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TOENDA-1 PROGRESS REPORT

Orion Petroleum Limited

Orion Petroleum Limited (ASX: OIP) is pleased to announce that the the Toenda-1 exploration well in northern NSW licence PEL 6 spudded on Sunday, 11 April 2010.

As at the morning report of 13 April, the well had been drilled to a depth of 509m. The current operation is running 9 5/8" casing. Following cementing, nipping up the BOP's and pressure testing, the forward plan is to drill ahead in 8 1/2" hole.

The primary objective Permian Upper Back Creek sandstone is prognosed to be intersected at around 1,360m. Planned total depth for Toenda-1 is 1,850m.

Orion has a 97.5% interest in PEL 6 with the remaining 2.5% held by private interest holders.

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