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REDEMPTION OF PETROHAWK ENERGY CORPORATION 7.25% SENIOR NOTES DUE 2018 AND 6.25% SENIOR NOTES DUE 2019

Petrohawk Energy Corporation has issued a formal notice of redemption to noteholders of its 7.25% Senior Notes due 2018 and 6.25% Senior Notes due 2019.

All outstanding Senior Notes due 2018 and 2019 will be redeemed on 15 August 2014 at the applicable call prices. The total aggregate principal value of the notes to be redeemed is approximately US\$1.8 billion.

Following the redemption, Petrohawk's financial reporting obligations will cease.

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