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8<sup>th</sup> December 2006

Securities and Exchange Commission  
450 Fifth Street, N.W.  
Washington, DC 20549  
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

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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 7 December 2006:

"Possible Offer"

Yours faithfully

*C. B. Huddle*

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA  
Stephen Huddle  
**Company Secretary**

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# Press Release

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

Further to the announcement dated 23 October 2006 regarding a possible offer for the Company, Panther plc announces that it has terminated all discussions.

The Board is extremely confident in the future prospects for the Group. In particular, the Company has embarked on an active period of high impact exploration drilling which, together with our recent exploration successes in both Indonesia and Vietnam, and good progress in our portfolio of new development projects, offer shareholders substantial upside.

7 December 2006

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