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NORTHWEST TERRITORIES UPDATE

Pacific Roder Energy Inc. (the "Company") is pleased to announce it has substantially increased its interest to 12.5% in the Husky et al. Stewart D-57 (formerly Tehwa D-57) exploratory wildcat well, located in the Central Mackenzie Valley, Northwest Territories. The D-57 well is targeting a total depth of 3,100 metres (9,920 feet) and the well will evaluate multiple objectives. The operator, Husky Oil Operations Ltd., anticipates drilling operations will commence the week of January 16, 2006.

A second well in the winter Northwest Territories drilling program, the Husky et al. Summit Creek K-44 appraisal-exploration well, is scheduled to spud on January 25, 2006. The K-44 well will appraise the Devonian formation encountered in the Summit Creek B-44 discovery well. In March 2005, the B-44 well was production tested in two intervals yielding a combined production rate of approximately 10,000 barrels of oil equivalent per day. The K-44 well will also evaluate a deeper exploration target in the Ordovician formation. The well, which is targeting a total depth of 3,615 metres (11,520 feet), is located approximately 35 kilometres northwest of Stewart D-57 and 1.4 kilometres north of the Summit Creek B-44 discovery well.

The Company also wishes to announce that it has issued 500,000 incentive stock options under its Stock Option Plan exercisable at \$1.35 for a period of 5 years and not 750,000 as previously announced on December 7, 2005.

On behalf of the Directors of
Pacific Roder Energy Inc.

"David J.L. Williams"

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