# U.S. Energy Qualified Opportunity Zone III LP

Direct Investments in Energy

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# **Risk Considerations**

You should always review the Private Placement Memorandum before investing in any oil & gas partnership sponsored by U.S. Energy Development Corporation. For Accredited Investors Only

This document is for preliminary review purposes only and does not contain much of the information included in the private placement memorandum pursuant to which the offering will be conducted. This presentation does not constitute an offer to any person. Offers will be made only by the private placement memorandum, which should be carefully reviewed by a prospective purchaser prior to making an investment decision.

Oil and natural gas partnerships are an inherently speculative activity. An investment in the partnerships involves a high degree of risk and is suitable only if you have substantial financial means and no need of liquidity in your investment.

You should carefully consider the following factors and other information in the private placement memorandum before deciding to invest in the partnership:

- Attainment of the partnership's investment objectives will depend on many factors, including the ability of the managing general partner to select suitable assets which will be productive and produce enough revenue to return the investment made. The success of the partnership depends largely on future economic conditions, especially the future price of natural gas and oil which is volatile and may decrease. There can be no guarantee that the foregoing objectives will be attained.
- There is a risk that you will not recover all of your investment or, if you do recover your investment, that you will not receive a rate of return on your investment which is competitive with other types of investment. You will be able to recover your investment only through the partnership's distributions of the sales proceeds from the production of its oil and natural gas reserves from productive wells. Oil and natural gas reserves generally deplete over time until the wells are no longer economical to operate. All of these distributions to you may be considered a return of capital until you have received 100% of your investment.

- There is a risk that even if a well is drilled by the partnership and produces oil and natural gas in commercial quantities (that is, revenues from the sale of the oil and/or gas produced from a well exceed the cost of operating such well) it will not produce enough oil and natural gas to pay for the costs of acquiring the well, even if tax benefits are considered. Thus, even if all of the partnership's wells are capable of commercial production there is a risk that your investment will not be returned on a cash-on-cash basis.
- If you invest in the partnership, then you must assume the risks of an illiquid investment. The transferability of the units is limited by state and federal securities laws, tax laws and the partnership agreement. The units cannot be readily liquidated, and there is no market for the sale of the units. Also, a sale of your units could create adverse tax and economic consequences for you.
- An investor may experience a complete loss of their investment.
- Distributions may be reduced or delayed.
- Under certain circumstances as explained in the private placement memorandum, an investor may owe taxes in excess of the cash distributions received from the partnership.
- Borrowing by the managing general partner could reduce funds available for its presentment obligation.
- Substantial conflicts of interest exist between the managing general partner and investors.



### **ABOUT U.S. ENERGY**

# **Veteran E&P Operator**



### Leader in Investment Underwriting



### **Ownership & Leadership:**

- 44-Year History (Established 1980)
- Established Second-Generation Leadership



### **Corporate Governance:**

- Majority Independent Board of Directors
- Environmental, Social and Governance (ESG)
   Committee

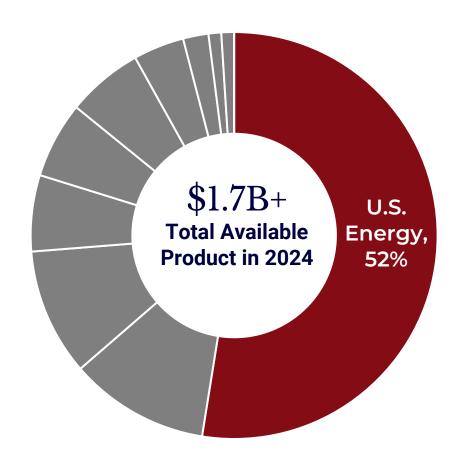


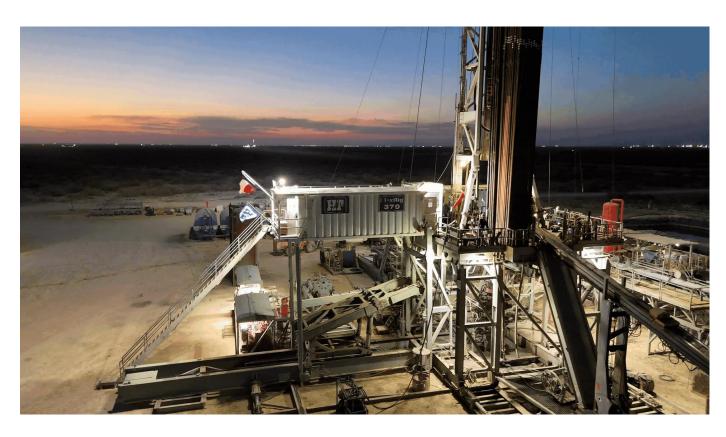
### **Operational Excellence:**

- Over 35 Premier JV Partners Providing Access to High-Quality (Tier 1) Assets
- Proven Operations Team
- Diversified Areas of Operation: Own & Operate in 13
   States & Canada

### **ABOUT U.S. ENERGY**

# Over \$1.7B of Total Available Product in 2024





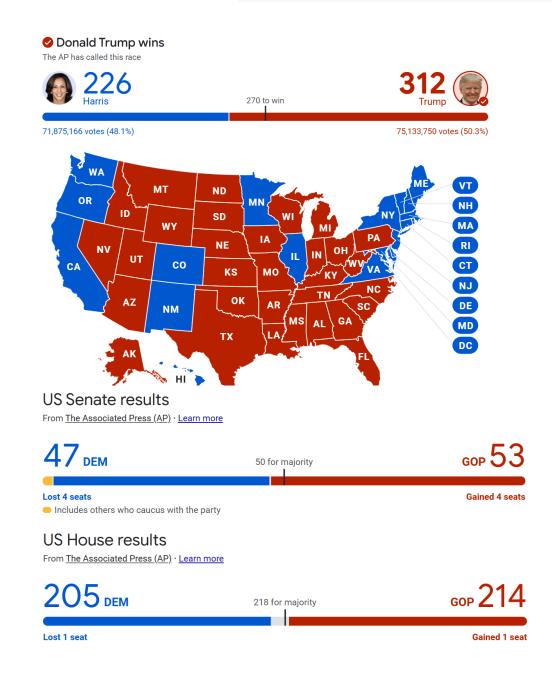
### **POLITICAL IMPACT**

# **GOP Potential Policy Shifts**

# **Positioning America** for Robust Growth

With the U.S. positioned as the world's economic growth engine, the energy sector is poised for robust growth and strengthened market positioning, driven by abundant and reliable energy resources.

Operational Efficiencies Cost-Effective Drilling Economic Growth

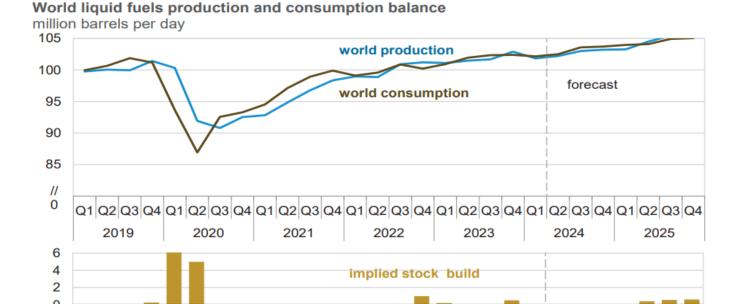


### **UNDER SUPPLY & HIGH DEMAND**

# More People = Higher Demand For Energy

IEA expects oil demand to peak in 2030 (IMO it is "Wishful Thinking")

### EIA: Global Oil Market is under-supplied through Q1 2025



implied stock draw

## + 6.3 Million

PEOPLE PER MONTH

Population Growth Of The Earth

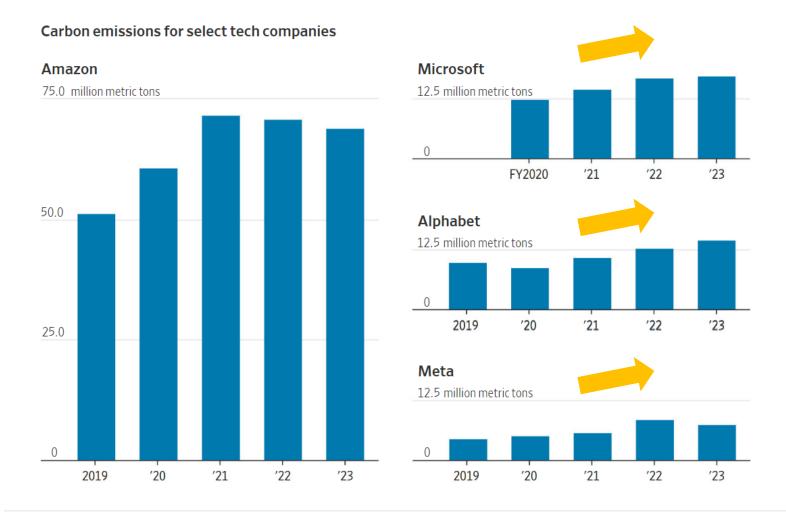
In 2024 the Earth's Human
Population is growing by
~6.3 million per month
or more than the populations
of Chicago & Houston
combined per month



eia

### AI'S DEMAND SURGE

# **Surging Emissions From Big Tech**



### **Emissions Growth**



70% Increase Since 2019



**40%** increase over three years

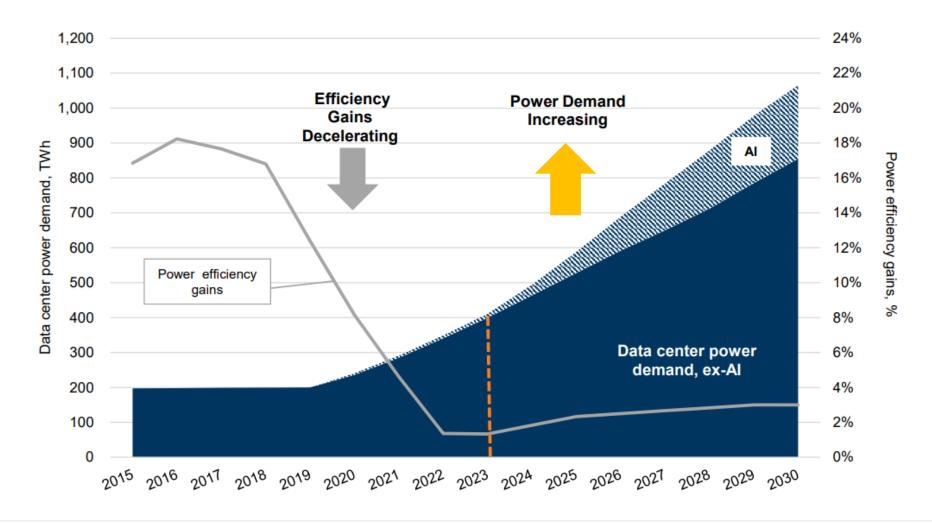


**50%** increase over four years



### **HIGH DEMAND**

# Power Demand from Data Centers Increasing Rapidly





### **ABOUT U.S. ENERGY**

# U.S. Energy Financially Strong GP

\$104.3 Million
TH 2024 REVENUES

**↑** vs \$71.2MM in 1H 2023

\$68.9 Million
1H 2024 EBITDA

↑vs \$49.7MM in 1H 2023

\$79.4 Million YTD CO-INVESTMENT

Aligned Interests with Investors

\$85 Million
Q2 DISTRIBUTED
EARNINGS
TO PARTNERS

10% Q2 DISTRIBUTION for 2023 Drilling Fund

# **USEDC Opportunity Zone Fund III LP**

Offering Size	\$150 Million		
Unit Size	\$100,000		
Investor Units	Limited Partner		
Opportunity Zone Tax Benefits	<ol> <li>Defer capital gains realized within the last 180 days</li> <li>Tax Free Gains After Year-10</li> </ol>		
Oil & Gas Tax Benefits	<ol> <li>Intangible Drilling Costs</li> <li>Depletion Allowance</li> <li>Depreciation Deduction</li> </ol>		
Distributions	<ul> <li>Up to 6% per year; starting in the 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter following investment.</li> <li>Partnership will reinvest cash flow in excess of the Distribution Schedule.</li> </ul>		
Fund Close Date	December 31st, 2024		
Annual Tax Forms	Schedule K-1		
Investor Reports	Updates released quarterly via Online Investor Portal		
Suitability	Accredited Investors Only		

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# **Qualified Opportunity Zone Funds**

### **Solution Problem?** Up to 6% annual cash distributions Lack of Cash Flow Discounted FMV plus potential special distribution Paying Taxes in 2026 Majority of best oil and gas assets located in QOZ's Requires Gentrification 10 Year Hold of Investment Not the case **Operate / Value Creation / Reinvestment** Liquidate **Identify / Acquire** 2024 2025 2026 2027 2028 2029 2030 2032 2035 2031 2033 2034 **Distributions & Reinvestment** $^{1}2026 = Tax Due$

# **USEDC Opportunity Zone III LP**





**Opportunity Zone Tax Benefits:** 

- Direct Investment into oil & gas investments providing tax benefits of a QOZ (Deferral of ST or LT Capital Gains)
- Tax Free Income due to depletion & deprecation
- Tax Free Gains after Year-10



Pre-Set Investor Distributions of up to 6%, excess capital is reinvested in new projects for Tax Free Growth



Tax Free Capital Gains Over 10 Years

USEDC Opportunity Zone II LP closed on 12/31/2023 and Raised ~\$95 Million

# **Energy Opportunity Zones**

### Oil & Gas Investors Receive...

Oil & Gas Tax Benefits

- 1. Depletion Allowance:
  Offsets 15% of partnership income, per year, for the life of Investment (all investor units).
- 2. Depreciation Deduction:

  Deduct up to 92% of investment amount for Limited Partners.

Partnership Tax Benefits 3. QBI (Qualified Business Income) Deduction:
Offsets 20% of partnership income, per year.

### TAX EFFICIENCY

### **Yield Matters....After Taxes!**

	Federal Income Tax Brackets 2023 Tax Rates			
Distribution Rate	37%	35%	32%	24%
3%	4.76%	4.62%	4.41%	3.95%
6%	<b>6</b> % 9.52%		8.82%	7.89%
9%	14.29%	13.85%	13.24%	11.84%

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# Prior QOZ Fund Performance – as of 9/30/24

Partnership Year	Initial Fund Capitalization	Investor Capital Expenditure	Reinvested Capital Expenditure	Initial Well Count	Current Well Count	Wells Contributing to Distributions	Average Number of Months Producing	Fund Return to Date	Distributions to Investor
2019	\$ 18.3 M	\$ 25.1 M	\$ 7.5 M	6	83	50	23	91%	41%
2020	\$ 93.1 M	\$ 112.5 M	\$ 29.6	69	136	92	19	57%	20%
2023	\$ 94.3 M	\$ 87.7 M	\$ 20.7 M	58	89	50	10	35%	10%
Total	\$ 205.6 M	\$ 225.2 M	\$ 57.8 M	133	308	192			

<sup>(1)</sup> Distributions to investor is calculated as follows: Total dollars paid to first investor divided by their investment amount as of the date of this report



<sup>(2)</sup> The tax rate includes the maximum federal rate plus the average state income tax rate of 6.57% based on the tax rate of those states that have state income tax.

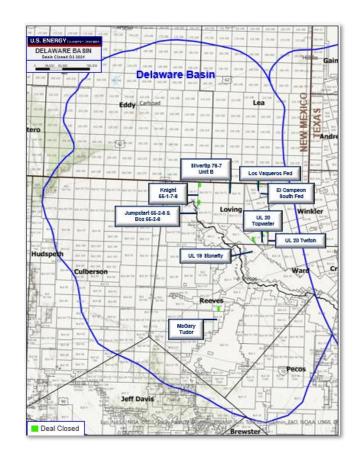
<sup>(3)</sup> Fund Return is calculated as follows: Total dollars earned divided by the partnership capital spent as of the date of this report

<sup>(4)</sup> Capital expenditure for all wells, even if not producing. Cash-on-Cash return calculated only using wells that are producing (capital from wells not producing excluded)

# 2024 Acquisitions to Date

Project Name	Basin	Deal Size
Boomslang (Oxy)	Permian Basin	\$ 14,700,000
Bullhead State (Oxy)	Permian Basin	\$ 7,020,000
Gar Unit (Apache)	Permian Basin	\$ 16,290,000
Will Rogers (Upcurve)	Permian Basin	\$ 17,040,000
UL 19 Stonefly (Oxy)	Permian Basin	\$ 27,800,000
Jumpstart and Boz (Conoco)	Permian Basin	\$ 14,400,000
Silvertip 76-6 Unit B (Oxy)	Permian Basin	\$ 6,580,000
UL 20 Twitch	Permian Basin	\$ 10,800,000
El Campeon South Fed Com	Permian Basin	\$ 8,000,000
Los Vaqueros Fed	Permian Basin	\$ 16,600,000
McGary-Tudor (Upcurve)	Permian Basin	\$ 23,800,000
UL 20 Topwater	Permian Basin	\$ 5,000,000
Knight	Permian Basin	\$ 8,000,000
UL Army North (Point Energy)	Permian Basin	\$ 13,660,000
Silvertip76-16 Unit R 31H (Oxy)	Permian Basin	\$ 6,580,000
Elkhorn (Oxy)	Permian Basin	\$ 19,840,000
Big Easy (Oxy)	Permian Basin	\$ 9,800,000
Project Rushmore (Permian Resources)	Permian Basin	\$ 127,000,000
Jumpstart 55-2-6 and Boz 55-2-6 (Oxy)	Permian Basin	\$ 25,700,000

### **Map of Most Recent Acquisitions**

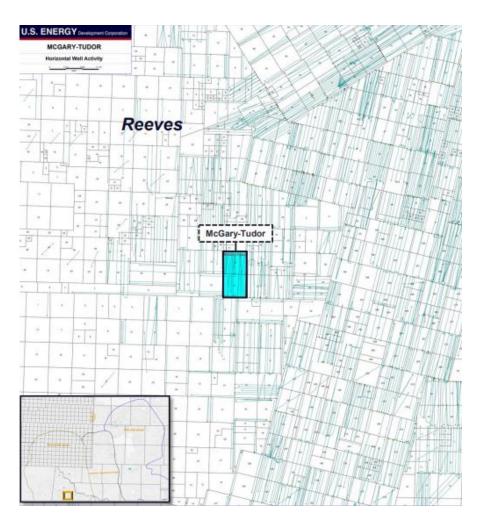




Total Acquisitions YTD: \$ 378,610,000

\$ 364,950,000 in opportunity zones

# **QOZ III Projects**

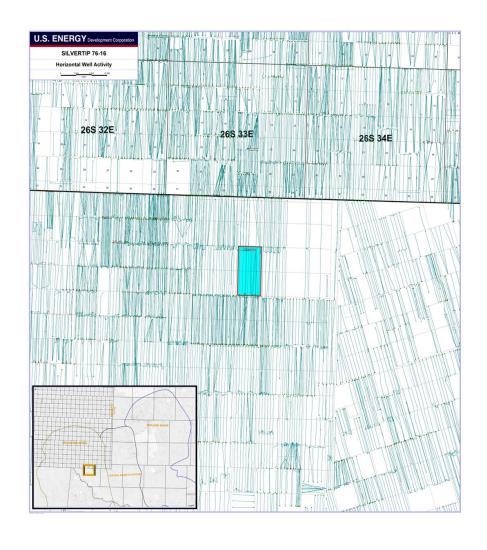


### McGary-Tudor

- Permian Basin
- Operated by a well-known Permian E&P company
- Anticipate wells will be completed and placed online this month (November 2024)
- Significant surrounding activity, acreage is surrounded by development on all sides
- Multiple directly offsetting targets with favorable production

Project Name	# of Wells	Capital
McGary-Tudor	7	\$8,442,276
Silvertip	4	\$12,762,441
Totals	11	\$21,204,717

# **QOZ III Projects**



### **Silvertip**

- Permian Basin
- Operated by a blue-chip, publicly traded E&P company
- Wells were completed and placed online in August,, we anticipate receiving first revenue from them this quarter (Q4 2024)
- Significant surrounding activity, acreage is surrounded by development on all sides

Project Name	# of Wells	Capital
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# 3rd Party Tax Analysis Available for Year-End Tax Planning

### Summary Report No Invest \$100,000 \$173,000 Invest Invest \$138,400 \$80,000 IDC IDC Income: 346.074 346.074 346.074 Wages Interest & Dividends 13.629 13.629 13.629 -120 -80,000 -138,400 Self-employment Income Capital Gains & Losses 89.045 89,045 89,045 -78,519 Other Income -78,519 -78,519 Total Income 370,109 290,229 231,829 Total Adjustments Adjusted Gross Income 370,109 290,229 231,829 Personal Exemptions 3,276 7,800 7,800 Itemized Deductions: 24.325 24.325 24,325 Interest Expense 13,629 13,629 13,629 3% AGI Floor -2,103Total Itemized 35,851 37.954 37.954 12,200 Standard Deduction 12,200 12,200 Total Deductions from AGI 45,754 39,127 45,754 Taxable Income 330,982 244,475 186,075 Regular Tax: Schedule or Table Tax 85,537 56,990 39,567 Alternative Capital Gains Tax 69,509 44,343 29,471 Appropriate Regular Tax 69,509 44,343 29,471 Net Alternative Minimum Tax 6,696 4,746 High Income HI, Medicare & Other Tax 865 865 865 Total Federal Taxes 49,954 30,974 77,070 Net Federal Tax Due 77,070 49.954 30,974

### **Investment Resources**





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### **Underwriting Broker Dealer: Westmoreland Capital Corporation**

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