



STOCK EXCHANGE ANNOUNCEMENT

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TIEKE-1 WELL SUSPENDED

Pan Pacific Petroleum N.L. ("PPP") reports that the Tieke-1 well was suspended this morning. The *Ocean Patriot* rig will now move to the Tui-2H site to commence drilling of the first development well.

The suspension of the Tieke well will enable the joint venture to assess the well data to determine the merit for a potential sidetrack to a deeper reservoir at a later time during the current drilling campaign.

Participants in Tieke-1 and PMP 38158 are:

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

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Kim Ware'.

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Notes:

1. References to *PPP*, and *the company*, are to be read as inclusive of the subsidiary companies within the consolidated PPP group.