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Dear Sir

ARWON-1 EXPLORATION WELL

Cooper Energy NL advises that the status of the Arwon-1 exploration well as of 1200 hrs on the date above is as follows:

Location: PEL93, approximately 55 km south-west of the Moomba oil and gas

facilities, and 2.5km northeast of the Worrior Oil Field.

Depth at 0600 hours: 1586 metres.

Operations at 0600 hours: DST 2 in the Birkhead Fm was completed this morning. The test flowed water to surface at a rate of

360 barrels per day.

The rig will resume drilling through the remainder of the Birkhead to

the Hutton and Patchawarra targets.

Planned Total Depth: 1930 metres.

Target reservoirs: McKinlay (1362m), Birkhead (1574m), Hutton (1636m), Patchwarra

(1780m).

Rig: Hunt Energy Rig No 3.

Interests: Stuart Petroleum Limited (Operator) 88.8%

Cooper Energy NL 11.2%

For further advice on this release, please contact either Michael Scott, Chief Executive Officer, on 08 9368 5833 / 0409 299 812 or Greg Hancock, Director, on 08 9368 5833 or 0418 263 388.

Yours faithfully

COOPER ENERGY NL

Michael Scott

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