

SUCCESSFUL CAPITAL RAISING

Maverick Drilling & Exploration Limited (ASX: MAD) is pleased to announce it has successfully completed a placement of 30 million shares to sophisticated and institutional investors at an issue price of A\$0.60 per share to raise A\$18 million. The price represents a 17.81% discount to the closing price of the company's shares on the trading day prior to the company requesting a trading halt and a 13.42% discount to the VWAP of the company's shares in 20 prior trading days.

The placement was more than three times oversubscribed, requiring that applicants be scaled back. The placement received strong support from institutional investors. The company is pleased to welcome a number of new institutions to its register and significant additional investment demand from existing sophisticated and institutional shareholders.

The proceeds of the placement will be used to:

1. accelerate the drilling campaigns on Blue Ridge Dome, Boling Dome and Nash Dome – the modest raising will allow the company to increase its development plan over 50% during the next 12 months and well beyond;
2. acquire additional drilling rigs, workover rigs, and associated component equipment and field equipment needed to accelerate our drilling plans;
3. establish infrastructure in the new fields (Boling and Nash) as a platform to initiate major drilling programs, including equipment yards, field offices, roads and electrical service;
4. acquire more acreage on the company's existing fields – as a first step the company has acquired 1,936 gross and net acres on and flanking the Blue Ridge Dome field (see separate announcement) and is currently in negotiations to increase its acreage position on its other fields.

Maverick's executive chairman, Don Henrich, said: "The decision to raise capital was not made lightly – Maverick's current cash flow from existing production is sufficient to continue to execute our current development strategy without new capital. We carefully weighed the ability to (1) expand the drilling and production rig fleet, (2) meaningfully accelerate drilling and (3) increase the value of Maverick's assets with further acreage acquisitions, against the dilution to existing shareholders. We determined a small placement was in the interest of all shareholders. In this case, we considered the opportunities available to Maverick in the short term justified raising the capital quickly via a placement. We are delighted with the support we have received and appreciate the external endorsement of Maverick's strategy and performance.

The placement was managed by RBS Morgans Limited.

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About Maverick Drilling & Exploration Limited (ASX: MAD)

Maverick is a diversified oil company with existing oil production and reserves focusing on low cost development of low risk drilling prospects. Maverick's flagship assets are leases that it holds over parts of the Blue Ridge, Nash and Boling Domes, established producing oil fields located south of Houston, Texas in the United States and its wholly owned subsidiary Maverick Drilling Company, a 37 year old contract drilling company based in Texas.