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## Paralana Project Update

Petratherm and its JV partners Beach Energy and TRUenergy Geothermal advise that work at the Paralana geothermal project site has been further delayed by at least a week due to constraints on road access to the site caused by recent heavy rainfall in the region.

The constraints on road access have further delayed the deployment of the necessary equipment to the site. Road access conditions will be kept under constant review and an update on the situation will be provided later in the week.

As advised previously the forward plan for the Paralana 2 well is to clean the well – replacing the heavy brine solution used during the cementing process with water – immediately prior to the perforation and injection process.

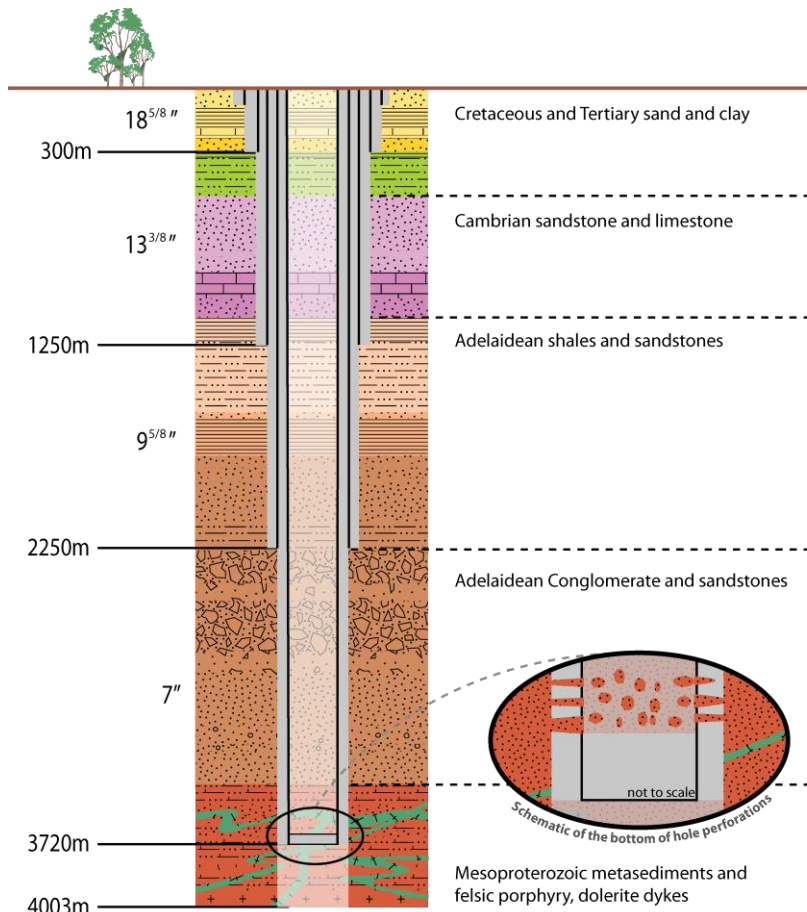
The planned two stage fracture stimulation program is as follows;

**Stage 1 – December 2010 - Perforation and injectivity test**  
perforation of the steel casing at the bottom of the Paralana 2 well and injection of a small volume of water to confirm fracture initiation and propagation (Refer figure overleaf).

**Stage 2 – Feb/Mar 2011 - Fracture stimulation** - inject larger volume of water at higher rates. The volumes and rates to be dependent on the micro-seismic response measured by the installed micro-seismic array (schedule to be determined subject to equipment availability).

The aim is to create a fracture network and to connect to and enhance the existing natural fracture network that contained over-pressured brines found during drilling of Paralana 2.

The work will assist in determining the location of the Paralana 3 well and it seeks to further de-risk the Paralana geothermal energy project.



**Figure - Paralana well 2 – fracture stimulation zone and target interval**

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**Competent Persons Statement**

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**ABOUT THE JOINT VENTURE PARTNERS:**

Beach Energy (ASX: BPT) is an oil and gas company headquartered in Adelaide that farmed-in to the Paralana Project in January 2007.

TRUenergy Geothermal is a wholly owned subsidiary of the CLP group, one of the largest publicly-listed power businesses in Asia Pacific. TRUenergy Geothermal farmed-in to the Paralana project in August 2008.

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