195,159,389	191,271,677	176,732,946	176,305,942	176,570,310

<sup>(1)</sup> Excludes revenue from sale of natural gas volumes from third parties

<sup>(2)</sup> This is a non-GAAP financial measure or ratio. Refer to the section entitled "Non-GAAP and Other Financial Measures" contained within this MD&A for further information

# Peyto Exploration & Development Corp.

# **Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheet** (unaudited)

(Amount in \$ thousands)

	March 31 2024	December 31 2023
Assets	2027	2025
Current assets		
Cash	33,509	37,177
Accounts receivable (Note 10)	144,049	161,735
Prepaid expenses	30,992	53,159
Derivative financial instruments (Note 11)	194,917	238,865
	403,467	490,936
Long-term derivative financial instruments (Note 11)	71,544	128,519
Property, plant and equipment, net (Note 3)	4,898,191	4,890,187
Troporty, plant and equipment, not (170te 3)	4,969,735	5,018,706
	5,373,202	5,509,642
F. C. L. D. C. C.		
Liabilities Current liabilities		
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	160,227	171 760
Dividends payable (Note 6)	21,400	171,760 21,305
Income tax payable	11,909	23,032
Current portion of lease obligation	1,322	1,310
Decommissioning provision (Note 5)	7,794	4,626
Current portion of long-term debt (Note 4)	57,728	57,870
Current portion of long term deat (Note 4)	260,380	279,903
T	1.206.044	1 240 001
Long-term debt (Note 4)	1,296,844	1,340,881
Decommissioning provision (Note 5)	254,344	275,287
Lease obligation Deferred income taxes	2,428	2,764
Deferred income taxes	875,216 <b>2,428,832</b>	895,864 2,514,796
	, ,	
Equity		
Share capital (Note 6)	1,929,424	1,920,311
Contributed surplus	26,949	25,021
Retained earnings	520,789	485,072
Accumulated other comprehensive gain (Note 6)	206,828	284,539
	2,683,990	2,714,943
	5,373,202	5,509,642

See accompanying notes to the condensed consolidated financial statements.

Approved by the Board of Directors

(signed) "Debra Gerlach" Director

(signed) "Jean-Paul Lachance"
Director

# **Peyto Exploration & Development Corp. Condensed Consolidated Income Statement** (unaudited)

	Three months ende	
		March 31
	2024	2023
Revenues		
Natural gas and natural gas liquid sales (Note 10)	239,138	345,511
Royalties	(16,648)	(29,566)
Sales of natural gas and natural gas liquids from third parties (Note 10)	25,851	=
Natural gas and natural gas liquid sales, net of royalties	248,341	315,945
Realized gain (loss) on derivative financial instruments (Note 11)	93,403	(67,179)
Other income	3,421	5,067
	345,165	253,833
Expenses		
Natural gas and natural gas liquids purchased from third parties	26,238	-
Operating	37,443	27,812
Transportation	20,377	13,552
General and administrative	3,777	1,752
Stock based compensation (Note 9)	4,045	3,087
Finance cost (Note 7)	27,130	13,129
Realized gain on foreign exchange	(513)	(244)
Unrealized loss (gain) on foreign exchange	1,296	(44)
Depletion and depreciation (Note 3)	94,456	77,008
	214,249	136,052
Earnings before taxes	130,916	117,781
Provision for income taxes		
Current tax	28,477	19,097
Deferred tax	2,564	8,703
Total income taxes	31,041	27,800
Earnings for the period	99,875	89,981
	, -	
Earnings per share (Note 6)		
Basic	\$0.51	\$0.51
Diluted	\$0.51	\$0.51

**Peyto Exploration & Development Corp.**Condensed Consolidated Statement of Comprehensive Income (loss) (unaudited)

	Three months ended March 31	
	2024	2023
Earnings for the period	99,875	89,981
Other comprehensive income		
Change in unrealized gain (loss) on derivative financial instruments	(7,520)	193,362
Deferred income tax recovery (expense)	23,212	(59,925)
Realized (gain) loss on derivative financial instruments	(93,403)	67,179
Comprehensive income	22,164	290,597

**Peyto Exploration & Development Corp.**Condensed Consolidated Statement of Changes in Equity (unaudited)

	Three months ended	
		March 31
	2024	2023
Shareholders' capital, beginning of period	1,920,311	1,697,803
Common shares issued under stock option plan	6,996	7,402
Contributed surplus on exercise of stock options	2,117	1,940
Share capital, end of period	1,929,424	1,707,145
Contributed surplus, beginning of period	25,021	16,274
Stock based compensation expense	4,045	3,087
Recognized under stock-based compensation plans	(2,117)	(1,938)
Contributed surplus, end of period	26,949	17,423
Retained earnings, beginning of period	485,072	431,443
Earnings for the period	99,875	89,981
Dividends (Note 6)	(64,158)	(57,678
Retained earnings, end of period	520,789	463,746
Accumulated other comprehensive loss, beginning of period	284,539	(83,854)
Other comprehensive gain (loss)	(77,711)	200,616
Accumulated other comprehensive gain (loss), end of period	206,828	116,762
Total equity	2,683,990	2,305,076

# **Peyto Exploration & Development Corp. Condensed Consolidated Statement of Cash Flows** (unaudited)

	Three months ended	
	March 31	
	2024	2023
Cash provided by		
operating activities		
Earnings	99,875	89,981
Items not requiring cash:		
Deferred income tax expense	2,564	8,703
Depletion and depreciation	94,456	77,008
Accretion of decommissioning provision	2,386	1,082
Stock based compensation	4,045	3,087
Unrealized loss (gain) on foreign exchange	1,296	(44)
Decommissioning expenditures	(4,206)	_
Change in non-cash working capital related to operating activities	(3,587)	3,789
	196,829	183,606
Financing activities		
Common shares issued under stock option plan	6,996	7,402
Cash dividends paid	(64,062)	(47,123)
Lease interest	34	44
Principal repayment of lease	(357)	(357)
Decrease in bank debt	(45,474)	(25,000)
	(102,863)	(65,034)
Investing activities		
Additions to property, plant and equipment	(118,415)	(121,965)
Change in non-cash working capital relating to investing activities	20,781	(4,285)
	(97,634)	(126,250)
Net decrease in cash	(3,668)	(7,678)
Cash, beginning of period	37,177	11,905
Cash, end of period	33,509	4,227
The following amounts are included in cash flows from operating activities:  Cash interest paid	24,744	6,481
•		· ·
Cash taxes paid	39,600	20,278

# Peyto Exploration & Development Corp.

Notes to Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements (unaudited) As at and for the three months ended March 31, 2024 and 2023

(Amount in \$ thousands, except as otherwise noted)

# 1. Nature of operations

Peyto Exploration & Development Corp and its subsidiary (together "Peyto" or the "Company") is a Calgary based oil and natural gas company. Peyto conducts exploration, development, and production activities in Canada. Peyto is incorporated and domiciled in the Province of Alberta, Canada. The address of its head office is 300,  $600 - 3^{rd}$  Avenue SW, Calgary, Alberta, Canada, T2P 0G5.

These condensed consolidated financial statements were approved and authorized for issuance by the Audit Committee of Peyto on May 14, 2024.

# 2. Basis of presentation

The condensed consolidated financial statements have been prepared by management and reported in Canadian dollars in accordance with International Accounting Standard ("IAS") 34, "Interim Financial Reporting". These condensed consolidated financial statements do not include all of the information required for full annual consolidated financial statements and should be read in conjunction with the Company's consolidated financial statements as at and for the years ended December 31, 2023 and 2022.

# **Significant Accounting Policies**

# (a) Significant Accounting Judgments Estimates and Assumptions

The timely preparation of the condensed consolidated financial statements requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosures of contingencies, if any, as at the date of the consolidated financial statements and the reported amounts of revenue and expenses during the period. By their nature, estimates are subject to measurement uncertainty and changes in such estimates in future years could require a material change in the condensed consolidated financial statements.

All accounting policies and methods of computation followed in the preparation of these condensed consolidated financial statements are the same as those disclosed in Note 2 of Peyto's consolidated financial statements as at and for the years ended December 31, 2023 and 2022.

# (b) Changes in accounting policies

The International Accounting Standards Board (IASB) issued two amendments to IAS 1 Presentation of Financial Statements, effective January 1, 2024, related to the classification of liabilities as current and non-current. The Company does not believe these amendments have any impact on the Company's financial statements or disclosures.

# 3. Property, plant and equipment, net

-				
•	n	C	t	

At December 31, 2023	8,406,481
Additions	118,415
Change in decommissioning provision	(15,955)
At March 31, 2024	8,508,941
Accumulated depletion and depreciation	
At December 31, 2023	(3,516,294)
Depletion and depreciation	(94,456)
At March 31, 2024	(3,610,750)
Carrying amount at December 31, 2023	4,890,187
Carrying amount at March 31, 2024	4,898,191

During the period ended March 31, 2024, Peyto capitalized \$3.0 million (2023 - \$2.9 million) of general and administrative expense directly attributable to development activities.

For the period ended March 31, 2024, the Company identified no indicators of impairment and therefore an impairment test was not performed.

# 4. Current and Long-term debt

	March 31, 2024	December 31, 2023
Bank credit facility	716,621	746,977
Term Loan	158,751	173,870
Long-term senior secured notes	479,200	477,904
Balance, end of period	1,354,572	1,398,751
Current portion of bank debt, net of financing costs	57,728	57,870
Non-current portion of bank debt, net of financing costs	1,296,844	1,340,881

On October 17, 2023, the Company entered into an agreement with its syndicate of lenders to amend the credit facility to reflect an upsized \$1 billion revolving credit facility from a \$800 million revolving credit facility and a new \$174 million two-year amortizing term loan with no change to the maturity of the credit facility of October 13, 2025. The term loan requires equal quarterly payments in the amount of \$14.5 million which commenced on March 31, 2024, with a lump sum payment due on October 13, 2025, in the amount of \$72.5 million. Borrowings under the credit facility and term loan bear interest at Canadian bank prime or US base rate, or, at Peyto's option, Canadian dollar bankers' acceptances or US dollar SOFR loan rates, plus applicable margin, and stamping fees. There was no change to the financial covenants in the amended agreement.

The Company had \$5.8 million of Letters of Credit outstanding at March 31, 2024 (\$6.7 million at December 31, 2023).

Outstanding senior notes are as follows:

Senior Secured Notes	Date Issued	Rate*	Maturity Date
\$65 million (CAD)	May 1, 2015	4.26%	May 1, 2025
\$100 million (CAD)	January 3, 2012	4.39%	January 3, 2026
\$100 million (CAD)	January 2, 2018	3.95%	January 2, 2028
\$40 million (USD)	October 29, 2021	3.98%	October 29, 2028
\$160 million (CAD)	October 24, 2023	6.46%	October 24, 2030

On October 24, 2023, Peyto issued \$160 million of senior secured notes. The notes have a coupon rate of 6.46% and mature on October 24, 2030. The notes were issued by way of a private placement pursuant to a note purchase agreement and rank equally with Peyto's obligations under its bank facility and existing note purchase and private shelf agreement. Interest will be paid semi-annually in arrears. Proceeds from the notes were used to repay the \$100 million, 3.7% notes that matured on October 24, 2023.

Peyto is subject to the following financial covenants as defined in the credit facility and note purchase agreements:

- Long-term debt and subordinated debt plus bank overdraft and letters of credit not to exceed 4.0 times trailing twelve-month net income before non-cash items, interest and income taxes;
- Long-term debt plus bank overdraft and letters of credit not to exceed 3.5 times trailing twelve-month net income before non-cash items, interest and income taxes.
- Trailing twelve months net income before non-cash items, interest and income taxes to exceed 3.0 times trailing twelve months interest expense.

Peyto is in compliance with all financial covenants at March 31, 2024.

Total interest and financing costs for the period ended March 31, 2024 was \$24.7 million (2023 - \$12.0 million) and the average borrowing rate for the period was 7.3% (2023 - 5.9%).

# 5. Decommissioning provision

The following table reconciles the change in decommissioning provision:

Balance, December 31, 2023	279,913
New provisions	1,272
Accretion of decommissioning provision	2,386
Change in discount rate and estimates	(17,227)
Decommissioning expenditures	(4,206)
Balance, March 31, 2024	262,138
Current	7,794
Non-current	254,344

The Company has estimated the net present value of its total decommissioning provision to be \$262.1 million as at March 31, 2024 (December 31, 2023 – \$280.0 million) based on a total escalated future undiscounted liability of \$669.8 million (December 31, 2023 – \$655.2 million). At March 31, 2024 management estimates that these payments are expected to be made over the next 50 years (December 31, 2023 – 50 years) with the majority of payments being made in years 2024 to 2074. The Bank of Canada's long-term bond rate of 3.34 per cent (December 31, 2023 – 3.02 per cent) and an inflation rate of 2.0 per cent (December 31, 2023 – 2.0 per cent) were used to calculate the present value of the decommissioning provision.

# 6. Share capital

**Authorized**: Unlimited number of voting common shares

# **Issued and Outstanding**

	Number of		
	Common	Amount	
Common Shares (no par value)	Shares	\$	
Balance, December 31, 2023	193,678,975	1,920,311	
Common shares issued under stock option plan	865,245	6,996	
Contributed surplus on exercised of stock options	-	2,117	
Balance, March 31, 2024	194,544,220	1,929,424	

Earnings per common share has been determined based on the following:

	Three Months ended March 31,	
	2024	2023
Weighted average common shares basic	194,416,710	174,778,048
Weighted average common shares dilutive	195,159,389	176,570,310

# **Dividends**

During the period ended March 31, 2024, Peyto declared dividends of \$0.11 per common share per month totaling \$64.2 million (2023 - \$0.11 per common share per month \$57.7 million).

# **Comprehensive income**

Comprehensive income consists of earnings and other comprehensive income ("OCI"). OCI comprises the change in the fair value of the effective portion of the derivatives used as hedging items in a cash flow hedge. "Accumulated other comprehensive income" is an equity category comprised of the cumulative amounts of OCI.

# Accumulated hedging gains and losses

Gains and losses from financial derivative instruments are accumulated until settled. These outstanding hedging contracts are recognized in earnings on settlement. Further information on these contracts is set out in Note 11.

# 7. Finance Expense

	Three Months ended March 31,	
	2024	2023
Accretion of decommissioning provision	2,386	1,082
Financing costs	835	-
Interest	23,909	12,047
Total finance expenses	27,130	13,129

# 8. Performance-based compensation

# Reserve based component

The reserves value-based component is 4% of the incremental increase in value, if any, as adjusted to reflect changes in debt, dividends, general and administrative expenses and interest expense, of proved producing reserves calculated using a realized price at December 31 of the current year and a discount rate of 8%. For three months ended March 31, 2024, \$nil, (2022 - \$nil) was expensed.

# 9. Stock based compensation

The Company has a stock option plan allowing for the granting of stock options to officers, employees, and consultants of the Company. This plan limits the number of options and DSU's that may be granted to 10% of the issued and outstanding common shares.

# Stock option plans

The following tables summarize the stock options outstanding at March 31, 2024:

		average exercise price \$
Balance, December 31, 2023	9,868,323	12.02
Stock options granted	1,575,127	12.25
Exercised	(865,245)	8.09
Forfeited	(228,205)	13.80
Balance, March 31, 2024	10,350,000	12.34

Weighted

The Company estimates the fair value of stock options using the Black-Scholes pricing model. During the period ended March 31, 2024, the weighted-average fair value per option was \$1.68. The following tables summarize the assumptions used in the Black-Scholes model:

	March 31, 2024
Fair value of options granted (weighted average)	\$1.68
Expected volatility	40.34%
Average option life	2 years
Risk-free interest rate	3.77%
Forfeiture rate	8.13%
Dividend Yield	10.96%

Options are granted throughout the year and vest 1/3 on each of the first, second and third anniversaries from the date of grant. At the vesting, recipients have thirty days to exercise options after which any unexercised options are expired.

At March 31, 2024, no stock options are exercisable.

# **Deferred Share Units ("DSU's")**

The following tables summarize the DSU's outstanding at March 31, 2024:

Balance, December 31, 2023	248,037
DSU granted	24,678
Balance March 31, 2024	272,715

# 10. Revenue and receivables

	Three Months ended March 31,	
	2024	2023
Natural gas sales	144,746	261,861
Natural gas liquids sales	94,392	83,650
Natural gas and natural gas liquid sales	239,138	345,511

	March 31,	December 31,
	2024	2023
Accounts receivable from customers	86,386	117,201
Accounts receivable from realized risk management contracts	39,080	22,135
Accounts receivable from joint venture partners and other	18,583	22,399
Account Receivable	144,049	161,735

A substantial portion of the Company's accounts receivable is with petroleum and natural gas marketing entities. Industry standard dictates that commodity sales are settled on the 25th day of the month following the month of production.

# 11. Financial instruments and capital management

# Financial instrument classification and measurement

Financial instruments of the Company carried on the condensed consolidated balance sheet are carried at amortized cost with the exception of cash and derivative financial instruments. There are no significant differences between the carrying amount of financial instruments and their estimated fair values as at March 31, 2024 except for derivative financial instruments.

The Company's areas of financial risk management and risks related to financial instruments remained unchanged from December 31, 2023.

The fair value of the Company's cash and financial derivative instruments are quoted in active markets. The Company classifies the fair value of these transactions according to the following hierarchy.

- Level 1 quoted prices in active markets for identical financial instruments.
- Level 2 quoted prices for similar instruments in active markets; quoted prices for identical or similar instruments in markets that are not active; and model-derived valuations in which all significant inputs and significant and significant value drivers are observable in active markets.
- Level 3 valuations derived from valuation techniques in which one or more significant inputs or significant value drivers are unobservable.

The Company's cash and financial derivative instruments have been assessed on the fair value hierarchy described above and classified as Level 1 and Level 2.

# Fair values of financial assets and liabilities

The Company's financial instruments include cash, accounts receivable, accounts payable and accrued liabilities, dividend payable, long term debt and derivative financial instruments. At March 31, 2024 and 2023, cash and derivative financial instruments, are carried at fair value. Accounts receivable and current liabilities approximate their fair value due to their short-term nature. The carrying value of the long-term debt approximates its fair value due to the floating rate of interest charged under the credit facility.

# **Commodity price risk management**

Peyto uses derivative instruments to reduce its exposure to fluctuations in commodity prices. Peyto considers all these transactions to be effective economic hedges for accounting purposes. Physical delivery contracts are not considered financial instruments and therefore, no asset or liability is recognized on the consolidated balance sheet.

Following is a summary of all risk management contracts in place as at March 31, 2024:

# **Commodity contracts**

Natural Gas Period Hedged- Monthly Index	Type	Daily Volume (GJ)	Average Price (AECO CAD/GJ)
Q2 2024	Fixed Price	170,000	\$2.83
Q3 2024	Fixed Price	170,000	\$2.83
Q4 2024	Fixed Price	232,989	\$3.65
Q1 2025	Fixed Price	265,000	\$3.92
Q2 2025	Fixed Price	290,000	\$3.33
Q3 2025	Fixed Price	290,000	\$3.33
Q4 2025	Fixed Price	256,848	\$3.85
Q1 2026	Fixed Price	240,000	\$4.17
Q2 2026	Fixed Price	200,000	\$3.31
Q3 2026	Fixed Price	200,000	\$3.31
Q4 2026	Fixed Price	67,391	\$3.31

Natural Gas			Average Price
Period Hedged- Daily Index	Type	Daily Volume (GJ)	(AECO CAD/GJ)
Q2 2024	Fixed Price	45,000	\$2.72
Q3 2024	Fixed Price	45,000	\$2.72
Q4 2024	Fixed Price	15,163	\$2.72
Q2 2025	Fixed Price	25,000	\$3.60
Q3 2025	Fixed Price	25,000	\$3.60
Q4 2025	Fixed Price	8,424	\$3.60

Natural Gas Period Hedged - NYMEX	Туре	Daily Volume (MMBtu)	Average Price (Nymex USD/MMBtu)
Q2 2024	Fixed Price	205,000	\$3.60
Q3 2024	Fixed Price	205,000	\$3.60
Q4 2024	Fixed Price	208,315	\$3.89
Q1 2025	Fixed Price	210,000	\$4.03
Q2 2025	Fixed Price	195,000	\$3.80
Q3,2025	Fixed Price	195,000	\$3.80
Q4 2025	Fixed Price	75,652	\$3.89
Q1 2026	Fixed Price	15,000	\$4.51

Crude Oil			Average Price
Period Hedged - WTI	Type	Daily Volume (bbl)	(WTI CAD/bbl)
Q2 2024	Fixed Price	5,000	\$103.54
Q3 2024	Fixed Price	4,000	\$102.26
Q4 2024	Fixed Price	3,100	\$100.75
Q1 2025	Fixed Price	1,500	\$97.83
Q2 2025	Fixed Price	900	\$97.34

Crude Oil			Put - Call
Period Hedged - WTI	Type	Daily Volume (bbl)_	(WTI CAD/bbl)
Q2 2024	Collar	500	\$90.00-\$100.25
Q3 2024	Collar	500	\$85.00-\$95.00
Q4 2024	Collar	500	\$90.00-\$104.50
Q1 2025	Collar	1,000	\$85.00-\$102.63
Q2 2025	Collar	500	\$90.00-\$100.25

As at March 31, 2024, Peyto had committed to the future sale of 232,475,000 gigajoules (GJ) of natural gas at an average price of \$3.46 per GJ or \$3.98 per Mcf, 119,575,000 MMBtu at an average price of \$3.80 USD per MMBtu, 1,325,100 barrels of crude at an average price of \$101.62 CAD per bbl, and 273,000 barrels of crude with an average collar of \$87.51–\$100.86 CAD per bbl. Had these contracts closed on March 31, 2024, Peyto would have realized a gain in the amount of \$265.6 million. If the gas price on March 31, 2024 were to increase by \$0.10/GJ, the unrealized gain would decrease by approximately \$35.9 million. An opposite change in commodity prices would result in an opposite impact on other comprehensive income.

# Foreign exchange contracts

Average Rate forward	Amount (USD)	Rate (CAD/USD)
Sold USD Contracts		
Q2 2024	\$86.5 million	1.3532
Q3 2024	\$81.0 million	1.3484
Q4 2024	\$62.0 million	1.3421
Q1 2025	\$54.0 million	1.3458
Q2 2025	\$69.0 million	1.3517
Q3 2025	\$63.0 million	1.3523
Q4 2025	\$33.0 million	1.3500

Had these contracts settled on March 31, 2024, Peyto would have realized a gain in the amount of \$0.02 million. If the CAD/USD FX rate on March 31, 2024 were to increase by \$0.05, the unrealized gain would decrease by approximately \$22.4 million to an unrealized loss of \$22.4 million. An opposite change in the CAD/USD FX rate would result in an opposite impact on other comprehensive income.

# **Interest rate contracts**

Term	<b>Notional Amount</b>	Peyto pays fixed rate	Peyto receives floating rate
March 17, 2023 to March 17, 2026	\$50 million/month	3.565%	1- month CDOR

Had these contracts closed on March 31, 2024, Peyto would have realized a gain in the amount of \$0.8 million.

Subsequent to March 31, 2024, Peyto entered into the following contracts:

# **Commodity contracts**

Natural Gas			Price
Period Hedged- Monthly Index	Type	Daily Volume	(AECO CAD/GJ)
April 1, 2026 to October 31, 2026	Fixed	5,000 GJ	\$3.25

Natural Gas Period Hedged - NYMEX	Type	Daily Volume	Price (Nymex USD/mmbtu)
November 1, 2025 to March 31, 2026	Fixed Price	20,000 GJ	\$3.87
November 1, 2025 to October 31, 2026	Fixed Price	15,000 GJ	\$3.95

Crude Oil			Price
Period Hedged - WTI	Type	Daily Volume	(WTI CDN/bbl)
April 1, 2024 to June 30, 2024	Fixed Price	100 bbl	\$115.45
July 1, 2024 to September 30, 2024	Fixed Price	100 bbl	\$111.70
October 1, 2024 to December 31, 2024	Fixed Price	100 bbl	\$107.95
July 1, 2024 to December 31, 2024	Fixed Price	100 bbl	\$108.00
January 1, 2025 to June 30, 2025	Fixed Price	200 bbl	\$102.90
July 1, 2025 to September 30, 2025	Fixed Price	100 bbl	\$100.15

Crude Oil			Put - Call
Period Hedged - WTI	Type	Daily Volume (bbl)_	(WTI CAD/bbl)
July 1, 2025 to September 30, 2025	Collar	500	\$90.00-\$106.74

Propane			Price
Period Hedged- Conway	Type	Daily Volume	(USD/US Gal)
April 1, 2024 to March 31, 2025	Fixed Price	10,500 US Gal	\$0.8225

# Foreign exchange contracts

Average Rate forward	Amount (USD)	Rate (CAD/USD)	
Sold USD Contracts			
Q4 2024	\$18.0 million	1.3600	
Q1 2025	\$27.0 million	1.3600	
Q2 2026	\$12.0 million	1.3550	
Q3 2026	\$12.0 million	1.3550	
Q4 2026	\$4.0 million	1.3550	

# 12. Related party transactions

Certain directors of Peyto are considered to have significant influence over other reporting entities that Peyto engages in commercial transactions with. Such services are provided in the normal course of business and at market rates. These directors are not involved in the day-to-day operational decision making of the Company. The dollar value of the transactions between Peyto and each of the related reporting entities is summarized below:

Ех	Expense		Accounts Payable		
Three Months	s ended March 31	As at	March 31		
2024	2023	2024	2023		
159.8	95.2	18.6	16.2		

# 13. Commitments

Following is a summary of Peyto's contractual obligations and commitments as at March 31, 2024:

	2024	2025	2026	2027	2028	Thereafter
Interest payments (1)	19,432	20,243	18,858	14,468	13,481	20,672
Transportation commitments	62,415	91,480	68,496	52,142	26,575	377,652
Operating leases	1,685	2,247	2,247	-	-	-
Methanol	1,551	-	-	-	-	-
Total	85,083	113,970	89,601	66,610	40,056	398,324

<sup>(1)</sup> Fixed interest payments on senior secured notes

# Officers

Jean-Paul Lachance

President and Chief Executive Officer

Riley Frame

Chief Operating Officer

Tavis Carlson

Vice President, Finance and Chief Financial Officer

Lee Curran

Vice President, Drilling and Completions

# Directors

Don Gray, Chairman

**Brian Davis** 

Michael MacBean, Lead Independent Director

Darren Gee

John Rossall

Debra Gerlach

Jean-Paul Lachance

Jocelyn McMinn

Nicki Stevens

# **Auditors**

Deloitte LLP

# **Solicitors**

Burnet, Duckworth & Palmer LLP

# **Bankers**

Bank of Montreal

Canadian Imperial Bank of Commerce

National Bank of Canada

ATB Financial

The Toronto-Dominion Bank

China Construction Bank (Canada)

Canadian Western Bank

Bank of China (Canada)

Business Development Bank of Canada

# **Transfer Agent**

Computershare

# **Head Office**

300, 600 – 3 Avenue SW

Calgary, AB

T2P 0G5

Phone: 403.261.6081

403.451.4100 Fax: Web:

www.peyto.com

Stock Listing Symbol: PEY.TO

Todd Burdick

Vice President, Production

Derick Czember

Vice President of Land and Business Development

Stephen Chetner

Corporate Secretary

Stephen Chetner

Corporate Secretary