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## APPOINTMENT OF NEW NON EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AND ALTERNATE

Tap Oil Limited (ASX:TAP) is pleased to announce the appointment of Mr Tom Soulsby to the Tap Board, with Mr Chris Newton as his alternate, both effective 1 January 2016.

On 16 December 2015, Tap announced the placement of 13.62 million shares to experienced oil and gas investor and current shareholder Risco Energy Investments (SEA) Limited (**Risco**). At the time the Board resolved to invite Mr Tom Soulsby, Risco's CEO, to join the Tap Board as a Non Executive Director with Mr Chris Newton, Risco's Director of Operations & Business Development, to be appointed as Mr Soulsby's alternate.

Mr Tom Soulsby is a graduate of Swinburne (B. Bus (Acct)) and Monash University (Grad. Dip. Asian Stud.) and has over 25 years' experience in the oil and gas and resources sector spanning investment banking, corporate business development, and management and leadership roles.

Tom initially worked as an accountant, starting his career at KPMG and Western Mining before moving to Potter Warburg (now UBS) in Melbourne as a resources equity research analyst. He subsequently joined ANZ in Melbourne, before being posted to Jakarta and then Singapore as Regional Head of Corporate Finance and as a Director of ANZ Singapore Ltd.

After ANZ, Tom was a founding Director at Indonesian-listed Energi Mega Persada (EMP) in 2003 and until 2008, where he was responsible for the acquisition of assets which added 525 MMboe to EMP's 2P reserves – a key growth driver for the company.

Bringing together his extensive experience in resource industry management and investment banking, Tom was instrumental in securing backing for Risco Energy prior to its incorporation in 2010. He has played a central role in growing the company, its capabilities and delivering value to its shareholders in his role as Chief Executive Officer.

Mr Chris Newton is a geology graduate from the University of Durham, England and also holds a Graduate Diploma in Applied Finance and Investment from the Securities Institute of Australia (SIA). Chris has had a 37 year career in oil and gas covering the spectrum of the industry – from exploration, development, production and petroleum economics to strategic planning, business development and senior leadership.

Chris has spent more than 25 years in senior resource industry roles in South East Asia including as Managing Director of Fletcher Challenge in Brunei and of Shell Deepwater Borneo, President of Santos' Indonesian operations, and CEO of Jakarta-listed oil and gas company EMP.

Chris was an active Director of the Indonesian Petroleum Association (IPA) between 2003 to 2008, including serving as President from 2004 to 2007. He remains active in the IPA and is also the oil and gas advisor to the Jakarta-based Castle Asia Group.

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# Appendix 3X

## Initial Director's Interest Notice

*Information or documents not available now must be given to ASX as soon as available. Information and documents given to ASX become ASX's property and may be made public.*

Introduced 30/9/2001.

<b>Name of entity</b>	Tap Oil Limited
<b>ABN</b>	89 068 572 341

We (the entity) give ASX the following information under listing rule 3.19A.1 and as agent for the director for the purposes of section 205G of the Corporations Act.

<b>Name of Director</b>	Thomas Soulsby
<b>Date of appointment</b>	1 January 2016

### Part 1 - Director's relevant interests in securities of which the director is the registered holder

*In the case of a trust, this includes interests in the trust made available by the responsible entity of the trust*

Note: In the case of a company, interests which come within paragraph (i) of the definition of "notifiable interest of a director" should be disclosed in this part.

<b>Number &amp; class of securities</b>
Nil

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**Part 2 – Director's relevant interests in securities of which the director is not the registered holder**

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<b>Name of holder &amp; nature of interest</b> <small>Note: Provide details of the circumstances giving rise to the relevant interest.</small>	<b>Number &amp; class of Securities</b>
	Nil

**Part 3 – Director's interests in contracts**

Note: In the case of a company, interests which come within paragraph (ii) of the definition of "notifiable interest of a director" should be disclosed in this part.

<b>Detail of contract</b>	Nil
<b>Nature of interest</b>	N/A
<b>Name of registered holder (if issued securities)</b>	N/A
<b>No. and class of securities to which interest relates</b>	N/A

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<b>Name of Director</b>	Christopher Newton
<b>Date of appointment</b>	1 January 2016

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