

DEEP WELL COMPLETES FIRST AND SPUDS THE SECOND OF THE PLANNED SEVEN WELLS OF THE SAWN LAKE PROJECT.

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EDMONTON, ALBERTA - (Marketwire - December 18, 2008, Deep Well Oil & Gas, Inc. ("Deep Well") (PINK SHEETS: DWOG - News) and its subsidiaries are pleased to announce that the first of the planned seven wells has been completed at a depth of 680 meters (2,231 feet). It was determined that the well has a total net pay of 11.5 meters (37.7 feet) crude bitumen. Results of the core analysis will be available in the new year. The drilling of the second well, situated at 9-16-092-13-W5, has commenced and the depth to be drilled is 680 meters (2,231 feet).

Deep Well Oil & Gas, Inc. is a Nevada corporation based in Alberta Canada. Deep Well and its subsidiaries Northern Alberta Oil Ltd. and Deep Well Oil & Gas (Alberta) Ltd. have a 100% working interest in 6 contiguous sections of a P&NG license, an 80% working interest, in 51 contiguous sections of oil sands development leases, 40% working interest in an additional 12 sections of oil sands development leases and an 80% working interest in 6.5 sections of oil sands permits in the Sawn Lake heavy oil area in North Central Alberta. The permits and leases cover 47,759 acres. Degolyer and MacNaughton Canada Limited ("D&M"), an independent engineering company, has summarized the original oil in place for the Sawn Lake Project. D&M have concluded that net to Deep Well there are 1.2 billion barrels of oil in place, based on mapping generated for the appraisal report.

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