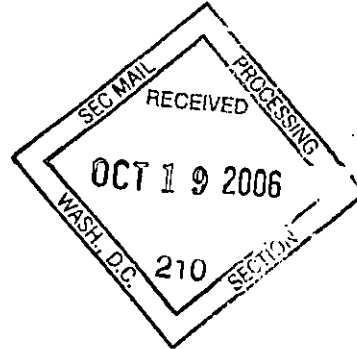


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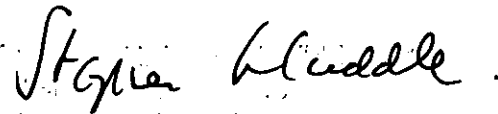
Dear Sirs

Premier Oil plc (f/k/a Premier Oil Group plc)
Rule 12g3-2(b) Exemption: File No. 82-34723

In accordance with Premier Oil plc's exemption from the disclosure requirements under Rule 12g3-2(b) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, please find enclosed the following press release dated 11th October 2006:

"Dua-5X Testing Results"

Yours faithfully



Stephen Huddle
Company Secretary

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Press Release

PREMIER OIL PLC
("Premier" or "the Company")

Dua-5X testing results



Vietnam

Premier Oil is very pleased to announce it has successfully completed testing of well Dua-5X on Block 12E offshore Vietnam. Well Dua-5X discovered multiple gas and oil reservoirs in the southern fault block of the Dua structure. Two reservoir intervals were tested. The primary reservoir target flowed oil at a stable rate of 5,543 barrels of oil per day ("bopd") plus 6.76 million standard cubic feet of gas per day ("MMscfd") through a 128/64" choke. A deeper secondary reservoir flowed at a rate of 247 bopd through a 28/64" choke. Neither zone produced water on test.

Premier Oil, as operator of the Block 12E PSC, will now commence the resource assessment and preparation of a reservoir evaluation report. This is the first step in the commercialisation process.

Immediately prior to drilling the southern fault block, Premier drilled wells Dua-4X and Dua-4X ST1 in the northern fault block of Dua. These wells were step-outs from the 1974 Dua-1X discovery well from which the main reservoir flowed at a rate of 1,500 bopd. Wireline testing of both Dua-4X and Dua-4X ST1 recovered oil samples and pressure data.

Following completion of operations on Dua-5X, Premier will drill the Blackbird prospect to explore a large tilted fault block updip of an old well that encountered very good oil shows.

On completion of a farmout agreement between Premier Oil and Santos, and subject to receipt of the approvals required from the Government of the Socialist Republic of Vietnam, Premier (as operator) will hold a 37.5% interest in Block 12E. The other partners will be Santos (37.5%) and Delek Energy (25%).

Premier's Chief Executive, Simon Lockett, said:

"We are very pleased that the Dua-5X well test result is substantially better than expected. The result confirms our decision to proceed rapidly to development studies."

11 October 2006

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