

Troy Doubles Production & Revenue as Low Cost Casposo Hits its Straps

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PERTH, WESTERN AUSTRALIA -- ([Marketwire](#) - Feb. 23, 2012) - [Troy Resources Limited](#) ("Troy") (ASX: TRY) (TSX: TRY) -

HIGHLIGHTS

- Troy announced a 76% increase in profit to A\$10.7 million for the first half of FY2012, this compares to a profit of A\$6.05 million in the corresponding period last year. The profit for the corresponding period in 2010 was significantly supported by the profit on sale of an equity investment for A\$4.2 million rather than from mining operations.
- Ounces produced for the half-year were significantly greater than those sold for the period by approximately 12,000 gold equivalent ounces. This equates to approximately A\$5.5 million in further profits after tax to be recognised in later periods.
- Gold production of 57,327 ounces was up 102% compared to 28,316 ounces in the corresponding period last year, while silver production increased to 415,087 ounces from nil. (gold and silver produced during commissioning at Casposo in the previous corresponding period was not reported as production).
- Revenue is up 128% to A\$88.4 million for the half-year and gross profit up 167% to A\$26.4 million.
- Exploration expenditure is up 200% to A\$7.5 million for the half-year, with A\$4.2 million capitalised in relation to the Kamila south east discovery and A\$3.3 million expensed in the period.
- Cash and cash equivalents totalled A\$33.5 million at 31 December 2011 an increase of A\$5.5 million since 30 June 2011, after A\$6.0 million in loan principal repayments and interest during the period.

Troy today announced a profit of A\$10.7m for the half year ended December 31, 2011. This result compares to a profit of A\$6.05m in the previous corresponding period.

Gross profit increased by A\$16.5m (167%) to A\$26.4m due to production and sales from the two operations, Andorinhas in Brazil and Casposo in Argentina for the full half-year. Casposo ramped up towards capacity in the December 2011 quarter whereas production testing and final construction was still being completed in the corresponding December 2010 quarter.

The result was achieved after expensing A\$3.3m (2010: A\$2.5m) and capitalising A\$4.2m (2010: A\$nil) in exploration expenditure and expensing A\$17.8m for amortisation and depreciation (2010: A\$9.25m). The Company continues its aggressive exploration program with a total of \$7.5m spent in the first half year and an annual budget of \$15.0m, primarily for brownfields exploration at Casposo in Argentina.

Other income declined by A\$5.0m as the corresponding half year result included A\$4.2m profit on the sale of an equity investment.

Income taxes incurred in Argentina and Brazil increased to A\$6.6m from A\$0.4m primarily due to increased gross profits. Export tax at 5% of revenue for Argentina totalled A\$2.7m compared to A\$nil as there were no Argentine sales in the corresponding period.

Commenting on the results Troy CEO Paul Benson said: "This is a pleasing result with a headline after tax profit of A\$10.7m. Also due principally to the six week delay between Casposo production and sales, the declared profit excludes an approximate A\$5.5m in additional after tax profit, on gold and silver bullion and doré held in inventories at cost, that will be recognised in following periods. This strong result reflects the ramp up in Casposo's performance in the December 2011 quarter and strong performance at Andorinhas for

the full half year."

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