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**SOUTH AFRICAN AGENCY FOR THE PROMOTION OF PETROLEUM
EXPLORATION AND EXPLOITATION
(Petroleum Agency)**

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**MINERAL AND PETROLEUM RESOURCES DEVELOPMENT ACT, 2002
(ACT NO. 28 OF 2002)**

**MORATORIUM ON LICENCE APPLICATIONS FOR OFFSHORE OIL AND
GAS FOR THE PURPOSES OF A LICENSING ROUND.**

- I. I, Mthozami Xiphu, the Chief Executive of the Petroleum Agency for the Promotion of Petroleum Exploration and Exploitation, acting in terms of section 73 of the Mineral and Petroleum Resources Development Act No. 28 of 2002 (the Act) and the delegation of powers granted by the Minister of Minerals and Energy, do hereby declare a moratorium on applications for licences for exploration for hydrocarbons, in the offshore areas demarcated by coordinates as described hereunder.

- II. The foregoing is subject to a licensing round that will be announced during November 2006, by the South African Agency for the Promotion of Petroleum Exploration and Exploitation, the Agency, designated in terms of Section 70 of the Act.

The designated areas for licensing are:

Area A: Northern Orange Basin

The area is limited by the boundaries between the following sets of coordinates:

INTERSECTION OF LAT 28:51:00S WITH LONG 16:16:12E

INTERSECTION OF LAT 28:37:48S WITH THE LOW-WATER MARK

INTERSECTION OF LAT 30:00:00S WITH THE LOW-WATER MARK

INTERSECTION OF LAT 30:00:00S WITH LONG 14:25:48E

Area B: Western Orange Basin

The area is limited by the boundaries between the following sets of coordinates:

INTERSECTION OF LAT 30:00:00.00S WITH Namibian/RSA Median Line

INTERSECTION OF LAT 30:00:01.41S WITH LONG 14:41:56.43E

INTERSECTION OF LAT 30:40:01.36S WITH LONG 14:41:56.44E

INTERSECTION OF LAT 30:40:01.33S WITH LONG 14:54:56.46E

INTERSECTION OF LAT 30:42:01.32S WITH LONG 14:54:56.46E

INTERSECTION OF LAT 30:42:01.31S WITH LONG 15:02:56.47E

INTERSECTION OF LAT 30:52:01.31S WITH LONG 15:02:56.48E

INTERSECTION OF LAT 30:52:01.29S WITH LONG 15:24:56.53E

INTERSECTION OF LAT 31:00:01.29S WITH LONG 15:24:56.55E

INTERSECTION OF LAT 31:00:01.33S WITH LONG 14:44:56.47E

INTERSECTION OF LAT 31:15:01.32S WITH LONG 14:44:56.49E

INTERSECTION OF LAT 31:15:01.30S WITH LONG 14:59:56.53E

INTERSECTION OF LAT 32:00:01.23S WITH LONG 14:59:56.77E

INTERSECTION OF LAT 32:00:01.18S WITH LONG 15:29:56.85E

INTERSECTION OF LAT 32:15:01.15S WITH LONG 15:29:56.88E

INTERSECTION OF LAT 32:15:01.19S WITH LONG 15:44:56.90E

INTERSECTION OF LAT 32:45:01.08S WITH LONG 15:44:56.99E

INTERSECTION OF LAT 32:45:01.03S WITH LONG 16:14:57.07E

INTERSECTION OF LAT 33:00:00.99S WITH LONG 16:14:57.11E

INTERSECTION OF LAT 33:00:01.19S WITH LONG 13:59:56.70E

INTERSECTION WITH NAMIBIAN/RSA MEDIAN LINE WITH LONG 14:00:00.00E

Area C: Southern Orange basin

The area is limited by the boundaries between the following sets of coordinates:

INTERSECTION OF LAT 33:00:01.02S WITH LONG 15:59:57.08E

INTERSECTION OF LAT 33:00:00.84S WITH THE LOW WATER MARK

INTERSECTION OF THE LOW WATER MARK WITH LONG 18:00:00.00E

INTERSECTION OF LAT 35:00:00.00S WITH LONG 18:00:00.00E

INTERSECTION OF LAT 35:00:00.00S WITH LONG 16:00:00.00E

Area D: Proximal Bredasdorp Basin

The area is limited by the boundaries between the following sets of co-ordinates:

INTERSECTION OF LOW-WATER MARK WITH LONG 20:00:00E

INTERSECTION OF LOW-WATER MARK WITH LONG 20:59:57.83E

INTERSECTION OF LAT 36:00:00.31S WITH LONG 20:59:57.87E

INTERSECTION OF LAT 36:00:00S WITH LONG 20:00:00E

Area E: Offshore Algoa Basin:

The area is limited by the boundaries between the following sets of co-ordinates:

INTERSECTION OF LOW-WATER MARK WITH LONG 25:30:00E

INTERSECTION OF LOW-WATER MARK WITH LONG 26:30:00E

INTERSECTION OF LAT 35:00:00S WITH LONG 26:30:00E

INTERSECTION OF LAT 35:00:00S WITH LONG 25:30:00E

Area F: Zululand Basin

The area is limited by the boundaries between the following sets of co-ordinates:

INTERSECTION OF LAT 28:30:00S WITH THE LOW-WATER MARK

INTERSECTION OF LAT 28:30:00S WITH LONG 33:00:00E

INTERSECTION OF LAT 31:00:00S WITH LONG 33:00:00E

INTERSECTION OF LAT 31:00:00S WITH THE LOW-WATER MARK

All co-ordinates are referenced to the **WGS84** spheroid.

A map showing the reserved areas is attached.

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CEO: PETROLEUM AGENCY

