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KUPE DEVELOPMENT WELLS DISCLOSURE NOTICE

New Zealand Oil & Gas Ltd (NZOG) advises that as of 14:00 hours on 7 May, the 5-1/2 inch production tubing and down-hole monitoring equipment has been run on Kupe South 6 (KS-6) and the Production Tree installed.

Following pressure testing of the KS-6 Production Tree, the rig will move back to Kupe South 7 Sidetrack 1 (KS-7 ST1) to finalise Completion operations before moving to Kupe South 8 (KS-8). On KS-8 the 5 inch liner will be cleaned out and the well displaced to completion fluid prior to running a cement bond evaluation log and installing the 5-1/2 inch production tubing and down-hole monitoring equipment.

Drilling of the three development wells began at 22:40 hrs on 19 December 2007. All three wells have reached their target depths.

| | 22 inch | 17 inch | 12-1/4 inch | 8-1/2 inch | 6-1/8 inch |
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| KS-6 | 560m | 2,000m | 2,895m | 3,385m | |
| KS-7 | 566m | 2,000m | 3,116m | 3,454m | |
| KS-7 ST1 | | | | | 3,503m |
| KS-8 | 568m | 2,184m | 3,429m | 3,834m | |

*Depths are cumulative and show total well depth.

The Kupe Project is located within permit PML38146 in the offshore Taranaki Basin, New Zealand, approximately 30km off the coast. The development will comprise production wells tied into an unmanned offshore platform, a 30 km pipeline to shore, and an onshore processing station. The Kupe Project is expected to be completed by mid-2009 and produce approximately 254 petajoules of natural gas, 1.1 million tonnes of LPG and 14.7 million barrels of light oil/condensate.

Participants in the Kupe Gas Project are:

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| Origin Energy Limited (through its subsidiary Origin Energy Resources (Kupe) Limited) | 50% (Operator) |
| Genesis Energy (through wholly owned subsidiaries) | 31% |
| New Zealand Oil & Gas Limited (through wholly owned subsidiaries) | 15% |
| Mitsui E&P Australia Pty Ltd | 4% |

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