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Egypt Expertise



About GaffneyCline

GaffneyCline is a global consultancy that has been offering technical, commercial, and strategic advice to the oil and gas sector since 1962. GaffneyCline's reputation demonstrates that its advice, along with its insight, is high-quality, impartial, technically based, and commercially astute. GaffneyCline is often referred to as one of the leading Reserves consultants within the industry, but in reality, GaffneyCline offers a full range of upstream, midstream and downstream technical and commercial consultancy services. These include seismic interpretation, static and dynamic reservoir modelling, field development planning, field engineering, gas monetisation, LNG/GTL, expert witness, mergers and acquisition, economics and project finance. GaffneyCline operates worldwide from three main offices in London, Houston and Singapore, and from regional offices located in Buenos Aires, Sydney and Dubai.

Egypt

Egypt is rich in oil and gas, with proved oil reserves of 3.3 BBbl and reported gas reserves of 75.5 TCF at end 2018. As of 2019, GaffneyCline has identified 55–60% of these gas volumes are in producing or sanctioned gas projects including marketed gas from oil fields.

Egypt benefits from a relatively low cost operating environment and a good geographical location to reach different markets. There is a wide range of assets in Egypt which GaffneyCline has and is continuing to work on; oil/gas, onshore/offshore as well as mature producing assets and exploration blocks. While oil production is in decline, new plays in Western Desert and IOR/EOR options exist.

Egyptian gas has attracted recent interest due to the 2015–16 major discoveries in the East Mediterranean and Nile Delta. Egypt's gas production steadily increased to 2009, when a number of factors, including regional instability resulted in the production starting to drop from 6.1 Bscf/d to below 4.0 Bscf/d in 2015. However, the discoveries made and planned projects have reversed this decreasing trend and are bringing Egypt's gas production to an all-time high within the next year. Gas production in 2018 averaged 5.7 Bcfd (BP) and rose to over 7.0 Bcfd in mid 2019. Oil production decline halted in 2018 with 2% rise to 670,000 bopd, aided by associated condensate production and discoveries in the Western Desert.

GaffneyCline conducts 8–10+ projects a year in Egypt for Egyptian and foreign investors and financial firms seeking flexible, lower cost opportunities. The rich diversity of source rocks and reservoirs and challenges of imaging them mean that Egyptian explorers have a huge range of options to locate new hydrocarbon accumulations. Examples include pay in the Carboniferous of W. Desert, Miocene and deep Oligocene pays offshore Nile Delta, all of which help to increase revenue and hence reduce cost/barrel trends. GaffneyCline has also reviewed East Mediterranean assets as potential suppliers of gas to the growing Egyptian energy market.

The mature Gulf of Suez holds many opportunities for re-processing and re-interpreting seismic to map out new Prospects, in addition to the existing fields which have remaining oil and gas potential. There are plans for a major new multi-client spec seismic survey covering key parts of the Gulf of Suez which should help identify new prospects and upside in existing fields.



Egypt

GaffneyCline has executed a large range of projects in Egypt that demonstrates its versatility, experience and skill base. Starting in the 1970s this Egyptian experience has grown and includes work for National Oil Companies, multi-nationals and independents.

GaffneyCline's experience includes everything from upstream, midstream and downstream projects incorporating technical, commercial and legal disputes. This experience has provided GaffneyCline with strong knowledge of the challenges as well as the opportunities in Egypt, some of the key challenges are outlined below:

- Domestic demand to increase refined products, gas and power. Interacting with and training of local JVs.
- Returns on \$ investment. Management of mature fields.
- Detailed study of well, subsea and pipeline costs and long term OPEX issues including water breakthrough in deep water gas wells.

The former challenges of access to hard currency for repayment of \$ loans are coming to an end with Egypt reducing arrears to IOCs to US\$900 MM by mid-2019 and it is expected for the arrears to be settled by the end of 2019.

The following pages provide descriptions of selected projects which GaffneyCline has carried out in Egypt in the past few years.

Our Experience

Reserves/Resources

Reserves for Gas Assets in Egypt & UAE

For an independent operator, GaffneyCline continues to conduct an annual audit of several onshore gas-producing assets in Egypt and an offshore gas development in the UAE. This is continually updated from previous years and entails a detailed examination of new reservoir mapping, new static and dynamic models, fluid composition models, an audit of production data, and creation of an integrated production forecast model. Of particular significance is integrating the results of new seismic mapping with reservoir performance data to understand compartmentalization of existing discoveries, and using seismic modelling to estimate the range of resources assigned to new discoveries and careful forward modelling of condensate ratios in producing fields. Results are reported in accordance with PRMS standards.

Annual Reserve Reporting, Egypt

As part of its ongoing relationship with an International Client since 2009, GaffneyCline undertakes annual audits of hydrocarbon reserves and resources of pre-salt oil and gas fields offshore Gulf of Suez.

The assets have complex geology and one of the fields produces from the oil rim underlying the gas cap. GaffneyCline also audits the operators' Western Desert and Nile Delta assets. GaffneyCline reviews reservoir models, production performance, facilities upgrades and scope for incremental drilling targets in wide range of different reservoir objectives both discovered and prospective. GaffneyCline's analysis report Oil, LPG and sales Gas Reserves with corresponding production and cost profiles, as well as Contingent and Prospective Resources based on the SPE PRMS guidelines.

Annual Reserve Reporting, Egypt

For its annual reporting requirement under Canadian NI51-101, GaffneyCline undertook an audit of Sea Dragon's Komombo concession in Upper Egypt. This concession contains the producing Al Baraka oil field. The results of GaffneyCline's audit were used by Sea Dragon in its reporting to the Canadian authorities.

Assisted Prospective and Contingent Resources Evaluation

GaffneyCline guided the staff of an International client to evaluate their resources portfolio. A structured approach was used, including understanding of the databases to be used, the correct G&G methodologies and best practices to be followed, use of probabilistic and deterministic estimations and ultimately estimation of low-high volumes associated with each identified resource. The assets covered were multiple pre-salt Gulf of Suez blocks and a Mexican naturally fractured limestone block.

Competent Persons Reporting (CPR)

Competent Person's Report, Egypt

GaffneyCline prepared a Competent Person's Report for a long term International Client. This was the first time the client was obtaining a report covering the company's full Prospective resources, Contingent resources and Reserves portfolio, the report was required in preparation for a potential Initial Public Offering (IPO). The assets within the portfolio were complex pre-salt oil and gas assets. GaffneyCline also prepared a Competent Person's Report of a government oil company in preparation for an Initial Public Offering (IPO). The assets within the portfolio included two blocks in Egypt, one onshore and one offshore. GaffneyCline's analysis was based on the SPE PRMS guidelines.

Acquisition Due Diligence and Sale of Assets

Due Diligence, Mature Egypt Portfolio

For an independent operator, GaffneyCline undertook detailed due diligence based on a VDR and digital data sets for a range of mature Egyptian gas fields and one gas/oil field. GaffneyCline reviewed seismic, static models and rebuilt a compositional simulation model combined with OFM database to build late life production forecasts. A detailed review of OPEX and staffing levels was conducted, to consider the scope for reduction over the long term. A summary report was prepared and delivered with Excel forecasts. Finally, a follow up workshop was successful in delivering all the key messages.

Evaluation and Support for Bid Round Offer - Offshore Gas Field, Egypt

For a large Japanese company, GaffneyCline carried out an independent evaluation of an offshore gas asset, together with associated infrastructure. The evaluation was based on a local consultant's earlier review, together with further research using public domain data, with the aim of providing sufficient understanding of the asset for the client's board to decide on involvement in a bid round. The work ultimately supported the client in its data room process and the subsequent bid round involvement. GaffneyCline also supported the client in its negotiations for forming a joint venture operating company to develop the field, which successfully led to the client being short listed.

Technical/Commercial Asset Evaluation

For an international client, GaffneyCline attended online and physical data rooms and provided a technical and commercial evaluation of a package of Egyptian field assets for the client's consideration of an acquisition. These included mature offshore fields in the Gulf of Suez, new gas fields onshore Nile Delta and undeveloped deep water gas/condensate fields offshore Nile Delta.

Our Experience

Gas Reserves and LNG Facility, Nile Delta

GaffneyCline evaluated and valued the possible acquisition of Edison's 50% interest in the West Delta Deep Marine Concession. This concession contains several gas discoveries which supply gas to the domestic market as well as a major onshore LNG facility. GaffneyCline's work included an estimation of the gas reserves, an assessment of the exploration prospects/leads and a valuation of these elements. GaffneyCline also reviewed the LNG facility and its commercial arrangements.

Sale of Assets, Egypt

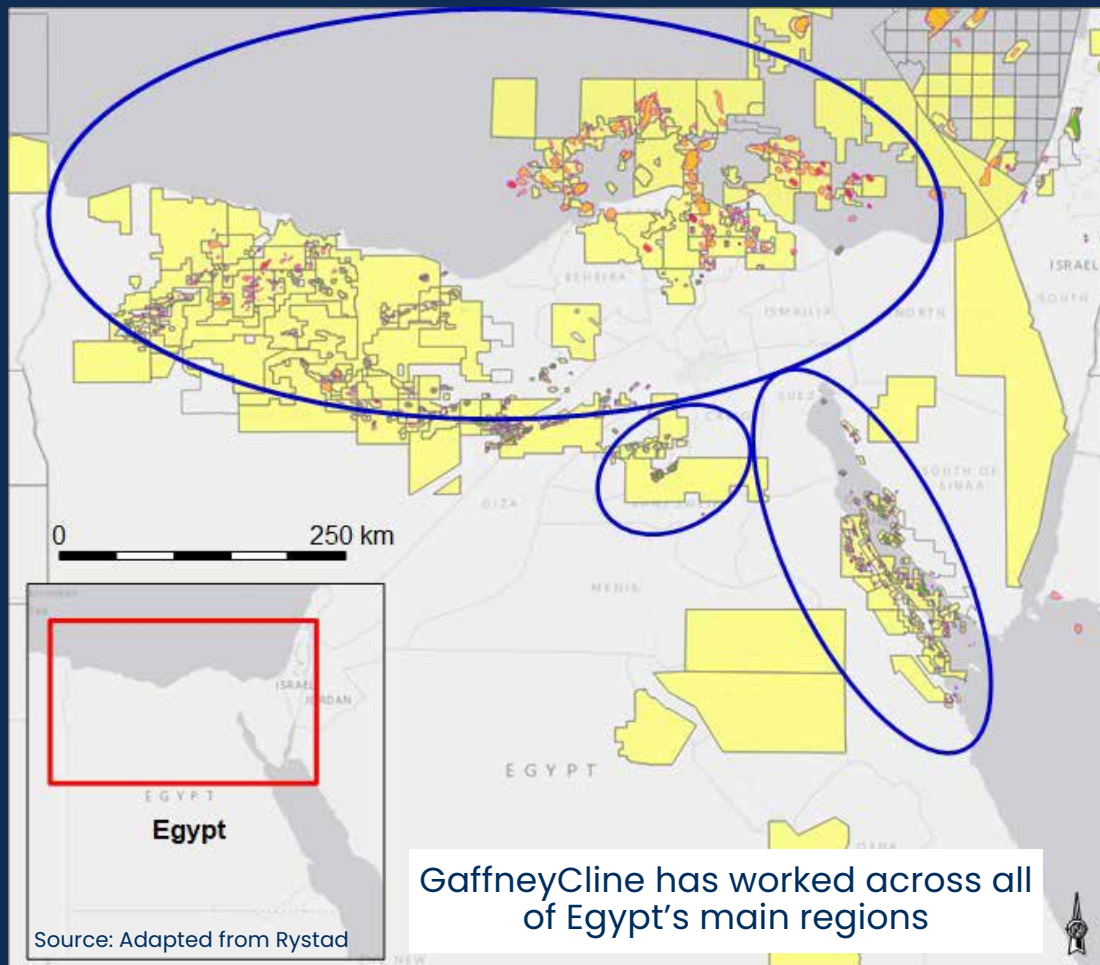
GaffneyCline was jointly engaged with a major merchant bank to provide assistance to EGPC with the sale of a package of state-owned oil and gas fields. Work included the preparation of an Information Memorandum with a site visit to the field complex, plus data collection in Cairo and Alexandria. The assets were subsequently sold at auction.

Opportunity Assessment, Egypt

GaffneyCline undertook a detailed study for a multi field acquisition opportunity in the Western Desert. The assets comprised producing fields and exploration opportunities in the NW Gemsa, Alam El Shawish, West and East Gazalat areas.

Technical Due Diligence for Corporate Acquisition

In January 2007, Dana Gas completed its acquisition of the TSX-listed Centurion for \$1,015,000,000. This was Dana Gas's first acquisition which provided a major entry in Egypt. The primary asset was the producing El Wastani gas field, onshore Nile Delta, Egypt. In connection with this transaction, GaffneyCline provided technical due diligence which included an appraisal of the producing assets and an in-depth evaluation of the exploration potential of the areas adjacent to the producing fields. GaffneyCline continues to provide post acquisition support to Dana Gas.



Our Experience

Peer Review/Assist

Peer Review, Egypt

GaffneyCline carried out a number of Peer Reviews in Egypt, including review of drilling locations (infill and exploration), review of well results/post mortem, facilities reviews, FDPs and work programs reviews. GaffneyCline also provided assistance during a client's preparation for a potential gas field equity unitisation.

Gas Expert

Egyptian Gas Pricing Dispute

For an Egyptian independent petrochemical company, GaffneyCline undertook an independent study of the developing Egyptian gas markets and pricing issues.

Gas Supply/Demand Market Study

For two separate international O&G companies, and as part of wider reviews of gas supply/demand in the Middle East, GaffneyCline undertook reviews of the Egyptian gas market.

Training

Reserves Seminar

GaffneyCline prepared and presented a three-day seminar with focus on PRMS in Cairo to attendees from EGPC and a range of joint venture companies.

Prospective and Contingent Resources Training Course

GaffneyCline held a Prospective and Contingent resources training course in Cairo for the staff of an International long term client.

PRMS, Reservoir Engineering & G&G

Trained the staff of an International long term client and their joint venture company.

Opportunity Screening

Gas Opportunity Screening, Egypt

GaffneyCline undertook a gas field acquisition screening task for an International client looking to acquire gas onshore or shallow offshore assets in Egypt. GaffneyCline presented a number of opportunities that became available in 2015-16 as well as possible future opportunities.

GaffneyCline Projects

Of the 100 projects undertaken by GaffneyCline in Egypt over the last 10 years, the split per type of project is as follows:

Job Category	Number of Jobs
Reserves	47
Competent Persons Report	7
Acquisition Due Diligence/Asset Review	24
Expert Witness	1
U&R	1
Peer Review/Assist	9
Gas Expert	5
Reserve/Resource Training	3
Opportunity Screening	3



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