

3 September 2009

Company Announcements Officer

AUSTRALIAN SECURITIES EXCHANGE (SYDNEY) LIMITED Level 4, Exchange Centre 20 Bridge Street Sydney NSW 2000 AUSTRALIA

Dear Sir/Madam,

Oil Search Limited – Drilling Report (Caliph, Tubb'a). 3 September 2009

For release to the market, attached please find - Drilling Report (Caliph, Tubb'a). 3 September 2009

Yours sincerely OIL SEARCH LIMITED

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DRILLING REPORT – 3 September 2009

WELL NAME: A1-18/01 (Caliph), Libya

Oil Search reports that as at 06:00 Libyan time (-9 hrs AEST) on 2 September, the A1-18/01 well in Area 18, offshore Libya, was at a depth of 3,296 metres and preparing to drill ahead. During the week, the 11-34" liner was run and set.

A1-18/01 is a wildcat well designed to test the Caliph prospect, which is defined by 3D seismic data and has a number of different target levels. The planned total depth of the well is 4,700 metres.

The participants in A1-18/01 are:

Petrobras International Braspetro B.V	70%, operator
Oil Search (Libya) Ltd	30%
Total	100%

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DRILLING REPORT – 3 September 2009

WELL NAME: Tubb'a-1, Block 3, Yemen

Oil Search reports that as at 06:00 on 2 September (-7 hrs AEST), the Tubb'a-1 well in Block 3, Yemen was drilling ahead at 960 metres in a 17- $\frac{1}{2}$ " hole. Progress for the week was 698 metres.

Tubb'a-1 is targeting fractured basement rock in a structure defined by the 3D survey acquired in 2008. The Tubb'a structure is estimated to have potential recoverable reserves of 25 - 30 mmbbl of oil. The well has a predicted total depth of approximately 3,300 metres and is expected to take 60-65 days to drill.

The participants in Block 3 are:

Oil Search (Republic of Yemen) Ltd	60%, Operator
Petoil	34%
Yemen General Corporation for Oil and Gas	6%
Total	100%

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