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Financially Strong, Diversified, Positioned to Grow Urgency, innovation & drive define culture  
Portfolio balance underpins our strategy (~50% Oil / 50%~ Int 1) Exploration focus powers growth  
Growing pipeline of development projects + increased exploration program Exploitation strength  
remains key Proven history of unlocking value from acquired and existing assets Finding markets is  
as important as finding gas Fueling emerging markets via LNG Operating in international countries  
with growing energy needs Financial strength foundation for growth Live within cash flow; Rate of  
return focus

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800 700 600 500 400 300 (Mboe/d) 200 100 0 Reserves Production A Growth Company for 55 Years  
3,000 2,500 (MMboe) 2,000 1,500 Reserves 1,000 500 0 Reserves Production 1992 1993 1994 1995 1996  
1997 1998 1999 2000 2001 2002 2003 2004 2005 2006 2007 2008 2009 Q2 2010 Q2 2010 represents  
APA s 2Q production combined with Mariner, Devon and BP Pro Forma estimates Reserves are based on  
APA s 2009 proved reserves combined with Mariner, Devon and BP Pro Forma estimates  
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Continued Portfolio Balance w/Acquisitions 2Q Production w/ DVN+ME Q2 2010  
Production Pro Forma w/ DVN, ME & BP 647 MBOE/D 781 MBOE/D\* Argentina GOM Shelf  
GOM DW Argentina 7% 6% GOM Shelf 15% 1% Australia GOM DW 17% Onshore 12% 2%  
Australia 2% Onshore 15% North Sea 2% Permian 8% North Sea 9% Permian 9% Central 11% 6%  
Egypt Egypt Canada 22% Central 11% Canada 5% 25% 15% 54% Liquids 50% Liquids 56%  
International 48% International APA Barclays September 16.pptx \* Reflects pref rights closed to date

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Strategic exit by BP creates expansion opportunity in 3 core Apache regions: Permian, Canada, Western Desert of Egypt Long-lived legacy properties with 12.7 year proved reserve life Quality assets provide drilling, optimization opportunities Extensive acreage and exploration portfolio Pipeline of development projects Large resource potential in new plays Plays to Apache history of adding value to underworked assets Expected Q3- Q4 2010 closings, subject to regulatory clearances Funded with a balanced and conservative financing plan

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APA Barclays September 16.pptx 5 BP Permian E&P Extensive portfolio across basin Texas Attractive acreage position: 763K net acres incl. 405K mineral acres No operated wells drilled in 4 years New Mexico >2,000 infill drilling locations Resource plays: Yeso, Spraberry Expands APA s interest in key fields: Eunice, NMFU, NEDU, Warren, etc. APACHE + BP COMBINED  
MARINER PERMIAN REGION % CHANGE Total Prod. MBOE/D 65.0 21.8 86.8  
34% P1 Reserves MMBOE 555.1 120.0 675.1 22% Net Acres 000s 731 756 1,487 103% Production figures are 1H 2010 with BP pref rights exercised to date. Mariner production rate January- May. Apache reserve and acreage figures are year- end 2009, BP Permian reserve figures as of 30 June 2010 reduced for closed pref rights. Apache BP Mariner

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BP Canada E&P APACHE BP COMBINED STANDALONE CANADA REGION %  
CHANGE Total Prod. MBOE/D 70.8 46.5 117.3 66% P1 Reserves MMBOE 531.0 223.7 754.7 42% Net  
Acres 000s 4,422 1,278 5,700 29% Production figures are 1H 2010. Apache reserve and acreage figures  
are year-end 2009, BP Canada reserve figures as of 30 June 2010. 6 BP Canada E&P Broad- based E&P  
business with deep resources in early- stage development Material near- term growth: Noel tight gas  
production ramp- up (infrastructure complete) Complements Apache s NEBC: Tight gas resource plays

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Bolt- on acquisition with ample exploitation/exploration opportunities 4 development leases in the heart of prolific Abu Gharadig Basin Limited exploration to date, no penetrations of AEB or Jurassic, no waterfloods. Infrastructure synergies BP Egypt (Western Desert) E&P Matruh Alexandria Export El Hamra Terminal Oil APA APA El Alamein APA APA APA BP APA National Gas Grid Cairo BP BP Dashour Production figures are 1H 2010. Apache reserve and acreage figures are year- end 2009, BP Egypt reserve figures as of 30 June 2010. APA Barclays September 16.pptx APACHE

| BP           | COMBINED | STANDALONE | W. DESERT | REGION    | % CHANGE    | Total       |
|--------------|----------|------------|-----------|-----------|-------------|-------------|
| Prod. MBOE/D | 157.2    | 7.8        | 165.0     | 5%        | P1 Reserves | MMBOE 308.8 |
|              | 20.2     | 329.0      | 7%        | Net Acres | 000s        |             |
|              | 7,545    | 394        | 7,939     | 5%        |             |             |

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Mariner Merger All portfolio components fit our strategy and strengths Closing expected in the 4<sup>th</sup> quarter Deep resource potential & diverse opportunity set: Deepwater: Future growth platform Right entry: critical mass, deep experience Leverage Apache s resources and reach Permian oil and GOM shelf: Exploitation value creation Excellent complement to core operating areas Strong cash flow, drilling inventory, upsides New ventures: Fit onshore focus to unlock new plays

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Devon Property Acquisition Devon's complete exit from the shelf: Production: 19 MBOE/D (50% oil+liquids) P1 Reserves: 41 MMBOE (49% oil+liquids) Under- exploited, geologically complex properties 79 identified recompletion candidates 14 reactivations Impactive exploratory upside Excellent fit with APA properties & well- maintained infrastructure Closed June 9th for approximately \$1.05 Bn APA Barclays September 16.pptx 9

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Financing (in Billions)\* Devon GOM Cash \$1.0 BP Permian/Canada/Egypt Cash .9 APA  
Common/Preferred 3.5 Debt 2.0 6.4 Mariner at closing APA Common 1.5 APA Debt .8 Assumed Debt  
1.5 3.8 Total Financing \$11.2 APA Barclays September 16.pptx \* Mariner data as of June 30,2010; BP  
data reflects pref rights closed to date 10 Financial Capacity 0% 10% 20% 30% 40% 50% 1999 2000  
2001 2002 2003 2004 2005 2006 Debt:Cap 2007 2008 2009 2010 est.

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NV Expl \$550 Facilities \$1,300 Drilling Non-Drill \$2,700 \$550 Prod. \$900 APA Barclays September  
16.pptx Cash Flow To Fund E&D Program Free Cash Flow \$2,000 \$1,600 \$1,200 \$800 \$400 \$0 1Q 2Q  
3Q 4Q 1Q 2Q 2009 2010 2010 est. Total Capital \$6,000 MM North America \$3,000 MM 50%  
International \$3,000 MM 50%

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8 Multiples 6 \$5.00 \$4.10 \$4.00 4 \$3.50 \$3.50 2 0 Aust Arg U.S. Canada Egypt Recent Contract Pricing  
Current Price Realization APA Barclays September 16.pptx Favorable Price Realizations Commodity  
Revenue Mix 15% 7% 78% 2Q 2010 Revenue: \$3.0 Bn North American Gas International Gas Total Oil  
+ Liquids Gas Price Realization

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Annualized ROCE 25% 20% 15% 10% 5% 0% A B C APA D E F G H I J K L M N O P Q Source:  
Company Second Quarter 10- Q filings. Peer group includes APC, BP, CHK, COP, CVX, DVN, ECA, E,  
EOG, HES, MRO, MUR, NBL, NFX, OXY, RDS & XOM. APA Barclays September 16.pptx  
Favorable Returns \$30 Pre-tax Margin \$20 \$10 \$ / Boe \$0 A B C D E APA F G H I J K L M N O P Q

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2010 Growth Rate: 9%-15% Excluding BP Assets APA Barclays September 16.pptx 14 Diversified  
Growth Potential Canada North Sea Central Permian Egypt Gulf of Mexico #1 Gulf of Mexico Shelf  
acreage portfolio Australia XXX Argentina

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APA Barclays September 16.pptx Finding Markets: Kitimat LNG 5 mtpa export capacity First LNG target 2014 Additional Markets for Incremental Gas FEED award imminent Apache: 51% interest + operator 25.5% interest in PTP pipeline FID 2011

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2010 Program Mediterranean Sea Exploration 53 MATRUH GAS/LIQUIDS Development 168  
JURASIC STRAT TRAPS ABU GHARADIG OIL FAGHUR OIL Western Eastern EGYPT D  
esert Desert BENI SUEF OIL 2010 Exploration Wells drilled thru 2Q 21 Success Rate 57% APA  
Barclays September 16.pptx 16 2010 Exploration Drilling Growth Driver

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SGT4 SGT3 SGT1 & SGT2 APA Barclays September 16.pptx 17 Continued Infrastructure Growth  
Salam 3&4 On production 1st Qtr 2009 Increased total capacity to 750+ MMCF/D Salam 5 FID yearend  
2010 Adds 100 MMCF/D to meet Egypt's growing energy demand

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Why Train 5...and? Property/ Field BOPD MCFD BOED Hydra 2,250 75,000 14,750 Kahraman B22 400  
20,000 3,733 Ozoris 4 161 4,000 828 Salam Deep 200 10,000 1,867 Shams 400 40,000 7,067 Syrah 200  
50,000 8,533 Tut 23 184 8,000 1,517 WKAL-A 2,900 15,000 5,400 Adam 40 20,000 3,373 Chelsea 600  
15,000 3,100 Hathor Deep - 10,000 1,667 Maggie 2 1,000 15,000 3,500 Prince 600 20,000 3,933 Qasr  
1,200 30,000 6,200 TOTAL 10,135 332,000 65,468 APA Barclays Capital\_Sept. 16, 2010 18

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APA Barclays September 16.pptx 19 Continued Infrastructure Growth Mediterranean Sea Apache BP  
Matruh Alexandria El Hamra Oil Export Terminal APA APA El Alamein APA APA APA BP National  
APA Gas Grid Cairo Shut- in Production APA 300 MMCF/D BP Dashour BP LPG Plant Abu  
Gharadig BP: 100+ MMCF/D Spare Capacity (BP) Gas Plant (BP)

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APA Barclays September 16.pptx 20 2010 Exploration Drilling Growth Potential Julimar-Brunello  
Reindeer Halyard Varanus East Spar Island Coniston Van Gogh FPSO 2010 Program 23 Wells  
Pyrenees?19 Exploration / Appraisal wells Macedon?4 Development FPSO

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APA Barclays September 16.pptx 21 Van Gogh and Pyrenees VAN GOGH Apache operated FPSO commenced production on February 13th. Cumulative production reached 10 million barrels within seven months. PYRENEES BHPB operated Pyrenees FPSO commenced production February 24th. Production ramped up quickly to 90,000 bopd gross (28.57% interest). Drilling and completion has progressed, Ravensworth wells (31.50% interest) completed in May.

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Julimar Macedon 140 Coniston Mariner BP 120 New Salam 5 In Process Reindeer 100 Complete  
Halyard Devon Acquisition 80 Arg Gas Plus Mboe/d 60 Faghur Basin Pyrenees 40 Van Gogh 20 Horn  
River 0 Granite Wash 2009 2010 2011 2012+