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### **ASX ANNOUNCEMENT**

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### **SHAREHOLDER UPDATE #3 - COMMENCEMENT PROSPECT**

- SIGNIFICANT USA HYDROCARBON DISCOVERY
- ELECTRONIC LOGS CONFIRM 26 FEET OF OIL SATURATED SANDS

Dear Sir/Madam,

The Board of Austin Exploration Limited (ASX: "AKK") - on behalf its wholly owned US subsidiary Aus-Tex Exploration Inc- is pleased to announce a substantial oil discovery from drilling of the first well on the Company's Commencement Prospect, located in Adams County Mississippi USA.

The oil discovery well will be named the Armstrong #1 well.

Crude oil has been discovered in both the Baker and Ratcliff formations which were the main targets of this initial drilling program on the Commencement Prospect.

Core samples confirm a 20 feet oil column within the Baker Formation and a 6 feet oil column with the Ratcliff formation.

The target depth of 6,550 ft was reached on Thursday 31<sup>st</sup> of March 2011. Schlumberger Well Services crews have completed a series of logging tests including Spontaneous Potential (SP), Gamma Ray (GR) and Resistivity. By combining the data that was obtained from these logs, Aus-Tex Engineering staff decided on a set of intervals to retrieve sidewall cores for potentially producing zones. A total of 40 core samples were tested between 6515.5 and 6550 ft. and 36 of these samples were saturated with oil. The results also confirmed levels as high as 28.5% porosity and 890 millidarcies of permeability. Sidewall Core Analysis was provided by Weatherford Laboratories. The report follows.

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Aldridge Operating Company, LLC Armstrong No. 1 A Commencement Field Adams County, Mississippi Section 27, T05N-R02W API 23001234090000



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### SIDEWALL CORE ANALYSIS

In Rec	Sample Depth Fax	Permeability mD	Porosity %	Pore Volume Saturation		Prob	Bulk Volume Saturation		Comb.	Oit	Q4	CoreLithology	%Par
				Oil %	Water %	Prod	02 %	Gas %	Gar	Water	Factor		
).4	6515.0	45.0	21.4	11.6	71.0	Oil	2.5	3.7	0	53	3ms	Sd vfg sity shy lam E stks yl flu	45
4	6515.5	16.0	19.3	11.0	65.7	Oil	2.1	4.5	0	62	2s	Sd vfg slty shy yl-gld flu 43 API	90
.0	6516.0								10			Lignite dk grey	0
.5	6516.5	0.4	15.3	0.9	68.5	(6)	0.1	4.7	0	70	2s	Sd vfg sltv vshv spts vI flu	1
.8	6517.0	370.0	26.6	12.6	64.3	Oil	3.3	6.1	20	41	25	Sd vfg slty sshy slig lam A stks yl flu	95
7	6517.5	670.0	27.7	12.2	67.2	Oil	3.4	5.7	38	36		s Sd vfg sity sshy vi flu	10
8	6518.0	25.0	20.2	11.1	65.2	Oil	22	4.8	20	59		Sd vfg sity shy yl flu 43 API	10
.7	6518.5	30.0	20.3	86	57.2	Oil	1.7	6.9	0	57	28	Sd vf-fg sity shy cmt yl flu	10
6	6519.0	70.0	23.1	12.6	57.0	Oil	2.9	7.0	18	53	2s	Sd vr-ig sity shy vi flu	10
			17.4	3.4				5.3	_	64			
.7	6520.0	6.6		40.0	66.2	(6)	0.6		20			s Sd vf-fg sity shy yl flu	3
.4	6521.0	9.2	17.8	3.1	64.1	(6)	0.6	5.8	26	65		s Sd vf-fg sity cmt yl flu	10
.7	6522.0	440.0	27.0	8.5	64.7	Oil	2.3	7.2	22	40		s Sd vfg slty sshy scmt yl flu 43 API	100
.8	6522.0	55.0	22.2	9.9	62.2	Oi	22	6.2	14	53	2s	Sd vf-fg slty shy lam C stks yl flu	50
.7	6523.0					(8)			0			Sd vfg slty shy cmt lam C no flu	0
.6	6523.0					(8)			0			Sd vfg slty shy lam no flu	0
.6	6524.0					(8)			0			Sd vfg slty shy lam B no flu	0
.7	6524.0					(8)			0			Sd vfg slty shy lam E no flu	0
.7	6525.0					(8)			0			Sd vfg slty shy lam E no flu	0
.7	6525.0					(8)			0			Sd vfg slty shy no flu	0
4	6526.0					(8)			0			Sd vfg slty shy cmt no flu	0
6	6526.0					(8)			0			Sd vfg slty shy scmt no flu	0
6	6542.0	15.0	19.2	11.5	66.3	Oil	22	4.2	0	62	2fs	Sd vfg slty shy lam B D stks yl flu	20
6	6542.0	3.2	15.9	4.4	76.3	(6)	0.7	3.1	0	66	2fs	Sd vfg slty vshy lam C stks yl flu	3
4	6542.5	0.2	10.0	4.4	10.5	(8)	0.1	5. 1	o	00	210	Silt vshy no flu	0
7	6542.5					(8)			0			Silt vshy no flu	0
7	6543.0					(8)			o			Silt vshy no flu	0
6	6543.5	5.2	16.6	1.0	69.0	(6)	0.2	5.0	30	66	2s	Sd vfg sity vshy lam C stks yl flu	30
7	6544.0	16.0	18.2	7.2	65.5	Oil	1.3	5.0	34	61	2s	Sd vfg sity vshy lam D stks yl flu	25
8	6544.5	30.0	20.3	7.8	63.7	Oil	1.6	5.8	16	57	2s	Sd vfg sity shy lam D sits yi flu 41 API	30
7	6545.0	730.0	27.8	9.5	66.2	Oil	2.6	6.8	40	36	2s	Sd vfg sity shy lam F stks yl flu	65
8	6545.5	290.0	25.3	12.6	59.4	Oil	3.2	7.1	36	41	2s	Sd vfg sity shy lam E stks yl flu	60
7	6546.0	490.0	27.3	12.0	57.4	Oil	3.3	8.4	18	38	2s	Sd vf-fg sity shy cmt lam A stks yl flu	95
9	6546.5	32.0	19.5	10.8	64.6	Oil	2.1	4.8	86	56	2s		80
2	6547.0	680.0	28.5	10.3	65.5	Oil	29	6.9	68	36	2s	Sd vf-fg slty shy lam D stks yl flu	80
		170.0	24.5	7.4		Oil				44	2s	Sd vf-fg sity sshy lam D stks yl flu 41 API	
8	6547.5 6548.0	540.0	26.9	7.5	66.0 63.0	Oil	1.8	6.5 7.9	30 54	38		Sd vf-fg slty sshy lam D stks yl flu	90
6									_			Sd vf-fg slty sshy lam A stks yl flu	90
8	6549.0	50.0	22.4	10.9	66.5	Oil	2.4	5.1	58	55	2s	Sd vf-fg slty shy lam E stks yl flu 41 API	90
9	6550.0	700.0	28.5	8.4	67.8	Oil	24	6.8	60	36		Sd vfg slty sshy yl flu	100
7	6551.0	75.0	22.7	10.4	64.1	Oil	2.4	5.8	70	52	2fs	Sd vf-fg slty shy lam D stks yl flu	55
8	6552.0	85.0	23.5	8.7	61.9	Oil	2.1	6.9	38	50	2fs	Sd vfg slty shy lam D stks yl flu	55
7	6553.0	120.0	23.3	6.8	63.6	Oil	1.6	6.9	50	47	2fs	Sd vfg slty shy lam D stks yl flu 41 API	50
8	6554.0	140.0	24.3	7.6	66.5	Oil	1.8	6.3	52	46	2fs	Sd vfg slty shy lam D stks yl flu	70
7	6555.0	150.0	23.5	14.9	68.5	Oil	3.5	3.9	90	46	2fs	Sd vfg slty shy lam D stks yl flu	65
6	6556.0	810.0	27.8	11.1	71.5	Oil	3.1	4.8	95	35		Sd vfg slty shy lam D stks yl flu 41 API	90
8	6557.0	520.0	27.6	10.7	68.3	Oil	3.0	5.8	46	39	3mfs	Sd vfg slty sshy yl flu	100
2	6558.0	890.0	28.2	10.8	65.1	Oil	3.1	6.8	36	35	3mfs	Sd vf-fg sslty sshy yl flu	100
7	6559.0	550.0	26.8	11.4	63.2	Oil	3.1	6.8	10	36	3mfs	Sd vf-fg slty sshy cmt yl flu 41 API	100
	6560.0											Empty bottle	

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Based on these results, Austin will immediately move forward with the setting of production casing, completing the well and begin preparing the well for production. The Company will further inform the market as these production activities progress.

This will be the second successful well for Austin in Mississippi. The first well, the Ellislie Plantation #1 well, has to date produced more than 15,000 barrels of crude oil since being put on to production in May 2010 and is expected to continue producing for several more years at commercial levels.

Guy Goudy, President of Aus-Tex commented: "We are most enthusiastic about this new Armstrong #1 discovery. It is an excellent outcome for our Company and for our shareholders and should see Austin with three wells in full time production come early May. With strong cash flows now solidified the Board can look to acquire new assets and aggressively focus on further growth."

### **ON SITE IMAGES**



SCHLUMBERGER PREPARE TO RUN LOGS



**AUS-TEX ENGINEERS REVIEWING LOGS** 



RETRIEVING SIDEWALL CORE SAMPLES



SCHLUMBERGER TECH CREW RUNNING LOGS

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## **HELD INTEREST**

Interest Holder	Working Interest	Net Revenue Interest		
Aus-Tex Exploration, Inc.	50%	37.5%		
Operator	50%	37.5%		

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