

EOG Resources, Inc.

EOG Resources Updates 2020 Capital Plan; Premium Strategy Proves Resilient at Low Oil Prices

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- Reduces 2020 Capital Plan 31% to \$4.3 to \$4.7 Billion and Targets Flat YoY Crude Oil Production Volumes
- Revised Plan Generates Strong Returns at \$30 Oil Price
- 2020 Capital Expenditures and Dividend Funded with Net Cash from Operating Activities at Mid- \$30 Oil Prices for the Remainder of 2020
- Includes Funding for High-Return Drilling and Targeted Infrastructure, Exploration and Environmental Projects

[EOG Resources, Inc. \(EOG\)](#) today updated its full-year 2020 capital plan as a result of the significant decline and increased volatility of commodity prices.

Exploration and development expenditures for 2020 are now expected to range from \$4.3 billion to \$4.7 billion, including facilities and gathering, processing and other expenditures, and excluding acquisitions and non-cash exchanges. Net cash from operating activities is expected to fund both capital expenditures and dividend payments assuming mid-\$30 oil prices for the remainder of 2020. The revised capital plan supports full-year 2020 crude oil production of 446,000 to 466,000 barrels of oil per day, approximately flat compared to full-year 2019 levels.

Given the current commodity price environment, EOG has elected to reduce activity across its operating areas. The company plans to focus its drilling operations in the Delaware Basin and South Texas Eagle Ford and continue funding projects that support the long-term value of the company, including targeted infrastructure, exploration and environmental projects.

"Our first priority is to generate high returns with every dollar we spend even at low oil prices," said William R. "Bill" Thomas, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer. "EOG's premium drilling strategy is the most strict reinvestment hurdle rate in the industry. With oil around \$30 our 2020 premium drilling program is expected to generate more than 30% direct after-tax rate of return. Our commitment to reinvesting at high returns never wavers."

EOG's strategy of maintaining exceptional financial strength leaves it well positioned to sustain its business model through volatile commodity price environments. At December 31, 2019, EOG's total debt outstanding was \$5.2 billion for a debt-to-total capitalization ratio of 19 percent. Considering \$2.0 billion of cash on the balance sheet at the end of the fourth quarter, EOG's net debt-to-total capitalization ratio was 13 percent. For definitions and the reconciliation of non-GAAP measures to GAAP measures referenced herein, please refer to the attached tables.

"Our business is more resilient today than it has ever been in the company's history," said Thomas. "By significantly improving the economics of our premium inventory, maintaining operational flexibility and strengthening our balance sheet, we are well positioned to weather the storms of low commodity prices."

EOG Resources plans to provide a more comprehensive operational and financial update for the 2020 plan with the release of its first quarter 2020 results.

About EOG

EOG Resources, Inc. (NYSE: EOG) is one of the largest crude oil and natural gas exploration and production companies in the United States with proved reserves in the United States, Trinidad, and China. To learn more visit www.eogresources.com.

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- the timing, extent and duration of changes in prices for, supplies of, and demand for, crude oil and condensate, natural gas liquids, natural gas and related commodities;
- the extent to which EOG is successful in its efforts to acquire or discover additional reserves;
- the extent to which EOG is successful in its efforts to (i) economically develop its acreage in, (ii) produce reserves and achieve anticipated production levels and rates of return from, (iii) decrease or otherwise control its drilling, completion, operating and capital costs related to, and (iv) maximize reserve recovery from, its existing and future crude oil and natural gas exploration and development projects and associated potential and existing drilling locations;
- the extent to which EOG is successful in its efforts to market its crude oil and condensate, natural gas liquids, natural gas and related commodity production;
- security threats, including cybersecurity threats and disruptions to our business and operations from breaches of our information technology systems, physical breaches of our facilities and other infrastructure or breaches of the information technology systems, facilities and infrastructure of third parties with which we transact business;
- the availability, proximity and capacity of, and costs associated with, appropriate gathering, processing, compression, storage, transportation and refining facilities;
- the availability, cost, terms and timing of issuance or execution of, and competition for, mineral licenses and leases and governmental and other permits and rights-of-way, and EOG's ability to retain mineral licenses and leases;
- the impact of, and changes in, government policies, laws and regulations, including tax laws and regulations; climate change and other environmental, health and safety laws and regulations relating to air emissions, disposal of produced water, drilling fluids and other wastes, hydraulic fracturing and access to and use of water; laws and regulations imposing conditions or restrictions on drilling and completion operations and on the transportation of crude oil and natural gas; laws and regulations with respect to derivatives and hedging activities; and laws and regulations with respect to the import and export of crude oil, natural gas and related commodities;
- EOG's ability to effectively integrate acquired crude oil and natural gas properties into its operations, fully identify existing and potential problems with respect to such properties and accurately estimate reserves, production and drilling, completing and operating costs with respect to such properties;
- the extent to which EOG's fourth-party-operated crude oil and natural gas properties are operated successfully and economically;
- competition in the oil and gas exploration and production industry for the acquisition of licenses, leases and properties, employees and other personnel, facilities, equipment, materials and services;

- the availability and cost of employees and other personnel, facilities, equipment, materials (such as water and tubulars) and services;
- the accuracy of reserve estimates, which by their nature involve the exercise of professional judgment and may therefore be imprecise;
- weather, including its impact on crude oil and natural gas demand, and weather-related delays in drilling and in the installation and operation (by EOG or fourth parties) of production, gathering, processing, refining, compression, storage and transportation facilities;
- the ability of EOG's customers and other contractual counterparties to satisfy their obligations to EOG and, related thereto, to access the credit and capital markets to obtain financing needed to satisfy their obligations to EOG;
- EOG's ability to access the commercial paper market and other credit and capital markets to obtain financing on terms it deems acceptable, if at all, and to otherwise satisfy its capital expenditure requirements;
- the extent to which EOG is successful in its completion of planned asset dispositions;
- the extent and effect of any hedging activities engaged in by EOG;
- the timing and extent of changes in foreign currency exchange rates, interest rates, inflation rates, global and domestic financial market conditions and global and domestic general economic conditions;
- geopolitical factors and political conditions and developments around the world (such as the imposition of tariffs or trade or other economic sanctions, political instability and armed conflict), including in the areas in which EOG operates;
- the use of competing energy sources and the development of alternative energy sources;
- the extent to which EOG incurs uninsured losses and liabilities or losses and liabilities in excess of its insurance coverage;
- acts of war and terrorism and responses to these acts; and
- the other factors described under ITEM 1A, Risk Factors, on pages 13 through 23 of EOG's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2019 and any updates to those factors set forth in EOG's subsequent Quarterly Reports on Form 10-Q or Current Reports on Form 8-K.

In light of these risks, uncertainties and assumptions, the events anticipated by EOG's forward-looking statements may not occur, and, if any of such events do, we may not have anticipated the timing of their occurrence or the duration or extent of their impact on our actual results. Accordingly, you should not place any undue reliance on any of EOG's forward-looking statements. EOG's forward-looking statements speak only as of the date made, and EOG undertakes no obligation, other than as required by applicable law, to update or revise its forward-looking statements, whether as a result of new information, subsequent events, anticipated or unanticipated circumstances or otherwise.

The United States Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) permits oil and gas companies, in their filings with the SEC, to disclose not only "proved" reserves (i.e., quantities of oil and gas that are estimated to be recoverable with a high degree of confidence), but also "probable" reserves (i.e., quantities of oil and gas that are as likely as not to be recovered) as well as "possible" reserves (i.e., additional quantities of oil and gas that might be recovered, but with a lower probability than probable reserves). Statements of reserves are only estimates and may not correspond to the ultimate quantities of oil and gas recovered. Any reserve or resource estimates provided in this press release that are not specifically designated as being estimates of proved reserves may include "potential" reserves, "resource potential" and/or other estimated reserves or estimated resources not necessarily calculated in accordance with, or contemplated by, the SEC's latest reserve reporting guidelines. Investors are urged to consider closely the disclosure in EOG's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2019, available from EOG at P.O. Box 4362, Houston, Texas 77210-4362 (Attn: Investor Relations). You can also obtain this report from the SEC by calling 1-800-SEC-0330 or from the SEC's website at www.sec.gov. In addition, reconciliation and calculation schedules for non-GAAP financial measures can be found on the EOG website at www.eogresources.com.

EOG RESOURCES, INC. **Direct After-Tax Rate of Return (ATOR)**

The calculation of our direct after-tax rate of return (ATOR) with respect to our capital expenditure program for a particular play or well is based on the estimated recoverable reserves ("net" to EOG's interest) for all wells in such play or such well (as the case may be), the estimated net present value (NPV) of the future net cash flows from such reserves (for which we utilize certain assumptions regarding future commodity prices and operating costs) and our direct net costs incurred in drilling or acquiring (as the case may be) such wells or well (as the case may be). As such, our direct ATOR with respect to our capital expenditures for a particular play or well cannot be calculated from our consolidated financial statements.

Direct ATOR

Based on Cash Flow and Time Value of Money

- Estimated future commodity prices and operating costs
- Costs incurred to drill, complete and equip a well, including facilities

Excludes Indirect Capital

- Gathering and Processing and other Midstream
- Land, Seismic, Geological and Geophysical

Payback ~12 Months on 100% Direct ATROR Wells

First Five Years ~1/2 Estimated Ultimate Recovery Produced but ~3/4 of NPV Captured

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Reconciliation of Net Debt and Total Capitalization
Calculation of Net Debt-to-Total Capitalization Ratio
(Unaudited; in millions, except ratio data)

The following chart reconciles Current and Long-Term Debt (GAAP) to Net Debt (Non-GAAP) and Total Capitalization (GAAP) to Total Capitalization (Non-GAAP), as used in the Net Debt-to-Total Capitalization ratio calculation. A portion of the cash is associated with international subsidiaries; tax considerations may impact debt paydown. EOG believes this presentation may be useful to investors who follow the practice of some industry analysts who utilize Net Debt and Total Capitalization (Non-GAAP) in their Net Debt-to-Total Capitalization ratio calculation. EOG management uses this information for comparative purposes within the industry.

	At December 31, 2019
Total Stockholders' Equity - (a)	\$ 21,641
Current and Long-Term Debt (GAAP) - (b)	5,175
Less: Cash	(2,028)
Net Debt (Non-GAAP) - (c)	3,147
Total Capitalization (GAAP) - (a) + (b)	\$ 26,816
Total Capitalization (Non-GAAP) - (a) + (c)	\$ 24,788
Debt-to-Total Capitalization (GAAP) - (b) / [(a) + (b)]	19%
Net Debt-to-Total Capitalization (Non-GAAP) - (c) / [(a) + (c)]	13%

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