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Zone Resources Inc. Prepares to Deepen a Past Producing Oil Well on Its Newly Acquired Oil Lease

March 23, 2010: Zone Resources Inc. (TSX-V: ZNR) (Zone) has entered into its first lease agreement on approximately 100 acres of oil, gas and minerals rights located on the Alpine Topographic Quadrangle in Overton County, Tennessee. The property was originally drilled in the 1980's and contains an existing well bore that was originally reported as a 40 barrel per day oil well in the Stones River Formation. The well was abandoned almost 10 years ago and since that time there have been several significant discoveries in close proximity. In addition, technology has advanced significantly to allow for economically feasible testing and re-entry.

In December 2009, Zone formed an alliance with (COGC) of Barbourville, Kentucky to find, evaluate and develop past producing oil and shale natural gas projects. Since then COGC has acquired data bases from the Tennessee Oil and Gas Board to research the potential of identifying and acquiring abandoned oil and gas wells, as well as, exploiting other underdeveloped leases. Upon initial review of the data bases and numerous field inspections, COGC has identified numerous abandoned wells that it believes has potential for re-entry and rehabilitation.

COGC has applied for a state issued permit, which generally takes 2 to 3 weeks for approval, to re-enter the existing well bore upon the initial leasehold acquired by Zone. The well will be deepened approximately 1,000 ft to fully explore the potential of all known productive horizons in the area. After deepening, the well will be electronically logged to identify the specific entry points of crude oil within the well bore. If deemed necessary, these entry points will be treated with hydrochloric acids to enhance porosity and production. The well will be equipped with pumping equipment and infrastructure will be installed to gather and store the crude oil produced from the well.

General Project Overview

These re-entry projects are considered to have a lower than average industry risk and have the ability to build a stable, predictable and long lasting revenue stream. This objective can be achieved in two ways: (1) drilling shale natural gas wells and by (2) acquiring abandoned oil wells or under-developed assets for the purpose of rehabilitation.

Currently, for Zone's business model, the best profit margins are in crude oil production and the rehabilitation of underdeveloped assets. These projects remain profitable as long as crude oil remains above \$25 per barrel. COGC has determined that there are numerous abandoned wells, in the planned area of operation that it believes has potential for re-entry and rehabilitation. There are also several hundred more wells that were previously plugged by other operators that can be re-opened for the purpose of rehabilitation.

The majority of costs and risks in a project of this nature have already been born by the previous operator in the drilling of the original well bore. Many abandoned wells and plugged leaseholds still have existing equipment and infrastructure, which will reduce some of the development costs. Each well evaluated for rehabilitation requires different cost allocations based on many factors such as the depth of the well, type

of geological formation, and topographical conditions. The average cost per well rehabilitation is \$25,000 - \$50,000 (USD).

The cost allocations are typically based on an expectation of a 100% return of investment (ROI) within 6 months to 1 year. The production target is to achieve up to 20 barrels of oil per day (bopd) from each well rehabilitated. As with all ventures in the energy sector, projects of this nature involve risk and there is always the possibility of irreversible loss. In order to mitigate some of this risk, COGC will try to diversify the wells for rehabilitation in different oil fields and geological regions.

About Zone Resources Inc.

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