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**SUROCO ENERGY INC. ANNOUNCES CLOSING OF PRIVATE PLACEMENT AND
ACTIVITY AND OPERATIONS UPDATE**

Suroco Energy Inc. (TSX Venture Exchange: SRN) (the “**Corporation**”) is pleased to announce that it has completed its previously announced brokered private placement (the “**Private Placement**”) of equity units. Raymond James Ltd. acted as agent for the Private Placement.

Aggregate gross proceeds for the Private Placement were \$7,223,750, with 28,895,000 common shares (“**Common Shares**”) and 28,895,000 warrants (“**Warrants**”) of the Corporation being issued. Each Warrant entitles the holder to acquire one Common Share until July 9, 2012 at an exercise price of \$0.35 per share.

Raymond James Ltd. was paid a cash commission of \$391,362.51 in connection with the Private Placement. In addition, the Corporation has paid a finder’s fee in the amount of \$15,000, in connection with a \$500,000 subscription under the Private Placement.

The Shares issued pursuant to this closing of the Private Placement are subject to a hold period and may not be sold or otherwise traded on or through the facilities of the TSX Venture Exchange or otherwise in Canada or to or for the benefit of a Canadian resident until November 10, 2009.

The Corporation intends to use the net proceeds of the Private Placement for development drilling in the Corporation’s Suroriente production block in Colombia and for general working capital.

Corporate Activity & Operations Update

In the Suroriente Block in Colombia, in which the Corporation holds a 15.8% working interest, a 3D seismic survey was recently completed. The Corporation plans to commence a two well development drilling program in August in the Suroriente Block. This property is currently producing approximately 310 bbls/day net to the Corporation.

The Corporation has also recently completed a 2D seismic program in the Alea 1848 A Block, an exploration block in which the Corporation holds a 50% working interest. The Corporation also plans to undertake a 2D seismic program in the Alea 1947 C Block in the near future, where the Corporation holds a 24.5% working interest.

The Corporation will be providing investors with a more complete update on its exploration and production related operations in the near future.

The Corporation is a Calgary-based junior oil and gas company, which explores for, develops, produces and sells crude oil, natural gas liquids and natural gas in Colombia and Western Canada. The Corporation's common shares trade on the TSX Venture Exchange under the symbol SRN.

Forward Looking Statements

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