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Hurricane Energy plc

("Hurricane" or the "Company")

Operational Update:

Introduction of Hydrocarbons to Aoka Mizu FPSO

Hurricane Energy plc, the UK based oil and gas company focused on hydrocarbon resources in naturally fractured basement reservoirs, is pleased to provide an operational update in relation to the Early Production System development of the Lancaster field ("Lancaster EPS").

On 11 May 2019 hydrocarbons were introduced into the Aoka Mizu FPSO's process system. Introduction of hydrocarbons is the final stage of the FPSO's commissioning and marks the commencement of the Lancaster EPS start-up phase. During this phase, each of the two production wells will be individually tested and shut-in for data gathering purposes. Cleaning and testing (pigging) of the flowlines for flow assurance purposes will also take place during these shut-ins. The start-up phase will conclude with simultaneous flow from both wells for 72 consecutive hours, after which a further announcement of 'First Oil' will be made.

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About Hurricane

Hurricane was established to discover, appraise and develop hydrocarbon resources associated with naturally fractured basement reservoirs. The Company's acreage is concentrated on the Rona Ridge, in the West of Shetland region of the UK Continental Shelf.

The Lancaster field (100%) is Hurricane's most appraised asset, with five wells drilled by the Company to date. It has 2P reserves and 2C contingent resources of 523 million stock tank barrels of oil. The Company is currently proceeding towards the first phase of development of Lancaster, an Early Production System which will be the UK's first basement field development. It involves a two well tie-back to the Aoka Mizu FPSO and is expected to initially produce 17,000 barrels of oil per day (gross production of 20,000 bopd with assumed operating efficiency of 85% following ramp-up). First oil is targeted for 1H 2019.

Hurricane's other assets include Lincoln (50%), Warwick (50%), Halifax (100%), Whirlwind (100%), and Strathmore (100%). Together with Lancaster, these assets have total combined 2P reserves and 2C contingent resources of 2.6 billion barrels of oil equivalent (2.3 billion barrels of oil equivalent net to Hurricane).

In September 2018, Spirit Energy farmed-in to 50% of the Lincoln and Warwick assets, committing to a five-phase work programme targeting sanction of full field development in 2021.

Glossary

2P Reserves	Proved plus probable reserves under the Society of Petroleum Engineers' Petroleum Resources Management System
2C Contingent resources	Best case contingent resources under the Society of Petroleum Engineers' Petroleum Resources Management System
bopd	Barrels of oil per day
FPSO	Floating production storage and offloading vessel
Spirit Energy	Spirit Energy Limited

Inside Information

This announcement contains inside information as stipulated under the market abuse regulation (EU no. 596/2014). Upon the publication of this announcement via regulatory information service this inside information is now considered to be in the public domain.

Competent Person

The technical information in this release has been reviewed by Dr Robert Trice, who is a qualified person for the purposes of the AIM Guidance Note for Mining, Oil and Gas Companies. Dr Robert Trice, Chief Executive Officer of Hurricane Energy plc, is a geologist and geoscientist with a PhD in geology and has over 30 years' experience in the oil and gas industry.

Standard

Resource estimates contained in this announcement have been prepared in accordance with the Petroleum Resource Management System guidelines endorsed by the Society of Petroleum Engineers, World Petroleum Congress, American Association of Petroleum Geologists and Society of Petroleum Evaluation Engineers.

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