

# Management's Discussion and Analysis

For the three and nine months ended September 30, 2022

#### MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

FOR THE THREE AND NINE MONTHS ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2022 AND SEPTEMBER 30, 2021

The following management's discussion and analysis ("MD&A") is dated November 8, 2022 and should be read in conjunction with the unaudited financial statements of InPlay Oil Corp. ("InPlay" or the "Company") for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2022 and September 30, 2021 and the audited consolidated annual financial statements for the years ended December 31, 2021 and December 31, 2020. The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards ("IFRS") and interpretations of the IFRS Interpretations Committee, applicable to the preparation of interim financial statements, including IAS 34, Interim Financial Reporting.

In addition to generally accepted accounting principles ("GAAP") measures, this MD&A contains additional conversion measures, non-GAAP measures, and forward-looking statements. Readers are cautioned that the MD&A should be read in conjunction with InPlay's disclosure under the headings "Conversion Measures and Short-Term Production Rates", "Non-GAAP and Other Financial Measures", and "Forward-Looking Information" included at the end of this MD&A.

All references to dollar values are to Canadian dollars unless otherwise stated. Production volumes are measured upon sale unless otherwise noted. Definitions of the abbreviations used in this discussion and analysis are located on the last page of this document.

## **DESCRIPTION OF BUSINESS**

InPlay is a crude oil and natural gas exploration, development and production company with operations in Alberta. InPlay's strategic plan is to build a sustainable long-term oil and natural gas company. The plan is based on acquiring low decline, high operating netback producing properties with drilling development and enhanced oil recovery potential as well as undeveloped lands with exploration and development upside.

## **REVIEW OF FINANCIAL RESULTS**

# **Production**

Average production volumes for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2022 and September 30, 2021 were as follows:

	Three Months Ended September 30		Nine Months Ended September 30	
	2022	2021	2022	2021
Crude oil (bbls/d)	3,717	3,154	3,718	2,922
NGLs (boe/d)	1,432	663	1,358	731
Natural gas (Mcf/d)	26,075	13,166	23,129	10,831
Total $(boe/d)^{(1)(2)(3)}$	9,495	6,011	8,931	5,458
Crude oil and NGLs (%)	54%	64%	57%	67%

<sup>(1)</sup> Barrels of oil equivalent ("boe") may be misleading, particularly if used in isolation. Refer to the section entitled "Conversion Measures and Short Term Production Rates" at the end of this MD&A.

Production for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2022 was 58% and 64% higher respectively compared to the three and nine months ended September 30, 2021, primarily as a result of the added volumes from the 2021 and 2022 drilling programs and the acquisition of Prairie Storm Resources Corp. ("Prairie Storm") which closed November 30, 2021. The reduced light oil and liquids weighting to 54% and 57% respectively in the three and nine months ended September 30, 2022 compared to the same periods in 2021 is

<sup>(2)</sup> References to crude oil, NGLs or natural gas production in this MD&A refer to the light and medium crude oil, natural gas liquids and conventional natural gas product types, respectively, as defined in National Instrument 51-101, Standards of Disclosure for Oil and Gas Activities ("NI 51-101").

primarily a result of the higher gas weighting on the acquired Prairie Storm volumes.

InPlay's capital program for first nine months of 2022 consisted of \$64.0 million of development capital. The Company drilled, completed and brought on production six (6.0 net) extended reach horizontal ("ERH") wells in Pembina, seven (6.5 net) ERH wells on our Prairie Storm assets and one (0.2 net) non-operated Willesden Green ERH well during the first nine months of 2022. The Company also drilled an additional two (1.9 net) ERH wells in Willesden Green during the third quarter of 2022 which were brought on production in October. Other capital activity for the nine months ended September 30, 2022 consisted of completing and bringing on production the two (1.6 net) ERH wells which were drilled in the fourth quarter of 2021, construction of a modular multi-well facility in Willesden Green during the year to accommodate current and future drilling in the area and construction of two Vapor Recovery Units to increase gas conservation and reduce greenhouse gas emissions. This activity amounted to the drilling of 16 gross (14.6 net) wells for an equivalent of 25.0 gross horizontal miles (22.8 net horizontal miles).

### Crude oil and natural gas sales

(thousands of dollars)	Three Months Ended September 30			Nine Months Ended September 30	
	2022	2021	2022	2021	
Crude oil	39,439	23,875	124,579	59,341	
NGLs	6,500	2,745	19,386	6,878	
Natural gas	11,046	4,711	36,464	10,380	
Total crude oil and natural gas sales	56,985	31,331	180,429	76,599	

#### **Prices**

	Three Months Ended September 30		Nine Months Ended September 30	
Average Realized Price(1)	2022	2021	2022	2021
Crude oil (\$/bbl)	115.35	82.29	122.73	74.39
NGLs (\$/boe)	49.32	45.01	52.30	34.47
Natural gas (\$/Mcf)	4.60	3.89	5.77	3.51
Total (\$/boe)	65.24	56.66	74.00	51.41
WTI (\$USD/bbl)	91.56	70.56	98.09	64.82
AECO (\$/GJ)	3.95	3.41	5.10	3.11

<sup>(1)</sup> Supplementary financial measure. See "Non-IFRS and Other Financial Measures" contained within this MD&A.

Throughout the later part of 2021 and into 2022, global economies have continued to recover from the COVID-19 pandemic with the easing of COVID restrictions, resulting in global crude oil demand recovering to near pre-pandemic levels. Supply has grown at a more gradual pace due to lower levels of capital spending and discipline among producers. As a result, commodity prices in the three and nine months ended September 30, 2022 have significantly improved compared to the same periods in 2021.

West Texas Intermediate ("WTI") prices improved in the three and nine months ended September 30, 2022 compared to average prices during the three and nine months ended September 30, 2021. In the third quarter of 2022, WTI oil prices increased 30% averaging \$91.56 US per bbl compared to \$70.56 US per bbl in the third quarter of 2021. In the first nine months of 2022, WTI oil prices increased 51% averaging \$98.09 US per bbl compared to \$64.82 US per bbl in the first nine months of 2021.

Differentials between WTI oil prices and prices received in Alberta strengthened in the three and nine months ended September 30, 2022 and compared to the same periods in 2021. These differentials can be volatile due to factors including refining demand and pipeline capacity. InPlay sells oil at monthly average Edmonton Par

prices less quality differentials, transportation and marketing fees. Light, sweet oil differentials between Cushing, Oklahoma and Edmonton, Alberta are affected by pipeline apportionment, refinery turnarounds, rail capacity and market supply/demand conditions. Strong demand for Alberta crude oil resulted in substantial improvements to monthly index differentials averaging \$2.04 US per barrel discount for the third quarter of 2022 compared to \$4.08 US per barrel discount for the third quarter of 2021. Monthly index differentials averaged \$1.83 US per barrel discount for the first nine months of 2022 compared to \$4.14 US per barrel discount for the same period in 2021.

Realized oil prices are adjusted for the Canada/US exchange rate which decreased averaging 0.77 for the third quarter of 2022 from 0.79 during the third quarter of 2021. The Canada/US exchange rate increased over the first nine months of 2022 to 0.78 compared to 0.80 over the first nine months of 2021.

Due to the items noted above, and specifically the weakening Canadian dollar, realized oil prices for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2021 increased compared to the three and nine months ended September 30, 2021. The Company's average net realized price for crude oil was \$115.35 per bbl for the third quarter of 2022, 40% higher than the third quarter 2021 realized price of \$82.29 per bbl. The Company's average net realized price for crude oil was \$122.73 per bbl for the first nine months of 2022, 65% higher than the first nine months of 2021 realized price of \$74.39 per bbl.

Increases in demand for natural gas in 2022 resulted in significant improvements to natural gas benchmark prices. In the third quarter of 2022, natural gas AECO daily index prices increased 16% averaging \$3.95 per GJ compared to \$3.41 per GJ in the third quarter of 2021. In the first nine months of 2022, natural gas AECO daily index prices increased 64% averaging \$5.10 per GJ compared to \$3.11 per GJ in the first nine months of 2021.

The Company's average realized natural gas sales price was \$4.60 per Mcf for the third quarter of 2022, 18% higher than the third quarter of 2021 realized price of \$3.89 per Mcf on improved natural gas markets. The Company's average realized natural gas sales price was \$5.77 per Mcf for the nine months ended September 30, 2022, 64% higher than the first nine months of 2021 realized price of \$3.51 per Mcf, also on improved natural gas markets.

Realized NGL pricing improved for the three months ended September 30, 2022 compared to the same period in 2021. The Company's average realized NGL price was \$49.32 per boe for the third quarter of 2022, 10% higher than the third quarter of 2021 realized price of \$45.01 per boe as a result of improved ethane, propane and butane markets and higher condensate and pentane prices which track WTI pricing. The Company's average realized NGL sales price was \$52.30 per boe for the first nine months of 2022, 52% higher than the first nine months of 2021 realized price of \$34.47 per boe, also on improved ethane, propane and butane markets and higher condensate and pentane prices which track WTI pricing.

## **Royalties**

Production coming from new wells drilled by the Company on Crown lands qualify for royalty incentives that reduce average Crown royalties for periods of up to 48 months from initial production depending on commodity prices. After this period, the Crown royalties from these wells will come off this incentive period and be subject to the regular Alberta royalty structure. Recent increases to commodity prices have resulted in wells coming off of this incentive period in shorter time frames, resulting in increasing royalty rates.

Royalties as a percentage of total oil and natural gas sales are highly sensitive to commodity prices and adjustments to gas cost allowance. Thus, royalty rates can fluctuate from quarter-to-quarter and year-to-year. Royalties, as a percentage of crude oil and natural gas sales and royalties per boe are as follows:

	Three Months Ended September 30		Nine Months Ended September 30	
	2022	2021	2022	2021
Total royalties (\$'000s)	10,607	3,352	28,017	6,963
Total royalties (% of sales)	18.6%	10.7%	15.5%	9.1%
Total royalties (\$/boe)	12.14	6.06	11.49	4.67

Royalties as a percentage of revenue and on a per boe basis increased during the three and nine months ended September 30, 2022 compared to the same periods in 2021 due to the effect of shorter royalty incentive periods for recently drilled wells in the improved pricing environment and the sliding scale nature of oil royalties which increases the percentage during periods of high commodity prices.

#### **Derivative contracts**

The Company's production is usually sold using near-term contracts with complementary spot sales as needed, with prices fixed at the time of transfer of custody or on the basis of a monthly average market price. The Company may selectively enter into commodity derivative contracts in order to hedge a portion of oil and natural gas sales through the use of various financial derivative forward sales contracts and physical sales contracts. The Company does not apply hedge accounting for these contracts.

At September 30, 2022 the Company had the following commodity-based derivative contracts outstanding.

Type of contract: three-way collar<sup>(1)</sup> (crude oil pricing WTI):

Currency denomination	Volume (bbl/day)	Sold put price	Bought put price	Sold call price	Term
US dollar	1,400	45.00/bbl	50.00/bbl	100.00/bbl	July 1, 2022 – Nov. 30, 2022

<sup>(1)</sup> The WTI three-way collars are a combination high priced sold call, low priced sold put and a mid priced bought put. The high sold call price is the maximum price the Company will receive for the contract volumes. The mid bought put price is the minimum price InPlay will receive, unless the market price falls below the low sold put strike price, in which case InPlay receives market price plus the difference between the mid bought put price minus the low sold put price

Type of contract: swap (natural gas pricing AECO):

Currency denomination	Volume (GJ/day)	Average swap price	Term
Canadian dollar	5,250	3.64/GJ	April 1, 2022 – October 31, 2022
Canadian dollar	4,000	4.90/GJ	September 1, 2022 – October 31, 2022

Type of contract: costless collar<sup>(2)</sup> (natural gas pricing AECO):

Currency denomination	Volume (GJ/day)	Bought put price	Sold call price	Term
Canadian dollar	2,750	2.50/GJ	3.64/GJ	April 1, 2022 – Oct. 31, 2022
Canadian dollar	5,500	2.25/GJ	4.93/GJ	Nov. 1, 2022 – Nov. 30, 2022

<sup>(2)</sup> Costless collar indicates InPlay concurrently bought put and sold call options at strike prices such that the costs and premiums received offset each other, thereby completing the derivative contracts on a costless basis.

Subsequent to September 30, 2022 the Company entered into commodity-based derivative contracts as follows:

Type of contract: swap (natural gas pricing AECO):

Currency denomination	Volume (GJ/day)	Average swap price	Term
Canadian dollar	2,500	4.06/GJ	April 1, 2023 – October 31, 2023

The statements of profit and comprehensive income for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2022 reflected the following gains (losses) related to derivative contracts that were outstanding during 2022 and the comparative periods for 2021.

(thousands of dollars)	Three Months Ended September 30		Nine Months Ended September 30	
	2022	2021	2022	2021
Realized (loss)	(514)	(1,917)	(6,702)	(9,564)
Unrealized gain (loss)	3,042	981	178	(2,049)
Total gain (loss) on derivative contracts	2,528	(936)	(6,524)	(11,613)

## Operating expenses

	Three Months Ended September 30		Nine Months Ended September 30	
	2022	2021	2022	2021
Total operating costs (\$'000s)	10,946	6,763	30,660	19,315
Total operating costs (\$/boe)	12.53	12.23	12.58	12.96

Operating costs include expenses incurred to operate wells, gather and treat production volumes as well as costs to perform well and facility repairs and maintenance. For the three months ended September 30, 2022, operating expenses per boe were relatively flat at \$12.53 per boe compared to \$12.23 per boe for the same period in 2021. For the nine months ended September 30, 2022, operating expenses per boe decreased 3% to \$12.58 per boe compared to \$12.96 per boe for the same period in 2021. Improvements in operating costs on a per boe basis reflect fixed operating costs being incurred over a larger production base.

## Transportation expenses

	Three Months Ended September 30		Nine Months Ended September 30	
	2022	2021	2022	2021
Total transportation costs (\$'000s)	888	708	2,802	1,674
Total transportation costs (\$/boe)	1.02	1.28	1.15	1.12

Transportation expenses include costs incurred to transport processed crude oil, liquids and natural gas products to the point of sale, as well as firm-service take or pay contracts that InPlay has secured directly to transport its natural gas. Expenses incurred to transport production that is not yet in a suitable condition to be shipped on a common-carrier pipeline from the well or battery to a cleaning facility or fractionation plant are included within operating expenses.

For the quarter ended September 30, 2022, transportation expenses were \$1.02 per boe and were lower in comparison to \$1.28 per boe for the quarter ended September 30, 2021. For the nine months ended September 30, 2022, transportation expenses were \$1.15 per boe and were relatively flat in comparison to \$1.12 per boe for the nine months ended September 30, 2021.

## Operating Income and Netback

	Three Mo	Nine Months Ended		
(thousands of dollars)	Septe	mber 30	Septe	ember 30
	2022	2021	2022	2021
Revenue <sup>(1)</sup>	56,985	31,331	180,429	76,599
Royalties	(10,607)	(3,352)	(28,017)	(6,963)
Operating expenses	(10,946)	(6,763)	(30,660)	(19,315)
Transportation expenses	(888)	(708)	(2,802)	(1,674)
Operating income (2)	34,544	20,508	118,950	48,647
Sales volume (Mboe)	873.5	553.0	2,438.1	1,490.0
Per boe				
Revenue <sup>(1)</sup>	65.24	56.66	74.00	51.41
Royalties	(12.14)	(6.06)	(11.49)	(4.67)
Operating expenses	(12.53)	(12.23)	(12.58)	(12.96)
Transportation expenses	(1.02)	(1.28)	(1.15)	(1.12)
Operating netback per boe (2)	39.55	37.09	48.78	32.66
Operating income profit margin (2)	61%	65%	66%	64%

<sup>(1)</sup> Includes royalty and other income classified with oil and natural gas sales.

Operating income and operating netback per boe for the nine months ended September 30, 2022 increased dramatically compared to the nine months ended September 30, 2021 reflecting the higher production volumes and significant increases to realized prices over these periods.

### General and administrative expenses

The following table is a reconciliation of the Company's gross general and administrative ("G&A") expenditures to general and administrative expenses:

(thousands of dollars)	Three Mor Septer	Nine Months Ended September 30		
	2022	2021	2022	2021
Gross G&A expenditures	2,998	1,854	8,786	5,206
Capitalized and recoveries	(579)	(289)	(1,745)	(973)
General and administrative expenses	2,419	1,565	7,041	4,233
G&A expenses (\$/boe)	2.77	2.83	2.89	2.84
% Capitalized and recoveries	19%	16%	20%	19%

For the quarter ended September 30, 2022, G&A expenses were \$2.4 million (\$2.77 per boe) compared to \$1.6 million (\$2.83 per boe) for the same period in 2021. For the nine months ended September 30, 2022, G&A expenses were \$7.0 million (\$2.89 per boe) compared to \$4.2 million (\$2.84 per boe) for the same period in 2021. G&A expenses remained relatively flat on a per boe basis in comparison to the third quarter and first nine months of 2021. Total G&A expenses increased in the third quarter and first nine months of 2022 in comparison to the same periods in 2021 as a result of higher compensation, marketing and other public company related costs due to the increased size of the Company following the Prairie Storm acquisition.

# Share-based compensation expenses

The Company accounts for share-based compensation using the fair value method of accounting, and share-

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based compensation (net of amoun	its capitalized) is included in the de	etermination of profit and comprehensive
income.		

(thousands of dollars)	Three Mon Septen	Nine Months Ended September 30		
	2022	2021	2022	2021
Share-based compensation	643	257	1,676	896
Capitalized portion	(198)	(23)	(328)	(89)
Share-based compensation expense	445	234	1,348	807

For the quarter ended September 30, 2022, share-based compensation expense was \$0.4 million compared to \$0.2 million for the same period in 2021. For the nine months ended September 30, 2022, share-based compensation expense was \$1.3 million compared to \$0.8 million for the same period in 2021. Share-based compensation expenses were higher in the third quarter and first nine months of 2022 due to significant improvements in the Company's share price in the later portion of 2021 and into 2022, resulting in additional expenses incurred from the vesting and revaluation of deferred share units and additional share-based compensation as a result of the implementation of the Company's restricted and performance award incentive plan.

During the nine months ended September 30, 2022, 590,200 options were granted, 935,550 options were exercised, 63,000 options were forfeited and 90,000 options expired.

At September 30, 2022, the maximum number of stock options available for grant was 8,715,030.

During the quarter, the Company implemented a restricted and performance award incentive plan under which Restricted Awards ("RAs") and Performance Awards ("PAs") may be granted to directors, officers, employees, consultants or other service providers of the Company. Each RA and PA entitles the holder to an award value vesting evenly over a three year period. The award value of PAs is adjusted for a payout multiplier which can range from 0.0 to 2.0 and is dependent on the performance of the Company relative to pre-defined corporate performance measures for a particular period. The Company is eligible to settle the award value of vesting RAs and PAs either in cash or in common shares acquired by an independent trustee in the open market.

During the nine months ended September 30, 2022, 716,249 RAs were granted and 428,710 PAs were granted.

## Depletion and depreciation

	Three Months Ended September 30		Nine Months Ended September 30	
	2022	2021	2022	2021
Depletion and depreciation (\$'000s)	11,270	7,800	31,335	19,749
Depletion and depreciation (\$/boe)	12.90	14.10	12.85	13.25

The carrying costs for property, plant and equipment directly associated with crude oil and natural gas operations, including estimated future development costs, are recognized as depletion expense in the statements of profit and comprehensive income on a unit of production basis over proved plus probable reserves. The carrying costs of office and computer equipment are recognized as depreciation expense in the statements of profit and comprehensive income on a straight-line or declining-balance basis.

Depletion and depreciation was \$11.3 million (\$12.90 per boe) for the quarter ended September 30, 2022 compared to \$7.8 million (\$14.10 per boe) for the same period in 2021. Depletion and depreciation was \$31.3 million (\$12.85 per boe) for the nine months ended September 30, 2022 compared to \$19.8 million (\$13.25 per boe) for the same period in 2021. The increase on a total basis is due the higher productions volumes in the three and nine months ended September 30, 2022 compared to the same period in 2021 and the impact of the impairment reversals recorded in 2021.

# Impairment loss

At September 30, 2022 there were no indicators of impairment or impairment reversal relating to the Company's Property, plant and equipment assets.

At December 31, 2021 there were indicators of impairment reversal due to significant increases in estimated future commodity prices. Impairment reversal tests were performed for the Company's West Central Alberta CGU which resulted in an impairment reversal of historical impairment charges of \$3.6 million being recorded in the Company's consolidated statement of profit (loss) and comprehensive income (loss) relating to the Company's West Central Alberta CGU. The Company used the income approach technique to measure fair value of the CGUs whereby the net present value of the after tax future cash flows were calculated using a discount rate of 12%. The future cash flows were based on level 3 fair value hierarchy inputs: the Company's reserves prepared by its independent reserves evaluator, including key assumptions regarding the discount rate, quantities of reserves and production volumes, future commodity prices as prepared by its independent reserves evaluator, royalty obligations, operating expenses, development costs, and decommissioning costs.

Prior to December 31, 2021, the Company had the following CGUs: Pembina, Rocky Mountain House, Pigeon Lake, Huxley and Red Deer/Minors. Following the acquisition of Prairie Storm Resources Corp., the Company conducted an analysis of its CGUs to determine if their composition was still reflective of InPlay's core asset base and internal asset management. Following the analysis, it was determined that the previous CGUs no longer appropriately reflect InPlay's current asset base for purposes of determining impairment. Recent acquisitions and continued growth and development in concentrated areas has resulted in the Company's asset base primarily comprising liquids weighted assets in west central Alberta. Effective December 31, 2021, InPlay's CGUs were realigned into one CGU: West Central Alberta.

At June 30, 2021 there were indicators of impairment reversal due to significant increases in estimated future commodity prices. Impairment reversal tests were performed for each the Company's CGUs which resulted in an impairment reversal of historical impairment charges of \$58.3 million being recorded in the Company's consolidated statement of profit (loss) and comprehensive income (loss) relating to the Company's Pigeon Lake (\$18.3 million), Pembina (\$24.1 million), Rocky (\$13.8 million) and Huxley (\$2.1 million) CGUs. The Company used the income approach technique to measure fair value of the CGUs whereby the net present value of the after tax future cash flows were calculated using a discount rate of 13% for Huxley and 12% for all other CGUs. The future cash flows were based on level 3 fair value hierarchy inputs: the Company's reserves prepared by its independent reserves evaluator, including key assumptions regarding the discount rate, quantities of reserves and production volumes, future commodity prices as prepared by its independent reserves evaluator, royalty obligations, operating expenses, development costs, and decommissioning costs. The Company's reserves prepared by its independent reserves evaluator as at December 31, 2020 were updated by internal qualified reserve engineers to June 30, 2021 for the purposes of this assessment.

At September 30, 2022 there were no indicators of impairment relating to the Company's Exploration and evaluation assets.

## Finance expenses

(thousands of dollars)		nths Ended mber 30	Nine Months Ended September 30	
	2022	2021	2022	2021
Interest expense (Credit Facility and other)	1,299	1,304	3,999	4,378
Interest expense (Lease liabilities)	6	5	20	16
Accretion on decommissioning obligations	244	317	1,277	791
Finance expense	1,549	1,626	5,296	5,185

Finance expenses were \$1.5 million for the third quarter of 2022, compared to \$1.6 million in the third quarter of 2021. Finance expenses were \$5.3 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2022, compared to \$5.2 million during the same period in 2021. The increase for the nine months ended September

30, 2022 compared to the same period in 2021 is due to higher accretion expense as a result of increases to risk-free interest rates used to discount the asset retirement obligation liability.

#### Income taxes

The Company has recognized a deferred tax asset of \$17.4 million at September 30, 2022. The Company recognized deferred income tax expense of \$6.0 million during the three months ended September 30, 2022 and deferred income tax expense of \$4.0 million during the nine months ended September 30, 2022.

The deferred tax asset is supported by the expected future utilization of tax attributes based upon future cashflows derived from the Company's updated forecasts and independent year end reserve report using the total proved cashflows and expenditures and factoring in expected corporate general and administrative and interest expenses. As a result of changes in these future cashflows, the deferred tax asset was increased by \$11.8 million as at September 30, 2022 (September 30, 2021: \$13.8 million) with a corresponding charge to deferred income tax recovery.

InPlay is not currently cash taxable and had the following estimated Canadian federal income tax pool balances at September 30, 2022.

## (thousands of dollars)

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Non-capital loss carryforward balances	\$ 108,723
Share issue costs	717
Canadian Exploration Expenses (CEE)	64,773
Canadian Development Expenses (CDE)	89,591
Canadian Oil and Gas Property Expenses (COGPE)	116,731
Undepreciated Capital Cost (UCC)	44,119
Total	\$ 424,654

## ADJUSTED FUNDS FLOW

(thousands of dollars)	Three Mo Septe	Nine Months Ended September 30		
·	2022	2021	2022	2021
Funds flow	29,486	15,186	98,197	29,466
Transaction and integration costs	-	_	291	_
Decommissioning expenditures	746	369	2,046	413
Adjusted funds flow <sup>(1)</sup>	30,232	15,555	100,534	29,879

<sup>(1)</sup> Capital management measure. See "Non-IFRS and Other Financial Measures" contained within this MD&A.

Adjusted funds flow for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2022 was \$30.2 million and \$100.5 million respectively compared to \$15.6 million and \$29.9 million for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2021. These significant increases are reflective of the higher sales volumes and increases in benchmark prices realized during the respective periods.

### **CAPITAL EXPENDITURES**

Capital expenditures for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2022 were \$24.6 million and \$64.5 million respectively. The breakdown of capital expenditures is shown below:

(thousands of dollars)		nths Ended mber 30		enths Ended ember 30
	2022	2021	2022	2021
Land and lease	31	11	257	42
Drilling & completions	19,371	8,917	51,770	21,758
Facilities and equipping costs	4,739	1,270	10,482	4,685
Total exploration and development capital	24,141	10,198	62,509	26,485
Office and Capitalized G&A	401	259	1,445	925
Capital expenditures – PP&E and E&E	24,542	10,457	63,954	27,410
Property dispositions	-	(2)	(1)	(83)
Net Corporation acquisitions <sup>(1)</sup>	89	=	501	<u> </u>
Total capital expenditures <sup>(1)</sup>	24,631	10,455	64,454	27,327

<sup>(1)</sup> Non-IFRS financial measure or ratio that does not have a standardized meaning under International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS) and GAAP and therefore may not be comparable with the calculations of similar measures for other companies. Please refer to "Non-GAAP and Other Financial Measures" within this MD&A.

InPlay's capital program for first nine months of 2022 consisted of \$64.0 million of development capital. The Company drilled, completed and brought on production six (6.0 net) extended reach horizontal ("ERH") wells in Pembina, seven (6.5 net) ERH wells on our Prairie Storm assets and one (0.2 net) non-operated Willesden Green ERH well during the first nine months of 2022. The Company also drilled an additional two (1.9 net) ERH wells in Willesden Green during the third quarter of 2022 which were brought on production in October. Other capital activity for the nine months ended September 30, 2022 consisted of completing and bringing on production the two (1.6 net) ERH wells which were drilled in the fourth quarter of 2021, construction of a modular multi-well facility in Willesden Green during the year to accommodate current and future drilling in the area and construction of two Vapor Recovery Units to increase gas conservation and reduce greenhouse gas emissions. This activity amounted to the drilling of 16 gross (14.6 net) wells for an equivalent of 25.0 gross horizontal miles (22.8 net horizontal miles).

During the nine months ended September 30, 2022, the Company also adjusted the Prairie Storm purchase equation by \$0.5 million as a result of changes to accrual estimates relating to operations of these assets prior to November 30, 2021.

Drilling statistics are shown below:

		Three months ended			Nine months ended			
		Septen	nber 30			Septen	nber 30	
	20	)22	20	)21	20	22	20:	21
	Gross	Net	Gross	Net	Gross	Net	Gross	Net
Oil <sup>(1)</sup>	5	4.8	5	3.4	16	14.6	10	8.4
Natural gas	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Dry	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	5	4.8	5	3.4	16	14.6	10	8.4
Success rate	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%

# **SHARE INFORMATION**

The Company's common shares are listed on the Toronto Stock Exchange under the symbol IPO.

As of November 8, 2022, there were 87,150,301 common shares outstanding, which includes nil common shares held in trust for the potential future settlement of awards issued under the Company's Restricted and Performance Award Incentive Plan, and 6,328,450 stock options that, subject to vesting, are convertible into, or exercisable or exchangeable for, an equivalent number of common shares of the Company. In addition, there were 735,749 RAs and 428,710 PAs outstanding.

The Company will periodically provide funds to an independent trustee to acquire common shares in the open market, which are held in trust for the potential future settlement of Restricted and Performance award values. The common shares held in trust are netted out of share capital, including the cumulative purchase cost, until they are distributed for future settlements. For the nine months ended September 30, 2022, the trustee purchased nil common shares for a total cost of \$nil million and as at September 30, 2022, the trustee held nil common shares in trust.

On October 13, 2022, the Company announced that the Toronto Stock Exchange ("TSX") had accepted the notice of the Company's intention to commence a Normal Course Issuer Bid ("NCIB"). Pursuant to the NCIB, the Company is permitted to purchase up to 6,467,875 common shares representing approximately 10% of its public float as at October 7, 2022 over a twelve month period commencing October 17, 2022. To date, the Company has purchased 10,100 common shares for cancellation at an average price of \$2.99 per common share. Shareholders can obtain, without charge, a copy of the notice by contacting the Company.

Subsequent to September 30, 2022, the Company's Board of Directors approved the implementation of a base cash dividend of \$0.015 per share on November 8, 2022 payable on November 30, 2022 to holders of the Company's common shares of record at the close of business on November 18, 2022. The monthly cash dividend is expected to be designated as an "eligible dividend" for Canadian federal and provincial income tax purposes.

## **RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS**

InPlay had no related party transactions that were entered into under the normal course of business for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2022 and September 30, 2021.

# LIQUIDITY AND CAPITAL RESOURCES

The Company's policy is to maintain a strong capital base which provides the financial flexibility to fund its ongoing capital expenditure program, provide creditor and market confidence and sustain the future development of the business. The Company is able to maintain high operating netbacks even while facing low commodity prices which, in turn, provides strong cash flows that assist in managing its working capital and capital requirements.

On August 10, 2022, the Company amended its first lien credit facilities and entered into an amended and restated senior secured credit facility with a borrowing base of \$110 million (the "Credit Facility"). At this time, the second lien \$25 million term facility with the Business Development Bank of Canada ("BDC") and the remaining \$14 million term facility within the pre-amended senior credit facility were repaid. The Credit Facility consists of a \$100 million revolving line of credit and a \$10 million operating line of credit.

The Credit Facility has a term out date of May 30, 2023, and if not extended, additional advances would not be permitted and any outstanding advances would become repayable one year later on May 30, 2024. The Credit Facility is secured by a floating charge debenture of \$150 million and a general security agreement on the assets of the Company. At September 30, 2022, the Company had drawn \$38.6 million on the Credit Facility. There were standard reporting covenants under the Senior Credit Facility and no financial covenants. The Company was in compliance with these standard reporting covenants as at September 30, 2022.

Under the Credit Facility, advances can be drawn as prime rate loans and bear interest at the bank's prime lending rate plus interest rates between 2.00% and 5.50%. Advances may also be drawn as banker's acceptances, SOFR loans, and letters of credit, subject to Canadian interest benchmark rates plus margins ranging from 3.00% to 6.50%. These interest rates, fees and margins varied based on adjusted debt to earnings metrics determined at each quarter end for the preceding 12 months.

The available lending limit of the Credit Facility is scheduled for semi-annual review on or before November 30, 2022 and is based on the Lenders' interpretation of the Company's reserves and future commodity prices. There can be no assurance that the amount or terms of the Credit Facility will not be adjusted at the next annual review. In the event that the lenders reduce the borrowing base under the Credit Facility below the amount

drawn at the time of the redetermination, the Company would have 60 days to eliminate any borrowing base shortfall by repaying the amount drawn in excess of the re-determined borrowing base or by providing additional security or other consideration satisfactory to the lenders. Repayments of principal are not required provided that the borrowings under the Credit Facility do not exceed the authorized borrowing amount and the Company is in compliance with all covenants, representations and warranties.

The Company had letters of credit in the amount of \$nil outstanding at September 30, 2022 (December 31, 2021 - \$0.3 million) and no additional guarantees.

In addition to the amount drawn on the Credit Facility at September 30, 2022 the Company had a working capital deficit of \$7.0 million.

## **OFF-BALANCE SHEET ARRANGEMENTS**

The Company had no guarantees or off-balance sheet arrangements other than as described below under "Contractual Obligations."

#### **CONTRACTUAL OBLIGATIONS**

The Company enters into various contractual obligations in the course of conducting its operations. At September 30, 2022, these obligations include:

- Loan agreements The Credit Facility has a term out date of May 30, 2023 and, if not extended, any
  outstanding balances would have become repayable one year later on May 30, 2024. Refer to the "Liquidity
  and Capital Resources" section for more information.
- Firm service transportation commitments The Company has entered into firm service transportation agreements. Fees related to transportation periods subsequent to September 30, 2022 were not recognized as a liability at September 30, 2022.

As at September 30, 2022 the Company had the following minimum contractual obligations:

Contractual obligations					
(in thousands of dollars)	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026
Accounts payable	38,054	-	-	-	-
Bank debt - principal(1)	-	-	38,642	-	-
Bank debt - interest(2)	965	3,861	1,609	-	-
Leases	85	327	28	-	-
Firm service	173	709	435	98	24
Total	39,277	<b>4,</b> 897	40,714	98	24

<sup>(1)</sup> Assumes the Credit Facility is not renewed on May 30, 2023, whereby outstanding balances become due on May 30, 2024.

## LEGAL PROCEEDINGS AND OTHER CONTINGENCIES

The Company is a plaintiff or defendant in various legal actions and other disputes arising from time to time in the normal course of business. The Company believes that any liabilities that may arise pertaining to these matters will not have a material effect on its financial position.

## CRITICAL ACCOUNTING ESTIMATES

The Company's significant accounting policies are disclosed in note 3 to the Company's unaudited interim financial statements for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2022. Certain accounting policies require that management make appropriate decisions with respect to the formulation of estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets, liabilities, revenues and expenses. These accounting policies are discussed

<sup>(2)</sup> Assumes interest is incurred on bank debt outstanding on the Credit Facility at September 30, 2022 at the Company's effective interest rate during the current quarter and the principal of the Credit Facility is repaid May 30, 2024.

below and are included to aid the reader in assessing the critical accounting policies and practices of the Company and the likelihood of materially different results than reported. The Company's management reviews its estimates regularly. The emergence of new information and changed circumstances may result in actual results that differ materially from current estimates.

## Oil and natural gas reserves

Proved and probable reserves, as defined by the Canadian Securities Administrators in NI 51-101 with reference to the COGE Handbook, are estimated using independent reserves evaluator reports and represent the estimated quantities of crude oil, natural gas and natural gas liquids which geological, geophysical and engineering data demonstrate with a specified degree of certainty to be recoverable in future years from known reservoirs and which are considered commercially producible. There should be a 50% statistical probability that the actual quantity of recoverable reserves will be more than the amount estimated as proved and probable and a 50% statistical probability that it will be less. The equivalent statistical probabilities for the proved component of proved and probable reserves are 90% and 10%, respectively. Determination of reserves is a complex process involving judgments, estimates and decisions based on available geological, engineering, production and any other relevant data. These estimates are subject to material change as economic conditions change and ongoing production and development activities provide new information.

Purchase price allocations and calculations of depletion and depreciation, impairment loss and deferred income tax assets are based on estimates of oil and natural gas reserves. Reserves estimates are based on engineering data, estimated future prices, expected future rates of production and timing of future capital expenditures. By their nature, these estimates are subject to measurement uncertainties and interpretations and the impact on the consolidated financial statements could be material. The Company expects that over time, its reserves estimates will be revised upward or downward based on updated information such as the results of future drilling, testing and production levels and may be affected by changes in commodity prices.

### Recoverable amounts of CGUs

The recoverable amount of a CGU used in the assessment of impairment is the greater of its value-in-use ("VIU") and its fair value less costs to sell ("FVLCTS"). VIU is determined by estimating the present value of the future net cash flows from the continued use of the CGU, and is subject to the risks associated with estimating the value of reserves. FVLCTS refers to the amount obtainable from the sale of a CGU in an arm's length transaction between knowledgeable, willing parties, less costs of disposal. The criteria used in the estimation of this amount are discussed in note 4 to the audited annual consolidated financial statements for the years ended December 31, 2021 and December 31, 2020.

Both VIU and FVLCTS estimates include the estimated reserves values in their determination. The key assumptions and estimates of the value of oil and natural gas reserves and the existing and potential markets for the Company's oil and natural gas assets are made at the time of reserves estimation and market assessment and are subject to change as new information becomes available. Changes in international and regional factors, including supply and demand of commodities, inventory levels, drilling activity, currency exchange rates, weather, geopolitical and general economic environment factors, may result in significant changes to the estimated recoverable amounts of CGUs.

## Decommissioning obligations

The Company is required to set up a provision for future removal and site restoration costs. The Company must estimate these costs in accordance with existing laws, contracts or other policies. These estimated costs are charged to property, plant and equipment and the appropriate liability account over the expected service life of the asset. The estimate of future removal and site restoration costs involves a number of estimates related to timing of abandonment, determination of the economic life of the asset, costs associated with abandonment and site restoration, discount rates and review of potential abandonment methods.

## Income taxes

The determination of the Company's income and other tax assets and 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 asset or liability may differ from that estimated and recorded by management. The Company estimates its future income tax rate in calculating its future income tax asset or liability. Various assumptions are made in assessing when temporary differences will reverse and this may impact the rate used.

#### **CHANGES IN ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

There were no new or amended accounting standards or interpretations adopted in the nine months ended September 30, 2022.

#### **CONTROLS AND PROCEDURES**

The Company's Chief Executive Officer ("CEO") and Chief Financial Officer ("CFO") 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 CEO and CFO 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.

The Company's CEO and CFO have designed, or caused to be designed under their supervision, internal controls over financial reporting to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with IFRS. The Company is required to disclose herein any change in the Company's internal controls over financial reporting that occurred during the period beginning on July 1, 2022 and ended on September 30, 2022 that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the Company's internal controls over financial reporting. No material changes in the Company's internal controls over financial reporting were identified during such period that have materially affected, or are reasonably likely to materially affect, the Company's internal controls 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.

#### **BUSINESS RISKS**

The emergence of COVID-19 has resulted in emergency actions by governments worldwide, and has impacted the Company's results, business, financial and operating conditions, and has negatively impacted the Canadian, U.S., and global economies; disrupted Canadian, U.S., and global supply chains; disrupted financial markets; contributed to volatility in interest rates; resulted in ratings downgrades, credit deterioration and defaults in many industries; forced the closure of many businesses, led to loss of revenues, increased unemployment and bankruptcies; and necessitated the imposition of quarantines, physical distancing, business closures, travel restrictions, and sheltering-in-place requirements in Canada, the U.S., and other countries. If the pandemic is prolonged, including through subsequent waves, or if additional variants of COVID-19 continue to emerge which are more transmissible or cause more severe disease, or if other diseases emerge with similar effects, the adverse impact on the economy could worsen. Moreover, it remains uncertain how the macroeconomic environment, and societal and business norms will be impacted following this COVID-19 pandemic. As a result, the Company's business, financial and operational conditions, cash flows, reputation, access to capital, cost of borrowing, access to liquidity, and/or business plans may, in particular, and without limitation, may be adversely impacted as a result of the pandemic and/or decline in commodity prices. The full extent of the risks surrounding the severity and continuance of the COVID-19 pandemic is continually evolving and is not fully known at this time. Therefore, there is significant risk and uncertainty which may have a material and adverse effect on the Company's operations.

The extent to which the COVID-19 pandemic continues to impact the Company's financial results and condition or liquidity will depend on future developments in Canada, the U.S. and globally, including the widespread availability of efficient and accurate testing options, and effective treatment options or vaccines. Despite the approval of certain vaccines by the regulatory bodies in Canada and the U.S., the ongoing evolution of the efficiency of widespread distribution of an effective vaccine against COVID-19 and new variants thereof also continues to raise uncertainty.

Oil and natural gas exploration and production is capital intensive and involves a number of business risks including, without limitation, the uncertainty of finding new reserves, the instability of commodity prices, weather, and various operational risks. Commodity prices are influenced by local and worldwide supply and demand, OPEC actions, ongoing global economic concerns, the US dollar exchange rate, transportation costs, political stability, the continuing impact of COVID-19 and travel bans and seasonal and weather-related changes to demand. The concern over increasing US natural gas production, driven primarily by the US shale gas plays, continues to depress the natural gas futures market. Oil prices declined sharply in the latter part of 2015 and continue to remain volatile as oil is a geopolitical commodity, affected by concerns about global economic markets, continued instability in oil producing countries and increases in production from US tight oil plays. Current areas of geopolitical risk include: global uncertainty and market repercussions due to the spread of COVID-19; Russia's military invasion of Ukraine; and rising civil unrest and activism globally. Differentials between WTI oil prices and prices received in Alberta are volatile. The industry is subject to extensive governmental regulation with respect to the environment. Over the past number of years, several new environmental regulations at both the Federal and Provincial level were announced, though the details of how some of the regulations will be implemented have yet to be released. Operational risks include well performance, uncertainties inherent in estimating reserves, timing of/ability to obtain and maintain drilling licenses and other regulatory approvals, ability to obtain equipment, expiration of licenses and leases, competition from other producers, third-party transportation and processing disruption issues, sufficiency of insurance, ability to manage growth, reliance on key personnel, third party credit risk and appropriateness of accounting estimates. These additional risks are described in more detail in the Company's most recent AIF filed with certain Canadian securities regulatory authorities on SEDAR at www.sedar.com.

The Company makes substantial capital expenditures for the acquisition, exploration, development and production of oil and natural gas reserves. As the Company's revenues may decline as a result of decreased commodity pricing, it may be required to reduce capital expenditures. In addition, uncertain levels of near-term industry activity coupled with the present global economic concerns exposes the Company to additional access-to-capital risk. There can be no assurance that debt or equity financing, or funds generated by operations, will be available or sufficient to meet these requirements or for other corporate purposes or, if debt or equity financing is available, that it will be on terms acceptable to the Company. The inability of the Company to access sufficient capital for its operations could have a material adverse effect on the Company's business, financial condition, results of operations and prospects.

InPlay manages these risks by employing competent and professional staff, following sound operating practices and using capital prudently. The Company generates its exploration and development prospects internally and performs extensive geological, geophysical, engineering, and environmental analysis before committing to the drilling of new prospects. InPlay seeks out and employs new technologies where possible. With the Company's extensive potential drilling opportunities and advance planning, the Company believes it can manage the slower pace of regulatory approvals and the requirements for extensive landowner consultation.

The Company has a formal emergency response plan which details the procedures employees and contractors will follow in the event of an operational emergency. The emergency response plan is designed to respond to emergencies in an organized and timely manner so that the safety of employees, contractors, residents in the vicinity of field operations, the general public and the environment are protected. A corporate safety program covers hazard identification and control on the jobsite, establishes Company policies, rules and work procedures and outlines training requirements for employees and contract personnel.

The Company currently deals with a small number of buyers and sales contracts, and endeavors to ensure that

those buyers are an appropriate credit risk. The Company continuously evaluates the merits of entering into fixed price or financial hedge contracts for price management.

The oil and natural gas business is subject to regulation and intervention by governments in such matters as the awarding of exploration and production interests, the imposition of specific drilling obligations, environmental protection controls, control over the development and abandonment of fields (including restrictions on production) and possibly expropriation or cancellation of contract rights. As well, governments may regulate or intervene with respect to prices, taxes, royalties, transportation and the exportation of oil and natural gas. Such regulation may be changed from time to time in response to economic or political conditions. The implementation of new regulations or the modification of existing regulations affecting the oil and natural gas industry could reduce demand for oil and natural gas, increase the Company's costs, impact the Company's ability to get its product to market, or affect its future opportunities.

The oil and natural gas industry is currently subject to environmental regulations pursuant to a variety of provincial and federal legislation. Such legislation provides for restrictions and prohibitions on the release or emission of various substances produced in association with certain oil and natural gas industry operations. Such legislation may also impose restrictions and prohibitions on water use or processing in connection with certain oil and natural gas operations. In addition, such legislation requires that well and facility sites be abandoned and reclaimed to the satisfaction of provincial authorities. Compliance with such legislation can require significant expenditures and a breach of such requirements may result in, amongst other things, suspension or revocation of necessary licenses and authorizations, civil liability for pollution damage, and the imposition of material fines and penalties.

Emissions, carbon and other regulations impacting climate and climate-related matters are constantly evolving. With respect to environmental, social and governance ("ESG") and climate reporting, the International Sustainability Standards Board has issued an IFRS Sustainability Disclosure Standard with the aim to develop sustainability disclosure standards that are globally consistent, comparable and reliable. In addition, the Canadian Securities Administrators have issued a proposed National Instrument 51-107 Disclosure of Climate-related Matters. The cost to comply with these standards, and others that may be developed or evolve over time, is not quantifiable at this time.

Based on the Company's current understanding, the potential physical risks resulting from climate change are long-term in nature and associated with a high degree of uncertainty regarding timing, scope, and severity of potential impacts. Many experts believe global climate change could increase extreme variability in weather patterns such as increased frequency of severe weather, rising mean temperature and sea levels, and long-term changes in precipitation patterns. Extreme hot and cold weather, heavy snowfall, heavy rainfall, and wildfires may restrict the Company's ability to access its properties and cause operational difficulties, including damage to equipment and infrastructure. Extreme weather also increases the risk of personnel injury as a result of dangerous working conditions. Certain of the Company's assets are located in locations that are proximate to forests and rivers and a wildfire or flood may lead to significant downtime and/or damage to the Company's assets or cause disruptions to the production and transport of its products or the delivery of goods and services in its supply chain.

Our exploration and production facilities and other operations and activities emit greenhouse gasses ("GHG") which may require us to comply with federal and/or provincial GHG emissions legislation. Climate change policy is evolving at regional, national and international levels, and political and economic events may significantly affect the scope and timing of climate change measures that are ultimately put in place to prevent climate change or mitigate our effects. The direct or indirect costs of compliance with GHG-related regulations may have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition, results of operations and prospects. Some of our significant facilities may ultimately be subject to future regional, provincial and/or federal climate change regulations to manage GHG emissions. In addition, climate change has been linked to long-term shifts in climate patterns and extreme weather conditions both of which pose the risk of causing operational difficulties.

The COVID-19 pandemic has also created additional operational risks for the Company, including the need to provide enhanced safety measures for its employees and customers; comply with rapidly changing regulatory

guidance; address the risk of, attempted fraudulent activity and cybersecurity threat behavior; and protect the integrity and functionality of the Company's systems, networks, and data as a larger number of employees work remotely. The Company is also exposed to human capital risks due to issues related to health and safety matters, and other environmental stressors as a result of measures implemented in response to the COVID-19 pandemic, as well as the potential for a significant proportion of the Company's employees, including key executives, to be unable to work effectively, because of illness, quarantines, sheltering-in-place arrangements, government actions or other restrictions in connection with the pandemic.

Upon the occurrence of a natural disaster, or upon an incident of war, riot or civil unrest, the impacted country, province, or region may not efficiently and quickly recover from such event, which could have a materially adverse effect on the Company, its customers, and/or either of their businesses or operations. Terrorist attacks, public health crises including epidemics, pandemics or outbreaks of new infectious disease or viruses (including, most recently, COVID-19, civil unrest and related events can result in volatility and disruption to local and global supply chains, operations, mobility of people and the financial markets, which could affect interest rates, credit ratings, credit risk, inflation, business, financial conditions, results of operations and other factors relevant to the Company, its customers, and/or either of their businesses or operations.

#### OUTLOOK(1)

InPlay began its fourth quarter capital program with drilling one (0.95 net) ERH well in Willesden Green which was brought on production in late October and is flowing without artificial lift and the start of drilling operations with our first two (2.0 net) Belly River wells. InPlay utilized the technologies and expertise developed in our Cardium play over the years to complete these Belly River drills in 5.4 and 5.6 days respectively. This was a dramatic improvement compared to our most recent two one-mile drilling operations in the area in 2016 averaging approximately 10 days per well and approximately 2.5 days quicker than recent one-mile wells drilled in the area by other operators.

Given the continued strong operational results and positive future commodity prices, the Company reiterates its 2022 guidance and long-term forecast as released September 27, 2022 with the incorporation of the base dividend. The Company remains committed towards providing top tier production per share growth and a return of capital to shareholders. This base dividend and the recently implemented share buyback program in addition to our forecasted growth of measured production per share places InPlay in a solid position to continue realizing on meaningful returns to shareholders over the long term.

The table below reiterates the highlights of our 2022 guidance and long-term forecast at our current share price, including the impact of our inaugural base dividend:

	2022	2023	2024	2025
WTI (US\$/bbl)	93.25	75.00	70.00	65.00
Production (boe/d) (2)	9,150 - 9,400	9,900 - 10,400	10,650 – 11,200	11,300 – 11,900
Capital (\$ millions)	70 - 72	69 – 71	75 – 77	80 - 82
Net wells	17.5	17.5 - 18.5	18.5 – 19.5	21.0 - 22.0
DAPPS Growth (%) (4) *	61 – 66	25 - 32	19 – 26	14 - 21
AFF (\$ millions) (3)	139 – 143	134 – 140	136 – 142	133 – 139
FAFF (\$ millions) (4)	67 - 73	63 - 71	59 – 67	51 – 59
Working Capital (Net Debt) at Year-end (\$ millions) (3)	(14) - (18)	25 – 32	63 – 69	91 – 98
Dividend (\$ millions)	2 - 3	15 – 16	15 – 16	15 – 16
Annual Net Debt / EBITDA (4)	0.1 - 0.2	(0.2) - (0.3)	(0.4) - (0.5)	(0.6) - (0.7)
EV / DAAFF (4) *	2.1 - 2.2	2.0 - 2.1	1.7 - 1.8	1.5 - 1.6

<sup>\*</sup> Assumes a \$3.50 share price

The amounts above do not include potential future purchases through the Company's NCIB.

As outlined above in the long term forecast, the Company is forecasting to generate material FAFF resulting in a growing positive working capital balance through to 2025. Our strategy for the accumulating additional FAFF is to provide additional means for returns to shareholders through dividends, share buybacks, increased tactical capital investment and accretive strategic acquisitions.

#### Notes:

- See table in the Reader Advisories for key budget and underlying material assumptions related to the Company's 2022 capital program and associated guidance.
- 2. See "Production Breakdown by Product Type"
- 3. Capital management measure. See "Non-IFRS and Other Financial Measures" contained within this MD&A.
- 4. Non-IFRS measure or ratio that does not have a standardized meaning under International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS) and GAAP and therefore may not be comparable with the calculations of similar measures for other companies. Please refer to "Non-GAAP and Other Financial Measures" within this MD&A for details of calculations, rationale for use and applicable reconciliation to the nearest IFRS measure.

## SELECTED QUARTERLY INFORMATION

The following table provides financial and operating results for the last eight quarters. Commodity prices remain volatile, affecting adjusted funds flow and profit (loss) throughout those quarters.

## SELECTED QUARTERLY INFORMATION

(\$ amounts in thousands, except per share	Q3 2022	Q2 2022	Q1 2022	Q4 2021
amounts)				
Oil and natural gas sales	56,985	71,287	52,156	37,255
Oil and natural gas sales, net of royalties	46,378	61,476	44,557	32,623
Profit	15,352	29,032	18,774	55,191
Profit per share, basic	0.18	0.33	0.22	0.74
Profit per share, diluted	0.17	0.32	0.21	0.71
Capital expenditures – PP&E and E&E	24,542	17,850	21,562	6,024
Property (dispositions)	-	-	(1)	-
Net Corporate acquisitions <sup>(1)</sup>	89	(20)	432	38,287
Adjusted funds flow <sup>(2)</sup>	30,232	40,922	29,379	17,149
Adjusted funds flow per share, basic <sup>(3)</sup>	0.35	0.47	0.34	0.23
Adjusted funds flow per share, diluted(3)	0.33	0.45	0.33	0.22
Adjusted funds flow per boe <sup>(3)</sup>	34.61	49.62	39.71	27.87
Net debt <sup>(2)</sup>	45,615	50,473	73,392	80,196

	Q3 2021	Q2 2021	Q1 2021	Q4 2020
Oil and natural gas sales	31,331	25,267	20,001	12,829
Oil and natural gas sales, net of royalties	27,979	22,901	18,756	12,132
Profit (loss)	8,289	59,127	(7,536)	(3,227)
Profit (loss) per share, basic	0.12	0.87	(0.11)	(0.05)
Profit (loss) per share, diluted	0.12	0.85	(0.11)	(0.05)
Capital expenditures – PP&E and E&E	10,457	4,744	12,209	10,633
Property acquisitions/(dispositions)	(2)	(101)	19	1,875
Net Corporate acquisitions <sup>(1)</sup>	-	-	-	-
Adjusted funds flow <sup>(2)</sup>	15,555	8,219	6,105	3,291
Adjusted funds flow per share, basic <sup>(3)</sup>	0.23	0.12	0.09	0.05
Adjusted funds flow per share, diluted <sup>(3)</sup>	0.22	0.12	0.09	0.05
Adjusted funds flow per boe <sup>(3)</sup>	28.13	16.77	13.66	8.40
Net debt <sup>(2)</sup>	71,331	76,113	79,780	73,681

- (1) Non-IFRS financial measure or ratio that does not have a standardized meaning under International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS) and GAAP and therefore may not be comparable with the calculations of similar measures for other companies. Please refer to "Non-GAAP and Other Financial Measures" within this MD&A for details of calculations, rationale for use and applicable reconciliation to the nearest IFRS measure.
- (2) Capital management measure. See "Non-IFRS and Other Financial Measures" contained within this MD&A.
- (3) Supplementary financial measure. See "Non-IFRS and Other Financial Measures" contained within this MD&A

InPlay's 2020 capital program consisted of \$23.1 million of development capital. The Company drilled four (4.0 net) ERH wells in Willesden Green, three (3.0 net) one-mile horizontal wells in Pembina and one (0.2 net) non-operated Nisku ERH well during the year ended December 31, 2020, amounting to an equivalent of 11 gross horizontal miles (9.4 net horizontal miles). The three (3.0 net) ERH wells in Willesden Green drilled in the fourth quarter were placed on production in the last week of December 2020. The one (0.2 net) ERH well in Pembina drilled in the fourth quarter was completed in January 2021 and placed on production in February. The Company also completed a water disposal facility in Pembina that is expected to payout in less than one year and generate long-term operating cost savings.

As a result of the significant drop and volatility in world crude oil prices as a result of the COVID-19 outbreak and the corresponding OPEC+ oil price war, InPlay suspended its 2020 capital program after the capital program for the first quarter of 2020 was completed. The Company resumed its capital program in the fourth quarter of 2020.

An impairment reversal of \$58.3 million was recognized in the quarter ended June 30, 2021 due to increases in estimated future commodity prices and the recoverable amount of the Company's CGUs.

An impairment reversal of \$3.6 million was recognized in the quarter ended December 31, 2021 due to increases in estimated future commodity prices and the recoverable amount of the Company's CGUs.

On November 30, 2021, the Company completed the Prairie Storm Arrangement for consideration of: (a) the payment of an aggregate of approximately \$39.9 million in cash; and (b) the issuance of an aggregate of 8,320,335 common shares of InPlay at \$1.20 per share, for total gross consideration of \$49.9 million. For accounting purposes in accordance with IFRS 3, the shares issued as consideration have been valued at \$2.07 per share, based on the closing price of InPlay shares on November 29, 2021.

InPlay's capital program for 2021 consisted of \$33.4 million of development capital, drilling 12 (10.0 net) wells during the year. This activity amounted to the drilling 12 gross (10.0 net) wells for an equivalent of 20.5 gross horizontal miles (15.4 net horizontal miles). This capital spending also included the construction of a multi-well battery in Pembina which is anticipated to accommodate all of our future development of the area over the next three years. InPlay accelerated the start of its 2022 capital program at the end of 2021 initiating lease construction and drilling activities on a three well pad in Pembina due to optimal conditions and availability of services.

InPlay's capital program for first nine months of 2022 consisted of \$64.0 million of development capital. The Company drilled, completed and brought on production six (6.0 net) extended reach horizontal ("ERH") wells in Pembina, seven (6.5 net) ERH wells on our Prairie Storm assets and one (0.2 net) non-operated Willesden Green ERH well during the first nine months of 2022. The Company also drilled an additional two (1.9 net) ERH wells in Willesden Green during the third quarter of 2022 which were brought on production in October. Other capital activity for the nine months ended September 30, 2022 consisted of completing and bringing on production the two (1.6 net) ERH wells which were drilled in the fourth quarter of 2021, construction of a modular multi-well facility in Willesden Green during the year to accommodate current and future drilling in the area and construction of two Vapor Recovery Units to increase gas conservation and reduce greenhouse gas emissions. This activity amounted to the drilling of 16 gross (14.6 net) wells for an equivalent of 25.0 gross horizontal miles (22.8 net horizontal miles).

#### SELECTED ANNUAL INFORMATION

#### Years ended December 31

(in thousands, except per share amounts)	2021	2020	2019
Total oil and natural gas sales <sup>(1)</sup>	\$ 113,854	41,934	75,025
Oil and natural gas sales, net of royalties(1)	102,259	39,010	69,198
Profit (loss)	115,071	(112,629)	(26,842)
Profit (loss) per share, basic	1.65	(1.65)	(0.39)
Profit (loss) per share, diluted	1.61	(1.65)	(0.39)
Total assets	406,484	211,035	298,006
Total bank loans	79,127	63,832	55,635
Total net debt <sup>(2)</sup>	80,196	73,681	55,170

<sup>(1)</sup> The oil and natural gas sales exclude realized and unrealized gains (losses) on risk management derivative contracts: 2021 excludes (\$13.1 million) realized loss and \$1.0 million unrealized gain; 2020 excludes (\$1.2 million) realized loss and (\$1.3) million unrealized loss; and 2019 excludes \$0.02 million realized gain and (\$0.1) million unrealized loss.

#### ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Additional information regarding InPlay and its business and operation, including its most recently filed annual information form, is available on the Company's profile on SEDAR at www.sedar.com. This information is also available on the Company's website at <a href="https://www.inplayoil.com">www.inplayoil.com</a>.

## CONVERSION MEASURES AND SHORT-TERM PRODUCTION RATES

Production volumes and reserves are commonly expressed on a boe basis whereby natural gas volumes are converted at the ratio of 6 thousand cubic feet to 1 barrel of oil. Although the intention is to sum oil and natural gas measurement units into one basis for improved analysis of results and comparisons with other industry participants, boes may be misleading, particularly if used in isolation. A boe conversion ratio of 6 Mcf to 1 bbl is based on an energy equivalency conversion method primarily applicable at the burner tip and does not represent a value equivalency at the wellhead. In recent years, the value ratio based on the price of crude oil as compared to natural gas has been significantly higher than the energy equivalency of 6:1, and utilizing a conversion of natural gas volumes on a 6:1 basis may be misleading as an indication of value.

Short-term production rates can be influenced by flush production effects from fracture stimulations in horizontal wellbores and may not be indicative of longer-term production performance or ultimate recovery of reserves. Individual well performance may vary.

#### NON-GAAP AND OTHER FINANCIAL MEASURES

Throughout this MD&A and other materials disclosed by the Company, InPlay uses 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 GAAP and therefore may not be comparable to similar measures presented by other entities. The non-GAAP and other financial measures should not be considered alternatives to, or more meaningful than, financial measures that are determined in accordance with GAAP as indicators of the Company performance. Management believes that the presentation of these non-GAAP and other financial measures provides useful information to shareholders and investors in understanding and evaluating the Company's ongoing operating performance, and the measures provide increased transparency and the ability to better analyze InPlay's business performance against prior periods on a comparable basis.

## Non-GAAP Financial Measures and Ratios

Included in this document are references to the terms "free adjusted funds flow", "operating income", "operating netback per boe", "operating income profit margin", "Net corporate acquisitions", "Total capital expenditures" and "Debt adjusted production per share". Management believes these measures are helpful

<sup>(2)</sup> Capital management measure. See "Non-IFRS and Other Financial Measures" contained within this MD&A.

supplementary measures of financial and operating performance and provide users with similar, but potentially not comparable, information that is commonly used by other oil and natural gas companies. These terms do not have any standardized meaning prescribed by GAAP and should not be considered an alternative to, or more meaningful than "profit (loss) before taxes", "profit (loss) and comprehensive income (loss)", "adjusted funds flow", "capital expenditures", "corporate acquisitions, net of cash acquired", "net debt", "weighted average number of common shares (basic)" or assets and liabilities as determined in accordance with GAAP as a measure of the Company's performance and financial position.

# Free Adjusted Funds Flow

Management considers FAFF an important measure to identify the Company's ability to improve its financial condition through debt repayment and its ability to provide returns to shareholders. FAFF should not be considered as an alternative to or more meaningful than AFF as determined in accordance with GAAP as an indicator of the Company's performance. FAFF is calculated by the Company as AFF less exploration and development capital expenditures and property dispositions (acquisitions) and is a measure of the cashflow remaining after capital expenditures before corporate acquisitions that can be used for additional capital activity, corporate acquisitions, repayment of debt or decommissioning expenditures or potentially return of capital to shareholders. Refer below for a calculation of free adjusted funds flow and a reconciliation to the nearest GAAP measure, adjusted funds flow.

(thousands of dollars)		onths Ended ember 30	Nine Months Ended September 30	
	2022	2021	2022	2021
Adjusted funds flow	30,232	15,555	100,534	29,879
Exploration and dev. capital expenditures	(24,542)	(10,457)	(63,954)	(27,410)
Property dispositions (acquisitions)	-	2	1	83
Free adjusted funds flow	5,690	5,100	36,581	2,552

# Operating Income

Management considers operating income an important measure to evaluate its operational performance as it demonstrates its field level profitability. Operating income is calculated by the Company as oil and natural gas sales less royalties, operating expenses and transportation expenses and is a measure of the profitability of operations before administrative, share-based compensation, financing and other non-cash items. Management considers operating income an important measure to evaluate its operational performance as it demonstrates its field level profitability. Operating income should not be considered as an alternative to or more meaningful than net income as determined in accordance with GAAP as an indicator of the Company's performance. Refer to the section entitled "Operating income and netback" within this MD&A for a calculation of this measure and a reconciliation to the nearest GAAP measure.

## Operating Netback per BOE

Management considers operating netback per boe an important measure to evaluate its operational performance as it demonstrates its field level profitability per unit of production. Operating netback per boe is calculated by the Company as operating income divided by average production for the respective period. Refer to the section entitled "Operating income and netback" within this MD&A for a calculation of this measure.

# Operating Income Profit Margin

Management considers operating income profit margin an important measure to evaluate its operational performance as it demonstrates how efficiently the Company generates field level profits from its sales revenue. Operating income profit margin is calculated by the Company as operating income as a percentage of oil and natural gas sales. Refer to the section entitled "Operating income and netback" within this MD&A for a calculation of this measure.

### Net Debt to EBITDA

Management considers Net Debt to EBITDA an important measure as it is a key metric to identify the Company's ability to fund financing expenses, net debt reductions and other obligations. EBITDA is calculated by the Company as adjusted funds flow before interest expense. When this measure is presented quarterly, EBITDA is annualized by multiplying by four. This measure is consistent with the EBITDA formula prescribed under the Company's Senior Credit Facility. Net Debt to EBITDA is calculated as Net Debt divided by EBITDA. Refer to the "Forward Looking Information and Statements" section for a calculation of forecast Net Debt to EBITDA.

## Total Capital Expenditures

Management considers Total capital expenditures an important metric to measure its total capital investment compared to the Company's annual budgeted capital expenditures. Total capital expenditures is calculated as exploration and development capital expenditures plus net property acquisitions (dispositions) and net corporate acquisitions. Net corporate acquisitions should not be considered as an alternative to or more meaningful than "Capital expenditures – PP&E and E&E" as determined in accordance with GAAP as an indicator of the Company's performance. Refer to the section entitled "Capital expenditures" within this MD&A for a calculation of this measure and reconciliation to the nearest GAAP measure, "Capital expenditures – PP&E and E&E".

## Production per Debt Adjusted Share

InPlay uses "Production per debt adjusted share" as a key performance indicator. Debt adjusted shares should not be considered as an alternative to or more meaningful than common shares as determined in accordance with GAAP as an indicator of the Company's performance. Debt adjusted shares is a non-GAAP measure used in the calculation of Production per debt adjusted share and is calculated by the Company as common shares outstanding plus the change in net debt divided by the Company's current trading price on the TSX, converting net debt to equity. Debt adjusted shares should not be considered as an alternative to or more meaningful than weighted average number of common shares (basic) as determined in accordance with GAAP as an indicator of the Company's performance. Management considers Debt adjusted share is a key performance indicator as it adjusts for the effects of capital structure in relation to the Company's peers. Production per debt adjusted share is a key performance indicator as it adjusted shares. Management considers Production per debt adjusted share is a key performance indicator as it adjusts for the effects of changes in annual production in relation to the Company's capital structure. Refer below for a calculation of Production per debt adjusted share.

		Three Mor	nths Ended
		Septen	nber 30
		2022	2021
Production	Boe/d	9,495	6,011
Net Debt	\$ millions	45.6	71.3
Weighted average outstanding shares	# millions	87.1	68.3
Assumed Share price <sup>(2)</sup>	\$	3.08	
Production per debt adjusted share growth <sup>(2)</sup>		37%	

Production per debt adjusted share is calculated by the Company as production divided by debt adjusted shares. Debt adjusted shares is calculated by the Company as common shares outstanding plus the change in net debt divided by the Company's current trading price on the TSX, converting net debt to equity.

## EV / DAAFF

InPlay uses "enterprise value to debt adjusted AFF" or "EV/DAAFF" as a key performance indicator. EV/DAAFF is calculated by the Company as enterprise value divided by debt adjusted AFF for the relevant period. Debt adjusted AFF ("DAAFF") is calculated by the Company as adjusted funds flow plus financing

Weighted average share price throughout the third quarter of 2022.

costs. Enterprise value is a capital management measures that is used in the calculation of EV/DAAFF. Enterprise value is calculated as the Company's market capitalization plus working capital (net debt). Management considers enterprise value a key performance indicator as it identifies the total capital structure of the Company. Management considers EV/DAAFF a key performance indicator as it is a key metric used to evaluate the sustainability of the Company relative to other companies while incorporating the impact of differing capital structures. Refer to the "Forward Looking Information and Statements" section for a calculation of forecast EV/DAAFF.

## Capital Management Measures

## Adjusted Funds Flow

Management considers adjusted funds flow to be an important measure of InPlay's ability to generate the funds necessary to finance capital expenditures. Adjusted funds flow is a GAAP measure and is disclosed in the notes to the Company's financial statements for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2022. All references to adjusted funds flow throughout this MD&A are calculated as funds flow adjusting for decommissioning expenditures and transaction and integration costs. Decommissioning expenditures are adjusted from funds flow as they are incurred on a discretionary and irregular basis and are primarily incurred on previous operating assets. Transaction costs are non-recurring costs for the purposes of an acquisition, making the exclusion of these items relevant in Management's view to the reader in the evaluation of InPlay's operating performance. The Company also presents adjusted funds flow per share whereby per share amounts are calculated using weighted average shares outstanding consistent with the calculation of profit per common share.

# Net Debt / Working Capital

Net debt / working capital is a GAAP measure and is disclosed in the notes to the Company's financial statements for the three and nine months ending September 30, 2022. The Company closely monitors its capital structure with a goal of maintaining a strong balance sheet to fund the future growth of the Company. The Company monitors net debt / working capital as part of its capital structure. The Company uses net debt / working capital (bank debt plus accounts payable and accrued liabilities less accounts receivables and accrued receivables, prepaid expenses and deposits and inventory) as an alternative measure of outstanding debt. Management considers net debt / working capital an important measure to assist in assessing the liquidity of the Company.

## Supplementary Measures

- "Average realized crude oil price" is comprised of crude oil commodity sales from production, as determined in accordance with IFRS, divided by the Company's crude oil volumes. Average prices are before deduction of transportation costs and do not include gains and losses on financial instruments.
- "Average realized NGL price" is comprised of NGL commodity sales from production, as determined in accordance with IFRS, divided by the Company's NGL volumes. Average prices are before deduction of transportation costs and do not include gains and losses on financial instruments.
- "Average 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 volumes. Average prices are before deduction of transportation costs and do not include gains and losses on financial instruments.
- "Average realized commodity price" is comprised of commodity sales from production, as determined in accordance with IFRS, divided by the Company's volumes. Average prices are before deduction of transportation costs and do not include gains and losses on financial instruments.
- "Adjusted funds flow per weighted average basic share" is comprised of adjusted funds flow divided by the basic weighted average common shares.
- "Adjusted funds flow per weighted average diluted share" is comprised of adjusted funds flow divided by the diluted weighted average common shares.

"Adjusted funds flow per boe" is comprised of adjusted funds flow divided by total production.

#### FORWARD-LOOKING INFORMATION AND STATEMENTS

This MD&A contains certain forward-looking statements and forward-looking information (collectively referred to herein as "FLI" or "forward-looking statements") within the meaning of applicable Canadian securities laws. All statements other than statements of present or historical fact are forward-looking statements. Forward-looking information is often, but not always, identified by the use of words such as "anticipate", "believe", "plan", "intend", "objective", "continuous", "ongoing", "estimate", "expect", "may", "will", "project", "should", or similar words suggesting future outcomes. In particular, this MD&A contains forward-looking statements relating, but not limited, to:

- 2022 guidance and long term forecast, including the components thereof;
- the possible refinement of our 2022 capital program and anticipated changes resulting therefrom;
- management's assessment of the potential and uncertain impact of COVID-19 on the Company's operations and results;
- expectations regarding InPlay's hedging program;
- the available lending limit under the Credit Facility and the timing of the semi-annual review thereof;
- the results of such semi-annual review and the impact thereof on InPlay;
- the estimated time to payout of wells;
- production estimates;
- expectations regarding the business environment, industry conditions and future commodity prices;
- InPlay's business strategy, goals and management focus;
- sources of funds for the Company's operations, capital expenditures and decommissioning obligations;
- future liquidity and the Company's access to sufficient debt and equity capital;
- the resource potential of InPlay's asset base and future prospects for development and growth;
- future costs, expenses and royalty rates;
- the volume and product mix of InPlay's oil and gas production;
- future exchange rate between the \$US and \$Cdn
- expectations regarding InPlay's tax horizon;
- capital management strategies;
- the timing and impact of new accounting policies and standards; and
- treatment under governmental and other regulatory regimes and tax, environmental and other laws.

Forward-looking statements regarding InPlay are based on certain key expectations and assumptions of InPlay concerning anticipated financial performance, business prospects, strategies, regulatory developments, current commodity prices and exchange rates, applicable royalty rates, tax laws, future well production rates and reserve volumes, future operating costs, the performance of existing wells, the success of its exploration and development activities, the sufficiency and timing of budgeted capital expenditures in carrying out planned activities, the availability and cost of labor and services, the impact of increasing competition, conditions in general economic and financial markets, availability of drilling and related equipment effects of regulation by governmental agencies, the ability to obtain financing on acceptable terms which are subject to change based on commodity prices, market conditions, drilling success and potential timing delays.

These forward-looking statements are subject to numerous risks and uncertainties, certain of which are beyond InPlay's control. Such risks and uncertainties include, without limitation: the impact of general economic conditions; volatility in market prices for crude oil and natural gas; the impact of COVID-19 and the Russia/Ukraine conflict; industry conditions; currency fluctuations; imprecision of reserve estimates; liabilities inherent in crude oil and natural gas operations; environmental risks; incorrect assessments of the value of acquisitions and exploration and development programs; competition from other producers; the lack of availability of qualified personnel, drilling rigs or other services; changes in income tax laws or changes in royalty rates and incentive programs relating to the oil and natural gas industry; hazards such as fire, explosion, blowouts, and spills, each of which could result in substantial damage to wells, production facilities, other property and the environment or in personal injury; and ability to access sufficient capital from internal and external sources.

Management has included the above summary of assumptions and risks related to forward-looking statements provided in this MD&A in order to provide readers with a more complete perspective on InPlay's future operations and such information may not be appropriate for other purposes. InPlay'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 that InPlay will derive there from. Readers are cautioned that the foregoing lists of factors are not exhaustive. These forward-looking statements are made as of the date of this MD&A and InPlay disclaims any intent or obligation to update publicly any forward looking statements, whether as a result of new information, future events or results or otherwise, other than as required by applicable securities laws. Additional information on these and other factors that could affect InPlay's operations and financial results are included in reports on file with Canadian securities regulatory authorities and may be accessed through the SEDAR website (www.sedar.com) or at InPlay's website (www.inplayoil.com).

Any financial outlook or future oriented financial information contained in this MD&A regarding prospective financial position, including, but not limited to: beliefs underlying our Board approved 2022 capital budget and associated guidance, as well as management's preliminary estimates and targets in respect of plans for 2023 and beyond, is based on reasonable assumptions about future events, including those described above, based on an assessment by management of the relevant information that is currently available.

The internal projections, expectations, or beliefs underlying our Board approved 2022 capital budget and associated guidance, as well as management's preliminary estimates and targets in respect of plans for 2023 and beyond, are subject to change in light of the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic, and any related actions taken by businesses and governments, ongoing results, prevailing economic circumstances, volatile commodity prices, and industry conditions and regulations. InPlay's financial outlook and guidance provides shareholders with relevant information on management's expectations for results of operations, excluding any potential acquisitions or dispositions, for such time periods based upon the key assumptions outlined herein. In this document reference is made to the Company's longer range 2023 and beyond internal plan and associated economic model. Such information reflects internal targets used by management for the purposes of making capital investment decisions and for internal long range planning and budget preparation. Readers are cautioned that events or circumstances could cause capital plans and associated results to differ materially from those predicted and InPlay's guidance for 2022, and more particularly 2023 and beyond, may not be appropriate for other purposes. Accordingly, undue reliance should not be placed on same.

The key budget and underlying material assumptions used by the Company in the development of its 2022 guidance and long-term forecast including forecasted production, operating income, capital expenditures, AFF, FAFF, working capital (net debt), Net Debt/EBITDA, production per debt adjusted share and EV/DAAFF are as follows:

		Actuals FY 2021	Guidance FY 2022 <sup>(1)</sup>	Forecast FY 2023 <sup>(1)</sup>	Forecast FY 2024 <sup>(1)</sup>	Forecast FY 2025 <sup>(1)</sup>
WTI	US\$/bbl	\$67.91	\$93.25	\$75.00	\$70.00	\$65.00
NGL Price	\$/boe	\$37.79	\$50.50	\$43.00	\$40.00	\$37.25
AECO	\$/GJ	\$3.44	\$5.15	\$4.90	\$4.50	\$4.65
Foreign Exchange Rate	CDN\$/US\$	0.80	0.77	0.73	0.73	0.73
MSW Differential	US\$/bbl	\$3.88	\$1.90	\$3.75	\$3.75	\$3.75
Production	Boe/d	5,768	9,150 - 9,400	9,900 - 10,400	10,650 - 11,200	11,300 - 11,90
Royalties	\$/boe	5.51	10.10 - 11.60	7.75 - 9.25	6.25 - 7.75	5.00 - 6.50
Operating Expenses	\$/boe	12.83	11.00 - 14.00	10.50 - 13.50	10.00 - 13.00	9.50 - 12.50
Transportation	\$/boe	1.11	1.05 - 1.30	1.00 - 1.25	0.90 - 1.15	0.85 - 1.10
Interest	\$/boe	2.67	1.20 - 1.60	0.00 - 0.50	0.00 - 0.10	0.00 - 0.10
General and Administrative	\$/boe	2.83	2.40 - 2.95	2.25 - 2.75	2.20 - 2.70	2.15 - 2.65
Hedging loss	\$/boe	6.20	1.90 - 2.20	_	_	_
Decommissioning Expenditures	\$ millions	\$1.4	2.0 - 2.5	\$3.5 - \$4.0	\$5.0 - \$5.5	5.0 - 5.5
Adjusted Funds Flow	\$ millions	\$47.0	\$139 - \$143	\$134 - \$140	\$136 - \$142	\$133 - \$139
Dividends	\$ millions	-	\$2 - \$3	\$15 – \$16	\$15 – \$16	\$15 - \$16
		Actuals	Guidance	Forecast	Forecast	Forecast
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Adjusted Funds Flow	\$ millions	\$47.0	\$139 - \$143	\$134 - \$140	\$136 - \$142	\$133 – \$139
Capital Expenditures	\$ millions	\$33.3	\$70 - \$72	\$69 - \$71	\$75 - \$77	\$80 - \$82
Free Adjusted Funds Flow	\$ millions	\$13.6	\$67 – \$73	\$63 – \$71	\$59 – \$67	\$51 – \$59

		Actuals FY 2021	Guidance FY 2022 <sup>(1)</sup>	Forecast FY 2023 <sup>(1)</sup>	Forecast FY 2024 <sup>(1)</sup>	Forecast FY 2025 <sup>(1)</sup>
Adjusted Funds Flow	\$ millions	\$47.0	\$139 - \$143	\$134 - \$140	\$136 - \$142	\$133 - \$139
Interest	\$/boe	2.67	1.20 - 1.60	0.00 - 0.50	0.00 - 0.10	0.00 - 0.10
EBITDA	\$ millions	\$52.6	\$143 - \$147	\$135 - \$141	\$136 - \$142	\$133 - \$139
Working Capital (Net Debt)	\$ millions	(\$80.2)	(\$14) - (\$18)	\$25 - \$32	\$63 - \$69	\$91 - \$98
Net Debt/EBITDA		1.5	0.1 - 0.2	(0.2) - (0.3)	(0.4) - (0.5)	(0.6) - (0.7)

		Actuals FY 2021	Guidance FY 2022 <sup>(1)</sup>	Forecast FY 2023 <sup>(1)</sup>	Forecast FY 2024 <sup>(1)</sup>	Forecast FY 2025 <sup>(1)</sup>
Production	Boe/d	5,768	9,150 - 9,400	9,900 - 10,400	10,650 - 11,200	11,300 - 11,900
Opening Working Cap. (Net Debt)	\$ millions	(\$73.7)	(\$80.2)	(\$12) - (\$16)	\$43 - \$50	\$97 - \$103
Ending Working Cap. (Net Debt)	\$ millions	(\$80.2)	(\$14) - (\$18)	\$25 - \$32	\$63 - \$69	\$91 - \$98
Weighted avg. outstanding shares	# millions	69.8	86.9	87.1	87.1	87.1
Assumed Share price	\$	$1.16^{(4)}$	3.50	3.50	3.50	3.50
Prod. per debt adj. share growth <sup>(2)</sup>	•	31%	61% - 66%	25% - 32%	19% - 26%	14% - 21%

		Actuals FY 2021	Guidance FY 2022 <sup>(1)</sup>	Forecast FY 2023 <sup>(1)</sup>	Forecast FY 2024 <sup>(1)</sup>	Forecast FY 2025 <sup>(1)</sup>
Share outstanding, end of year	# millions	86.2	87.1	87.1	87.1	87.1
Assumed Share price	\$	$2.18^{(3)}$	3.50	3.50	3.50	3.50
Market capitalization	\$ millions	\$188	\$305	\$305	\$305	\$305
Working Capital (Net Debt)	\$ millions	(\$80.2)	(\$14) - (\$18)	\$25 - \$32	\$63 - \$69	\$91 - \$98
Enterprise value	\$millions	\$268.2	\$319 - \$323	\$273 - \$280	\$236 - \$242	\$207 - \$214
Adjusted Funds Flow	\$ millions	\$47.0	\$139 - \$143	\$134 - \$140	\$136 - \$142	\$133 - \$139
Interest	\$/boe	2.67	1.20 - 1.60	0.00 - 0.50	0.00 - 0.10	0.00 - 0.10
Debt Adjusted AFF	\$ millions	\$49.7	\$143 - \$147	\$135 - \$141	\$136 - \$142	\$133 - \$139
EV/DAAFF		5.4	2.1 - 2.2	2.0 - 2.1	1.7 - 1.8	1.5 - 1.6

<sup>(1)</sup> As previously released September, 2022, with net debt (working capital) adjusted for the cumulative impact of the inaugural base dividend.

Production per debt adjusted share is calculated by the Company as production divided by debt adjusted shares. Debt adjusted shares is calculated by the Company as common shares outstanding plus the change in working capital (net debt) divided by the Company's current trading price on the TSX, converting working capital (net debt) to equity. Share price at December 31, 2022 through December 31, 2025 is assumed to be consistent with the current share price.

- (3) Ending share price at December 31, 2021.
- Weighted average share price throughout 2021.
- See "Production Breakdown by Product Type" below
- Quality and pipeline transmission adjustments may impact realized oil prices in addition to the MSW Differential provided above
- Changes in working capital (net debt) are not assumed to have a material impact between Dec 31, 2021 and Dec 31, 2022.
- InPlay's plans for 2023 and beyond remain preliminary in nature and do not reflect Board approved capital expenditures budgets at this
  time.
- The assumptions above do not include potential future purchases through the Company's NCIB.

#### PRODUCTION BREAKDOWN BY PRODUCT TYPE

Disclosure of production on a per boe basis in this press release consists of the constituent product types as defined in NI 51-101 and their respective quantities disclosed in the table below:

	Light and Medium		Conventional Natural	
	Crude oil	NGLS	gas	Total
	(bbls/d)	(boe/d)	(Mcf/d)	(boe/d)
Q1 2021 Average Production	2,665	802	8,994	4,965
Q2 2021 Average Production	2,942	730	10,286	5,386
Q3 2021 Average Production	3,154	663	13,166	6,011
2021 Average Production	2,981	782	12,030	5,768
Q1 2022 Average Production	3,571	1,307	20,054	8,221
Q2 2022 Average Production	3,865	1,333	23,191	9,063
Q3 2022 Average Production	3,717	1,432	26,075	9,495
2022 Annual Guidance	4,014	1,340	23,530	9,275(1)
2023 Annual Forecast	4,355	1,380	26,500	10,150(2)
2024 Annual Forecast	4,660	1,500	28,600	10,925(2)
2025 Annual Forecast	4,590	1,645	32,200	11,600(2)

#### Notes:

- 1. This reflects the mid-point of the Company's 2022 production guidance range of 9,150 to 9,400 boe/d.
- 2. This reflects the mid-point of the Company's annual production forecast range.
- 3. With respect to forward-looking production guidance, product type breakdown is based upon management's expectations based on reasonable assumptions but are subject to variability based on actual well results.

## **ABBREVIATIONS USED**

bbl	barrel	AECO	intra-Alberta Nova inventory transfer price
bpd	barrels per day	GJ	gigajoule
boe	barrel of oil equivalent	Mcf	thousand cubic feet
boed	barrels of oil equivalent per day	Mcfd	thousand cubic feet per day
bopd	barrels of oil per day	MMBtu	million British thermal units
Mbbls	thousand barrels	MMcf	million cubic feet
Mboe	thousand barrels of oil equivalent	MMcfd	million cubic feet per day
MMboe	million barrels of oil equivalent	Bcf	billion cubic feet
Mstb	thousand stock tank barrels	NGL	natural gas liquids
m3	cubic metres	Cdn	Canadian
WTI	West Texas Intermediate	US	United States