



Monthly Market Overview August 2024

During August, 18 of the 48 publicly traded TSX E&P companies (with assets focused predominately in Canada) rose in value, while the remaining 30 companies fell month-over-month. Of those companies that had an increase in their share price, the rise ranged from 0.61% (**PrairieSky Royalty Ltd.**) to **Crew Energy Inc.**'s 69.76% spike on the announcement it was being acquired by **Tourmaline Oil Corp.** (Tourmaline was up 1.10% during the month). On a combined basis, the TSX E&P group had an average decrease of 0.03% and median fall of 2.44%.

As for the companies listed on the TSX Venture Exchange, eight companies experienced an increase in their share price, five were flat and the remaining eight companies suffered a drop. Overall, the group had an average increase of 2.59% but was flat on a median basis.

Oil prices fell month-over-month with WTI slipping 4.67% to USD \$74.27/bbl, Edmonton Par dropped 1.88% to USD \$73.21/bbl and WCS fell 1.82% to USD \$57.73/bbl. Oil prices softened on demand concerns from weak economic data out of China, lower than expected draws in US crude inventories and news that OPEC+ stuck to its plan to phase out voluntary production cuts from October, which means supplies will rise later this year. However, limiting the downside for oil were geopolitical risks in the Middle East, a production halt in Libya and expectations that the US central bank will start cutting interest rates. Some oilfields in Libya have halted production amid a fight for control of the central bank, with disruptions of between 900,000 and 1 million barrels per day for several weeks. Canadian heavy crude differentials gained support this month from some U.S. Midwest refineries restarting operations after unplanned shut-downs in July.

NYMEX natural gas prices rose 6.41% to USD \$2.14/MMBtu while AECO climbed 16.09% to \$0.88/MMBtu. Drilling cutback announcements by major organizations in the US and some warmer weather provided some support to natural gas prices. While Henry Hub climbed, natural gas prices in the Permian shale basin turned negative due to pipeline constraints. Spot gas prices at the Waha hub in West Texas fell to a record low of minus \$4.80/MMBtu.

Below we illustrate the changes in commodities and in the Canadian dollar during August 2024; the Canadian dollar rose 2.39% to \$0.7415.

	WTI Oil (\$USD/bbl)	WCS (\$USD/bbl)	Cdn Light (\$USD/bbl)	NYMEX (\$USD/MMBtu)	AECO (\$CAD/MMBtu)	CDN\$/USD\$
August 2024 Average	\$75.57	\$62.45	\$72.93	\$2.09	\$0.80	0.7326
End of August 2024	\$74.27	\$57.73	\$73.21	\$2.14	\$0.88	0.7415
End of July 2024	\$77.91	\$58.80	\$74.61	\$2.01	\$0.76	0.7242
Month-over-Month Change	-4.67%	-1.82%	-1.88%	6.41%	16.09%	2.39%

Sources: TradingView, Oilprice.com, Oilsands Magazine

TSX-Listed E&P (Canadian Focused Operations) August 2024 Share Price Movements

As previously mentioned, 18 of the 48 publicly traded TSX E&P companies (with assets focused predominately in Canada) rose in value while the remaining 30 companies fell month-over-month.

The top performer in August was **Crew Energy Inc.** which surged 69.76% to \$6.96/share on the back of the announcement that it was being acquired by **Tourmaline Oil Corp.** in a transaction valued at \$1.3 billion. Each Crew share will be exchanged for 0.114802 of a Tourmaline share which was trading at \$57.93/share the day before the announcement of the transaction.

i3 Energy plc was the second-best performer in August, rising 22.86% to \$0.22/share after it was announced that Gran Tierra would acquire i3 in a cash and share deal.

Tenaz Energy Corp. notched the third spot, increasing an additional 16.06% to \$8.31/share. Recall that in July Tenaz spiked 96.70% on the announcement of an overseas acquisition.

TSX-Listed E&P (Canadian Focused Operations) August 2024 Share Price Movements

Company	TSX Ticker	August 2024 % Change	End of August 2024	End of July 2024
Crew Energy Inc.	CR	69.76%	\$6.96	\$4.10
i3 Energy plc	ITE	22.86%	\$0.22	\$0.18
Tenaz Energy Corp.	TNZ	16.06%	\$8.31	\$7.16
Rubellite Energy Inc.	RBV	11.71%	\$2.48	\$2.22
Yangarra Resources Ltd.	YGR	7.69%	\$1.12	\$1.04
Kiwetinohk Energy Corp.	KEC	7.35%	\$14.60	\$13.60
Pine Cliff Energy Ltd.	PNE	6.59%	\$0.97	\$0.91
Saturn Oil & Gas Inc.	SOIL	5.28%	\$2.79	\$2.65
ARC Resources Ltd.	ARX	4.40%	\$24.94	\$23.89
Kelt Exploration Ltd.	KEL	3.14%	\$6.24	\$6.05
Greenfire Resources Ltd.	GFR	2.99%	\$10.00	\$9.71
Journey Energy Inc.	JOY	2.94%	\$2.48	\$3.10
Topaz Energy Corp.	TPZ	2.73%	\$26.70	\$25.99
International Petroleum Corporation	IPCO	2.66%	\$20.45	\$19.92
Imperial Oil Limited	IMO	2.62%	\$101.50	\$98.91
Tourmaline Oil Corp.	TOU	1.10%	\$61.42	\$60.75
Advantage Energy Ltd.	AAV	0.93%	\$9.72	\$9.63
PrairieSky Royalty Ltd.	PSK	0.61%	\$27.92	\$27.75
Cardinal Energy Ltd.	CJ	-0.29%	\$6.85	\$6.87
Canadian Natural Resources Limited	CNQ	-0.49%	\$48.78	\$49.02
Suncor Energy Inc.	SU	-0.87%	\$54.66	\$55.14
Peyto Exploration & Development Corp.	PEY	-1.29%	\$14.57	\$14.76
Birchcliff Energy Ltd.	BIR	-1.67%	\$5.89	\$5.99
Petrus Resources Ltd.	PRQ	-2.17%	\$1.35	\$1.38
Spartan Delta Corp.	SDE	-2.71%	\$3.95	\$4.06
Freehold Royalties Ltd.	FRU	-2.90%	\$13.75	\$14.16
Tamarack Valley Energy Ltd.	TVE	-3.41%	\$3.96	\$4.10
Whitecap Resources Inc.	WCP	-3.57%	\$10.26	\$10.64
Athabasca Oil Corporation	ATH	-4.24%	\$5.42	\$5.66
Strathcona Resources Ltd.	SCR	-4.32%	\$31.00	\$32.40
Perpetual Energy Inc.	PMT	-4.44%	\$0.43	\$0.45
NuVista Energy Ltd.	NVA	-4.49%	\$12.77	\$13.37
InPlay Oil Corp.	IPO	-6.09%	\$2.16	\$2.30
MEG Energy Corp.	MEG	-6.19%	\$26.84	\$28.61
Headwater Exploration Inc.	HWX	-6.29%	\$6.85	\$7.31
Baytex Energy Corp.	BTE	-6.43%	\$4.80	\$5.13
Vermilion Energy Inc.	VET	-6.60%	\$13.87	\$14.85
Surge Energy Inc.	SGY	-7.24%	\$6.53	\$7.04
Paramount Resources Ltd.	POU	-7.41%	\$27.73	\$29.95
Questerre Energy Corporation	QEC	-7.69%	\$0.24	\$0.26
Gear Energy Ltd.	GXE	-8.22%	\$0.67	\$0.73
Bonterra Energy Corp.	BNE	-8.37%	\$4.38	\$4.78
Veren Inc.	VRN	-9.55%	\$9.75	\$10.78
Ovintiv Inc.	OVV	-10.08%	\$57.70	\$64.17
Cenovus Energy Inc.	CVE	-10.17%	\$24.99	\$27.82
Obsidian Energy Ltd.	OBE	-10.36%	\$9.26	\$10.33
Prairie Provident Resources Inc.	PPR	-11.11%	\$0.04	\$0.05
Pieridae Energy Limited	PEA	-14.29%	\$0.30	\$0.35
Average Increase/Decrease			-0.03%	
Median Increase/Decrease			-2.44%	
Number of Companies with Share Price Increases			18	
Number of Companies Flat Month Over Month			0	
Number of Companies with Share Price Declines			30	
Largest Share Price Increase		69.76%		
Largest Share Price Decline		-14.29%		

The three worst-performing stocks in August 2024 were **Pieridae Energy Limited**, **Prairie Provident Resources Inc.** and **Obsidian Energy Ltd.** Pieridae declined 14.29%, Prairie Provident dropped a further 11.11% in August (recall that PPR fell 18.18% in August & 15.38% in July), and Obsidian fell 10.36%.

TSX-Venture Listed E&P (Canadian Focused Operations) August 2024 Share Price Movements

As previously mentioned, and outlined below, during August 2024, eight companies had an increase in their share price, five were flat and the remaining eight companies experienced a drop.

Tenth Avenue Petroleum Corp. had the largest increase in August, jumping 41.18% from \$0.085/share to \$0.12/share.

Wescan Energy Corp. experienced the second largest increase, rising 33.33%, or \$0.03/share to \$0.12/share.

Canadian Spirit Resources Inc. rounded out the top three best performers in August, increasing 25.00%, or \$0.01/share to \$0.05/share.

On a combined basis, the TSX-V E&P companies had an average increase of 2.59% but was flat on a median basis. The biggest decliners were **Altima Resources Ltd., Westgate Energy Inc. and Prospera Energy Inc.**

Company	TSX Ticker	August 2024 % Change	End of August 2024	End of July 2024
Tenth Avenue Petroleum Corp.	TPC	41.18%	\$0.120	\$0.085
Wescan Energy Corp.	WCE	33.33%	\$0.120	\$0.090
Canadian Spirit Resources Inc.	SPI	25.00%	\$0.050	\$0.040
Pulse Oil Corp.	PUL	20.00%	\$0.03	\$0.03
Highwood Oil Company Ltd.	HAM	10.00%	\$6.05	\$5.50
Vital Energy Inc.	VUX	8.33%	\$0.26	\$0.24
Coelacanth Energy Inc.	CEI	6.76%	\$0.79	\$0.74
Source Rock Royalties Ltd.	SRR	2.27%	\$0.90	\$0.88
PetroFrontier Corp.	PFC	0.00%	\$0.05	\$0.05
Petrolympic Ltd.	PCQ	0.00%	\$0.04	\$0.04
Resolute Resources Ltd.	RRL	0.00%	\$0.01	\$0.01
Criterion Energy Ltd.	CEQ	0.00%	\$0.07	\$0.07
Tuktu Resources Ltd.	TUK	0.00%	\$0.09	\$0.09
Hemisphere Energy Corporation	HME	-0.55%	\$1.82	\$1.83
Logan Energy Corp.	LGN	-2.91%	\$0.84	\$0.86
Lycos Energy Inc.	LCX	-6.21%	\$3.17	\$3.38
Cobra Venture Corporation	CBV	-6.67%	\$0.14	\$0.15
ROK Resources Inc.	ROK	-8.70%	\$0.21	\$0.23
Prospera Energy Inc.	PEI	-12.50%	\$0.07	\$0.08
Westgate Energy Inc.	WGT	-21.67%	\$0.24	\$0.30
Altima Resources Ltd.	ARH	-33.33%	\$0.12	\$0.18
Average Increase/Decrease			2.59%	
Median Increase/Decrease			0.00%	
Number of Companies with Share Price Increases			8	
Number of Companies Flat Month Over Month			5	
Number of Companies with Share Price Declines			8	
Max Share Price Increase		41.18%		
Greatest Share Price Decline		-33.33%		

Canadian E&P M&A Activity in August 2024

In August 2024, there were a number of upstream M&A transactions announced in the Canadian oil & natural gas sector.

Tourmaline Oil Corp. announced that it has entered into a definitive arrangement agreement with **Crew Energy Inc.** to acquire all of the issued and outstanding common shares of Crew for total consideration of approximately \$1.3 billion or approximately \$6.69/share of Crew (0.114802 of a Tourmaline share in exchange for each one Crew share) and the assumption of Crew's net debt, which is estimated to be \$240.0 million (including closing costs) at the targeted closing date of October 1, 2024. Based on the closing share prices of Tourmaline and Crew on August 9, 2024, the purchase price represents a premium of approximately 72%.

Crew's assets are in the Groundbirch and Greater Septimus area of northeast British Columbia, immediately adjacent to Tourmaline's existing South Montney operated complex. Crew's assets had average production of 29,253 boe/d (29% liquids) in the second quarter of 2024 with annualized net operating income of \$189.0 million. As at December 31, 2023 Crew had estimated remaining PDP reserves of 84.9 MMboe, 247.7 MMboe on a TP basis and 473.2 MMboe in 2P reserves. Tourmaline has identified over 700 "Tier 1" locations on Crew's land with 246 net Montney locations being booked to its reserves. Crew's Groundbirch development project, including the planned and permitted 15-25 electrified deep cut gas processing facility, has the potential to approximately double the existing Crew production base. Tourmaline intends to proceed with the Groundbirch project within the next five years. Tourmaline has identified multiple synergies associated with the Acquisition, including drilling and completion capital cost improvements, infrastructure capital cost reduction opportunities, as well as liquids growth and margin improvement opportunities.

Concurrent with the announcement of the transaction, Tourmaline's board of directors approved a 6% increase in its quarterly base dividend from \$0.33/share to \$0.35/share (\$1.40/share on an annualized basis).

Gran Tierra Energy Inc. announced that as part of its goal to diversify, it has entered into an agreement to acquire **i3 Energy plc** for cash and shares for total consideration of approximately USD \$225.0 million (based on Gran Tierra's closing price of US\$8.66/share on August 16, 2024). Through the transaction, each i3 Energy shareholder will be entitled to receive one New Gran Tierra share for every 207 i3 Energy shares held, 10.43 pence cash per i3 Energy share and a cash dividend of 0.2565 pence per i3 Energy share in lieu of the ordinary dividend in respect of the three-month period ending September 30, 2024. The consideration is a premium of 49% of the closing price of i3 on August 16. Following completion of the transaction, i3 energy shareholders will own up to 16.5% of Gran Tierra.

i3 has assets in Canada and in the UK North Sea. The assets in Canada are mainly in various fields of Central Alberta, and in the Simonette and Wapiti/Elmworth areas of Alberta along with the Clearwater play of northern Alberta. The assets in the UK North Sea consist of i3's Serenity field and Liberator block. During the second quarter of 2024, i3 had average production of 18,271 (47% liquids) with annualized net operating income of \$62.8 million and a cash surplus of approximately \$7.0 million. As at December 31, 2023 i3 had estimated PDP reserves of 47.1 MMboe, 92.9 MMboe on a TP basis and 179.9 MMboe in 2P reserves.

Rubellite Energy Inc. announced that it acquired **Buffalo Mission Energy Corp.**, a private Mannville stack-focused heavy oil producer, for a total purchase price of approximately \$97.5 million, consisting of \$62.7 million in cash, the issuance of 5.0 million common shares of Rubellite at a deemed value of \$11.3 million and \$23.5 million of assumed debt. Buffalo Mission's assets are in the Cold Lake Oil Sands Region which will compliment Rubellite's Clearwater assets in northern Alberta. The assets have current production of approximately 2,500 bbl/d of conventional heavy oil and consist of approximately 67.3 gross (36.3 net) sections of contiguous, stacked Mannville rights with a total of 170 gross (85 net) identified drilling locations in the primary producing Waseca formation and 220 gross (110 net) additional potential locations across other zones within the Mannville stack. Rubellite stated that the deal was completed at 2.3 times annualized net operating income with close to \$47/bbl operating netback at US\$75/bbl WTI. The price paid on a per flowing barrel basis was \$39,000/boe/d.

Rubellite funded the cash portion of the acquisition through expanded bank credit facilities, a new term loan that matures on December 15, 2024 and a new senior second-lien term loan placed, directly or indirectly, with certain directors and officers of Rubellite and the Company's significant shareholder for \$20.0 million.

Clearview Resources Ltd. announced that subsequent to the end of the second quarter, it disposed of 24 sections of certain mineral rights for proceeds of \$0.9 million and retained a 1% overriding royalty on 13 of the sections. Clearview further stated that it retained the shallower uphole rights on these lands and continues to evaluate these lands for development opportunities.

Journey Energy Ltd. announced that in the second quarter of 2024 it had completed the sale of certain royalty interests in the Ferrier area of Alberta for \$787,000.

During August, one of **Trimble Energy Group's** divestiture opportunities closed. **Kennibar Resources Ltd.** closed the sale of its remaining fee title, less royalty and gross overriding royalty interests located in various areas of Alberta and Saskatchewan.



Non-Core Property Divestiture

Bid Deadline: October 10, 2024 @ 4:00 pm MST

Bonterra Energy Corp. ("Bonterra", or the "Company") has retained Trimble Energy Group as its exclusive financial advisor and agent to assist with the marketing of its non-core oil & natural gas properties located in various areas of Alberta, Saskatchewan and Manitoba (the "Properties").

DIVESTITURE OVERVIEW

- Recent production of 104 boe/d, consisting of 89 bbl/d of oil & condensate, 4 bbl/d of natural gas liquids and 62 Mcf/d of natural gas located in various areas within Alberta, Saskatchewan and Manitoba. All packages have a stable, predictable production profile.
- The offering is being separated into 5 general packages: W1 & W2 Package, W3 Package, W4 Package, Harmattan Package, and the Voyager Partnership Package (varying interests in W1, W2 & W4).
- Includes all operated and non-operated working interests, unit interests and certain royalty interests.
- Current net operating income ("NOI") from the Properties of approximately \$1.24 million annualized.
- Estimated proved developed producing ("PDP") reserves of 295.5 Mboe, 314.6 Mboe of Total Proved and 398.8 Mboe on a 2P basis with before-tax NPVs of \$5.7 million, \$6.1 million and \$7.1 million respectively at a 10% discount rate as of December 31, 2023, based on December 31, 2023 average pricing.
- All of the packages have a relatively long reserve life index with an aggregate RLI of 7.8 years on a PDP basis and 10.5 years on a 2P basis.
- Unbooked drilling upside in SE Saskatchewan (Midale, Frobisher & Lower Watrous) and in the Viking Formation at Redwater (W4 Assets).
- Undeveloped land located in various areas of the Western Canadian Sedimentary Basin.

W4 Package

Production, NOI and Reserves Value Mainly from Bonterra's Redwater property at Twp 56 Rge 19-20W4

Net Production: 21 boe/d (93% liquids)

NOI: ~\$365,500 Annualized

Varying working interests and royalty interests in non-producing lands and wells

Scattered parcels of land offsetting producing wells and pools

109 Mboe PDP Reserves

Viking Drilling Upside

Harmattan Package

0.172117% Interest in the Carstairs Elkton Unit

0.187936% Interest in the Harmattan Elkton Unit No. 1

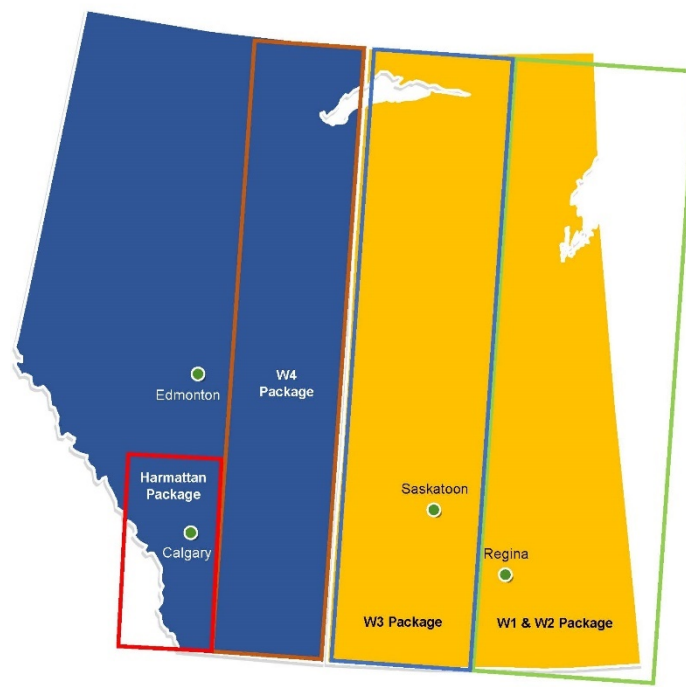
0.144463% Interest in the Harmattan East Unit No. 1

Varying interests in Non-Unit Land and Wells

Net Production: 11 boe/d (58% liquids)

NOI: ~\$65,500

43 Mboe of PDP Reserves



W3 Package

Net Production: 40 bbl/d (100% oil)

High working interest (93%), operated Upper Shaunavon Pool at Eastend (Chamberly)

NOI: ~\$600,750 Annualized

94 Mboe PDP Reserves

W1 & W2 Package

Net Production: 21 bbl/d (100% oil)

Varying interests at Alameda, Midale, Benson, Weyburn and Viewfield Saskatchewan and Manitoba

NOI: ~\$132,150 Annualized

49 Mboe PDP Reserves

Drilling Upside Identified

Voyager Partnership Package

Net Production: 11 boe/d (60% oil)

Varying Low Working Interests Located throughout W1, W2 & W4

NOI: ~\$80,000 Annualized

No Reserves were Evaluated

For more information visit Trimble Energy Group's website at www.trimbleenergygroup.com or contact Ryan Ferguson Young, Executive Vice President of TEG at Ryan@trimbleenergygroup.com or (403) 615-2975

Board of Director & Executive Changes in August 2024

The board of directors of **Trans Mountain Corporation** announced the appointment of Mr. Mark Maki, currently Trans Mountain's Chief Financial and Strategy Officer, to the role of CEO, effective September 1, 2024; he will succeed Ms. Dawn Farrell. Ms. Farrell has been appointed Chair of the Board upon Mr. Downe's retirement from the board on September 1, 2024. Mr. Maki has been the Chief Financial and Strategy Officer of Trans Mountain since 2020. He has held senior executive roles in both the United States and Canada over his career and has significant expertise in the mid-stream industry, including nearly 34 years at **Enbridge**, including the role as President of **Enbridge Energy Partners, L.P.** in the United States. Mr. Maki holds a Bachelor of Science in Accounting from the **University of Wisconsin-Superior** and is a member of the **American Institute of Certified Public Accountants**.

The board of directors has also approved the appointment of Mr. Michael Davies to the role of President and COO, effective September 1, 2024, reporting to Mr. Maki. Mr. Davies currently holds the role of COO at Trans Mountain, with more than 34 years of experience at the company. He is also currently the Chairman of the Board of the **Western Canada Marine Response Corporation (WCMRC)**, the Transport Canada-certified marine spill response organization for Canada's West Coast. Mr. Davies is a professional engineer and holds a Bachelor of Applied Science in Mechanical Engineering from the **University of British Columbia** and a Master of Business Administration from **Simon Fraser University**.

Entropy Inc., a subsidiary of **Advantage Energy Ltd.**, announced the appointment of Mr. Sanjay Bishnoi as CEO. Mr. Bishnoi will start in his new role on September 23, 2024. After founding and leading Entropy since 2020, Mr. Michael Belenkie will step down from Entropy's President and CEO responsibilities but will remain as Chairman of the Board of Directors providing continued leadership and a seamless transition.

Mr. Bishnoi's received his Ph.D. in carbon capture from the **University of Texas** at Austin and has a broad background in conventional resource and infrastructure development, management consulting, and project finance.

Cenovus Energy Inc. announced that Mr. Drew Zieglgansberger, Executive Vice-President & Chief Commercial Officer, announced his retirement from Cenovus effective August 31, 2024. The current duties of the chief commercial officer will be reassigned to other members of the company's senior leadership team.

Greenfire Resources Ltd. announced that Mr. Jonathan Kanderka has been appointed COO of the company and Mr. Dean Custance has been appointed Vice President, Finance.

Mr. Kanderka has over 20 years of steam-assisted gravity drainage ("SAGD") and thermal oil experience, including 17 years at **MEG Energy Corp.** Mr. Kanderka received his Bachelor of Applied Science in Petroleum Engineering from **University of Regina**, is a registered professional engineer with the **Association of Professional Engineers and Geoscientists of Alberta** and has a Diploma in Petroleum Engineering Technology from the **Southern Alberta Institute of Technology**.

Mr. Custance has over 30 years of experience working in finance, planning, taxation and accounting in the oil and gas industry. Mr. Custance previously served as Director, Controller of **Tamarack Valley Energy Ltd.**, and was employed and consulted for numerous companies, most notably **Northrock Resources Ltd.**, and **Iron Bridge Resources Inc.**, including its predecessor entities **RMP Energy Inc.** and **Orleans Energy Ltd.** Mr. Custance has Bachelor of Science and Commerce degrees from the **University of Alberta** and is a Chartered Professional Accountant.

Logan Energy Corp. announced that Mr. Brendan Paton (currently Vice President, Engineering and COO) has been promoted to President and COO. Mr. Richard McHardy will continue as CEO and stated, "Brendan's appointment as President of the Company represents Logan's long-term commitment to succession planning and to advancing the next generation of leaders in the oil and gas industry in Canada".

In addition, Mr. Dylan Van Brunt (currently Manager, Engineering) has been appointed Vice President, Engineering and Ms. Victoria Biersteker (currently Manager, Geoscience) has been appointed Vice President, Geoscience.

NuVista Energy Ltd. announced that Mr. Keith MacPhail elected to retire from its board of directors effective August 8th, 2024. Mr. MacPhail was a co-founder of NuVista and was a member of NuVista for over 20 years.

In addition, NuVista announced that Mr. Kevin Asman elected to retire as Vice President of Marketing, effective December 31, 2024.

Miscellaneous News Announced in August 2024

Marathon Oil Corporation announced that it received the necessary stockholder approval for Marathon Oil's pending merger with **ConocoPhillips**.

Britian announced it will increase the Energy Profits Levy (EPL) by 3% to 38% starting Nov. 1, bringing the headline rate of tax on oil and gas activities to 78%, among the highest in the world. It will also cancel the levy's 29% investment allowance, which allows companies to offset tax from capital that is re-invested. Its duration was also extended to March 2030. The exact details of the changes are expected to be announced with the next budget, estimated to be in October. This move will likely lead to a drop in revenue from the oil and natural gas sector as investment will be decreased.

Toymaker **Lego** stated that it was on track to replace the fossil fuels used in making its signature bricks with more expensive renewable and recycled plastic by 2032 after signing deals with producers to secure long-term supply. Interestingly, the move comes amid a surplus of cheap virgin plastic, driven by major oil companies' investments in petrochemicals. Plastics are projected to drive new oil demand in the next few decades.

It was stated that Lego's suppliers are using bio-waste such as cooking oil or food industry waste fat as well as recycled materials to replace virgin fossil fuels in plastic production. Lego stated that it would not increase the price of its lego once the new materials are implemented.

ROK Resources Inc. announced it has entered into a Share Exchange Agreement with **EMP Metals Corp.**, effective August 1st, 2024 wherein ROK will exchange its common shares of **Hub City Lithium Corp.** in return for 17,085,000 common shares of EMP Metals, a public entity which trades on the Canadian Securities Exchange under the trading symbol "EMPS". At closing, ROK's ownership in EMP Metals will be approximately 17.11%. Post-closing, EMP Metals will appoint Mr. Bryden Wright, President and COO of ROK, to the board of directors of EMP Metals.

Imperial Oil Limited announced that it had achieved its first oil from Grand Rapids Phase 1 which is the first solvent-assisted SAGD project in the industry and "will lower unit cash cost and reduce greenhouse gas intensity compared to legacy processes." The project is expected to achieve 15,000 gross barrels per day of production at full rates.

Canadian Natural Resources Limited announced that subsequent to the end of the second quarter of 2024, the company achieved a significant milestone at its Horizon oilsands property when they produced their one billionth barrel of bitumen since operations began in 2009.

Canadian Natural also announced that during the second quarter of 2024, it sold its 22.6 million common share investment in **PrairieSky Royalty Ltd.** for \$25.65/share for net proceeds of \$575 million. The proceeds were used to reduce net debt. In addition, Canadian Natural stated that it repurchased approximately 33.9 million common shares for \$1.6 billion in 2024 up to and including July 31, 2024.

ARC Resources Ltd. announced that in response to weak natural gas prices, it has elected to curtail approximately 250 MMcf/d of natural gas production at its Sunrise property to "preserve value for periods when prices are higher". Despite the curtailment at Sunrise, ARC's 2024 production guidance is unchanged with current expectations to be at the low end of the guidance range.

Hemisphere Energy Corporation achieved record quarterly production of 3,628 boe/d (99% heavy oil), a 26% increase over the same quarter in 2023.

Source Rock Royalties Ltd. announced that it had record quarterly royalty production of 251 boe/d (95% oil and NGLs) in Q2 2024; Source Rock continues to see strong drilling activity from various operators targeting the Frobisher Formation on its SE Saskatchewan royalty lands.

Journey Energy Inc. announced that it has received approval from the TSX to undertake a normal course issuer bid ("NCIB") to purchase up to 4,666,445 common shares between August 26, 2024 and August 25, 2025.

Saturn Oil & Gas Inc. announced that it received acceptance from the TSX for a NCIB to purchase and cancel up to 11,306,825 of its outstanding common shares during the one-year period from August 27, 2024 to August 26, 2025.

ARC Resources Ltd. announced that during the second quarter of 2024 that it repurchased 0.7 million common shares at a weighted average price of \$23.29/share for \$16 million.

NuVista Energy Ltd. announced that during the second quarter of 2024, it repurchased and subsequently cancelled 1.1 million common shares under its 2023 NCIB at a weighted average price of \$13.52/share for a total cost of \$15.3 million.

Obsidian Energy Ltd. stated that it was active during the second quarter purchasing shares under its NCIB. The company re-purchased 0.8 million shares for \$8.7 million or for an average of price of \$10.80/share. In addition, Obsidian repurchased 0.25 million common shares at an average price of \$10.01/share for total consideration of approximately \$2.5 million in July 2024.

Tamarack Valley Energy Ltd. announced that it repurchased 2.1 million common shares in Q2 2024 and that for the first half of the year it purchased a total of 9.7 million shares for \$33.7 million.

Strathcona Resources Ltd.'s board of directors declared its inaugural base quarterly dividend of \$0.25/share.

Financings Announced in August 2024

During the month, there were only a couple of financing announced.

Surge Energy Inc. announced a \$175 million private placement offering of senior unsecured notes due 2029 which will bear an interest rate of 8.5% per annum and mature on September 5, 2029. Surge intends to use the net proceeds from the offering to repay in full the amounts owing under its non-revolving second-lien term facility, with the remainder, if any, to repay other existing indebtedness.

Pieridae Energy Limited announced a rights offering whereby each holder of common shares will receive one right for each common share held. Each Right will entitle the holder to subscribe for 0.71286 of a common share which as a result, holders of common shares may exercise 1.4028 rights and pay \$0.2448/share to acquire one common share. Pieridae expects to raise gross proceeds of up to \$30.0 million from the rights offering and intends to use the proceeds to repay indebtedness, for working capital and general corporate purposes. The expected closing date of the rights offering is October 7, 2024. In connection with the rights offering, Pieridae entered into a standby purchase agreement with **Alberta Investment Management Corporation**, which has agreed, subject to the satisfaction of certain conditions, to purchase 24,498,749 common shares and to purchase up to an additional 77,625,434 common shares not otherwise subscribed for under the rights offering to ensure that Pieridae raises proceeds of at least \$25.0 million.

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