



10 November 2008: Drilling Update: Gas Discovery in Morocco

Circle Oil Plc (AIM: COP), the international oil and gas exploration and development company, has announced that well ONZ6 has been drilled, logged and successfully tested in the Ouled N'Zala Permit, Morocco.

The Company confirms a discovery in the Upper Ouled Formation with the well test having been completed as a potential producer and the drilling rig has now moved to the Sebou Permit. A six well drilling programme is planned for the two permits.

A full technical evaluation of all the results is underway which will allow for a full resource appraisal including conducting an extended well test. A full assessment of Reserves is also underway.

The Ouled N'Zala Permit lies north-east of Rabat in the Rharb Basin, Morocco. It is a zone of the Rif Folded belt. The concession agreement includes the right of conversion in the event of commercial discoveries.

David Hough, CEO of Circle, said:

"This discovery in our first well in Morocco is excellent news for Circle. The well has been drilled and the field test results are in line with our expectations for this area. We look forward to drilling in the Sebou Permit where Circle holds a 75% interest."