



NEWS RELEASE

KOSMOS ENERGY ANNOUNCES RESULTS OF PONTOENOE-1 WELL

DALLAS, Texas, October 10, 2018 – [Kosmos Energy](#) (NYSE/LSE: KOS) announced today that it has completed drilling the Pontoenoe-1 exploration well in Block 42 offshore Suriname.

Pontoenoe-1 was designed to test late Cretaceous reservoirs in a stratigraphic trap charged from oil mature Albian and Cenomanian-Turonian source kitchens. The well was located offshore Suriname approximately 280 kilometers northwest of Paramaribo in approximately 2,497 meters of water and has been drilled to a total depth of approximately 6,194 meters.

The prospect was fully tested but did not discover commercial hydrocarbons. High quality reservoir was encountered, but the primary exploration objective proved to be water bearing. Kosmos believes there was evidence of a working source kitchen and the prospect failed due to a lack of trap. The well will now be plugged and abandoned, and the well results integrated into the ongoing evaluation of the remaining prospectivity in Kosmos' acreage position.

Andrew G. Inglis, chairman and chief executive officer, said: "We are in the early stages of exploring the emerging Suriname-Guyana basin, and given the indications of a mature source, quality Cretaceous reservoir, and the independent nature of the prospectivity, we believe there is significant remaining potential in Block 42. Our current plan is to test the next prospect in 2020."

Kosmos holds rights in the Block 42 contract area under a production sharing contract with the Government of Suriname's Staatsolie Maatschappij Suriname N.V. ("Staatsolie"). The block ranges in water depth between approximately 2,000 and 2,500 meters and covers an area of over 6,000 square kilometers gross. Kosmos (33.3 percent) is the exploration operator of Block 42 and is joined by its partners Hess (NYSE:HES) (33.3 percent) and Chevron (NYSE:CVX) (33.3 percent).

About Kosmos Energy

Kosmos is a well-capitalized, pure play deepwater oil and gas company with growing production, a pipeline of development opportunities and a balanced exploration portfolio along the Atlantic Margins. Our assets include production offshore Ghana, Equatorial Guinea and Gulf of Mexico, a competitively positioned Tortue gas project in Mauritania and Senegal and a sustainable exploration program balanced between proven basins (Gulf of Mexico and Equatorial Guinea), emerging basins (Mauritania, Senegal and Suriname) and frontier basins (Cote d'Ivoire and Sao Tome and Principe). As an ethical and transparent company, Kosmos is committed to doing things the right way. The Company's Business Principles articulate our commitment to transparency, ethics, human rights, safety and the environment. Read more about this commitment in the Kosmos 2017 Corporate Responsibility Report. For additional information, visit www.kosmosenergy.com.

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