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Dear Sir,

Sub: SUCCESSFUL COMPLETION OF PLANNED APPRAISAL DRILLING PROGRAM IN THE DISCOVERY AREA OFFSHORE MOZAMBIQUE

Bharat PetroResources Limited (BPRL), a wholly owned subsidiary of Bharat Petroleum Corporation Limited, advises that M/s. Anadarko Mocambique Area 1 Limitada, the Operator of exploration block in Rovuma Basin, Area 1, offshore Mozambique, has just announced the success of the Barquentine-4 appraisal well which encountered approximately 160 net meters of natural gas pay. With this the partnership has completed the drilling portion of its planned appraisal program in the discovery area offshore Mozambique. The Barquentine-4 well is the ninth successful well in the complex that includes the earlier Windjammer, Barquentine, Lagosta and Camarao discoveries and the five subsequent appraisal wells in the block. The result of the successful appraisal program is the key to achieving third party reserve certification leading to project FID.

The operator has now named the complex 'Prosperidade' which is estimated to hold recoverable resources of 17 to 30 plus Tcf of natural gas. The operator plans to mobilise the Belford Dolphin drillship to the northern section of the block to conduct additional exploration drilling of high potential prospects like Atum, Golfinho etc. which may expand the resource further. The second drillship, Deep Water Millennium, operating in the area is continuing to carry out an extensive testing program within the 'Prosperidade' field.

The consortium members in the block are Anadarko Mocambique Area 1 Limitada (36.5% PI), BPRL Ventures Mozambique B.V (10% PI), Videocon Mozambique Rovuma 1 Limited (10 % PI), Cove Energy Mozambique Rovuma Offshore, Ltd. (8.5% PI) and Mitsui E&P Mozambique Area 1, Limited (20% PI). The balance 15% PI is with Empresa Nacional de Hidrocarbonetos E.P (ENH) the national oil company of Mozambique, who are carried through the exploration phase.

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Thanking you,

Yours faithfully,
For Bharat Petroleum Corporation Ltd.


(S. V. Kulkarni)
Company Secretary

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