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Basker Manter Gummy (BMG) wells decommissioning update

 The Helix Q7000 vessel has departed the Port of Geelong to load equipment prior to commencing the BMG wells decommissioning programme

Cooper Energy Limited ("Cooper Energy", or the Company) (ASX:COE) provides the following update in relation to the BMG wells decommissioning programme.

The Helix operated Q7000 vessel is now on contract with Cooper Energy, having departed the Port of Geelong this morning. The vessel will be loaded with additional equipment in sheltered water for a period of days, before arriving at the BMG site to commence the decommissioning programme.

Cooper Energy's mid case cost estimate of A\$193 – 198 million (100% gross) includes contingencies allowing for waiting on weather, non-productive time, plus a general contingency. In order to complete the work within the mid case cost estimate, the Company continues to pursue operational efficiencies, as well as simplifying the scope of the decommissioning, to minimise risk and to offset the delay costs incurred to date.

While our absolute focus will be on executing the programme safely and within the minimum time possible, there remains certain risks, including variables outside of Cooper Energy's control, that could raise the total cost above the mid-case.

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