# GOLDEN GATE PETROLEUM LTD ASX / MEDIA ANNOUNCEMENT

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## Napoleonville Project Update - Hensarling #1 Well

## Oil Shows

14-52 ("Desiree") Prospect, Hensarling # 1 well, Assumption Parish, Louisiana, Non-Operator, 3.99% WI

Golden Gate Petroleum Ltd (ASX: GGP) is pleased to announce that the Hensarling #1 well is drilling ahead at 11,933 feet.

The first primary objective, the Cris R II sand was intersected overnight and the mud logs indicate oil shows of approximately 60-70 feet of gross interval. The second objective, the Cris R III sand is expected to be reached within a day, following which electric logs will be run. Should the electric logs indicate "pay", casing will be set over the Cris R II & Cris R III prior to drilling ahead to the secondary objectives, the Cris R IV and V.

The Desiree prospect covers an area of 140 acres in Assumption Parish, Louisiana and is being operated by a large US oil and gas company. The operator is the same partner that is managing the Napoleonville salt dome project.

This well will be drilled to a total depth of 12,550ft. Total drilling costs are US\$ 3.6 million. GGP's share of drilling costs was funded in August. The primary objectives are the Cris R II and III intervals which, based on Grand Gulf Energy's estimates, have the potential for 600,000 - 800,000 bbls of oil and secondary objectives in the Cris R IV and V intervals with 200,000 bbls oil and 15-30 BCF gas.

The well is up-dip and 270ft from the largest producer in the Napoleonville Field (2.3 MMBO – Cris R II & III) which was abandoned at low oil prices with split casing while still producing 100 bbls per day (collectively from Cris R II and III). If successful, the project offers long life reserves, with IP's of 400-800 bbls per day.

This is a proven productive fault block with a strong water drive in the primary objectives. The prospect has a significant oil column and long life production potential and was generated from 3D seismic and subsurface support for up-dip attic structure.

Partners in the Hensarling #1 well:

Grand Gulf Energy (ASX:GGE) 35.60% Golden Gate Petroleum Ltd (ASX:GGP) 3.99% Other Partners 60.41%

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**About Golden Gate:** Golden Gate is an independent oil and gas exploration and production company listed on the Australian Securities Exchange. Its focus of operations is onshore Texas and Louisiana Gulf Coast region and the Permian Basin region of the USA.

### **COMPANY INFORMATION**

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#### COMPANY DIRECTORS

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#### STOCK EXCHANGE LISTING

Australian Stock Exchange
ASX Code: GGP

Current Shares on Issue:
2,576,785,544

Market Capitalization as at19

November 2012 based on a share price of \$0.007

AUD \$18.0 million.

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**COMPETENT PERSONS STATEMENT**: The information in this report has been reviewed and signed off by Mr George Placke, Petroleum Engineer, with over 30 years of experience within the oil and gas sector and an extended background in Texas and Louisiana.

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