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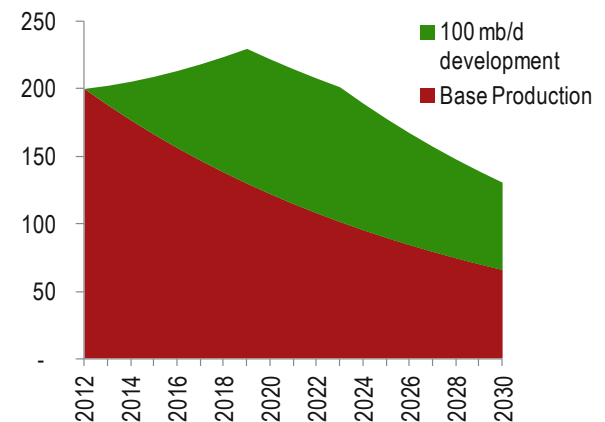
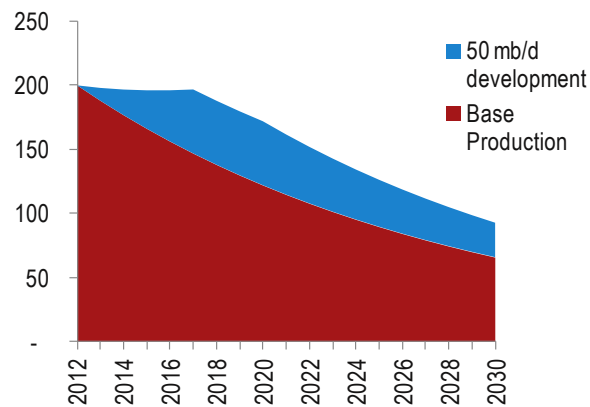
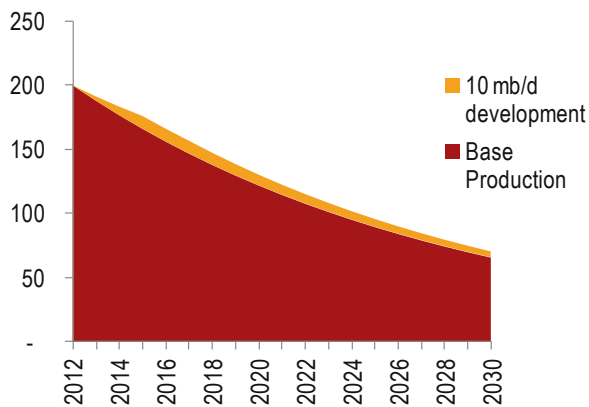
Analysis of CSSB 192 incorporating Amendment  
B.9 “allowance for ‘new oil’”

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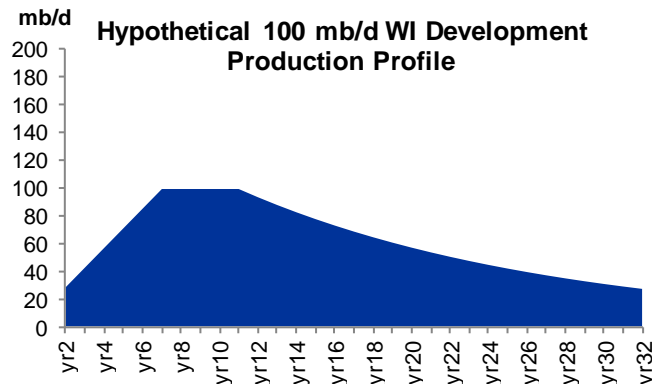
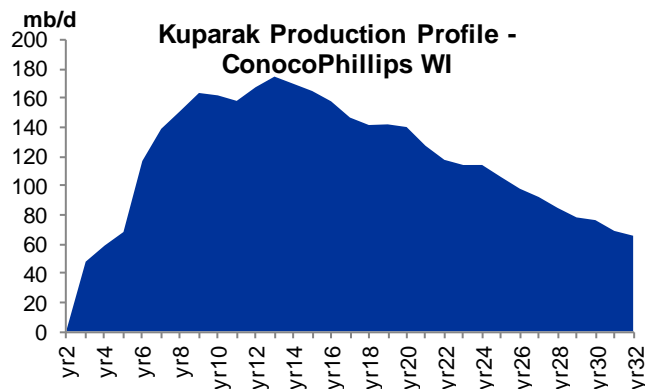
# Incremental Production on a Declining Base

- Central to understanding the impact of the “allowance for ‘new oil’” is an understanding of the impact of new source production on a company’s total production volumes, when that new source production is added to a declining base portfolio
  - The charts below assume a 6% decline rate for an existing North Slope producer currently producing 200 mb/d, and examine hypothetical new source projects that peak at 10mb/d, 50 mb/d and 100 mb/d respectively(on a working interest basis)
  - Given the pace at which such projects typically reach peak production, only the 100 mb/d peak production new source development is actually capable of adding production that is incremental to prior years’ volumes



# A Hypothetical 100 mb/d (Working Interest) development

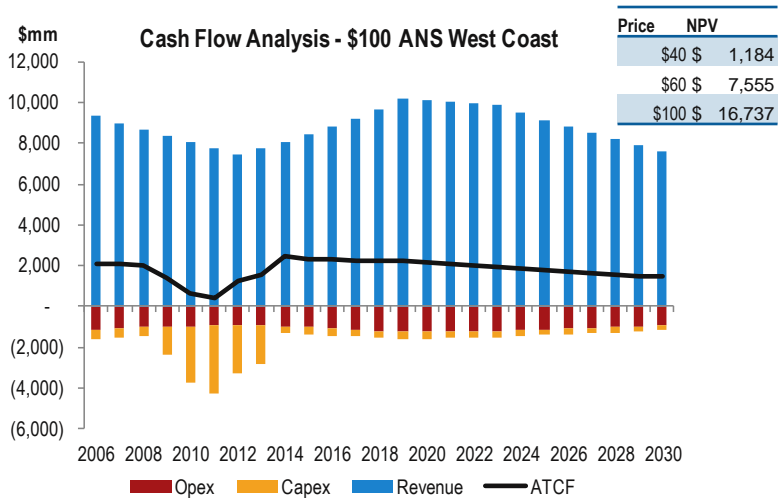
- A new source development that produced 100 mb/d at peak for working interest partner would be a very significant new development. By way of comparison, Kuparak, the second largest field in North America, peaked at ~320 mb/d gross production
  - This represented **working interest production** to ConocoPhillips (the operator and majority shareholder) of **170 mbo/d**
  - Kuparak took 11 years (from 1981 to 1992) to reach this peak level of production
- Since it would take a development on the scale of 100 mb/d (working interest) to achieve “new oil” for an existing producer under the terms of the amendment, a development of this size has been modeled in the following analysis
  - A 7 year ramp-up to peak production has been assumed
  - Such a development would likely eclipse today’s production from Kuparak (122 mb/d gross, 66mb/d working interest to the majority shareholder)
  - It is important to note that this is a significantly more aggressive new-source production profile than is currently foreseen in recent statements by the major operators on their current development pipelines, even in the most optimistic circumstances



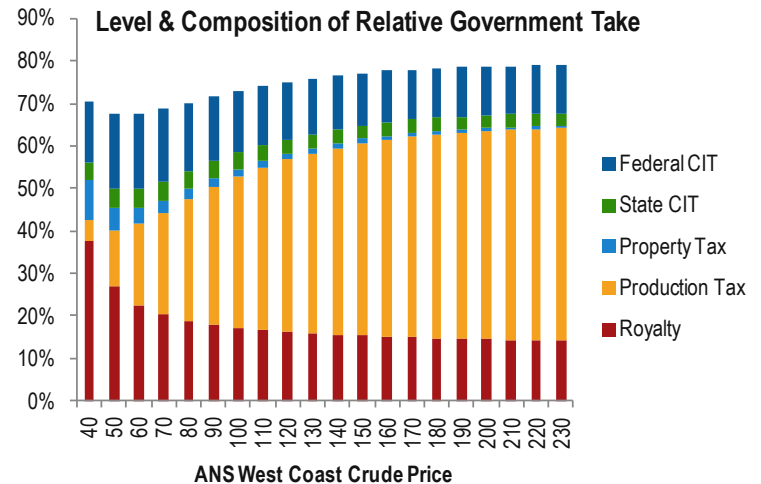
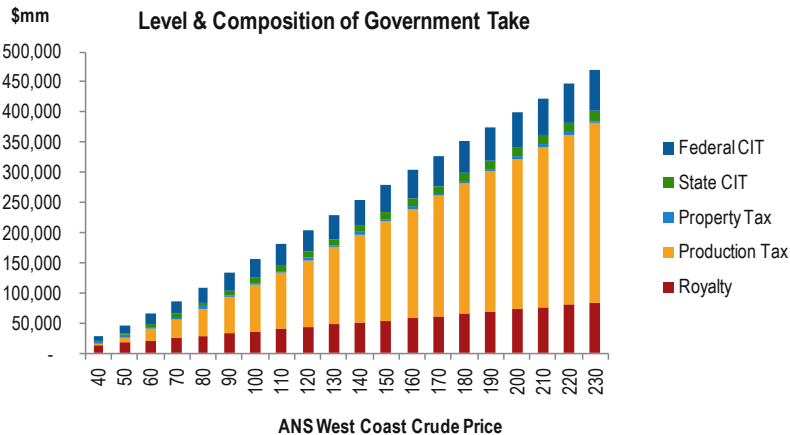
# Assumptions

- The following analysis assumes
  - A 6% base portfolio decline, in the case of a producer currently producing 200 mb/d
  - Costs for the base production portfolio of:
    - \$12/ flowing bbl operating expenditure
    - \$5/ flowing bbl maintenance capital expenditure
  - Costs for the 100 mb/d (working interest) New Development project of:
    - \$13/ flowing bbl operating expenditure
    - \$13/bbl reserves development capital expenditure
    - \$1/ flowing bbl maintenance capital expenditure
  - These costs are deliberately lower than the previously modeled generic “high cost” new development used as a reference in previous analysis, since the hypothetical development modeled is significantly larger, and thus likely to have somewhat lower costs on a \$/bbl basis

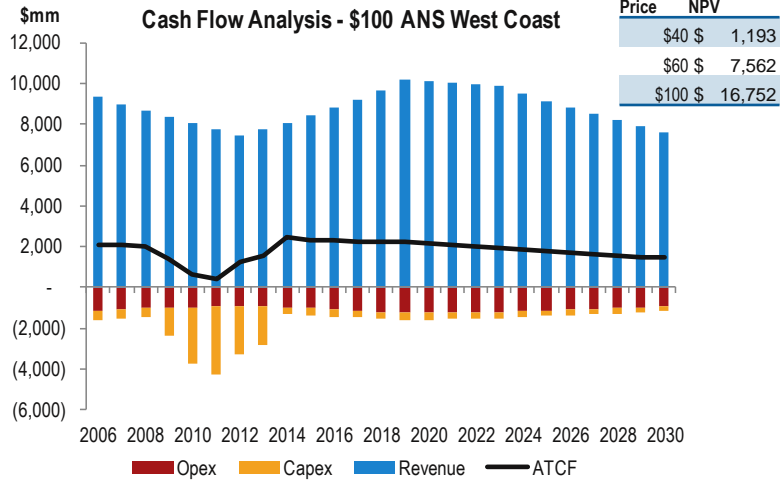
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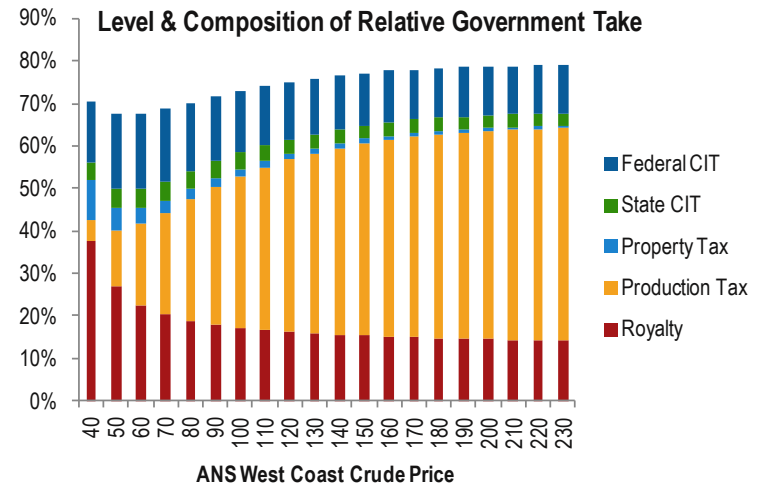
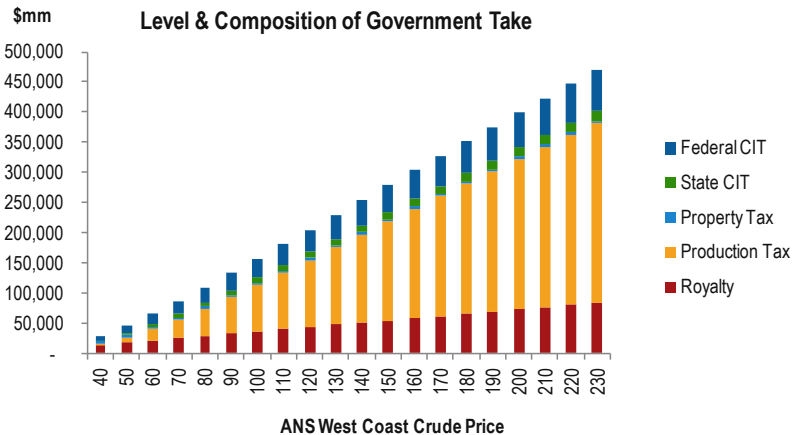
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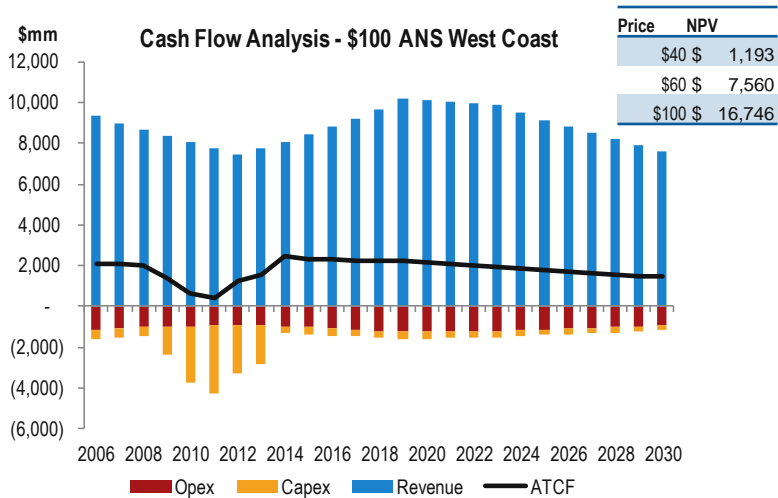
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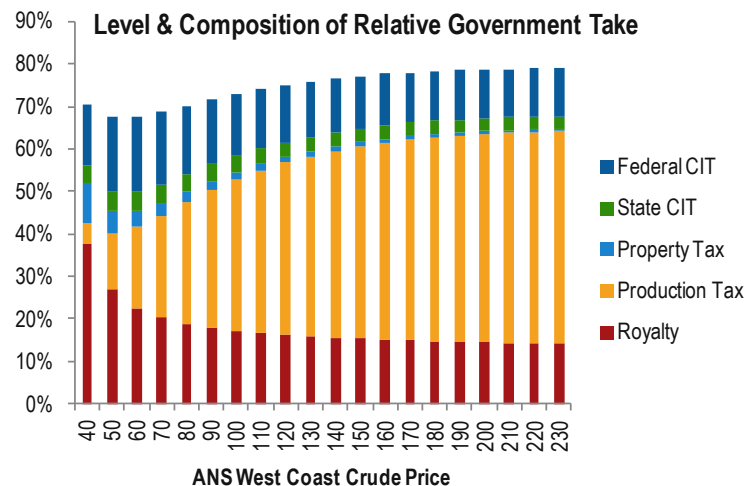
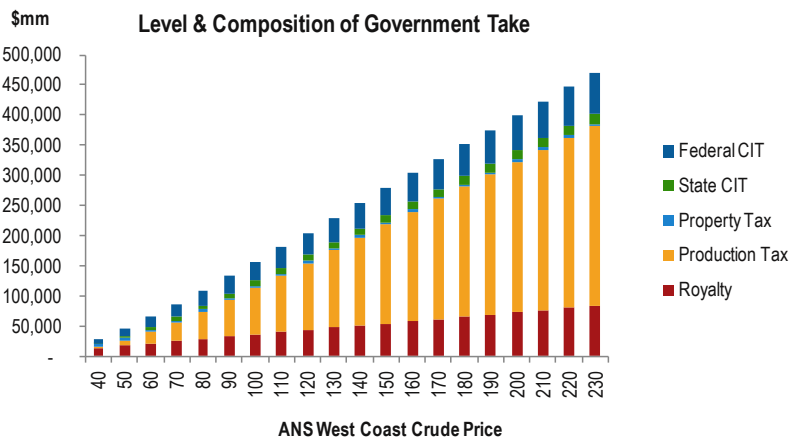
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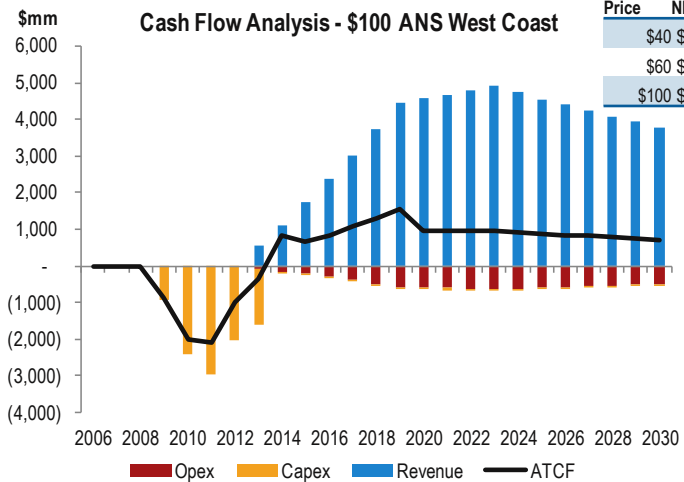
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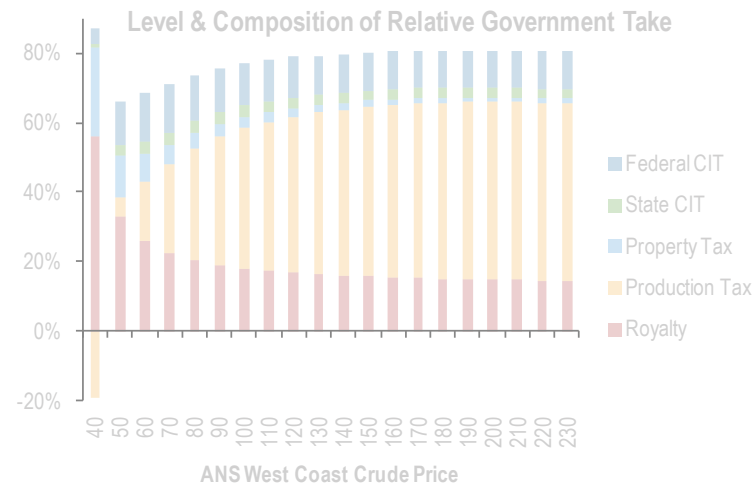
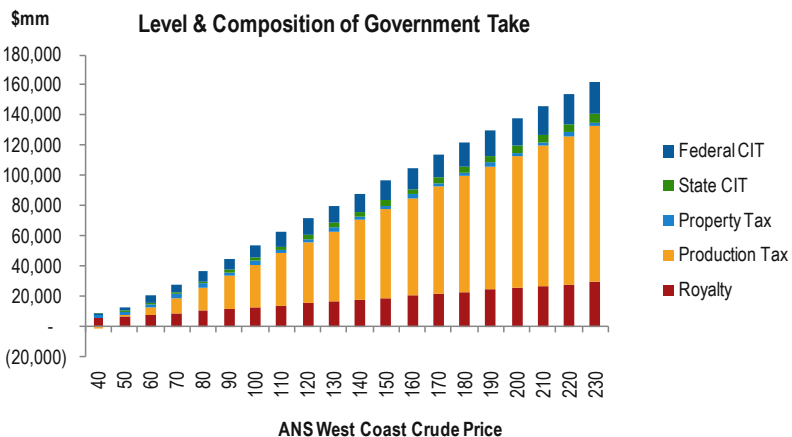
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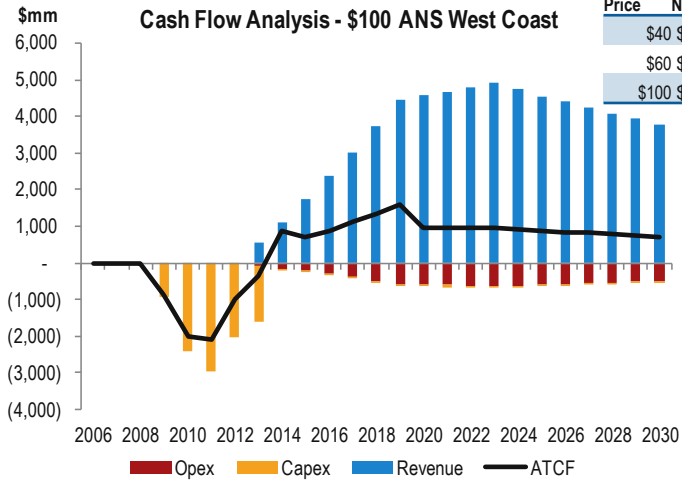


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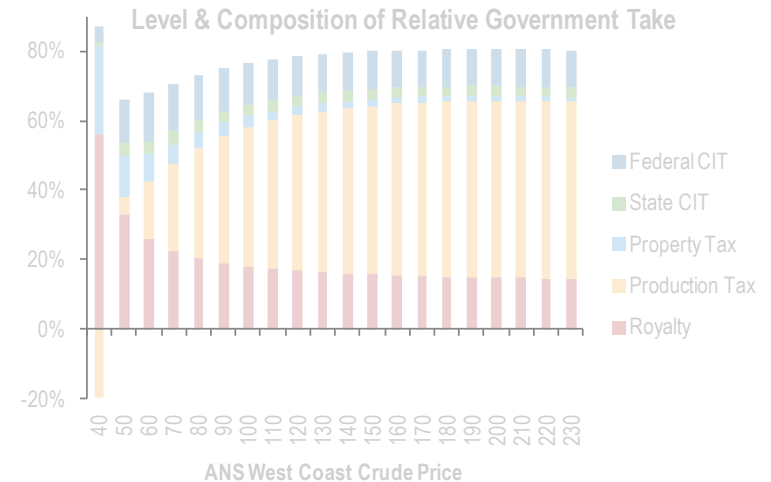
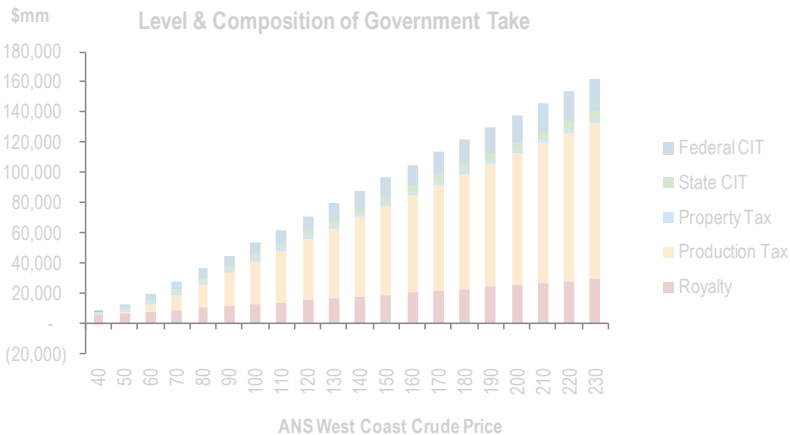




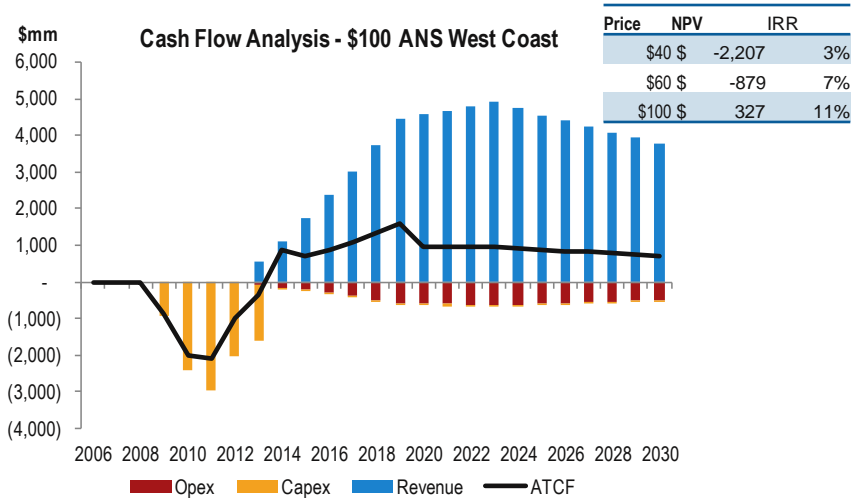
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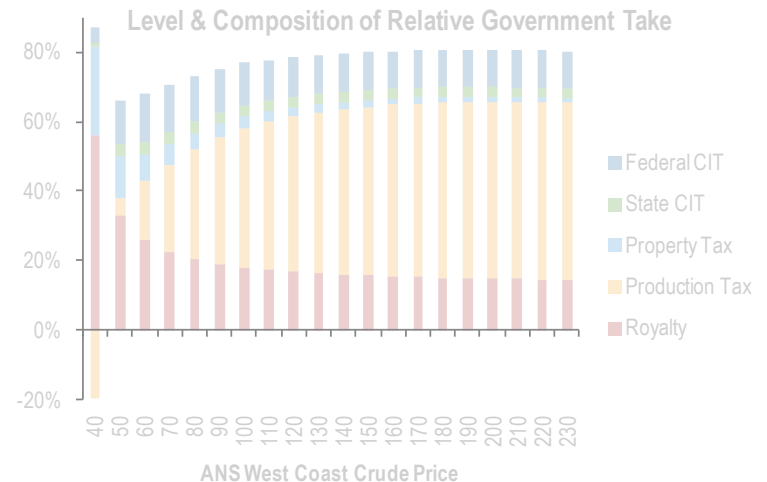
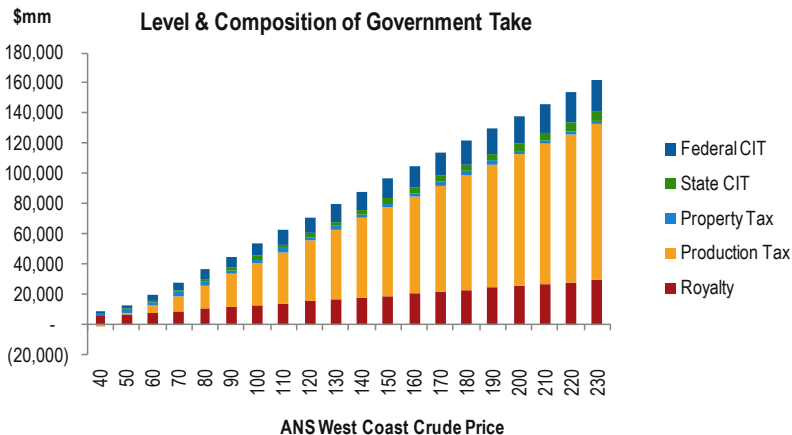
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# Conclusions

- Even under highly aggressive assumptions regarding the potential for a new-source development for a given company, the impact of the \$10 allowance for “new oil” is almost undetectable
  - In the context of both a development by an existing producer, and a development by a new producer, Relative Government Take changes only by fractions of a percentage point, at most
  - For an existing producer, portfolio NPV rises by only a tenth of a percentage point
  - For a new producer, the impact on project value is greater, but remains insignificant in the context of a \$10 billion capital development
- The major reason for this is because rather than providing an ongoing allowance for new-source production, the amendment provides an allowance only for production that, in a given year, is incremental to the previous year’s production
  - For an existing producer with declining base production, only a very large development is capable of producing “new oil” under this development at all
  - Even for a new producer, the value of the allowance remains highly limited
- An allowance which was instead provided for new-source production could potentially have a greater impact, however adequately defining such new-source production could be difficult in practice, particularly in an environment where most new production will come from existing areas

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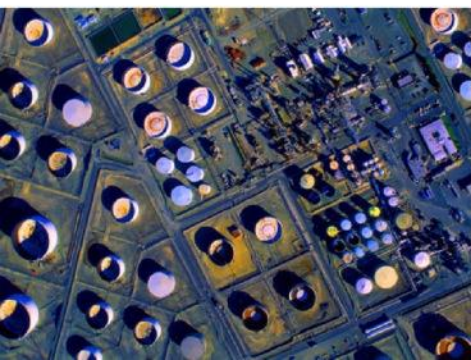
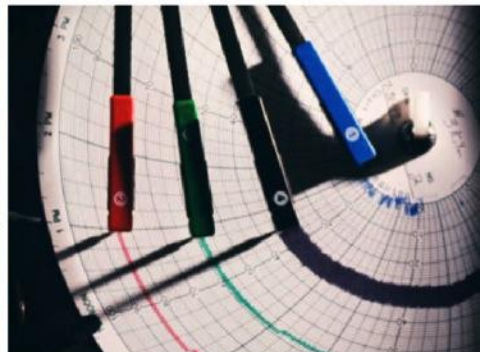
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