

### **Energy Resources of Australia Ltd (ERA)**

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ERA respectfully acknowledges the Mirarr Gundjeihmi, Traditional Owners of the land on which the Ranger Mine is situated.



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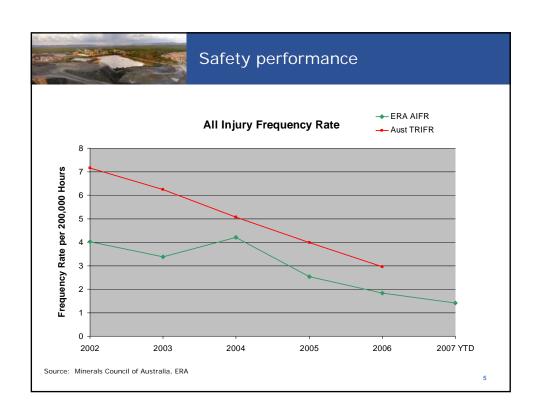
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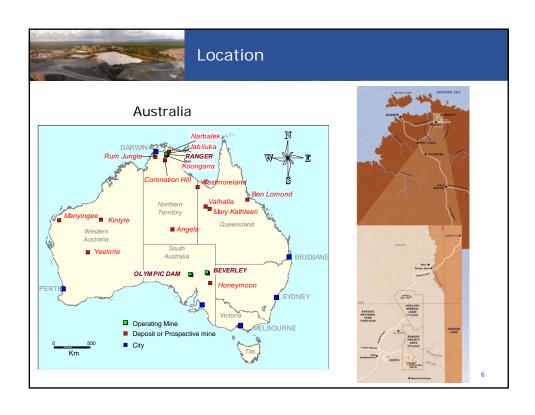
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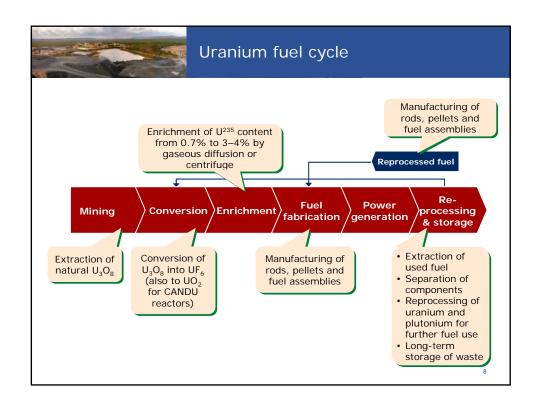
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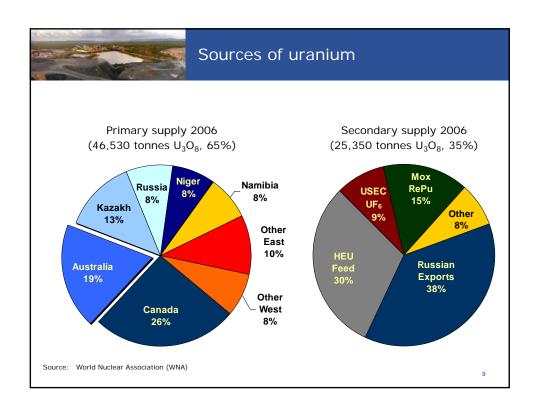
- World's fourth largest uranium producer
- Operations based in the Northern Territory, Australia
- 380 employees
- In 2006 A\$43.6m (2005:\$40.7m) in net profit after tax and A\$74.9m (2005: \$33.4m) in operating cash flow
- Rio Tinto owns 68.4% of ERA

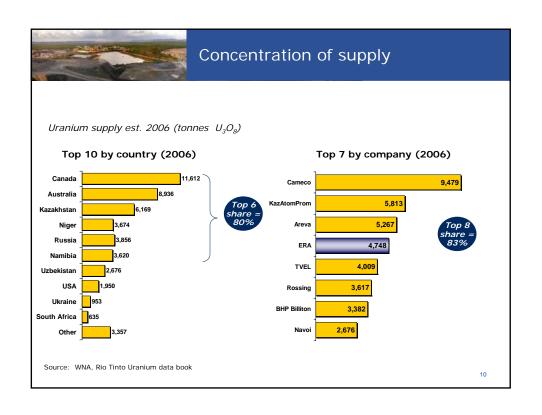


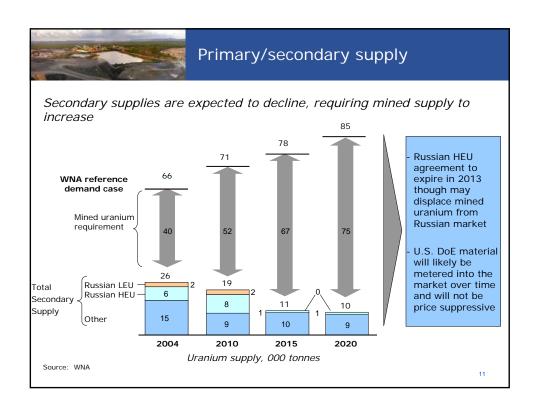


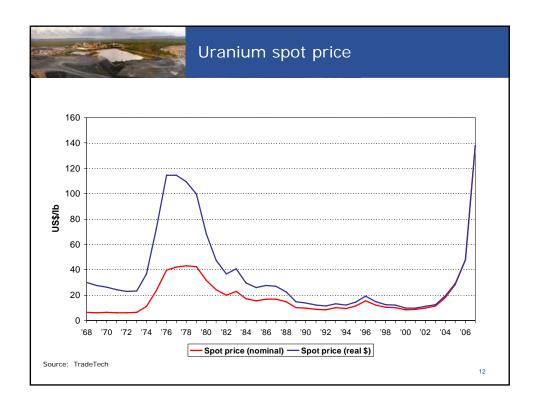


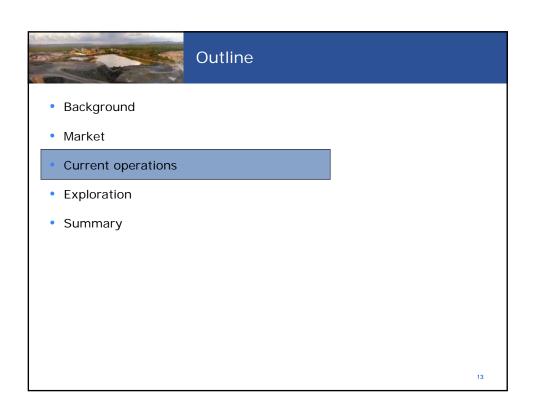


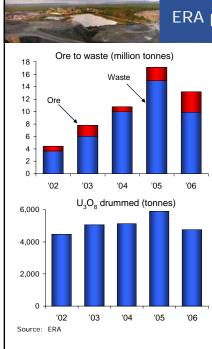












### **ERA** production

- Process plant throughput capacity of 2.4 million tonnes per annum
- Acid Plant: all sulphuric acid will be imported commencing 3Q 2007
- Storage and management of water is one of the biggest environmental challenges; a water treatment plant was constructed in 2005
- Mining due to cease in 2009 (delayed due to rainfall event), processing to continue until 2020
- 11,100 tonnes of contained  $U_3O_8$  added to reserves in October, 2006
- Currently constructing radiometric sorting plant and laterite plant commissioning in early 2008

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#### Further opportunities

- If a cut-off of 0.02% were applied, ERA has up to 140 kt of identified contained uranium available at Ranger, of which approximately 50 kt are not included in reserves or resources
- Variety of projects to increase output;
  - Further expansion of Pit 3, and increase mining rate
  - Increase in current processing plant output
    - Crushing and grinding circuit expansion to match downstream circuit capacity
    - Consider further increase in downstream circuit capacity
  - Application of heap-leach technology to lower grade ores
- A project team has been assembled, led by a General Manager, to further develop the potential options



#### Force majeure update

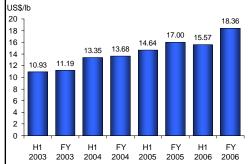
- Declared as a result of heavy rains end of February/early March
- Production impacted by shutdown and high water levels in Pit 3 restricting access to grade
- Sales for 2007 expected to be in line with production. 2007 production is likely to be similar to 2006 production (~4700 tonnes)
- High water levels likely to impact 2008 production (25-35% lower than 2006 production)
- ERA is working on a number of mitigation strategies
  - Additional water disposal
  - Crushing and screening of low grade to upgrade ore
  - Other transport options
- In discussion with insurers over business interruption claim

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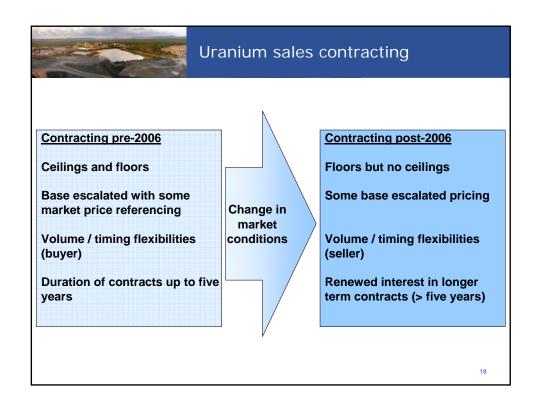
#### ERA's sales contract position

### Average realised uranium price

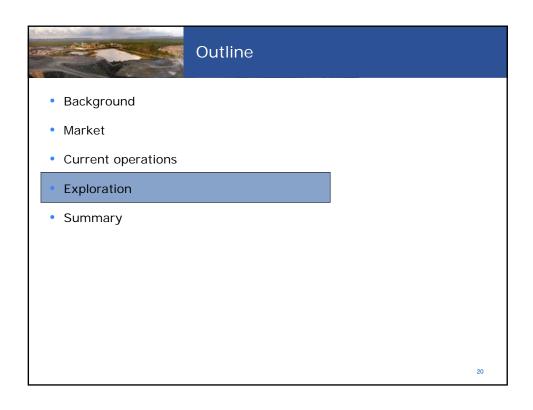


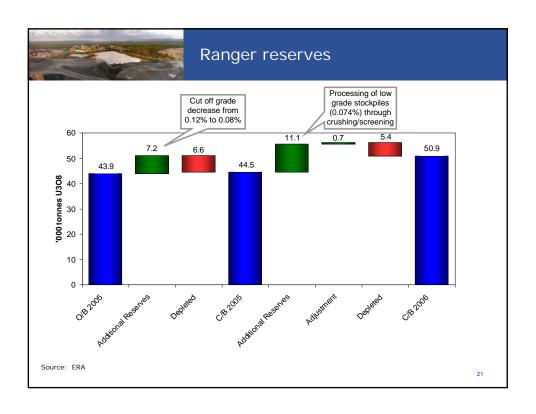
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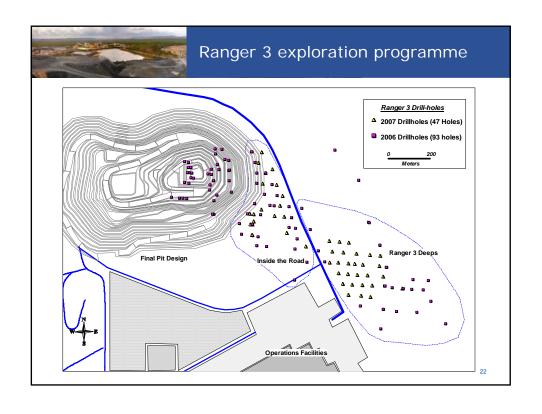
- Contracts are generally:
  - 3 to 5 years in duration
  - First delivery 2 to 4 yrs after agreement
- Contracts contain a mixture of pricing mechanisms:
  • Fixed price/base escalated
  - - Linked to market indicators
  - Negotiated prices
- Legacy contracts, containing large volume flexibilities and low ceiling prices, are being steadily replaced by higher-performing contracts
- Year on year realised pricing continues to rise, however, customers still have great flexibility in the timing of deliveries
- ERA is expecting lower realised pricing in the first half of 2007 compared with full year 2006, as experienced last year

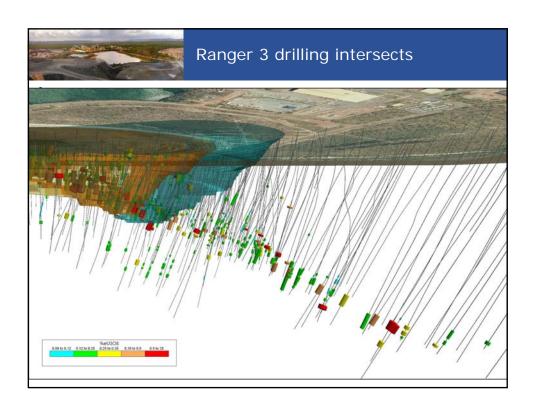


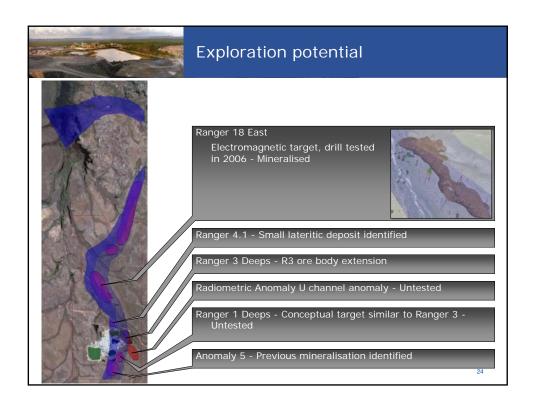


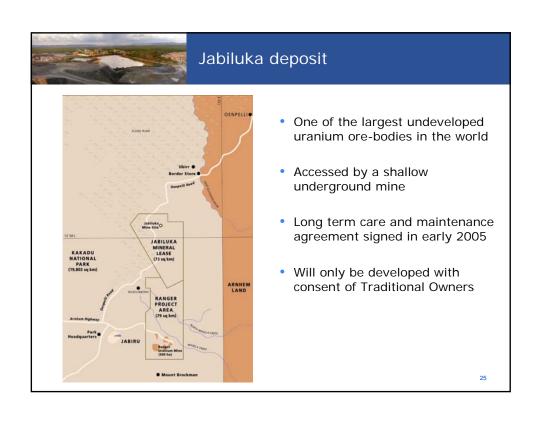














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- 26 years of uranium mining experience in the Northern Territory
- · World's second largest uranium mine
- Ownership of one of the world's largest undeveloped uranium resources
- Additional on-site exploration activity currently underway encouraging results to date
- Various expansion opportunities at Ranger
- Highly regulated operating environment
- Water management (exposed to high intensity rainfall events)
- Remote location workforce retention, logistics
- Culturally sensitive region