

WHITECAP RESOURCES INC.

**Notice of Annual and Special Meeting of Shareholders
to be held on Tuesday, April 30, 2013**

The annual and special meeting of the shareholders of Whitecap Resources Inc. will be held in the Lecture Theatre of the Metropolitan Conference Centre, 333 – 4th Avenue S.W., Calgary, Alberta on Tuesday, April 30, 2013 at 10:30 a.m. (Calgary time) to:

1. receive and consider our financial statements for the year ended December 31, 2012, together with the report of the auditors and the report of our board of directors;
2. fix the number of directors to be elected at the meeting at seven members;
3. elect seven directors;
4. appoint the auditors and to authorize the directors to fix their remuneration as such;
5. consider and, if thought advisable, approve our 2013 award incentive plan; and
6. transact such other business as may properly be brought before the meeting or any adjournment thereof.

The specific details of the matters proposed to be put before the meeting are set forth in the information circular – proxy statement accompanying this notice.

If you are unable to attend the meeting in person are requested to complete, date and sign the enclosed form of proxy and deposit it with our Corporate Secretary, c/o Olympia Trust Company, Suite 2300, 125 – 9th Avenue S.E., Calgary, Alberta, T2G 0P6, or deliver it by fax to (403) (403) 265-1455. In order to be valid and acted upon at the meeting, forms of proxy must be returned to the aforesaid address not less than 48 hours before the time for holding the meeting or any adjournment thereof. You may also vote via the internet at <https://secure.olympiatrust.com/proxy/> not less than 48 hours before the time for holding the meeting or any adjournment thereof. If a shareholder receives more than one proxy form because such shareholder owns our common shares registered in different names or addresses, each proxy form should be completed and returned. See the information circular - proxy statement for further instructions on internet voting.

Only shareholders of record at the close of business on March 26, 2013, will be entitled to vote at the meeting, unless that shareholder has transferred any shares subsequent to that date and the transferee shareholder, not later than 10 days before the meeting, establishes ownership of the shares and demands that the transferee's name be included on the list of shareholders entitled to vote at the meeting.

DATED at Calgary, Alberta this 26th day of March, 2013.

BY ORDER OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

(signed) "Grant B. Fagerheim"

Grant B. Fagerheim
President and Chief Executive Officer

WHITECAP RESOURCES INC.

Information Circular – Proxy Statement
for the Annual and Special Meeting to be held on Tuesday, April 30, 2013

Solicitation of Proxies

This information circular - proxy statement is furnished in connection with the solicitation of proxies for use at the annual and special meeting of the shareholders to be held on Tuesday, April 30, 2013 in the Lecture Theatre at the Metropolitan Conference Centre, 333 – 4th Avenue S.W., Calgary, Alberta T2P 0H9 at 10:30 a.m. (Calgary time) and any adjournment thereof. Forms of proxy must be addressed to and reach our Corporate Secretary, c/o Olympia Trust Company, Suite 2300, 125 – 9th Avenue S.E., Calgary, Alberta, T2G 0P6, or by fax to (403) (403) 265-1455 not less than 48 hours before the time for holding the meeting or any adjournment thereof. Registered shareholders may also use the internet at <https://secure.olympiatrust.com/proxy/> to vote their shares. Votes by internet must be received not less than 48 hours before the time for holding the meeting or any adjournment thereof. The website may also be used to appoint a proxy holder to attend and vote at the meeting on the shareholder's behalf and to convey a shareholder's voting instructions.

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The instrument appointing a proxy must be in writing and must be executed by you or your attorney authorized in writing or, if you are a corporation, under your corporate seal or by a duly authorized officer or attorney of the corporation.

The persons named in the enclosed instrument of proxy are our officers. **As a shareholder you have the right to appoint a person or company, who need not be a shareholder, to represent you at the meeting. To exercise this right you should insert the name of the desired representative in the blank space provided in the instrument of proxy and strike out the other name.**

Advice to Beneficial Holders of Common Shares

The information set forth in this section is of significant importance to you if you do not hold your common shares in your own name. Only proxies deposited by shareholders whose names appear on our records as the registered holders of common shares can be recognized and acted upon at the meeting. If your common shares are listed in your account statement provided by your broker, then, in almost all cases, those common shares will not be registered in your name on our records. Such common shares will likely be registered under the name of your broker or an agent of that broker. In Canada, the vast majority of such shares are registered under the name of CDS & Co., the registration name for The CDS Clearing and Depository Services Inc., which acts as nominee for many Canadian brokerage firms. Common shares held by your broker or their nominee can only be voted upon your instructions. Without specific instructions, your broker or their nominee is prohibited from voting your shares.

Applicable regulatory policy requires your broker to seek voting instructions from you in advance of the meeting. Every broker has its own mailing procedures and provides its own return instructions, which you should carefully follow in order to ensure that your shares are voted at the meeting. We intend to pay for intermediaries to deliver proxy-related materials to the beneficial owners of our common shares.

Often, the form of proxy supplied by your broker is identical to the form of proxy provided to registered shareholders. However, its purpose is limited to instructing the registered shareholder how to vote on your behalf. The majority of brokers now delegate responsibility for obtaining instructions from clients to Broadridge Financial Solutions, Inc. ("**Broadridge**"). Broadridge mails a scannable voting instruction form in lieu of the form of proxy. You are asked to complete and return the voting instruction form to them by mail or facsimile. Alternately, you can call their toll-free telephone number to vote your shares. They then tabulate the results of all instructions received

and provide appropriate instructions respecting the voting of shares to be represented at the meeting. If you receive a voting instruction form from Broadridge it cannot be used as a proxy to vote shares directly at the meeting as the proxy must be returned (or otherwise reported as provided in the voting instruction form) to Broadridge well in advance of the meeting in order to have the shares voted.

Revocability of Proxy

You may revoke your proxy at any time prior to a vote. If you, or the person you give your proxy, attend personally at the meeting, you or such person may revoke the proxy and vote in person. In addition to revocation in any other manner permitted by law, a proxy may be revoked by an instrument in writing executed by you or your attorney authorized in writing or, if you are a corporation, under your corporate seal or by a duly authorized officer or attorney of the corporation. To be effective the instrument in writing must be deposited either at our head office, at any time up to and including the last business day preceding the day of the meeting, or any adjournment thereof, at which the proxy is to be used, or with the chairman of the meeting on the day of the meeting, or any adjournment thereof.

Persons Making the Solicitation

This solicitation is made on behalf of our management. We will bear the costs incurred in the preparation and mailing of the form of proxy, notice of annual and special meeting and this information circular – proxy statement. In addition to mailing forms of proxy, proxies may be solicited by personal interviews, or by other means of communication, by our directors, officers and employees who will not be remunerated therefor.

Exercise of Discretion by Proxy

The common shares represented by proxy in favour of management nominees will be voted or withheld from voting on any poll at the meeting. Where you specify a choice with respect to any matter to be acted upon, the shares will be voted on any poll in accordance with the specification so made. **If you do not provide instructions, your shares will be voted in favour of the matters to be acted upon as set out herein.** The persons appointed under the form of proxy, which we have furnished, are conferred with discretionary authority with respect to amendments or variations of those matters specified in the form of proxy and notice of annual and special meeting and with respect to any other matters which may properly be brought before the meeting or any adjournment thereof. At the time of printing this information circular – proxy statement, we know of no such amendment, variation or other matter.

NOTE ON SHARE REFERENCES

On June 25, 2010 we completed a reverse takeover of Spitfire Energy Ltd. ("**Spitfire**") pursuant to which Spitfire acquired all of our issued and outstanding common shares on the basis of 8.33 common shares of Spitfire for each of our outstanding common shares. On July 1st, 2010 we amalgamated with Spitfire and on October 15, 2010 we effected a consolidation of our common shares on the basis of ten pre-consolidation shares for every one common share.

Unless otherwise noted, all references to our common shares in this information circular – proxy statement are to our common shares as presently constituted after giving effect to the Spitfire transaction and the consolidation. Where applicable, our common shares, securities convertible into common shares and the exercise prices of such convertible securities disclosed herein have been adjusted to show such securities as if they were issued after the completion of the transaction with Spitfire and the consolidation.

VOTING SHARES AND PRINCIPAL HOLDERS THEREOF

We are authorized to issue an unlimited number of common shares and an unlimited number of preferred shares, without nominal or par value. As at March 26, 2013 there were 130,459,791 common shares and no preferred shares issued and outstanding. As a holder of common shares you are entitled to one vote for each common share you own.

Nominee for Election as Director	Age	Director Since	Common Shares Owned, Controlled or Directed ⁽²⁾		Options and Warrants		Total Market Value of Common Shares, Options and Warrants ⁽¹⁾	
			2012	2011	2012	2011	2012	2011
Donald G. Cowie Calgary, Alberta	60	2011	2,663,185	2,843,262	66,000	58,000	\$23,162,130	\$23,655,982
Member of: - Audit Committee	<p>Mr. Cowie is currently President of JOG Capital Inc., an investment partnership focused on public and private junior oil and gas companies in Western Canada. He has over 26 years of experience in the financial oil and gas industry. From 1992 to 2002, Mr. Cowie was the head of corporate and investment banking for the Bank of America. Prior to 2002, he served as an officer or director for several junior oil and gas companies and several other financial companies specializing in the oil and gas sector.</p> <p>Mr. Cowie has a Bachelor of Commerce degree, with a major in finance.</p> <p>Mr. Cowie also serves as an independent director for a number of private companies and public companies listed on the either the Toronto Stock Exchange or TSX Venture Exchange.</p>							

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Gregory S. Fletcher Calgary, Alberta	64	2010	25,000	25,000	66,000	58,000	\$452,830	\$403,590
Member of: - Audit Committee - Reserves Committee	<p>Mr. Fletcher has 40 years of experience in the oil and gas industry and is currently President of Sierra Energy Inc., a private oil and gas production company that he founded in 1997.</p> <p>Mr. Fletcher holds a BSc. in Geology and has completed the Directors' Education Program sponsored by the Institute of Corporate Directors offered at the Haskayne School of Business at the University of Calgary.</p> <p>Mr. Fletcher currently sits on the board of directors of Calfrac Well Services Ltd., Total Energy Services Inc., both public oil and gas service companies, and Peyto Exploration and Development Corp., a public oil and gas company.</p>							

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Glenn A. McNamara Calgary, Alberta	60	2010	40,000	40,000	73,213	65,213	\$828,603	\$771,366
Member of: - Corporate Governance and Compensation Committee (chair) - Reserves Committee (chair)	<p>Mr. McNamara is the Chief Executive Officer and a director of Petromanas Energy Inc., a public oil and gas company. From August 2005 to August 2010, he was the President of BG Canada (part of the BG Group PLC, a public gas company with its head office in the United Kingdom, trading on the London Stock Exchange). Prior thereto he was the President of ExxonMobil Canada Energy (a wholly-owned subsidiary of ExxonMobil).</p> <p>Mr. McNamara received his MBA from the University of Calgary in 1988, and a B.Sc. in Mining Engineering from the University of Alberta in 1978. Mr. McNamara is a Member of the Association of Professional Engineers, Geologists and Geophysicists of Alberta and past Governor of the Canadian Association of Petroleum Producers.</p>							

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Murray K. Mullen ⁽³⁾ Calgary, Alberta	57	2012	7,825	-	60,000	-	\$141,486	-
Member of: - Corporate Governance and Compensation Committee	<p>Mr. Mullen, is the Chairman of the Board and Chief Executive Officer of Mullen Group Ltd. (a public transportation company), positions he has held since 2001. Mr. Mullen joined the Mullen Group of companies in 1977 after graduating from the University of Calgary with a Bachelor of Arts (Economics) degree and has been a key architect of Mullen Group's overall business strategy and growth since it became public in 1993.</p> <p>Mr. Mullen is also a director of Western Energy Services Corp., a public energy services company.</p>							

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Stephen C. Nikiforuk Calgary, Alberta	44	2009	63,843	63,843	44,300	36,300	\$808,070	\$752,659
Member of: - Audit Committee (chair)	<p>Mr. Nikiforuk has been the President of MyOwnCFO Professional Corporation since October 2011 and President of MyOwnCFO Inc. from July 2009 to June 2012, both private companies. He was the Corporate Business Manager of 1173373 Alberta Ltd. (a private company) from July 2009 to July 2011 and the Vice President, Finance and Chief Financial Officer of Cadence Energy Inc. (formerly Kereco Energy Ltd.) a public oil and gas company, from January 2005 to March 2008.</p> <p>Mr. Nikiforuk received his Bachelor's degree in Business Administration, majoring in Accounting from Saint Francis Xavier University in 1991 and is an active Chartered Accountant.</p>							

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Grant A. Zawalsky Calgary, Alberta	53	2009	183,194	158,978	68,860	60,860	\$2,052,900	\$1,744,930
Member of: - Corporate Governance and Compensation Committee	<p>Mr. Zawalsky is a Partner, Burnet, Duckworth & Palmer LLP Barristers and Solicitors. Mr. Zawalsky has been a Partner of Burnet, Duckworth & Palmer LLP since 1994.</p> <p>Mr. Zawalsky holds a Bachelor of Commerce degree and LL.B. from the University of Alberta and is a member of the Law Society of Alberta.</p> <p>Mr. Zawalsky currently sits on the board of directors of a number of public and private companies in the oil and gas industry including Endurance Energy Ltd., Flagstone Energy Inc., Home Quarter Resources Ltd., Northpoint Energy Ltd., Range Royalty Management Ltd. (general partner of Range Royalty Limited Partnership), Spur Resources Ltd., NuVista Energy Ltd. and Zargon Oil & Gas Ltd. and is Corporate Secretary of Bonavista Energy Corporation and Rock Energy Ltd.</p> <p>Mr. Zawalsky's executive compensation experience includes serving on six compensation committees of public issuers in the last 10 years, serving as a director or officer of more than 25 public and private issuers in the last 10 years and has been a member of the compensation committee of Burnet, Duckworth & Palmer LLP for over 15 years.</p>							

Notes:

- (1) The "Total Market Value of Common Shares, Options and Warrants" for 2012 is the sum of (i) the number of common shares held by each nominee as of December 31, 2012, in respect of 2012, multiplied by the closing price of the common shares on the Toronto Stock Exchange on such date of \$8.65; (ii) the value of unexercised in-the-money options of each nominee based on the number of common shares issuable upon exercise of the options held by the nominee as of December 31, 2012, in respect of 2012, multiplied by the difference between the closing price of the common shares on the Toronto Stock Exchange on such date of \$8.65 and the exercise price of the applicable option; and (iii) the value of unexercised in-the-money warrants of each nominee based on the number of common shares issuable upon exercise of the warrants held by the nominee as of December 31, 2012, in respect of 2012, multiplied by the difference between the closing price of the common shares on the Toronto Stock Exchange on such date of \$8.65 and the exercise price of the applicable warrant. The "Total Market Value of Common Shares, Options and Warrants" for 2011 is the sum of (i) the number of common shares held by each nominee as of December 31, 2011, in respect of 2011, multiplied by the closing price of the common shares on the last trading day on the Toronto Stock Exchange prior to such date of \$8.29; and (ii) the value of unexercised in-the-money options of each nominee based on the number of common shares issuable upon exercise of the options held by the nominee as of December 31, 2011, in respect of 2011, multiplied by the difference between the closing price of the common shares on the last trading day on the Toronto Stock Exchange to such date of \$8.29 and the exercise price of the applicable option; and (iii) the value of unexercised in-the-money warrants of each nominee based on the number of common shares issuable upon exercise of the warrants held by the nominee as of December 31, 2011, in respect of 2011, multiplied by the difference between the closing price of the common shares on the last trading day on the Toronto Stock Exchange prior to such date of \$6.33 and the exercise price of the applicable warrant.
- (2) The information as to voting securities beneficially owned, directly or indirectly, is based upon information furnished to us by the nominees.
- (3) Mr. Mullen joined our board of directors in August of 2012.

Additional Disclosure Relating to Proposed Directors

Except as otherwise disclosed herein, none of our directors (nor any personal holding company of any of such persons) is, as of the date hereof, or was within ten years before the date hereof, a director, chief executive officer or chief financial officer of any company (including us), that was subject to a cease trade order (including a management cease trade order), an order similar to a cease trade order or an order that denied the relevant company access to any exemption under securities legislation, in each case that was in effect for a period of more than 30 consecutive days (collectively, an "**Order**") that was issued while the director was acting in the capacity as director, chief executive officer or chief financial officer; or was subject to an Order that was issued after the director ceased to be a director, chief executive officer or chief financial officer and which resulted from an event that occurred while that person was acting in the capacity as director, chief executive officer or chief financial officer.

Except as otherwise disclosed herein, none of our directors (nor any personal holding company of any of such persons) is, as of the date hereof, or has been within the ten years before the date hereof, a director or executive officer of any company (including us) that, while that person was acting in that capacity, or within a year of that person ceasing to act in that capacity, became bankrupt, made a proposal under any legislation relating to bankruptcy or insolvency or was subject to or instituted any proceedings, arrangement or compromise with creditors or had a receiver, receiver manager or trustee appointed to hold its assets. In addition, none of our directors (nor any personal holding company) or any such person has, within the ten years before the date hereof, become bankrupt, made a proposal under any legislation relating to bankruptcy or insolvency, or become subject to or instituted any proceedings, arrangement or compromise with creditors, or had a receiver, receiver manager or trustee appointed to hold the assets of the director other than Mr. Zawalsky who was formerly a director of Efficient Energy Resources Ltd. (a private electrical generation company) which agreed to the voluntary appointment of a receiver in 2005, and Mr. Fagerheim who was formerly a director of The Resort at Copper Point Ltd. (a private real estate development company) which was placed in receivership in February 2009.

None of our directors (nor any personal holding company of any of such persons) has been subject to any penalties or sanctions imposed by a court relating to securities legislation or by a securities regulatory authority or has entered into a settlement agreement with a securities regulatory authority or any other penalties or sanctions imposed by a court or regulatory body that would likely be considered important to a reasonable investor in making an investment decision.

As of the date hereof, our directors and officers beneficially own or control or direct, directly or indirectly, approximately 7,122,361 common shares representing approximately 6% of our outstanding common shares. These directors and officers also hold an aggregate of 1,095,410 options to acquire common shares at a weighted average exercise price of approximately \$5.75 per common share and 1,125,360 warrants to acquire common shares with an exercise price of \$2.50.

Majority Voting for Directors

Our board has adopted a policy stipulating that if the votes in favour of the election of a director nominee at a shareholders' meeting represent less than a majority of our common shares voted and withheld, the nominee will submit his resignation promptly after the meeting, for the corporate governance and compensation committee's consideration. The corporate governance and compensation committee's will make a recommendation to the board after reviewing the matter, and the board's decision to accept or reject the resignation offer will be disclosed to the public within 90 days of the applicable shareholders' meeting. Resignations are expected to be accepted except in situations where extenuating circumstances would warrant the applicable director to continue to serve as a board member. The nominee will not participate in any committee or board deliberations on the resignation offer. The policy does not apply in circumstances involving contested director elections.

Appointment of Auditors

Management is soliciting proxies, in the accompanying applicable form of proxy, in favour of the appointment of the firm of PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP, Chartered Accountants, of Suite 3100, 111, 5th Avenue SW, Calgary, Alberta, T2P 5L3, as our auditors, to hold office until the next annual meeting of our shareholders and to authorize the directors to fix their remuneration as such PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP has been our auditors since October, 2009.

Approval of 2013 Award Incentive Plan

Background

Our long-term incentives currently consist solely of our stock option plan. Our stock option plan is designed to align the interests of our employees with our shareholders by linking a component of compensation to the long-term performance of our common shares. At the meeting, we are asking shareholders to approve our new 2013 award incentive plan which will replace our stock option plan as our primary form of long-term compensation. The 2013 award incentive plan is of a full-value award plan pursuant to which time-based awards and performance awards may be granted to our directors, officers, employees and other service providers. If the award incentive plan is approved, we will not make any further grants under our stock option plan although the stock option plan will remain in place until such time as all outstanding stock options granted thereunder have been exercised, cancelled or expired (which we expect to occur between December 1, 2015 and December 1, 2016). For a description of our stock option plan, see "*Executive Compensation – Summary Compensation of NEO's – Long Term Incentives – Stock Option Plan*".

Listed below is a summary of the principal terms of our proposed 2013 award incentive plan. A copy of the 2013 award incentive plan is accessible on the SEDAR website at www.sedar.com. **Capitalized terms used but not defined in the following disclosure shall have the meanings ascribed thereto in the 2013 award incentive plan.**

Purpose of the Plan

The principal purposes of the Plan are: (i) to retain and attract qualified Service Providers that Whitecap and its affiliates require; (ii) to promote a proprietary interest in Whitecap by such Service Providers and to encourage such persons to remain in the employ or service of Whitecap and its affiliates and put forth maximum efforts for the success of the business of Whitecap and its affiliates; and (iii) to focus management of Whitecap and its affiliates on operating and financial performance and long-term total shareholder return.

Incentive-based compensation such as the Plan is an integral component of compensation for Service Providers. The attraction and retention of qualified Service Providers has been identified as one of the key risks to our long-term strategic growth plan. The Plan is intended to maintain our competitiveness within the Canadian oil and gas industry to facilitate the achievement of our long-term goals. In addition, this incentive-based compensation is intended to reward Service Providers for meeting certain predefined operational and financial goals which have been identified for increasing long-term total shareholder return.

Overview of the Plan

Administration

The Plan will be administered by the Board and the Board has the authority to appoint a committee of the Board to administer the Plan.

Under the terms of the Plan, any Service Provider may be granted Time-Based Awards or Performance Awards. In determining the Service Providers to whom awards may be granted ("**Grantees**"), the number of common shares to be covered by each award and the allocation of the award between Time-Based Awards and Performance Awards, our board of directors may take into account such factors as it shall determine in its sole discretion, including any one or more of the following factors:

- (a) compensation data for comparable benchmark positions among the Peer Comparison Group;
- (b) the duties, responsibilities, position and seniority of the Grantee;
- (c) the Corporate Performance Measures for the applicable period compared with internally established performance measures approved by the Board and/or similar performance measures of members of the Peer Comparison Group for such period;
- (d) the individual contributions and potential contributions of the Grantee to our success;
- (e) any bonus payments paid or to be paid to the Grantee in respect of his or her individual contributions and potential contributions to our success;
- (f) the Fair Market Value or current market price of our common shares at the time of such award; and
- (g) such other factors as the Board shall deem relevant in its sole discretion in connection with accomplishing the purposes of the Plan.

Time-Based Awards

Each Time-Based Award will entitle the holder to an amount computed by the value of a notional number of common shares designated in the Time-Based Award (plus dividend equivalents as described below) on the third anniversary of the date of grant (or such earlier or later dates as may be determined by the Board).

Performance Awards

Each Performance Award will entitle the holder to an amount computed by the value of a notional number of common shares designated in the Performance Award (plus dividend equivalents as described below) multiplied by a Payout Multiplier on the third anniversary of the date of grant (or such earlier or later dates as may be determined by the Board).

The Payout Multiplier will be determined by the Board based on an assessment of the achievement of predefined Corporate Performance Measures in respect of the applicable period. Corporate Performance Measures may include: relative total shareholder return; activities related to our growth; average production volumes; unit costs of production; total proved reserves; health, safety and environmental performance; the execution of our strategic plan

and such additional measures as the Board shall consider appropriate in the circumstances. The Payout Multiplier for a particular period will be determined by the Board from time to time but is initially expected to be one of 0x (for fourth quartile ranking), 1x (for third quartile ranking), 1.5x (for second quartile ranking) or 2x (for first quartile ranking). For greater certainty, where the Payment Date is not the first anniversary of the grant date, the Payout Multiplier for those Performance Awards will be the arithmetic average of the Payout Multiplier for each of the preceding annual performance assessment periods.

Dividend Equivalents

The Plan provides for cumulative adjustments to the notional number of common shares underlying an award on each date that dividends are paid on the common shares by an amount equal to a fraction having as its numerator the amount of the dividend per common share and having as its denominator the Fair Market Value of the common shares on the on the first Business Day of the calendar month in which the Payment Date occurs. However, if the Grantee has been on a Leave of Absence at any time since the award was granted, the award will not be adjusted for any dividends paid during the period of such Leave of Absence.

Under the Plan, in the case of a non-cash Dividend, including common shares or other securities or property, the Board may, in its sole discretion and subject to the approval of the Exchange, determine whether or not such non-cash Dividend will be provided to the award holder and, if so provided, the form in which it shall be provided.

Limitation on Common Shares Reserved

The Plan provides that the maximum number of common shares reserved for issuance from time to time pursuant to outstanding awards shall not exceed a number of common shares equal to 6.5% of the aggregate number of issued and outstanding common shares (including common shares issuable upon exchange of exchangeable shares of us and other fully paid securities of our affiliates exchangeable into common shares) ("**Total Common Shares**"), less the number of common shares reserved for issuance for stock options outstanding from time to time under our stock option plan.

Limitations on Awards

The aggregate number of awards granted to any single Service Provider shall not exceed 1% of the Total Common Shares. In addition: (i) the number of common shares issuable to Insiders at any time, under all of our security based compensation arrangements, shall not exceed 10% of the Total Common Shares; and (ii) the number of common shares issued to Insiders, within any one year period, under all of our security based compensation arrangements, shall not exceed 10% of the Total Common Shares.

The number of common shares issuable pursuant to the Plan to Non-Management Directors, in aggregate, will be limited to a maximum of 0.25% of the Total Common Shares and the value of all awards granted to any Non-Management Director during a calendar year, as calculated on the date of grant, cannot exceed \$100,000 (for purposes of monitoring compliance with these limitations, a Payout Multiplier of 1x will be assumed for any Performance Awards).

Payment Dates

If a Grantee is prohibited from trading in our securities as a result of the imposition by us of a trading blackout (a "**Blackout Period**") and the Payment Date of an award held by such Grantee falls within a Blackout Period (or within ten business days following the end of a Blackout Period), then the Payment Date of such Award shall be extended to the date that is ten business days following the end of such Blackout Period. In addition, unless otherwise determined by the Board in its sole discretion, if a Grantee is on a Leave of Absence before the Payment Date or Dates, such Payment Date or Payment Dates shall be extended by that portion of the duration of the period of the Leave of Absence that is in excess of three (3) months.

Notwithstanding the foregoing or any other provision of the Plan, no Payment Date in respect of any award may occur after December 15th of the third year following the year in which the award was granted, and in the event that a Payment Date would occur after such date, the Payment Date in respect of such award will be on such date.

Payment of Share Awards

On the Payment Date, we have, in our sole and absolute discretion, the option of settling the value of the notional common shares underlying the award, by any of the following methods or by a combination of such methods: (i) payment in common shares issued from treasury; (ii) payment in cash; or (iii) payment in common shares acquired by us on the Exchange.

Pursuant to the Plan, we will not determine whether the payment method will take the form of cash or common shares until the Payment Date, or some reasonable time prior thereto. A holder of an award will not have any right to demand be paid in, or receive, common shares in connection with an award, at any time. Notwithstanding any election by us to settle any award, or portion thereof, in common shares, we reserve the right to change our election in respect thereof at any time up until payment is actually made, and the holder of such award will not have the right, at any time to enforce settlement in the form of common shares.

Where we elect to pay any amounts pursuant to an award by issuing common shares, and the determination of the number of common shares to be delivered to a Grantee in respect of a particular Payment Date would result in the issuance of a fractional common share, the number of common shares deliverable on the Payment Date will be rounded down to the next whole number of common shares. No certificates representing fractional common shares will be delivered pursuant to the Plan nor shall any cash amount be paid at any time in lieu of any such fractional interest.

The Plan does not contain any provisions for financial assistance by us in respect of any awards granted thereunder.

Change of Control

In the event of a Change of Control of us, the Payment Date(s) applicable to awards will be accelerated to the closing date of the Change of Control and the Payout Multiplier applicable to any Performance Awards will be determined by the Board.

Under the Plan, a Change of Control means:

- (a) a successful "take-over bid" as defined in Multilateral Instrument 62-104 or any replacement or successor provisions ("**MI 62-104**"), which is not exempt from the take-over bid requirements of MI 62-104, pursuant to which the "offeror" as a result of such take-over bid, beneficially owns, directly or indirectly, in excess of 50% of the outstanding Total Common Shares;
- (b) the issuance to or acquisition by any person, or group of persons acting in concert, of directly, or indirectly, including through an arrangement, merger or other form of reorganization of Whitecap, of Common Shares of Whitecap which in the aggregate total 50% or more of the then issued and outstanding Total Common Shares;
- (c) the winding up or termination of Whitecap or the sale, lease or transfer of all or substantially all of the directly or indirectly held assets of Whitecap to any other person or persons (other than pursuant to an internal reorganization or in circumstances where the business of Whitecap is continued,

provided that notwithstanding the application of any of the foregoing, a "**Change of Control**" shall be deemed to not have occurred:

- (d) pursuant to an arrangement, merger or other form of reorganization of Whitecap where the holders of the outstanding voting securities or interests of Whitecap immediately prior to the completion of the

reorganization will hold more than 50% of the outstanding voting securities or interests of the continuing entity upon completion of the reorganization; or

- (e) if a majority of the Board determines that in substance an arrangement, merger or reorganization has not occurred or the circumstances are such that a Change of Control should be deemed to not have occurred and any such determination shall be binding and conclusive for all purposes of the Plan.

Early Termination Events

Pursuant to the Plan, unless otherwise determined by the Board or unless otherwise provided in an Award Agreement pertaining to a particular award or any written employment or consulting agreement governing a Grantee's role as a Service Provider, the following provisions shall apply in the event that a Grantee ceases to be a Service Provider:

- (a) Death or Disability – If a Grantee ceases to be a Service Provider as a result of the Grantee's death or disability, all outstanding Award Agreements under which awards have been made to such Grantee which have vested shall be terminated and all rights to receive Common Shares thereunder shall be forfeited by the Grantee effective on earlier of: (i) the Expiry Date; and (ii) date that is six months from the Cessation Date. All Awards which have not vested at the Cessation Date shall immediately terminate and become null and void and our President and Chief Executive Officer in the case of a Grantee who is not a director or officer and the Board in all other cases, taking into consideration the performance of such Grantee and our performance since the date of grant of the Award(s), may determine in its sole discretion the Payout Multiplier to be applied to any Performance Awards held by the Grantee; and
- (b) Other Termination – If a Grantee ceases to be a Service Provider for any reason whatsoever, all outstanding Award Agreements under which awards have been made to such Grantee and which have vested shall be terminated and all rights to receive common shares thereunder shall be forfeited by the Grantee effective as of the date that is 30 days from the Cessation Date, provided that, upon the termination of any employee for cause, the Board may, in its sole discretion, determine that all outstanding vested Awards shall immediately terminate and become null and void. All Awards which have not vested at the Cessation Date shall immediately terminate and become null and void.

Assignment

Except in the case of death, the right to receive common shares pursuant to an Award granted to a Service Provider may only be exercised by such Service Provider personally. Except as otherwise provided in the Plan, no assignment, sale, transfer, pledge or charge of an Award, whether voluntary, involuntary, by operation of law or otherwise, vests any interest or right in such Award whatsoever in any assignee or transferee and, immediately upon any assignment, sale, transfer, pledge or charge or attempt to assign, sell, transfer, pledge or charge, such Award shall terminate and be of no further force or effect.

Amendment and Termination of Plan

The Plan and any Awards granted pursuant thereto may, subject to any required approval of the Exchange, be amended, modified or terminated without the approval of Shareholders. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Plan or any Award may not be amended without Shareholder approval to:

- (a) increase the percentage of common shares reserved for issuance pursuant to Awards in excess of the 6.5% limit currently prescribed;
- (b) extend the Expiry Date of any Awards held by Insiders;
- (c) permit a Grantee to transfer Awards to a new beneficial holder other than for estate settlement purposes;
- (d) change the limitations on the granting of Awards described above under "*Limitations on Awards*"; and

- (e) change the amending provision of the Plan.

In addition, no amendment to the Plan or any Awards granted pursuant thereto may be made without the consent of a Grantee if it adversely alters or impairs the rights of such Grantee in respect of any Award previously granted to such Grantee under the Plan.

Anti-Dilution

The Plan contains anti-dilution provisions which allow our Board to make such adjustments to the Plan, to any Awards as our Board may, in its sole discretion, consider appropriate in the circumstances to prevent dilution or enlargement of the rights granted to Grantees thereunder.

Recommendation of the Board

The Plan is an important component of our compensation program. In order to attract and retain qualified staff in a competitive marketplace, it is imperative that we have a long-term incentive plan, such as the Plan.

The Plan also aligns the interests of Service Providers with shareholders as it provides an incentive for these Service Providers to maximize total shareholder return. A portion of the awards granted to all Service Providers will be in the form of performance awards. The portion of performance awards will increase at higher levels of responsibility. The performance awards, through the payout multiplier, provide a direct link between corporate performance and the level of payout received. The payout multiplier will be calculated based on pre-established corporate performance measures and, unless varied by the Board, will be one of 0x (for fourth quartile ranking), 1x (for third quartile ranking), 1.5x (for second quartile ranking) and 2x (for first quartile ranking). The Board believes that the pay for performance orientation of the performance awards is aligned with shareholder interests.

The Board has determined that the implementation of the 2013 award incentive plan is in best interests of us and our shareholders and unanimously recommends that shareholders vote in favour of the resolution outlined below.

Approval Requirements

At the meeting, shareholders will be asked to consider and, if thought fit, to pass an ordinary resolution in the form set forth below to approve the 2013 award incentive plan:

BE IT RESOLVED AS AN ORDINARY RESOLUTION OF THE SHAREHOLDERS OF WHITECAP RESOURCES INC. THAT:

1. the 2013 award incentive plan as described in the Information Circular - Proxy Statement of Whitecap Resources Inc. dated March 26, 2013, with such other conforming changes as the Board of Directors of Whitecap Resources Inc. considers necessary or appropriate, is hereby approved; and
2. Any director or officer of Whitecap Resources Inc. is authorized and directed to do all such things and execute all such documents and instruments as may be necessary or desirable to give effect to the foregoing resolution.

In order to be passed, the above ordinary resolution must be approved by a majority of the aggregate votes cast by shareholders at the meeting. **It is the intention of the persons named in the enclosed form of proxy, if named as proxy and not expressly directed to the contrary in the form of proxy, to vote those proxies in favour of the above resolution.**

DIRECTORS' COMPENSATION

Director Compensation

Our board of directors, through the corporate governance and compensation committee, is responsible for the development and implementation of a compensation plan for our directors who are not also officers. We do not pay any compensation to officers for acting as a director.

The main objectives of our compensation plan for directors are to attract and retain the services of the most qualified individuals and to compensate the directors in a manner that is commensurate with the risks and responsibilities assumed in board and committee membership and at a level that is similar to the compensation paid to directors of a peer group of oil and gas companies. In addition, our philosophy of using compensation to foster a culture of ownership also extends to our director compensation policies. Our board of directors believes it is important that directors demonstrate their commitment to our stewardship through share ownership.

We currently pay our outside directors a retainer of \$7,500 per quarter for their roles on our board and board committees. Outside directors are also reimbursed for their out-of-pocket expenses incurred in carrying out their duties as directors.

As at December 31, 2012, our outside directors held an aggregate of 280,533 options to acquire common shares, which represented less than 1% of our issued and outstanding common shares as at such date. For information regarding the outstanding options to acquire common shares held by our independent directors, see "*Directors' Outstanding Option-Based Awards*" and "*Directors' Incentive Plan Awards – Value Vested or Earned during the Year*" below.

Directors' Summary Compensation Table

The following table sets forth for the year ended December 31, 2012, information concerning the compensation paid to our directors.

Name	Fees earned (\$)	Option-based awards ⁽¹⁾ (\$)	Total (\$)
Donald G. Cowie	18,000	18,967	36,967
Grant B. Fagerheim	-	177,819	177,819
Gregory S. Fletcher	18,000	18,967	36,967
Glenn A. McNamara	18,000	18,967	36,967
Murray K. Mullen ⁽²⁾	6,750	167,774	174,524
Stephen C. Nikiforuk	18,000	18,967	36,967
Grant A. Zawalsky ⁽³⁾	18,000	18,967	36,967

Notes:

- (1) Based on the grant date fair value of the applicable options on the date of grant. The fair value of each option granted is determined on the date of grant using the Black-Scholes option pricing model. In the pricing model for options, the risk free interest rate was 1.2% during 2012; volatility was 47% during 2012; an average expected life of 4 years; and an estimated forfeiture rate of 3.7%. **These amounts are not necessarily reflective of actual amounts that may be realized on exercise.** See "*Directors' Outstanding Option-based Awards*" which reflect the value at December 31, 2012.
- (2) Mr. Mullen was appointed to our board of directors in August of 2012.
- (3) Mr. Zawalsky is a partner at the law firm of Burnet, Duckworth & Palmer LLP, which also receives fees for the provision of legal services to us.

Directors' Outstanding Option-Based Awards

The following tables set forth all option-based awards outstanding at the end of the year ended December 31, 2012 for each of our directors.

Name	Option-based Awards			
	Number of securities underlying unexercised options (#)	Option exercise price (\$)	Option expiration date	Value of unexercised in-the-money options ⁽¹⁾ (\$)
Grant B. Fagerheim	188,814	2.40	Sept. 1, 2013	1,180,088
	94,400	6.13	June 22, 2015	237,888
	50,000	5.61	October 7, 2015	152,000
	75,000	6.23	July 3, 2016	181,500
Donald G. Cowie	50,000	6.96	April 25, 2015	84,500
	5,000	6.13	June 22, 2015	12,600
	3,000	5.61	October 7, 2015	9,120
	8,000	6.23	July 3, 2016	19,360
Gregory S. Fletcher	50,000	4.79	Nov. 1, 2014	193,000
	5,000	6.13	June 22, 2015	12,600
	3,000	5.61	October 7, 2015	9,120
	8,000	6.23	July 3, 2016	19,360
Glenn A. McNamara	16,660	3.00	June 1, 2014	94,129
	5,553	6.13	June 22, 2015	13,994
	3,000	5.61	October 7, 2015	9,120
	8,000	6.23	July 3, 2016	19,360
Murray K. Mullen	60,000	7.42	August 20, 2016	73,800
Stephen C. Nikiforuk	11,107	2.40	Sept. 1, 2013	69,419
	5,553	6.13	June 22, 2015	13,994
	3,000	5.61	October 7, 2015	9,120
	8,000	6.23	July 3, 2016	19,360
Grant A. Zawalsky	11,107	2.40	Sept. 1, 2013	69,419
	5,553	6.13	June 22, 2015	13,994
	3,000	5.61	October 7, 2015	9,120
	8,000	6.23	July 3, 2016	19,360

Notes:

- (1) Calculated based on the difference between the market price of common shares at December 31, 2012 (\$8.65) and the exercise price of the options.
- (2) We do not have any outstanding share-based awards.

Directors' Incentive Plan Awards – Value Vested or Earned During the Year

The following table sets forth for each of our directors, the value of option-based awards, which vested during the year ended December 31, 2012. We did not have a non-equity incentive compensation plan in 2012.

Name	Option-based awards – Value vested during the year ⁽¹⁾ (\$)
Grant B. Fagerheim	506,992
Donald G. Cowie	27,312
Gregory S. Fletcher	58,648
Glenn A. McNamara	26,367
Murray K. Mullen ⁽²⁾	-
Stephen C. Nikiforuk	29,870
Grant A. Zawalsky	29,870

Notes:

- (1) The amounts shown reflect the aggregate dollar value that would have been realized if the options had been exercised on the applicable vesting date. The values are calculated as the difference between the closing price of the common shares on the vesting date and the exercise price of the options multiplied by the number of common shares vesting on that date.
- (2) Mr. Mullen was appointed to our board of directors in August of 2012.

Meeting Attendances

The following is a summary of attendance of our directors at meetings of our board of directors and its committees for 2012.

Name	Board Meetings Attended	Audit Committee Meetings Attended	Reserves Committee Meetings Attended	Corporate Governance and Compensation Committee Meetings Attended
Grant B. Fagerheim ⁽¹⁾	15/15	-	2/2	2/2
Donald G. Cowie	13/15	4/4	-	-
Gregory S. Fletcher	15/15	4/4	2/2	-
Glenn A. McNamara	13/15	-	2/2	1/2
Murray K. Mullen ⁽¹⁾	6/6	-	-	1/1
Stephen C. Nikiforuk	15/15	4/4	-	1/1
Grant A. Zawalsky	14/15	-	-	2/2

Note:

- (1) Mr. Mullen was appointed to our board of directors in August of 2012 and replaced Mr. Fagerheim on our corporate governance and compensation committee.

EXECUTIVE COMPENSATION

For the year ended December 31, 2012 our named executive officers ("NEOs"), were Mr. Fagerheim, our President and Chief Executive Officer, Mr. Kang, our Vice President, Finance and Chief Financial Officer, Mr. Mombourquette, our Vice President, Business Development, Mr. Dunlop, our Vice President, Engineering, and Mr. Armstrong, our Vice President, Production and Operations.

Compensation Discussion and Analysis

We have developed an executive compensation strategy built on offering a competitive compensation package, which is oriented toward developing a culture of ownership by providing long-term equity-based incentives. As a result, the awarding of options is a significant component of our executive compensation. This approach is based on the assumption that our share price performance over the long-term is an important indicator of long-term performance.

Our compensation philosophy is based on the following fundamental principles:

- Our compensation programs must be aligned with shareholder interests by aligning the goals of executives with maximizing long-term shareholder value.
- Our compensation to NEOs must be performance sensitive by linking compensation to our operating and market performance.
- Our compensation programs must be market competitive in terms of value and structure in order to retain existing employees who are performing according to their objectives and to attract new individuals of the highest calibre.

The objectives of our executive compensation program were developed based on the above-mentioned compensation philosophy as follows:

- To attract and retain a high quality management and employee team and to motivate performance by aligning a significant portion of the compensation to enhancement in share value and to encourage all employees to become significant shareholders.
- To evaluate executive performance on the basis of key measurements that correlate to long-term shareholder value.
- To tie compensation directly to those measurements and rewards based on achieving and exceeding predetermined objectives.

In establishing our executive compensation program the corporate governance and compensation committee also considers the implication of the risks associated with our compensation program, including:

- The risk of executives taking inappropriate or excessive risks.
- The risk of inappropriate focus on achieving short term goals at the expense of long term return to shareholders.
- The risk of encouraging aggressive accounting practises.
- The risk of excessive focus on financial returns and operational goals at the expense of regulatory, environmental and health and safety.

While no program can fully mitigate these risks we believe that many of these risks are mitigated by:

- Weighting our long term incentives towards share ownership and vesting our long term incentives over a number of years.
- Establishing a uniform incentive program for all executive officers and employees.
- Avoiding narrowly focused performance goals which may encourage loss of focus on providing long term shareholder return and retaining adequate discretion to insure that the corporate governance and compensation committee and board retain their business judgment in assessing actual performance.
- Establishing a strong "tone at the top" for accounting, regulatory, environmental and health and safety compliance.

Compensation Decision-Making Process

Our corporate governance and compensation committee assists our board of directors in fulfilling its responsibilities by monitoring our compensation plans and practices and ensuring their congruence with our objectives and goals by assessing and making recommendations regarding compensation, benefits, short and long-term incentive programs and employee retention. Our corporate governance and compensation committee is currently composed of three directors, Mr. McNamara (Chairman), Mr. Zawalsky and Mr. Mullen. All of the members of our corporate governance and compensation committee are independent directors. A summary of the mandate of the corporate governance and compensation committee is set forth under "*Corporate Governance Disclosure*". All of our current and proposed corporate governance and compensation committee members have served as a senior executive officer and/or director of numerous organizations and have direct experience in executive and corporate compensation programs. Reference should be made to each proposed member's biography found under "*Election of Directors*" above.

Our Chief Executive Officer presents recommendations to the corporate governance and compensation committee regarding salary adjustments and bonuses for all of our staff, including the NEOs. The focus of the discussion is on the individual executive salaries, bonuses and long-term incentive awards with a review of the aggregate level of salary, bonuses and long-term incentive awards for the balance of the staff. The corporate governance and compensation committee makes specific recommendations to our board on our Chief Executive Officer's salary, bonus payments and long-term incentive awards. The corporate governance and compensation committee also recommends the salaries, bonus and long-term incentive awards payments of all other officers.

Our board reviews all recommendations of the corporate governance and compensation committee before final approval. Any director who is also an officer is excused from the directors' meeting during any discussion of their compensation.

Components of Compensation Plan

Our executive compensation program provides a balanced set of components designed to deliver the objectives of our compensation philosophy. The salary component provides a base of secure compensation necessary to attract and retain executive talent but is typically lower than the median of the peer group data for executives, our peer group being junior oil and gas companies with similar market capitalization and production levels. The variable components, bonus and long-term incentives are designed to balance short-term performance with our long-term interests and motivate the superior performance of both. The long-term incentive plan also aligns NEOs with shareholders and helps retain executive talent. In determining base salary, bonuses and long-term incentive awards, our corporate governance and compensation committee uses the executive's current level of compensation as the starting point. Our corporate governance and compensation committee then considers overall corporate performance, performance across a number of operating measures including but not limited to production, cash flow and reserves growth per share, to evaluate the execution of our business strategy and other subjective elements.

Summary Compensation of NEO's

The following table sets forth for the years ended December 31, 2012, December 31, 2011 and December 31, 2010, information concerning the actual compensation paid to our NEO's.

Name and principal position	Year	Salary (\$)	Non-equity incentive plan compensation (\$)			Option- based awards ⁽¹⁾ (\$)	Total compensation ⁽⁴⁾ (\$)
			Annual incentive plans ⁽³⁾	Long- term incentive plans			
Grant B. Fagerheim President and Chief Executive Officer	2012	235,000	150,000	-	177,819	562,819	
	2011	182,250	40,000	-	428,976	651,226	
	2010	144,000	-	-	-	144,000	
Joel Armstrong ⁽²⁾ Vice President, Production and Operations	2012	185,000	77,500	-	118,546	381,046	
	2011	151,250	20,000	-	239,157	410,407	
	2010	82,605	-	-	152,328	234,933	
Darin Dunlop Vice President, Engineering	2012	185,000	85,000	-	118,546	388,546	
	2011	150,000	32,500	-	241,892	424,392	
	2010	135,000	-	-	-	135,000	
Thanh Kang Vice President, Finance and Chief Financial Officer	2012	200,000	100,000	-	118,546	418,546	
	2011	156,750	40,000	-	244,627	441,377	
	2010	132,000	-	-	-	132,000	
David Mombourquette Vice President, Business Development	2012	185,000	85,000	-	118,546	388,546	
	2011	149,250	30,000	-	284,560	463,810	
	2010	132,000	-	-	-	132,000	

Notes:

- (1) Based on the grant date fair value of the applicable options on the date of grant. The fair value of each option granted is determined on the date of grant using the Black-Scholes option pricing model. In the pricing model for options, the risk free interest rate was 1.2% during 2012 (1.7% – 2011 and 2.2% – 2010); volatility was 47% during 2012 (51% – 2011 and 65% – 2010); an average expected life of 4 years for 2012 (4 years – 2011 and 4 years – 2010); and an estimated forfeiture rate of 3.7% for 2012 (3.4% – 2011 and nil% – 2010). **These amounts are not necessarily reflective of actual amounts that may be realized on exercise.** See "Outstanding Option-based Awards" which reflect the value at December 31, 2012.
- (2) Mr. Armstrong joined us on May 31, 2010. His 2010 base salary amount has not been annualized.
- (3) Represents amounts paid in the year.
- (4) We do not have any outstanding share-based awards.

Base Salary

In setting base salaries, our corporate governance and compensation committee reviews executive compensation of comparable organizations in the oil and gas industry. Historically we have encouraged an executive compensation philosophy where a significant component of compensation is variable and salaries that are below market medians. This philosophy reflects our focus on control of general and administrative cash costs and emphasis on executive compensation being linked to share performance. Salaries of senior executive officers reflect market conditions and levels of responsibility.

The following table summarizes annual base salaries for our NEO's at December 31, 2012 and December 31, 2011.

Name and principal position	2012 Base Salary (\$)	2011 Base Salary (\$)	Increase
Grant B. Fagerheim President and Chief Executive Officer	235,000	182,250	28.94%
Joel Armstrong Vice President, Production and Operations	185,000	151,250	22.31%
Darin Dunlop Vice President, Engineering	185,000	150,000	23.33%
Thanh Kang Vice President, Finance and Chief Financial Officer	200,000	156,750	27.59%
David Mombourquette Vice President, Business Development	185,000	149,250	23.95%

Bonuses

Cash bonuses are performance based, and determined on both targeted individual and corporate performance including per share growth in cash flows, production and reserves in addition to operating costs per boe relative to budget. Bonuses are intended to reward performance by our executive officers in the achievement of our strategic goals and objectives.

Long-term Incentives

Our long-term incentives currently consist solely of our stock option plan. Our stock option plan is designed to align the interests of our employees with shareholders by linking a component of compensation to the long-term performance of our common shares. At the meeting, we are asking shareholders to approve our new 2013 award incentive program which will replace our stock option plan as our primary form of long-term compensation incentive. For further information, see "*Matters to be Acted Upon at the Meeting – Approval of 2013 Award Incentive Plan*" above.

Stock Option Plan

Our stock option plan was adopted by our board on August 3, 2010 and approved by our shareholders at our annual general and special meeting held on September 14, 2010.

The number of common shares issuable pursuant to our stock option plan to any one person may not exceed 5% of our outstanding common shares. The number of common shares reserved for issuance at any time or issued within one year, pursuant to the plan and all of our other established or proposed share compensation arrangements to insiders will not exceed 10% of our outstanding common shares and the number of common shares issuable within one year, pursuant to our stock option plan and all of our other established or proposed share compensation arrangements to any one insider and such insider's associates shall not exceed 10% of the outstanding common shares. In addition, the number of common shares issuable pursuant to our stock option plan to non-management directors is limited to a maximum of 1% of the outstanding common shares.

All options awarded pursuant to our stock option plan will expire on a date as determined at the time of the grant provided that no stock option may be exercised beyond six years from the time of the grant.

Options are issued at an exercise price equal to the volume weighted average trading price of the common shares for the five trading days prior to the date of grant. Any stock options which have not been exercised by the expiry date will expire and become null and void. If the expiry date of any option falls within any blackout period imposed by our board or within ten business days following the end of any blackout period, then the expiry date of such options shall be extended to the date that is ten business days following the end of such blackout period. Unless approved by our board of directors, no options may be exercised by an optionee during a blackout period. The stock option plan does not provide for any financial assistance to be provided by us to facilitate the exercise of an option.

If an optionee ceases to be a director, officer or employee of us or ceases to be providing services to us on an ongoing basis for any reason whatsoever, including without limitation resignation, dismissal or otherwise, but excluding the optionee's death, the optionee may, prior to the expiry date and within 30 days from the date of ceasing to be a director, officer or an employee or ceasing to provide services to us on an ongoing basis, exercise the stock options which are vested within such period, after which time the stock option shall terminate. If an optionee dies prior to the expiry date, the optionee's legal representative may, within six months from the optionee's death and prior to the expiry date, exercise the stock options which are vested within such period, after which time any remaining stock options shall terminate. If there is a "change of control" as defined in the stock option agreement all outstanding stock options vest prior to the date of the change of control. All options granted pursuant to the stock option plan are not assignable.

Optionees have the right (the "**Put Right**") to request that we purchase each of their vested options for a price equal to the difference, if positive, between the market price of our common shares on the day of receipt of notice of exercise of the Put Right and the exercise price of the option. We have the discretion to not accept any exercise of the Put Right. No Put Rights were exercised in 2012.

In addition, each optionee that exercises the Put Right may purchase common shares from treasury with the proceeds of the exercise of the Put Right at the market price of our common shares. In certain circumstances as set forth in the stock option plan, an optionee that exercises the Put Right may purchase common shares from us, which may, at our election, be issued on a flow-through basis under the *Income Tax Act* (Canada). The maximum number of common shares available under the Put Right is currently set at 700,000 common shares.

Our board of directors can amend or discontinue the stock option plan or options granted thereunder at any time without shareholder approval, provided any amendment to the stock option plan that requires approval of any stock exchange on which our common shares are listed for trading may not be made without approval of such stock exchange. However, without the prior approval of the shareholders, as may be required by such exchange, we may not make any amendment to the stock option plan or stock options granted thereunder to: (a) increase the percentage of common shares issuable on exercise of outstanding options at any time; (b) reduce the exercise price of any outstanding stock options or in respect of the cancellation or re-issuance of stock options; (c) extend the term of any outstanding stock option beyond the original expiry date of such stock option unless such extension is due to a blackout period being in effect; (d) increase the maximum limit on the number of securities that may be issued to insiders; (e) amend the limits on grants of options to non-management directors; (f) change participants eligible to receive options under the stock option plan to permit the introduction or re-introduction of non-employee directors on a discretionary basis; (g) permit an optionee to transfer or assign options to a new beneficial holder, other than for estate settlement purposes; or (h) amend the amendment clause. In addition, no amendment to the stock option plan or stock options granted pursuant to the stock option plan may be made without the consent of the optionee, if it adversely alters or impairs any stock option previously granted to such optionee under the stock option plan.

A copy of our stock option plan has been filed and is available on the System for Electronic Document Analysis and Retrieval (SEDAR) at www.sedar.com.

Outstanding Option-Based Awards

The following table sets forth for each NEO, all option-based awards outstanding at the end of the year ended December 31, 2012.

Name	Option-based Awards			
	Number of securities underlying unexercised options (#)	Option exercise price (\$)	Option expiration date	Value of unexercised in-the-money options ⁽¹⁾ (\$)
Grant B. Fagerheim	188,814	2.40	Sept. 1, 2013	1,180,088
	94,400	6.13	June 22, 2015	237,888
	50,000	5.61	October 7, 2015	152,000
	75,000	6.23	July 3, 2016	181,500
Joel Armstrong	33,320	3.00	May 31, 2014	188,258
	25,000	6.13	June 22, 2015	63,000
	50,000	5.61	October 7, 2015	152,000
	50,000	6.23	July 3, 2016	121,000
Darin Dunlop	79,125	2.40	Nov. 12, 2013	494,531
	26,000	6.13	June 22, 2015	65,520
	50,000	5.61	October 7, 2015	152,000
	50,000	6.23	July 3, 2016	121,000
Thanh Kang	108,290	2.40	Sept. 28, 2013	676,813
	27,000	6.13	June 22, 2015	68,040
	50,000	5.61	October 7, 2015	152,000
	50,000	6.23	July 3, 2016	121,000
David Mombourquette	166,600	2.40	Sept. 1, 2013	1,041,250
	41,600	6.13	June 22, 2015	104,832
	50,000	5.61	October 7, 2015	152,000
	50,000	6.23	July 3, 2016	121,000

Notes:

- (1) Calculated based on the difference between the market price of our common shares at December 31, 2012 (\$8.65) and the exercise price of the options.
- (2) We do not have any outstanding share-based awards.

Incentive Plan Awards – Value Vested or Earned During the Year

The following table sets forth for each NEO, the value of option-based awards which vested during the year ended December 31, 2011. We did not have a non-equity incentive compensation plan in 2012.

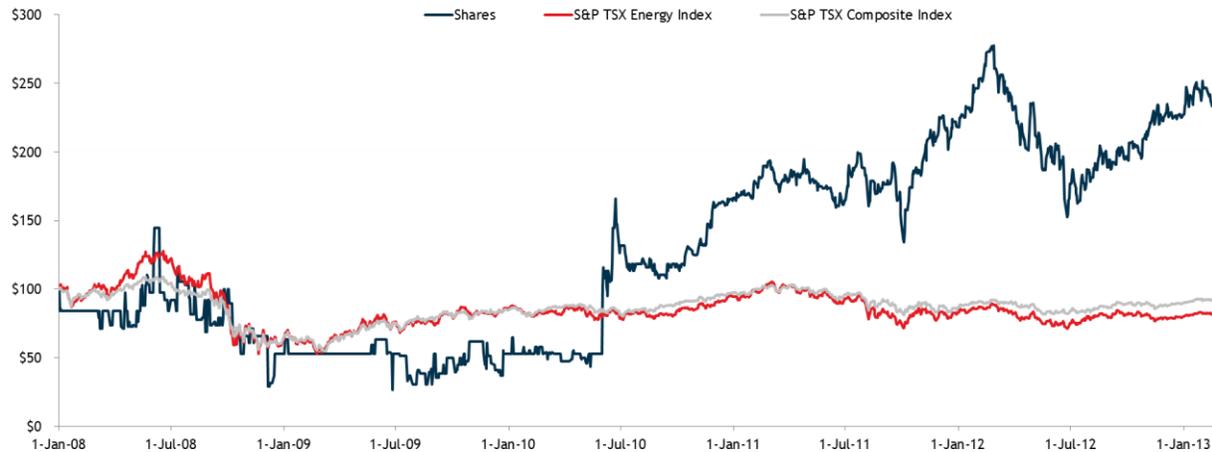
Name	Option-based awards – Value vested during the year ⁽¹⁾ (\$)
Grant B. Fagerheim	506,992
Joel Armstrong	195,185
Darin Dunlop	257,654
Thanh Kang	217,734
David Mombourquette	313,307

Note:

- (1) The amounts shown reflect the aggregate dollar value that would have been realized if the options had been exercised on the applicable vesting date. The values are calculated as the difference between the closing price of the common shares on the vesting date and the exercise price of the options multiplied by the number of common shares vesting on that date.

Performance Graph

The following graph compares on a yearly basis the accumulative total shareholders' return from January 1, 2008 to December 31, 2012 of \$100 invested in our common shares (after giving effect to Spitfire transaction and the share consolidation) versus the total return of \$100 invested in the S&P/TSX Energy Index and the S&P/TSX Composite Index.



	<u>01-Jan-08</u>	<u>31-Dec-08</u>	<u>31-Dec-09</u>	<u>31-Dec-10</u>	<u>31-Dec-11</u>	<u>31-Dec-12</u>
Whitecap	\$100.00	\$52.63	\$52.63	\$166.58	\$218.16	\$227.63
S&P/TSX Energy Index	\$100.00	\$63.66	\$85.93	\$94.52	\$82.92	\$79.91
S&P/TSX Composite Index	\$100.00	\$64.97	\$84.91	\$97.18	\$86.42	\$89.88

Note:

- (1) From January 1, 2008 to June 25, 2010 this table reflects to trading of Spitfire's common shares and after June 20, 2010 the trading in our common shares.

Salaries and bonuses for our executive officers are based in part on the achievement of certain pre-determined performance metrics at the beginning of each fiscal year. The achievement of these objectives is measured against corporate and individual targets, as described earlier, and does not necessarily track the changes in the market value of our common shares.

Our long-term incentive plans are designed to align the interests of employees, including NEO's, with shareholders by linking a component of compensation to our common share performance.

Securities Authorized for Issuance Under Equity Compensation Plans

The following sets forth information in respect of securities authorized for issuance under our equity compensation plans as at December 31, 2012.

Plan Category	Number of securities to be issued upon exercise of outstanding options (a)	Weighted average exercise price of outstanding options (b)	Number of securities remaining available for future issuance under equity compensation plans (excluding securities reflected in column (a)) (c)
Equity compensation plans approved by securityholders ⁽¹⁾	5,159,561	\$5.77	7,630,382
Equity compensation plans not approved by securityholders	-	-	-
Total	5,159,561	\$5.77	7,630,382

Note:

- (1) Our stock option plan provides that the maximum number of common shares issuable upon exercise of options is equal to 10% of the aggregate number of our outstanding common shares.

Termination and Change of Control Benefits

We have entered into employment agreements with each of our NEOs. Pursuant to such employment agreements, each individual is entitled to: (i) an annual base salary and benefits; (ii) discretionary bonuses as determined by our board; and (iii) stock options. Under each agreement, we have agreed to compensate each NEO in the event of the termination of employment: (i) for any reason except just cause, voluntary retirement, voluntary resignation, death of the NEO or permanent incapacity, and (ii) if the executive terminates employment by giving thirty days' notice to us within ninety (90) days of a change of control.

Assuming that the triggering event occurred on December 31, 2012 for the scenarios outlined in the paragraph above: (a) Mr. Fagerheim would be entitled to receive \$282,000.00 (being 18 months' of salary plus 20% of salary in lieu of benefits); (b) Mr. Kang would be entitled to receive \$240,000.00 (being 12 months' of salary plus 20% of salary in lieu of benefits); (c) Messrs. Mombourquette, Armstrong and Dunlop would each be entitled to receive \$222,000.00 (being 12 months' of salary plus 20% of salary in lieu of benefits). In addition, all of the executives' unvested stock options would become fully vested upon a change of control, the impact of which has been quantified in the section entitled "*Outstanding Option-Based Awards*".

Each of the employment agreements provide that the executive shall not during the term of his employment and thereafter disclose any of our confidential information. The executive continues to owe us a duty of loyalty, good faith and avoidance of conflict of duty following termination of his employment.

Short Selling and Restrictions

Our directors and officers are prohibited from knowingly selling, directly or indirectly, a common share or other security of us if such person selling such security does not own or has not fully paid for the security to be sold. Directors and officers shall not, directly or indirectly, buy or sell a call or put in respect of a common share or other security of us. Notwithstanding these prohibitions, directors and officers may sell a common share which such person does not own if such person owns another security convertible into common shares or an option or right to acquire common shares sold and, within 10 days after the sale, such person: (i) exercises the conversion privilege, option or right and delivers the common share so associated to the purchaser; or (ii) transfers the convertible security, option or right, if transferable to the purchaser.

CORPORATE GOVERNANCE DISCLOSURE

Effective June 30, 2005, as amended effective December 31, 2007 and March 17, 2008, National Instrument 58-101 – *Disclosure of Corporate Governance Practices* ("NI 58-101") and National Policy 58-201 – *Corporate Governance Guidelines* ("NP 58-201") were adopted in each of the provinces and territories of Canada. NI 58-101 requires issuers to disclose the corporate governance practices that they have adopted. NP 58-201 provides guidance on corporate governance practices.

Our board of directors believes that good corporate governance improves corporate performance and benefits all shareholders. The following sets out our approach to corporate governance and addresses our compliance with NI 58-101.

Board of Directors

Directors are considered to be independent if they have no direct or indirect material relationship with us. A "material relationship" is a relationship which could, in the view of our board, be reasonably expected to interfere with the exercise of a director's independent judgment.

Our management has been delegated the responsibility for meeting defined corporate objectives, implementing approved strategic and operating plans, carrying on our business in the ordinary course, managing cash flow, evaluating new business opportunities, recruiting staff and complying with applicable regulatory requirements. Our board facilitates its independent supervision over management by reviewing and approving long-term strategic, business and capital plans, material contracts and business transactions, and all debt and equity financing transactions. Through the audit committee, our board examines the effectiveness of our internal control processes and information systems.

The independent members of our board are Donald G. Cowie, Gregory S. Fletcher, Glenn A. McNamara, Murray K. Mullen, Stephen C. Nikiforuk and Grant A. Zawalsky. Grant B. Fagerheim is a non-independent director since he is also our President and Chief Executive Officer. A majority of our board is independent.

With respect to Mr. Zawalsky, although the law firm of which he is a partner provides legal services to us, we have determined that he was independent of us after considering such matters as the magnitude of his personal holdings of shares, the annual billings of his law firm to us and his involvement with other issuers.

Although our independent directors do not hold regularly scheduled meetings at which non-independent directors and members of management are not in attendance, in accordance with the mandate of the board as well, at the end of or during each meeting of our board, the members of our management who are present at such meeting leave the meeting in order that the independent directors can discuss any necessary matters without management being present. Since the beginning of our most recently completed financial year, our independent directors have held two such meetings.

Our Chairman, Mr. Grant B. Fagerheim, is not considered independent and we currently have not appointed a lead director. However, our board believes that it is able to effectively function independently of management and meets its obligations and responsibilities, including those matters set forth in the mandate of the board.

Board Mandate

The mandate of our board is attached as Appendix "A".

Position Descriptions

Our board has approved written position descriptions or terms of reference for our chairman and the chairman of each of our audit committee, our corporate governance and compensation committee and our reserves committee. Our board has developed a written position description for our Chief Executive Officer.

The following directors are presently directors of other reporting issuers (or the equivalent):

Director	Names of Other Issuers
Grant B. Fagerheim	PRD Energy Inc. and Sintana Energy Inc.
Donald C. Cowie	Crocotta Energy Inc.
Glenn A. McNamara	Petromanas Energy Inc.
Gregory S. Fletcher	Calfrac Well Services Ltd, Total Energy Services Inc. and Peyto Exploration and Development Corp.
Stephen C. Nikiforuk	None
Murray K. Mullen	Western Energy Services Corp.
Grant A. Zawalsky	Zargon Oil & Gas Ltd. and NuVista Energy Ltd.

Orientation and Continuing Education

While we do not currently have a formal orientation and educational program for new recruits to our board, we provide such orientation and education on an informal basis. We provide new board members with our corporate policies, historical information about us, as well as information on our performance and our strategic plan with an outline of the general duties and responsibilities entailed in carrying out their duties. Our board believes that these procedures are a practical and effective approach in light of our particular circumstances, including our size of limited turnover of the directors and the experience and expertise of the members of our board.

No formal continuing education program currently exists for our directors; however, we encourage directors to attend, enrol in or participate in courses and/or seminars dealing with financial literacy, corporate governance and related matters. Each director has the responsibility for ensuring that he maintains the skill and knowledge necessary to meet his obligations as a director.

Ethical Business Conduct

Our board has adopted a Code of Business Conduct and Ethics (the "**Code**"), a copy of which is available to review at www.sedar.com. It is expected that each of our officer's and director's will confirm his or her understanding, acceptance and compliance of the Code on an annual basis. Any reports of variance from the Code will be reported to our board.

Our board has also adopted a Whistleblower Policy which provides employees with the ability to have procedures in place to address the confidential, anonymous submission by employees of concerns regarding accounting, internal accounting controls or auditing matters, or to address the receipt, retention and treatment of concerns regarding accounting, internal accounting controls or auditing matters. Our board believes that providing a forum for employees to raise concerns about ethical conduct and treating all complaints with the appropriate level of seriousness fosters a culture of ethical conduct.

In accordance with the *Business Corporations Act* (Alberta), directors who are party to, or are a director or officer of a person which is a party to, a material contract or material transaction or a proposed material contract or a proposed material transaction with us are required to disclose the nature and extent of their interest and not to vote on any resolution to approve the contract or transaction. In addition, in certain cases, an independent committee of our board may be formed to deliberate on such matters in the absence of the interested party.

Nomination of Directors

Our board considers its size each year when it considers the number of directors to recommend to the shareholders for election at the annual meeting of shareholders, taking into account the number required to carry out our board's duties effectively and to maintain a diversity of views and experience.

Our corporate governance and compensation committee acts as the nominating committee of our board and reviews the size and composition of our board and nominating functions are then performed by the board as a whole. However, this policy is reviewed annually. Our corporate governance and compensation committee, which is responsible for nominating directors, is comprised of a majority of independent directors.

Board Committees

Our board has four committees: an Audit Committee, a Corporate Governance and Compensation Committee and a Reserves Committee. Our board has accepted overall responsibility for health, safety and environment and no separate committee has been established to deal with these issues.

Audit Committee

Our audit committee is currently comprised of Stephen C. Nikiforuk (Chairman), Donald C. Cowie and Gregory S. Fletcher. All of the members of our audit committee are independent (as such term is defined in National Instrument 51-110 – *Audit Committees*) and financially literate. A copy of our audit committee mandate and terms of reference is available for review in our annual information form.

Corporate Governance and Compensation Committee

Our corporate governance and compensation committee is currently comprised of Glenn A. McNamara (Chairman), Grant A. Zawalsky and Murray K. Mullen. All of the members of our compensation committee are "independent" (as such term is defined in NI 58-101). The primary responsibility of this committee is to assist our board in fulfilling its responsibility by reviewing matters relating to corporate governance and our human resource policies and compensation of our directors, officers and employees.

Subject to the powers and duties of the board, the committee is required under its charter to perform the following duties:

Corporate Governance Matters

- (a) annually review the mandates of the board and its committees and recommend to the board such amendments to those mandates as the committee believes are necessary or desirable;
- (b) considering and, if thought fit, approving requests from directors or committees of directors of the engagement of special advisors from time to time;
- (c) preparing and recommending to the board annually a statement of corporate governance practices to be included in our annual report or information circular as required by the Toronto Stock Exchange and any other regulatory authority;
- (d) making recommendations to the board as to which directors should be classified as "independent directors", "related" directors or "unrelated" directors pursuant to any such report or circular;
- (e) reviewing on a periodic basis the composition of the board and ensuring that an appropriate number of independent directors sit on the board, analyzing the needs of the board and recommending nominees who meet such needs;
- (f) assessing, at least annually, the effectiveness of the board as a whole, the committees of the board and the contribution of individual directors, including considering the appropriate size of the board;
- (g) recommending suitable candidates for nominees for election or appointment as directors, and recommending the criteria governing the overall composition of the board and governing the desirable individual characteristics for directors;

- (h) as required, developing, for approval by the board, an orientation and education program for new recruits to the board;
- (i) acting as a forum for concerns of individual directors in respect of matters that are not readily or easily discussed in a full board meeting, including the performance of management or individual members of management or the performance of the board or individual members of the board;
- (j) developing and recommending to the board for approval and periodic review structures and procedures designed to ensure that the board can function effectively and independently of management;
- (k) reviewing and considering the engagement at our expense of professional and other advisors by any individual director when so requested by any such director;
- (l) establishing, reviewing and updating periodically a Code of Business Conduct and Ethics (the "**Code**") and ensure that management has established a system to monitor compliance with this code; and
- (m) reviewing management's monitoring of our compliance with the organization's Code.

Compensation Matters

- (a) reviewing the compensation philosophy and remuneration policy for our employees and to recommend to the board changes to improve our ability to recruit, retain and motivate employees;
- (b) reviewing and recommending to the board compensation to be paid to members of the board;
- (c) reviewing and recommending to the board performance objectives and the compensation package for the Chief Executive Officer;
- (d) reviewing and recommending to the board, on the recommendation of the Chief Executive Officer, the compensation and benefits package for our senior management positions;
- (e) reviewing management's recommendations for proposed stock option or share purchase plans and make recommendations in respect thereof to the board;
- (f) determining and recommending for approval of the board in conjunction with the Chief Executive Officer bonuses to be paid to our officers and employees and to establish targets or criteria for the payment of such bonuses, if appropriate; and
- (g) preparing and submitting a report of the committee for inclusion of annual disclosure required by applicable securities laws to be made by us including the report required to be included in our information circular – proxy statement.

Reserves Committee

The members of our reserves committee are Glenn A. McNamara (Chairman), Gregory S. Fletcher and Grant B. Fagerheim. A majority of the members of our reserves committee are "independent" (as such term is defined in NI 58-101).

Our board has delegated to the reserves committee responsibility for matters set forth in respect of the responsibilities of the board in relation to National Instrument 51-101 – *Standards of Disclosure for Oil and Gas Activities* ("**NI 51-101**"). These responsibilities include, but are not limited to:

- (a) reviewing our procedures relating to the disclosure of information with respect to oil and gas activities including reviewing its procedures for complying with its disclosure requirements and restrictions set forth under NI 51-101 and applicable securities requirements;
- (b) reviewing our procedures for providing information to the independent evaluator;
- (c) meeting, as considered necessary, with management and the independent evaluator to determine whether any restrictions placed by management affect the ability of the evaluator to report without reservation on the Reserves Data (as defined in NI 51-101) (the "**Reserves Data**") and to review the Reserves Data and the report of the independent evaluator thereon (if such report is provided);
- (d) reviewing the appointment of the independent evaluator and, in the case of any proposed change to such independent evaluator, determining the reason therefor and whether there have been any disputes with management;
- (e) providing a recommendation to the board as to whether to approve the content or filing of the statement of the Reserves Data and other information that may be prescribed by applicable securities requirements including any reports of the independent engineer and of management in connection therewith;
- (f) reviewing our procedures for reporting other information associated with oil and gas producing activities;
- (g) generally reviewing all matters relating to the preparation and public disclosure of estimates of our reserves;
- (h) reviewing our Health, Safety and Environment Policy.

Assessments

Our corporate governance and compensation committee is responsible for assessing the effectiveness of our board as a whole, the committees of our board, the appointments to those committees and the mandates thereof. While no formal evaluation has been conducted to date, the committee has relied on informal evaluation of the effectiveness through both formal and informal communications with board members and through participation with other board members on committees and matters relating to the board. This methodology has been both responsive and practical given the size of our board.

INDEBTEDNESS OF DIRECTORS AND OFFICERS

In October 2012, the Company advanced \$1.0 million as loans to certain officers and employees, excluding the Chief Executive Officer, to finance the purchase of Whitecap common shares through the facilities of the Toronto Stock Exchange. The loans are non-interest bearing. 50% of the amount of each loan is repayable on April 1, 2014 and the balance is repayable on October 1, 2014. If the employee's employment with us is terminated or ceases for any reason, the full amount of the loan is due and payable within 30 days. Each loan is secured by the common shares acquired with the loan proceeds and we have full recourse to the other assets of the employee for the amount outstanding.

The following table sets forth the indebtedness of any director or executive officer, or any associate of any such director or executive officer to us at any time since the beginning of our most recently completed financial year.

Indebtedness of Directors and Executive Officers under Securities Purchase and Other Programs						
Name and Principal Position	Involvement of Company	Largest Amount Outstanding During 2012 (\$)	Amount Outstanding as at March 26, 2013 (\$)	Financial Assisted Securities Purchases During 2012 (common shares)	Security for Indebtedness (common shares)	Amount Forgiven During 2012 (\$)
Joel Armstrong Vice President, Production and Operations	Lender	85,000	85,000	11,000	11,000	-
Daniel Christensen Vice President, Exploration	Lender	120,000	120,000	15,600	15,600	-
Darin Dunlop Vice President, Engineering	Lender	120,000	120,000	15,900	15,900	-
Thanh Kang Vice President, Finance and Chief Financial Officer	Lender	94,000	94,000	13,600	13,600	-
Gary Lebsack Vice President, Land	Lender	120,000	120,000	16,000	16,000	-
Total		539,000	539,000	72,100	72,100	

OTHER MATTERS COMING BEFORE THE MEETING

Management knows of no other matters to come before the meeting other than those referred to in the accompanying notice of annual and special meeting. Should any other matters properly come before the meeting, the common shares represented by proxy solicited by this information circular – proxy statement will be voted on such matters in accordance with the best judgment of the person voting such proxy.

INTEREST OF CERTAIN PERSONS OR COMPANIES IN MATTERS TO BE ACTED UPON

None of our directors or officers, or any person who has held such a position since the beginning of the our last completed financial year, nor any nominee for election as a director, nor any associate or affiliate of the foregoing persons, has any substantial or material interest, direct or indirect, by way of beneficial ownership of securities or otherwise, in any matter to be acted on at the meeting other than as disclosed herein.

INTEREST OF INFORMED PERSONS AND OTHERS IN MATERIAL TRANSACTIONS

Except as disclosed elsewhere herein and set forth below, none of our directors, officers, principal shareholders, or informed persons (as defined in National Instrument 51-102), and no associate or affiliate of any of them, has or has had any material interest in any transaction since the commencement of our most recently completed financial year or in any proposed transactions which has materially affected or would materially affect us.

AUDITORS, TRANSFER AGENT AND REGISTRAR

Our auditors are PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP, Chartered Accountants, Suite 3100, 111 – 5th Avenue S.W., Calgary, Alberta, T2P 5L3.

The transfer agent and registrar for our common shares is Olympia Trust Company at its principal office in Calgary, Alberta.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Financial information is provided in our comparative audited financial statements and related management's discussion and analysis for the year ended December 31, 2012. To receive a copy of these financial statements and related management's discussion and analysis please contact us at Suite 500, 222 – 3rd Avenue S.W., Calgary, Alberta T2P 0B4. This information and additional information relating to us may also be accessed on our website at www.wcap.ca or on SEDAR at www.sedar.com.

APPENDIX "A"



MANDATE OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The Board of Directors (the "**Board**") of Whitecap Resources Inc. (the "**Corporation**") is responsible for the stewardship of the Corporation, and any subsidiaries and partnerships of Whitecap Resources Inc. (collectively, "**Whitecap**"). In discharging its responsibility, the Board will exercise the care, diligence and skill that a reasonably prudent person would exercise in comparable circumstances and will act honestly and in good faith with a view to the best interests of Whitecap. In general terms, the Board will:

- in consultation with the chief executive officer of the Corporation (the "**CEO**"), define the principal objectives of Whitecap;
- supervise the management of the business and affairs of Whitecap with the goal of achieving Whitecap's principal objectives as defined by the Board;
- discharge the duties imposed on the Board by applicable laws; and
- for the purpose of carrying out the foregoing responsibilities, take all such actions as the Board deems necessary or appropriate.

Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, the Board will perform the following duties:

Strategic Direction and Capital and Financial Plans

- require the CEO to present annually to the Board a longer range strategic plan and a shorter range business plan for Whitecap's business, which plans must:
 - be designed to achieve Whitecap's principal objectives;
 - identify the principal strategic and operational opportunities and risks of Whitecap's business; and
 - be approved by the Board as a pre-condition to the implementation of such plans;
- review progress towards the achievement of the goals established in the strategic, operating and capital plans;
- identify the principal risks of Whitecap's business and take all reasonable steps to ensure the implementation of the appropriate systems to manage these risks;
- approve the annual operating and capital plans;
- approve acquisitions and dispositions in excess of which require approval pursuant to expenditure limits established by the Board;
- approve the establishment of credit facilities; and

- approve issuances of additional common shares, other securities and other instruments to the public.

Monitoring and Acting

- monitor Whitecap's progress towards achieving its goals, and to revise and alter its direction through management in light of changing circumstances;
- monitor overall human resources policies and procedures, including compensation and succession planning;
- appoint the CEO and determine the terms of the CEO's employment with Whitecap;
- ensure systems are in place for the implementation and integrity of Whitecap's internal control and management information systems;
- evaluate the performance of the CEO on an ongoing basis through the in camera session held at the end of each regularly scheduled Board meeting;
- in consultation with the CEO, establish the limits of management's authority and responsibility in conducting Whitecap's business;
- in consultation with the CEO, appoint all officers of Whitecap and approve the terms of each officer's employment with Whitecap;
- develop a system under which succession to senior management positions will occur in a timely manner;
- approve any proposed significant change in the management organization structure of Whitecap;
- approve all retirement plans for officers and employees of Whitecap;
- in consultation with the CEO, establish a disclosure policy for Whitecap;
- generally provide advice and guidance to management; and
- approve all matters relating to a takeover bid for the securities of Whitecap.

Finances and Controls

- review Whitecap's systems to manage the risks of Whitecap's business and, with the assistance of management, Whitecap's auditors and others (as required), evaluate the appropriateness of such systems;
- monitor the appropriateness of Whitecap's capital structure;
- ensure that the financial performance of Whitecap is properly reported to shareholders, other security holders and regulators on a timely and regular basis;
- in consultation with the CEO, establish the ethical standards to be observed by all officers and employees of Whitecap and use reasonable efforts to ensure that a process is in place to monitor compliance with those standards;
- require that the CEO institute and monitor processes and systems designed to ensure compliance with applicable laws by Whitecap and its officers and employees;
- require the CEO institute, and maintain the integrity of, internal control and information systems, including maintenance of all required records and documentation;

- approve material contracts to be entered into by the Corporation;
- recommend to shareholders of Whitecap a firm of chartered accountants to be appointed as Whitecap's auditors;
- ensure Whitecap's oil and gas reserve report fairly represents the quantity and value of corporate reserves in accordance with generally accepted engineering principles and applicable securities laws; and
- take reasonable actions to gain reasonable assurance that all financial information made public by Whitecap (including Whitecap's annual and quarterly financial statements) is accurate and complete and represents fairly the Corporation's financial position and performance.

Governance

- selecting nominees for election to the Board;
- facilitate the continuity, effectiveness and independence of the Board by, amongst other things:
 - appointing a Chairman of the Board;
 - appointing from amongst the directors an audit committee and such other committees of the Board as the Board deems appropriate;
 - defining the mandate of each committee of the Board;
 - ensuring that processes are in place and are utilized to assess the effectiveness of the Chairman of the Board, the Board as a whole, each committee of the Board and each director; and
 - establishing a system to enable any director to engage an outside adviser at the expense of Whitecap;
- review annually the composition of the Board and its committees and assess Directors' performance on an ongoing basis, and propose new members to the Board; and
- review annually the adequacy and form of the compensation of directors.

Delegation

- the Board may delegate its duties to, and receive reports and recommendations from, any committee of the Board to the extent permitted by the *Business Corporations Act* (Alberta).

Composition

- the Board should be composed of at least 4 individuals elected by the shareholders at the annual meeting;
- a majority of Board members should be "independent" directors (within the meaning of National Instrument 58-101) and free from any business or other relationship that could impair the exercise of independent judgment;
- members should have or obtain sufficient knowledge of Whitecap and the oil and gas business to assist in providing advice and counsel on relevant issues; and
- board members should offer their resignation from the Board to the Chairman of the Board following:
 - change in personal circumstances which would reasonably interfere with the ability to serve as a director; and
 - change in personal circumstances which would reasonably reflect poorly on Whitecap (for example, finding by a Court of fraud, or conviction under Criminal Code or securities legislation).

Meetings

- the Board shall meet at least four times per year and/or as deemed appropriate by the Board Chair;
- the Board shall meet at the end of its regular quarterly meetings without members of management being present;
- minutes of each meeting shall be prepared;
- the CEO and Chief Financial Officer shall be available to attend all meetings of the Board upon invitation by the Board; and
- Vice-Presidents and such other staff as appropriate to provide information to the Board shall attend meetings at the invitation of the Board.

Authority

- the Board shall have the authority to review any corporate report or material and to investigate activity of Whitecap and to request any employees to cooperate as requested by the Board; and
- the Board may retain persons having special expertise and/or obtain independent professional advice to assist in fulfilling its responsibilities at the expense of Whitecap.