## **Austin Exploration Limited**



Based in Adelaide Australia: listed on the Australian Securities Exchange ("AKK")

### **ASX Announcement**

26 March, 2010

### **For Immediate Release**

The Manager
Companies Announcements Officer
Australian Stock Exchange
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### Armstrong Project - Update No. 2

- Workover / Completion Rig Work Has Begun
- Oil Delivery Infrastructure Installation is on Schedule

Dear Sir/Madam,

The Board of Austin Exploration Limited (ASX: "AKK") is pleased to provide the following progress report on the Company's first oil well at the Armstrong Project in Natchez, Mississippi, the Ellislie Plantation #1 well.

As mentioned in the last update on March 18<sup>th</sup>, due to the high oil saturation, porosity and permeability levels found in the core samples, and the operator's extensive experience with these hydrocarbon sands, Aus-Tex and the operator have chosen to perforate the identified zones and move the well into production as quickly as possible.

Since the Company's last update, the operator has completed the following objectives:

- On Friday March 19<sup>th</sup> the workover / completion rig arrived on site.
- Set-up of the power plant and support equipment for the rig was completed over the weekend and completion work on the well commenced.
- The targeted Benbrook sand was perforated from a depth of 6,455.5 6,460.5 feet.
- Production tubing has been successfully run and sucker rods are scheduled to be installed tomorrow.
- All 1.7 miles of right of way have been cleared and are now awaiting pipe installation.
- PAD site construction for the tank battery, heater treater, and separation equipment has begun.
- The saltwater disposal well has been tied back and is on schedule to be drilled out shortly.

The operator is currently working to simultaneously complete the oil well and the saltwater injection well and to set the pumpjack, while finishing the installation of delivery pipeline, storage tanks etc.

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Workover / Completion Rig



Crewmen Ready to Perforate Pay Zone



Clearing of Delivery Line Right of Way



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Oil Storage and Seperator Pad Site Prep



Saltwater Injection Well Wellhead

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#### **HELD INTEREST**

Interest Holder	Working Interest	Net Revenue Interest
Aus-Tex Exploration, Inc.	50%	37.5%
Operator	50%	37.5%

### **COMPETENT PERSON'S STATEMENT**

In accordance with ASX and AIM rules, the information in this release has been reviewed and approved by Mr. Stanley L. Lindsey, Chief Geologist, Austin Exploration Limited. Mr. Lindsey holds a Bachelor of Science Degree in Geology with a minor in Chemistry and has over 30 years of oil and gas experience including exploration, development, operations, acquisitions and divestitures. His background also includes mapping, utilizing integration of 2-D and 3-D seismic with subsurface data and reserve calculations. He is a Certified Petroleum Geologist and has been a member of the American Association of Petroleum Geologists and the Houston Geological Society since 1979. He also belongs to the Society of Independent Professional Earth Scientists (SIPES). Mr. Lindsey has the relevant experience within the industry and consents to the information in the form and context in which it appears.

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