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Exploration & Development Corp.

Press Release

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Peyto Exploration & Development Corp.'s Second Quarter 1999 Report

PEYTO Exploration & Development Corp. is pleased to present its second quarter financial and operating results for the period ended June 30, 1999.

Quarterly Review

From the previous quarter, production climbed 72% to 41 barrels of oil and natural gas liquids and 594 thousand cubic feet (mcf) of natural gas per day. For the quarter, operating income climbed 294% to \$106,677. Product prices averaged \$18.77 per barrel for oil and \$2.93 per mcf for gas with associated operating costs of \$2.19 per barrel of oil and \$0.66 per mcf of gas. At the end of the period, Peyto had a working capital surplus of \$354,834 with no debt. Peyto's capital spending totaled \$(92,374) for the quarter.

During the quarter, Peyto tied-in and brought on production its first operated well. Peyto also completed the sale of its Hanlan property to Rio Alto Exploration Ltd. for net proceeds of \$833,336.

Activity Update

In July 1999, Peyto successfully re-completed two more operated gas wells. Both wells will be tied-in and on production in the fall of 1999.

<u>Outlook</u>

The company will continue to develop its large inventory of low risk development and exploitation projects in West Central Alberta. For further information on the company, visit Peyto's web site located at <u>www.peyto.com</u>.

Don T. Gray, P. Eng. President & CEO August 19, 1999

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Balance Sheet (Unaudited)

As at		
June 30	1999	1998
ASSETS		
Current assets		
Cash and short-term investments	\$ (15,365)	\$ 435,156
Accounts receivable	1,412,950	-
Prepaid expenses	11,653	-
	1,409,238	435,156
Petroleum & natural gas properties		
Petroleum & natural gas properties	1,370,580	-
Production equipment and other	208,855	-
	1,579,435	-
Less accumulated depreciation and depletion		
Petroleum & natural gas properties	61,977	-
Production equipment and other	14,626	-
	76,603	-
	1,502,832	-
Total assets	\$ 2,912,070	\$ 435,156
LIABILITIES and SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY		
Current liabilities		
Accounts payable	\$ 1,054,404	\$ 2,500
Future site restoration	6,568	-
Future income tax	202,690	(30,269)
Shareholders' equity		
Share capital	1,755,942	462,402
Retained earnings (deficit)	(107,534)	523
	 1,648,408	462,925
Total liabilities and equity	\$ 2,912,070	\$ 435,156

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Statement of Operations and Retained Earnings (Unaudited)

Six Months Ended				
June 30	1999	1998		
Revenue				
Oil and gas sales	\$ 341,448	\$ -		
Royalties	(118,507)	-		
Interest income	4,966	6,600		
	227,907	6,600		
Expenses				
Production	80,005	-		
General and administrative	137,134	6,007		
Interest	2,427	-		
Depletion, depreciation and				
Site restoration	59,169	-		
	278,735	6,007		
Net income (loss) for the period	(50,828)	593		
Retained earnings (deficit), Beginning of period	(56,706)	(70)		
Retained earnings (deficit),	\$ (107.534)	\$ 523		
End of period	\$ (107,534)	φ 323		
Common shares outstanding	13,108,671	3,750,000		
Earnings (loss) per share	\$(0.00)	\$0.00		

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Statement of Cash Flows (Unaudited)

Six Months Ended June 30			
June 50	1999	1998	
Cash provided by (used in)			
Operating Activities			
Net income (loss) for the period	\$ (50,828)	\$ 593	
Items not requiring cash			
Depletion, depreciation and Site restoration	59,169	_	
Cash flow from operations	8,341	593	
Change in non-cash working capital balances related to			
operating activities	(357,290)	2,500	
	(348,949)	3,093	
Cash provided by (used in)			
Financing Activities			
Issue of common shares	296,460	-	
Share issue costs	9,601	 (4,597)	
	306,061	(4,597)	
Cash provided by (used in) Investing Activities			
Additions to petroleum and			
Natural gas properties	 (997,163)	 -	
Net increase in cash and			
short-term investments	(1,040,051)	(1,504)	
Cash and short-term investments,			
beginning of period	1,024,686	436,660	
Cash and short-term investments,			
end of period	\$ (15,365)	\$ 435,156	
Cash flow per share	\$0.00	\$0.00	

corporate information

Management

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Marc Villéger Vice-President, Exploration

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