



Spud of New Well - White Hat 21#5

Winchester Energy Limited (**Winchester** or **Company**) will participate with a 50% working interest (**WI**) in a new well (White Hat 21#5) on the White Hat ranch oil lease. White Hat 21#5 was spud on 27 December 2016 and becomes the eighth vertical well on the White Hat ranch oil lease.

The White Hat 21#5 vertical well is located 1,669 feet directly east of the White Hat 21#4 vertical well which is currently producing at the rate of 230 bopd. The primary target in the White Hat 21#5 well will be oil in the Ellenburger Formation. Proposed total depth (**TD**) of the White Hat 21#5 well is approximately 7,100 feet. The Operator expects to reach TD within 14 days.

Winchester will participate with a 50%WI in White Hat 21#5 and Carl E Gungoll Exploration LLC (**CEGX**), the Operator of the existing 7 vertical wells on the White Hat ranch lease, will also have a 50%WI in the new White Hat 21#5 vertical well.

In drilling to TD, the well will first pass through the Cisco Sands, the Canyon Sands and the Strawn Formation along with unconventional oil targets in the Cline Shale and the Barnett Shale equivalent, all prior to reaching the targeted pay zones in the Ellenburger Formation. Standard well logs will be run to analyse all these potential pay zones prior to any decision to complete the well.

Winchester will have a 50%WI in the new White Hat 21#5 vertical well along with a 50%WI in the surrounding 40 acre drilling unit. CEGX will own the other 50%WI in the well and the drilling unit. Each party will pay 50% of the costs of the White Hat 21#5 vertical well. The Operator's (being CEGX) budgeted cost for the White Hat 21#5 well is a total of US\$893,000.

Winchester's wholly owned USA subsidiary, Winchester Energy USA Holdings Inc., owns a 75%WI in the oil and gas mineral rights of the 7,378 acres which surround and adjoin the existing 7 White Hat wells (Winchester 50% WI) and this new White Hat 21#5 vertical well. CEGX owns the remaining 25%WI in these 7,378 acres, all of which are located in Nolan County, Texas in the Eastern Shelf of the Permian Basin.

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