



OIL BASINS LIMITED

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Dear Sirs

Oil Basins Limited (ASX code OBL) shares reinstatement to official quotation

The Directors of Oil Basins Limited (the "Company") are pleased to announce:

1. The Offer under the Rights Prospectus dated 8 June 2006 raised \$2,528,000 and the shortfall to the Offer was 54% underwritten by Patersons Securities Limited.
2. All new Shares and Options have been allotted and holding statements have been issued by the share registry, Computershare Investor Services Pty Limited, for all issuer-sponsored shares and options and CHESS will provide securityholders with holding statements for those holdings on the CHESS sub-registry.
3. The Company has 33,883,774 fully-paid ordinary Shares on issue of which 5,500,000 are escrowed, and 33,469,991 Options on issue of which 22,000,000 are escrowed. This results in only 28,383,774 fully-paid ordinary Shares and 11,469,991 Options being available for trading on the ASX.
4. The Company has received ASX approval to the listing of the new Shares and Options issued by virtue of the Offer, and that notification has also been received that the securities of the Company (being the fully-paid ordinary Shares and the 20 cent 30 September 2009 Options) **will be reinstated to official quotation on the ASX from the commencement of trading this Wednesday 23 August 2006. These will be under the ASX codes "OBL" for the Shares and "OBLO" for the Options.**
5. The Company signed a formal farmin agreement with Eagle Bay Resources NL (ASX code EBR) on Friday 18 August 2006 in respect of a 7.5% interest in petroleum exploration permit Vic/P41 in Bass Strait, and the Company has subsequently on Monday 21 August 2006 exercised an option with Moby Oil & Gas Limited (ASX code MOG) and signed a further formal farmin agreement in like terms in respect of an additional 5% interest in petroleum exploration permit Vic/P41. The Company therefore now has formal rights, and obligations, to earn a total of 12.5% in respect of petroleum exploration permit Vic/P41. A further and more detailed announcement will be made about these farmins and the prospects for the Company ahead of re quotation.

Yours faithfully

Kim McGrath
Chairman