- Esso (50 per cent) with Hematite/BHP (50 per cent); two permits: \$128 million;
- Hudbay (40 per cent) with Canadian Superior (30 per cent), Pan Canadian Petroleum (20 per cent), Australian Oil and Gas Corp (10 per cent); one permit: \$21 million;
- Phillips (20 per cent) with Mobil (20 per cent), Gulf (20 per cent), MIM (20 per cent), BP (20 per cent); one permit: \$30 million;
- Woodside Oil (41-2/3 per cent) with BP (16-2/3 per cent), Cal Asiatic (16-2/3 per cent), Mid Eastern Oil (8-1/3 per cent), Shell (8-1/3 per cent), Hermatite/BHP (8-1/3 per cent); one permit: \$34 million.

To date the drilling has not been successful.

Bass Straits (Vic)

- Exxon and BHP will be spending approximately \$1.5 billion beginning 1980 to further develop these oil fields. Two jackets are currently being fabricated: West Kingfish expected to be erected in 1981, and Cobia, in 1982. Manufacture of the jacket for Fortescue will commence this year for erection in 1983.

Moomba Liquids Plant (S.A.)

- \$525 million. Santos Limited. Feasibility study being prepared by Davy Pacific. Awaiting decision on proposed Redcliffe petrochemical plant which would use ethane as feedstock. Other liquids would be used by the motor industry in Adelaide.

South Australia Liquids Pipeline (S.A.)

- \$65 million. Santos Limited. 528 km (328 miles) pipeline to transport oil and condensates from Moomba plant to Port Stanvac. Will be financed by State government. Engineering consultants: Bechtel. If Dow proceeds with petrochemical plant in Redcliffe, a second line would be built to transport ethane for feedstock.

Rundle Oil Shale Development (Qld)

- Esso, Southern Pacific Petroleum NL, Central Pacific Minerals NL, estimated three billion barrels of oil.

Stage I: Three retorts to produce 23,000 TPD oil by 1983 (\$300 million); Stage II: Forty retorts to produce 225,000 b/d by 1987; Open Pit: will move one million tons of shale daily.

Project at preliminary stage.