

# SAHARA ENERGY LTD.

## Management's Discussion and Analysis For the period ended June 30, 2011

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The following management discussion and analysis ("MD&A") of SAHARA ENERGY LTD. (the "Company" or "Sahara") for three and six months ended June 30, 2011 contains financial highlights but does not contain the complete financial statements of the Company. It should be read in conjunction with the Company's unaudited condensed interim financial statements and the related notes for the period ended June 30, 2011 and the audited financial statements for the year ended December 31, 2010. Additional information is available on SEDAR at [www.sedar.com](http://www.sedar.com). The financial information presented herein has been prepared on the basis of International Financial Reporting Standards ("IFRS"). All references to dollar amounts are in Canadian dollars. This MD&A includes events up to August 24, 2011.

The condensed interim financial statements and comparative information have been prepared in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standard ("IFRS") 1 First - time Adoption of IFRS and with International Accounting Standard 34 Interim Financial Reporting, as issued by the International Accounting Standards Board. Previously the Company prepared its interim and annual financial statements in accordance with Canadian generally accepted accounting principles ("Canadian GAAP"). Unless otherwise noted, 2010 comparative information has been prepared in accordance with IFRS. The adoption of IFRS has had no impact on the Company's operations, strategic decisions or cash flows. The most significant area of impact was the adoption of the IFRS upstream oil and gas accounting principles. Further information on the conversion to IFRS is provided in the Accounting Policies and Estimates Section of this MD&A.

### Forward-Looking Statements

The matters discussed in this MD&A include certain forward-looking statements. Forward-looking statements include, without limitation, any statement that may predict, forecast, indicate or imply future results, performance or achievements. Forward-looking statements may be identified, without limitation, by the use of such words as "anticipates", "estimates", "expects", "intends", "plans", "predicts", "projects", "believes", or words or phrases of similar meaning. In addition, any statement that may be made concerning future performance, strategies or prospects and possible future corporate action, is also a forward-looking statement. Forward-looking statements are based on current expectations and projections about future general economic, political and relevant market factors, such as interest rates, foreign exchange rates, equity and capital markets, and the general business environment, in each case assuming no changes to applicable tax or other laws or government regulation. Expectations and projections about future events are inherently subject to, among other things, risks and uncertainties, some of which may be unforeseeable. Accordingly, assumptions concerning future economic and other factors may prove to be incorrect at a future date. Forward-looking statements are not guarantees of future performance, and actual events could differ materially from those expressed or implied in any forward-looking statements made by the Company. Any number of important factors could contribute to these digressions, including, but not limited to, general economic, political and market factors in North America and internationally, interest and foreign exchange rates, global equity and capital markets, business competition, technological change, changes in government relations, unexpected judicial or regulatory proceedings and catastrophic events. We stress that the above mentioned list of important factors is not exhaustive. We encourage you to consider these and other factors carefully before making any investment decisions and we urge you to avoid placing undue reliance on forward-looking statements. The Company disclaims any intention or obligation to update or revise these forward-looking statements as a result of new information, future events or otherwise, except as required under applicable securities laws.

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### BASIS OF PRESENTATION

Certain financial measures referred to in this discussion, such as funds from (used by) operations and funds from (used by) operations per share, are not prescribed by IFRS. Funds from (used by) operations is a key measure that demonstrates the ability to generate cash to fund capital expenditures. Funds from (used by) operations is calculated by taking the cash flow from (used by) operating activities as presented in the statement of cash flows and adding back the change in non-cash working capital. Funds from (used by) operations per share is calculated using the same methodology for determining net income per share. These non-IFRS financial measures may not be comparable to similar measures presented by other companies. These financial measures are not intended to represent operating profits for the period nor should they be viewed as an alternative to cash flow from (used by) operating activities, net income or other measures of financial performance calculated in accordance with IFRS. The reconciliation between funds from (used by) operations and cash flow from (used by) operating activities for the three and six months ended June 30, 2011 and 2010 is presented in the table below:

	Three months ended June 30		Six months ended June 30	
	2011	2010	2011	2010
Cash flow from (used by) operating activities	\$ (426,003)	\$ (374,912)	\$ (1,092,377)	\$ (629,529)
Change in non-cash working capital	166,542	189,842	588,894	316,487
Funds from (used by) operations	\$ (259,462)	\$ (185,070)	\$ (503,483)	\$ (313,043)
Weighted average number of shares outstanding - Basic	72,730,568	6,339,387	69,021,759	6,339,387
Funds from (used by) operations per share	\$ -	\$ (0.03)	\$ (0.01)	\$ (0.05)

Management uses certain industry benchmarks such as field netback to analyze financial and operating performance. Field netback has been calculated by taking petroleum and natural gas sales revenue less royalties and production and operating expenses. This benchmark does not have a standardized meaning prescribed by IFRS and may not be comparable to similar measures presented by other companies. Management considers field netback as an important measure to demonstrate profitability relative to commodity prices.

All barrels of oil equivalent (boe) conversions in this report are derived by converting natural gas to oil at the ratio of six thousand cubic feet (mcf) of natural gas to one barrel (bbl) of oil. Certain financial values are presented on a boe basis and such measurements may not be consistent with those used by other companies. Boe may be misleading, particularly if used in isolation. A boe conversion of six mcf to one boe is based on an energy equivalency conversion method primarily applicable at the burner tip and does not necessarily represent a value equivalency at the wellhead.

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### CORPORATE OVERVIEW AND PRINCIPAL BUSINESS RISKS

Sahara Energy Ltd. was incorporated under the Business Corporations Act (Alberta) and is listed on the TSX Venture Exchange ("the Exchange"), under the symbol 'SAH'. The Company is a junior resource exploration company engaged in the acquisition, exploration and development of natural resource properties (primarily oil and gas). The Company's business is presently focused on the exploration and evaluation of various oil and gas properties in Saskatchewan and Alberta.

The Company does not have a history of earnings. The Company's ability to continue as a going concern is dependent upon its ability to attain profitable operations and generate funds there from, and/or complete equity financings and obtain borrowings from third parties sufficient to meet current and future obligations. During the six months ended June 30, 2011, the Company incurred a net loss of \$1,075,053 and has an accumulated deficit of \$1,383,752. As at June 30, 2011, the Company had a working capital surplus of \$646,606.

The unaudited condensed interim financial statements for the three and six months ended June 30, 2011 do not reflect the adjustments or reclassification of assets and liabilities which would be necessary if the Company were unable to continue its operations.

### OVERVIEW AND SIGNIFICANT EVENTS

During the six months ended June 30, 2011, the Company earned net revenues of \$325,797, and incurred a net loss of \$1,075,053.

During the six months ended June 30, 2011, the Company incurred \$27,885 of capital expenditures. There were no dispositions during the six months ended June 30, 2011.

As at June 30, 2011, the Company reported a cash balance of \$400,240 and a working capital surplus of \$646,606. Sahara has been looking at various financing options to improve its working capital position.

### Core Area: Heavy Oil – Lloydminster, Alberta

During the reporting period, Sahara did not participate in the drilling of any new wells in our core area.

### OPERATIONAL ACTIVITIES

#### Production and revenues

Production by product	Three months ended June 30		Six months ended June 30	
	2011	2010	2011	2010
Oil (bbls/d)	27	12	32	25
Natural gas (mcf/d)	–	7	11	20
Total (boe/d) (6:1)	27	13	34	28

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Oil production increased in the 2011 periods due to the recovery of production in February and March after repairs were completed. Production was down in the second quarter of 2011 compared to the first quarter (41 boe/d) due to poor weather conditions which prevented the hauling of oil on wet roads.

<b>Revenue by product</b>	Three months ended June 30		Six months ended June 30	
	2011	2010	2011	2010
Oil	\$ 178,723	\$ 66,651	\$ 372,257	\$ 275,111
Natural gas	-	(2,511)	6,908	11,209
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 178,723</b>	<b>\$ 64,140</b>	<b>\$ 379,165</b>	<b>\$ 286,320</b>

<b>Pricing by product</b>	Three months ended June 30		Six months ended June 30	
	2011	2010	2011	2010
Oil (\$/bbl)	\$ 72.92	\$ 60.87	\$ 64.26	\$ 63.32
Natural gas (\$/mcf)	-	(4.09)	3.47	3.10
<b>Total (\$/boe)</b>	<b>\$ 72.92</b>	<b>\$ 53.40</b>	<b>\$ 61.90</b>	<b>\$ 56.49</b>

Average product prices for 2011 were higher than those earned in 2010 due to a spike in oil prices in the second quarter of 2011. The decrease in production in the second quarter of 2011 was somewhat offset by the higher price of oil which reduced the impact on the Company's overall performance for the quarter.

#### Royalties

	Three months ended June 30		Six months ended June 30	
	2011	2010	2011	2010
Royalties	\$ 28,969	\$ 3,749	\$ 53,368	\$ 30,559
As a % of oil and natural gas revenue	16.2%	5.8%	14.1%	10.7%
Per boe (6:1)	\$ 11.82	\$ 3.12	\$ 8.71	\$ 6.03

Royalties increased in the second quarter of 2011 due to an increase in compensatory royalties.

#### Production and operating expenses

	Three months ended June 30		Six months ended June 30	
	2011	2010	2011	2010
Production and operating expenses	\$ 74,363	\$ (29,145)	\$ 245,345	\$ 134,395
Per boe (6:1)	\$ 30.34	\$ (24.26)	\$ 40.05	\$ 26.52

During the first quarter of 2011, the Company incurred costs to repair several of its wells. As a result, production and operating costs per boe improved in the second quarter of 2011 as repair work was no longer required and costs reduced to normal levels.

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Production and operating expenses are negative during the second quarter of 2010 due to one-time credits received from an Operator of some of Sahara's non-operated wells as a result of audit adjustments to periods prior to the current reporting period. Excluding the credit of approximately \$60,000, Sahara's operating costs for the second quarter would have been approximately \$25.75 per boe.

#### Field netback

Per boe	Three months ended June 30		Six months ended June 30	
	2011	2010	2011	2010
Revenue	\$ 72.92	\$ 53.40	\$ 61.90	\$ 56.49
Royalties	(11.82)	(3.12)	(8.71)	(6.03)
Production and operating expenses	(30.34)	24.26	(40.05)	(26.52)
Field netback	\$ 30.76	\$ 74.54	\$ 13.13	\$ 23.94

#### General and administrative expenses

	Three months ended June 30		Six months ended June 30	
	2011	2010	2011	2010
General and administrative expenses	\$ 334,852	\$ 274,606	\$ 583,935	\$ 400,666
Per boe (6:1)	\$ 136.61	\$ 228.62	\$ 95.33	\$ 79.05

General and administrative expenses are higher in 2011 due to the expenses paid for reorganization, auditing, and legal fees, which were higher than amounts previously accrued. The Company also increased travel and promotional activities in 2011 to promote the Company and improve investor relations. An overall increase in 2011 general and administrative expenses is also attributed to an improvement in processes and procedures as a result of the reorganization.

	Three months ended June 30		Six months ended June 30	
	2011	2010	2011	2010
Consulting and professional fees	\$ 231,555	\$ 189,555	\$ 361,632	\$ 227,222
Salaries and benefits	46,908	51,466	90,594	99,541
Office and general	41,554	18,968	78,507	43,888
Shareholder and regulatory	3,788	12,752	27,552	23,213
Travel and business promotion	11,047	1,865	25,650	6,802
Total	\$ 334,852	\$ 274,606	\$ 583,935	\$ 400,666

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#### Depletion and depreciation

	Three months ended June 30		Six months ended June 30	
	2011	2010	2011	2010
Depletion and depreciation	\$ 32,468	\$ 17,185	\$ 81,517	\$ 61,536
Per boe (6:1)	\$ 13.25	\$ 14.31	\$ 13.31	\$ 12.14

Depletion and depreciation expense per boe was relatively unchanged in all periods.

#### Share-based compensation

Share-based compensation measures the implicit cost of compensating key personnel through the issuance of stock options. Share-based compensation for the three and six months ended June 30, 2011 was \$115,774 and \$478,337, respectively, related to stock options granted in February 2011.

The Company did not grant any stock options in 2010, therefore, no share-based compensation was recognized in the 2010 comparative periods.

#### Finance Expense

	Three months ended June 30		Six months ended June 30	
	2011	2010	2011	2010
Interest expense	\$ –	\$ –	\$ 5,164	\$ 33,742
Accretion of decommissioning liability	3,010	3,217	6,552	7,444
	\$ 3,010	\$ 3,217	\$ 11,716	\$ 41,186
Accretion per boe (6:1)	\$ 1.23	\$ 2.68	\$ 1.07	\$ 1.47

Interest expense for the six months ended June 30, 2011 was \$5,164 as compared to \$33,742 for the 2010 comparative period. Interest expense was lower in the first half of 2011 due to the corporate reorganization and nil in the three months ended June 30, 2011 due to the settlement of the promissory note in the first quarter. 2010 interest expense also includes interest on convertible debentures which were settled as part of the corporate reorganization.

#### Income tax

Sahara does not have current income tax payable and does not expect to pay current income taxes in 2011 as the Company had estimated tax pools available of \$8,810,000 at December 31, 2010.

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### Capital Expenditures

	Three months ended June 30		Six months ended June 30	
	2011	2010	2011	2010
Land	\$ 266	\$ (1,458)	\$ 1,948	\$ 26,143
Geological and geophysical	–	–	–	–
Well completions and workovers	–	7,622	–	11,798
Well and office equipment	(87,624)	–	25,937	1,620
	(87,358)	6,164	27,885	39,561
Dispositions	–	(13,499)	–	(299,586)
Net capital expenditures	\$ (87,358)	\$ (7,335)	\$ 27,885	\$ (260,025)

The Company reported a recovery in well and office equipment in the three months ended June 30, 2011 related to the reclassification of certain adjustments related to the corporate reorganization.

In 2010, the Company sold a non-producing property in the Lloydminster area and used well equipment in the Hayter area for total proceeds of \$299,586.

### LIQUIDITY AND CAPITAL RESOURCES

As at December 31, 2010, the Company had a \$100,000 promissory note payable to China Great United Petroleum Investment Co. Ltd. ("CGUP"), an unrelated third party prior to the corporate reorganization. The note bore interest at 21% per annum, was repayable on demand and secured by a first priority charge on all assets of the Company. In January 2011, the Company agreed with CGUP to settle the promissory note of \$100,000 and accrued interest through the issuance of 967,029 common shares at a price of \$0.109 per share, the discounted market price as determined by the closing price of the common shares on January 6, 2011, the day before the initial announcement of the common share issuance by Sahara. These shares were issued on March 21, 2011.

As at June 30, 2011, the Company had a working capital surplus of \$646,606 compared to \$1,077,974 at December 31, 2010. The change in working capital is due to \$431,368 of funds used by operations and \$27,885 of capital expenditures partially offset by the settlement of the \$100,000 promissory note through the issuance of shares.

### COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES

The following is a summary of commitments and contingencies for the reporting period:

Premises lease: The Company entered into a lease agreement on September 1, 2009 for a period of five years that calls for annual basic rent payments of \$62,000 per year. The new lease agreement expires September 2014.

The Company has not entered into any off-balance sheet arrangements.

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### SHARE CAPITAL

#### Common shares

As at December 31, 2010, the Company had 64,339,387 common shares outstanding. In March 2011, the Company issued 7,424,152 common shares as part of the Creditors' Proposal for secured creditors and 967,029 common shares as settlement of a promissory note.

As at June 30, 2011 and the date of this MD&A, the Company has 72,730,568 common shares outstanding.

#### Stock options

As at December 31, 2010, the Company had 475,000 stock options outstanding. During the six months ended June 30, 2011, the Company granted 6,400,000 stock options and 365,000 stock options expired.

As at June 30, 2011 and the date of this MD&A, the Company had 6,510,000 stock options outstanding, of which 2,243,333 are exercisable.

### RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

The Company had the following related party transactions during the period, which is the amount established and agreed to by the related parties and which are similar to those negotiable with third parties:

	Three months ended June 30		Six months ended June 30	
	2011	2010	2011	2010
Consulting fees paid to corporations controlled by officers	\$ 61,500	\$ 35,000	\$ 123,000	\$ 68,000
Operating costs paid to a corporation controlled by a director	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 21,000
Interest charged on promissory notes payable to certain officers, directors and corporations under their control	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 5,164	\$ 7,274

### SUBSEQUENT EVENTS

On July 25, 2011, the Company amended the exercise price of 6,400,000 stock options from \$0.21 per share to \$0.10 per share, subject to shareholder approval, based on the market price of the common shares at the time of amendment. All other terms of the amended stock options remain unchanged.



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### QUARTERLY SUMMARY

Below is a summary of the Company's financial results for the past eight quarters. This information should be read in conjunction with the unaudited quarterly and audited annual financial statements of the Company available at [www.sedar.com](http://www.sedar.com).

	2nd Quarter 2011 IFRS	1st Quarter 2011 IFRS	4th Quarter 2010 IFRS	3rd Quarter 2010 IFRS
<b>Net Revenue</b>	\$ 149,754	\$ 176,043	\$ 47,205	\$ 81,123
<b>Net Loss</b>	(410,713)	(644,340)	(181,179)	(219,066)
<b>Loss per share</b>				
Basic	(0.006)	(0.009)	(0.007)	(0.035)
Fully Diluted	(0.006)	(0.009)	(0.007)	(0.035)
Weighted Average Number of Shares In Thousands	72,731	65,271	24,796	6,339

  

	2nd Quarter 2010 IFRS	1st Quarter 2010 IFRS	4th Quarter 2009 Canadian GAAP	3rd Quarter 2009 Canadian GAAP
<b>Net Revenue</b>	\$ 60,391	\$ 195,370	\$ 274,710	\$ 375,791
<b>Net Loss</b>	(205,472)	(176,550)	(3,680,127)	(284,240)
<b>Loss per share</b>				
Basic	(0.032)	(0.028)	(0.0581)	(0.045)
Fully Diluted	(0.032)	(0.028)	(0.0581)	(0.045)
Weighted Average Number of Shares In Thousands	6,339	6,339	6,339	6,339

### CONTROLS AND PROCEDURES

As the Company is classified as a Venture Issuer under applicable securities legislation, it is required to file basic Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer Certifications, which it has done for the three and six months ended June 30, 2011. The Company makes no assessment relating to establishment and maintenance of disclosure controls and procedures as defined under National Instrument 52-109 as at June 30, 2011.

### BUSINESS RISKS

The Company is engaged in the exploration and development of crude oil. The Company's business is inherently risky and there is no assurance that hydrocarbon reserves will be discovered and economically produced.

- **Environment**

All phases of the oil business present environmental risks and hazards and are subject to environmental regulation pursuant to a complex blend of federal, provincial, and municipal laws and regulations. Although the Company believes that it is in material compliance with current applicable environmental regulations, no assurance can be given that environmental laws will not result in a curtailment of production or materially increase the costs of production, development, and exploration activities or otherwise

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adversely affect the Company's financial condition, results from operations and or prospects.

- **Financial**

Financial risks associated with the petroleum industry include fluctuation in commodity prices, interest rates, and currency exchange rates. Other financial risks include, but are not limited to, the availability of funds through equity markets and or debt to invest in capital projects to support the Company's growth.

- **Operational**

Operational risks include competitive environmental factors, reservoir performance uncertainties and dependence upon third parties for commodity transportation and processing and a complex regulatory environment. The Company closely follows the applicable government regulations. The Company carries insurance coverage to protect itself against those potential losses that could be economically insured against.

- **Commodity Price Risk Management**

The Company does not have any contracts in place to protect against commodity price changes.

- **Fair Value of Financial Instruments**

The Company's financial instruments consist of cash, trade and other receivables and trade and other payables. Management has utilized valuation methodologies available as at the year end and has determined that the carrying amounts of such financial instruments approximate their fair value in all cases due to the short-term maturity of these instruments.

- **Foreign Currency Exchange Risk**

The Company is exposed to foreign currency fluctuations as crude oil to be received are referenced in United States dollar denominated prices.

It is management's opinion that the Company is not currently exposed to commodity price risk, credit risk or interest rate risk except as described above. The Company does not use derivative instruments to reduce exposure to commodity price or foreign currency exchange risk.

## SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES AND ESTIMATES

### Explanation of transition to IFRS

The Company has adopted IFRS which replaced Canadian GAAP for years beginning on or after January 1, 2011. Accordingly, the unaudited condensed interim financial statements for the three and six months ended June 30, 2011, including required comparative information, have been prepared in accordance with IFRS 1, First-time Adoption of IFRS, and with IAS

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34, Interim Financial Reporting, as issued by the International Accounting Standards Board.

The adoption of IFRS has not had a material impact on the Company's operations, strategic decisions or internal controls. The most significant area of impact is on the accounting treatment of full cost oil and gas assets, depletion, flow-through shares, share-based payment transactions and decommissioning liabilities.

On transition to IFRS on January 1, 2010, the Company used the IFRS mandatory exception for the retrospective application of certain IFRS whereby hindsight was not used to create or revise estimates and accordingly, the estimates previously made by the Company under GAAP are consistent with their application under IFRS.

The Company applied the following exemptions to full retrospective application of IFRS in accordance with IFRS 1:

- Deemed cost of property, plant and equipment

The Company has elected to apply the exemption under IFRS 1 allowing the measurement of oil and gas assets at the date of transition to IFRS to be determined based on the amounts disclosed under the full cost method of accounting in accordance with GAAP.

- Decommissioning liability

The exemption provided in IFRS 1 from the full retrospective application of IFRS 1 has been applied and the difference between the net book values of the Company's decommissioning liability as measured under IFRS and their net book values under GAAP as of January 1, 2010 has been recognized directly in opening deficit.

- Share-based payments

The Company has elected not to apply IFRS 2 Share-based Payments to equity instruments granted after November 7, 2002 that had not vested by the transition date.

- Borrowing costs

The Company has applied the borrowing cost exemption in IFRS 1. It has applied the requirement of IAS 23 Borrowing Costs to borrowing costs relating to qualifying assets on a prospective basis from the date of transition to IFRS.

The remaining IFRS 1 exemptions were not applicable or material to the preparation of the Company's Statement of Financial Position at the date of transition on January 1, 2010.

The reconciliations to IFRS from the Canadian GAAP financial statements are summarized in note 19 in the Company's June 30, 2011 unaudited condensed interim financial statements.