



PETRA ENERGY

PRESS STATEMENT

PETRA ENERGY IN STRATEGIC ALLIANCE WITH ADVANCED WELL TECHNOLOGIES

Newco to provide complete oil and gas field development and refurbishment solutions for the upstream energy sector in Malaysia and the Asia-Pacific region

KUALA LUMPUR, 12 FEBRUARY 2008 – Petra Energy Berhad (“Petra Energy”), an integrated oil & gas brown field service provider, today signed a Memorandum of Understanding (“MOU”) with Advanced Well Technologies Pty Ltd (“AWT”), an independent well engineering group headquartered in Perth, Australia for the set-up of a Joint-Venture company (“Newco”) to provide complete field development solutions for oil and gas majors in Malaysia and selected regions in South East Asia and the Greater Asia-Pacific.

Under the terms of the MOU, the Newco will seek to provide comprehensive field development planning and implementation of solutions by integrating all necessary project management, engineering and equipment services to existing and potential state-owned and private cliental.

Essentially, the Newco will combine AWT’s well construction and field development expertise with Petra Energy’s extensive maintenance, procurement, fabrication, installation and production facility commissioning capabilities.

Petra Energy will hold 51% equity in the Newco with 49% held by AWT. The Newco will have an initial paid-up capital, not exceeding RM100,000.

Petra Energy’s Executive Chairman, Tengku Dato’ Ibrahim Petra said the expansion into oil well activities to include field development and refurbishment services under Petra Energy’s business scope is part of a strategic expansion in sub-surface activities. “Petra Energy has already established itself as one of the major top-side integrated brown field service providers in South East Asia. Sub-surface activities are part of our continuing evolution in providing a complete ambit of services or comprehensive solutions in the brown field sector of the upstream oil and gas industry.

“We are currently in discussions with AWT on focus areas in field development and refurbishment solutions. After the Newco is formed, we plan to seek additional licenses to undertake various oil and gas well engineering and operations in the country.

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“For regional operators, the Newco shall provide complete solutions, which would encompass field reviews, development and refurbishment, productivity enhancement, integrity management, decommissioning and other services.

“We hope to commence operations next month after all the details have been ironed-out and approved by the relevant parties,” added Tengku Dato’ Ibrahim.

Meanwhile, Mr. Cameron Manifold, Managing Director of AWT Pty. Ltd. described the establishment of the Newco as a significant milestone in AWT's strategy to enhance the company's position in the Asia region and support the Malaysian oil and gas engineering services sector.

“PETRA has proven to be an excellent business partner, providing us with access to a unique fleet of state-of-the-art O&M crane barge units, related support vessels and engineering services. Formation of this jointly owned company consolidates our relationship with PETRA and is critical to securing the differentiating capability enabling effective implementation of innovative field development and field refurbishment solutions for our clients,” he added.

Petra Energy, which is listed on the Main Board, Bursa Malaysia Securities Bhd, provides integrated brown field services for the upstream oil and gas industry. Petra Energy’s business activities include Engineering Maintenance & Manufacturing, Top-side Major Maintenance Hook-up Commissioning & Construction, Equipment Packaging, Oil Field Optimisation and Fabrication of Process Equipment. & Boilers.

Advanced Well Technologies (AWT) is an independent well engineering consultancy providing innovative field development and refurbishment solutions to the global upstream oil and gas industry.

Headquartered in Perth, Western Australia with offices in Asia, the Middle East and UK, AWT have integrated the necessary disciplines required to understand operator’s technical and commercial drivers from a fundamental comprehension of the reservoir, through sandface completion design, well construction and interfacing with the operations team.

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