THE CARLYLE GROUP

GLOBAL ALTERNATIVE ASSET MANAGEMENT

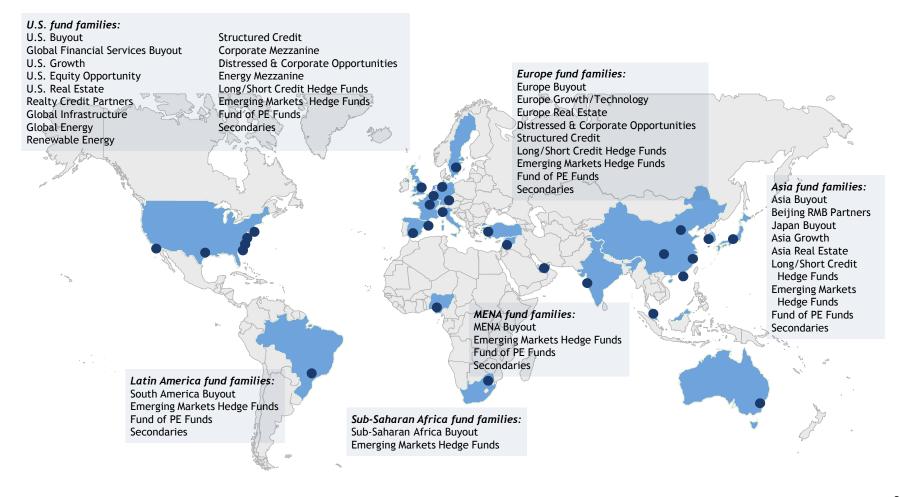
Energy Mezzanine Opportunities Group

Overview of The Carlyle Group

- Established in Washington, D.C. in 1987
- One of the world's largest and most diversified multi-product global alternative asset management firms:
 - \$148 billion in assets under management across 89 funds and 52 fund of funds vehicles¹
 - \$48 billion of equity invested in 414 Corporate Private Equity transactions
 - 31% Gross IRR on realized and partially realized Corporate Private Equity transactions
 - 2.5x gross equity returned on realized and partially realized Corporate Private Equity transactions
 - \$26 billion of equity invested in 541 Real Assets transactions
 - 30% Gross IRR on realized and partially realized Real Assets transactions
 - 2.0x gross equity returned on realized and partially realized Real Assets transactions
 - More than 1,200 employees in 33 offices in Africa, Asia, Australia, Europe, Japan, the Middle East, Latin America and North America¹
 - Large diversified investor base (more than 1,400 active carry fund investors from 72 countries)
 - Achieved results without what Carlyle believes are undue financial risks to investors, and without sacrificing quality controls or integrity

Broad Geographic Footprint, Well Positioned For Growth

More than 1,200 employees in 33 offices around the world



Team Overview¹

- Team includes five former Morgan Stanley colleagues who have a long history working together on commodity-hedged project financings
 - Mitch Petrick
 - David Albert
 - Rahul Culas
 - Tek Kaminski
 - Julie Kim
- > Team also includes a petroleum engineer (David Gibson) and a power industry veteran (Daniel East)

Investment Committee

Bill Conway

Co-founder of The Carlyle Group

David Albert

Co-Head of CEMOF

Mitch Petrick²

Head of Global **Market Strategies**

Former Global Head of Institutional Sales and Trading at Morgan Stanley

Rahul Culas

Co-Head of CEMOF

Senior Advisors

Ron Harrell

Former Chairman & CEO of Ryder Scott

Bobby Shackouls

Former Chairman & CEO of Burlington Resources Inc

Chuck Watson

Former Chairman & CEO of Dynegy

Investment Team

David Albert

Managing Director Portfolio Manager Co-Head of CEMOF

Rahul Culas

Managing Director Co-Head of CEMOF

David Gibson

Vice President Petroleum Engineer

Daniel East

Vice President

Tek Kaminski

Vice President

Justin Teltschik

Vice President

Julie Kim

Senior Associate

Sun-Young Chung

Associate

- 1. As of January 3, 2012.
- Chairman of the Investment Committee.

Energy Mezzanine Opportunities Group Overview

- We invest in projects and companies across the energy value chain, primarily in the US and Canada
 - Upstream oil and gas
 - Power generation (commercially proven technologies)
 - Energy-related infrastructure and processing assets
 - Mining and related natural resource assets
- Provider of capital for acquisitions, refinancings, and development and growth
- Investment process emphasizes flexible deal structures, rapid turnarounds, and straightforward negotiations
- > Team headed by former Morgan Stanley Project & Structured Finance professionals who have spent their careers focused on investing in, and financing, energy projects
 - Full time reservoir engineer on staff

Investment Profile - Oil & Gas

We structure creative & flexible capital solutions tailored for specific company needs

Sector Focus

Upstream, midstream, downstream

Geographic Focus

US and Canada

Investment Size

Target \$20 million to \$100+ million

Investment Tenor

2 - 6 years

Return

Combination of current cash pay, PIK and equity kickers (e.g. NPI, ORRI, warrants)

Investment Portfolio

Since June 2011, the Carlyle Energy Mezzanine Opportunities Group has deployed \$187.5 million in senior secured financings across four transactions

\$20,000,000



First Lien Senior Secured Notes

June 2011

\$125,000,000



First Lien Senior Secured Notes

December 2011

\$20,500,000



First Lien Senior Secured Notes

July 2011

\$22,000,000

TexOak Energy, LLC

First Lien Senior Secured Notes

January 2012

Benefits & Advantages of Carlyle as a Financial Partner

Cost & Control

- Cheaper than private equity
- Allows management to retain full control
- Management friendly capital not "loan-to-own" approach

Flexible & Efficient Capital

- Can close quickly
- Structurally flexible
- Streamlined credit and investment approval process

Solution Provider

- Healthy risk appetite for more challenging capital requirements
- Extensive relationships with banks and hedge counterparties
- Houston presence
- Full-time reservoir engineer on staff

What We Look For

Management

- Strong operating capabilities
- Proven track record
- Industry expertise

Risk

- Reserves development and engineering play
 - Not pure exploration risk
 - Not price play

Assets

- Focus on quality project, not long track record alone
- Leverage specific to assets / production

Financial

- Strong cash flow that withstands downside scenario
- "Skin in the game" from owner / developer
- Total return: more than bank debt, less than equity

What We Need

To Get Started:

- Overview of development opportunity
- Financial model / historical statements
- Meeting with management team
- Development Plan (projects, properties, timing, funds required, schedule, forecast of outcomes)
- To Get to Financial Close:
 - Reserve report / Resource feasibility study
 - Meeting with technical staff / third-party consultants
 - Site visit

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