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2 Important Additional Information Filed with the SEC This presentation is being made in respect of the

proposed business combination involving SandRidgeEnergy, Inc. ( SandRidge ) and Arena Resources, Inc. ( Arena ). In connection with the proposed transaction, SandRidge filed with the **SEC** a Registration Statement on Form S-4, as amended, on April 30, 2010 containing joint proxy statement/prospectus, and a supplement to the joint proxy statement/prospectus on

June 14, 2010, and each of SandRidge and Arena may file with the **SEC** other documents regarding the proposed transaction. The definitive joint proxy statement/prospectus was first mailed to stockholders of SandRidge and Arena on or about May 7, 2010, and the supplement to the joint proxy statement/prospectus was first

mailed to stockholders on June 17, 2010. Investors and security holders of SandRidge and Arena are urged to read the joint proxy statement/prospectus, the supplement and other documents filed with the SEC carefully in their entirety because they contain important information about the proposed transaction. Investors  $\quad \text{and} \quad$ security holders

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persons may be deemed to be participants in the solicitation of proxies in respect of the proposed transaction. Information regarding SandRidge's directors and executive officers is available SandRidge's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2009, which was filed with the **SEC** 

on March 1,

2010,  $\quad \text{and} \quad$ SandRidge's proxy statement for its 2010 annual meeting of stockholders, which was filed with the **SEC** on April 26, 2010. Information regarding Arena's directors and executive officers is available in Arena's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2009, which was filed with

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SandRidge and Arena. Although some of the information in this presentation refers to analyses of Tudor, Pickering, Holt & Co. Securities, Inc. ( Tudor Pickering ), Tudor Pickering did not prepare any part of this presentation. Tudor Pickering rendered an opinion to the board of directors of Arena connection with

the

merger described in this presentation on June 1, 2010. The opinion speaks only as of that date and is subject to a number of qualifications and limitations. The opinion does not reflect changes that may occur or may have occurred after June 1, 2010, which could significantly

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