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/>Lucius, which is in approximately 7,000 feet of water, has a production secured through 6 subsea wells tied back to a moored production handling spar connected to the shore via dedicated oil and gas pipelines. The spar has a design capacity of 80,000 barrels of oil per day (bopd) and 450 million standard cubic feet per day (MMscfd) of gas. Once all wells are ramped up, Enis share of the Lucius daily production is expected to be approximately 7,000 boed.

/>The Lucius field was discovered in November 2009 and the subsequent development project was sanctioned in late 2011. Eni owns a working interest of 8.5% in the field operated by Anadarko. Eni also holds a 30% working interest in the nearby Hadrian South gas field operated by ExxonMobil, which is a subsea development tied back to Lucius spar, and is expected to produce 300 MMscf/d at plateau, with startup expected in early 2015.

/>The Greater Hadrian area, which includes the Lucius and Hadrian South fields, represents a core asset for Enis future production, since it is expected to provide approximately 20,000 boed equity of combined production at its peak.

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