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## **NZOG TIEKE-1 DRILLING UPDATE**

New Zealand Oil & Gas Ltd ("NZOG") reports that the Tieke-1 well has reached a total depth of 3,579 metres. Since the last report, the well was drilled from 3,225 metres to total depth and encountered minor hydrocarbon shows. The joint venture is now assessing the results to determine whether there is merit in suspending the well for a potential sidetrack to a deeper Kapuni sand target.

Following completion of operations at Tieke-1, the offshore drilling rig will commence the development drilling activities on the adjacent Tui Area Development.

Participants in Tieke-1 and PMP 38158 are:

New Zealand Oil & Gas Limited (through its sub Stewart Petroleum Limited)	12.5%
New Zealand Overseas Petroleum Pty Ltd ("AWE")	22.5%
AWE New Zealand Pty Limited ("AWE")	20.0%
Mitsui E & P New Zealand Limited	35.0%
Pan Pacific Petroleum Ltd (through its subsidiary WM Petroleum Ltd)	10.0%

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