

Criterion Energy Ltd. Provides Operational Update

Calgary, Alberta--(Newsfile Corp. - March 31, 2023) - Criterion Energy Ltd. (TSXV: CEQ) ("**Criterion**" or the "**Corporation**"), an independent upstream energy development and production company focused in Southeast Asia, is pleased to provide an operational update on the activities of the Bulu PSC and Lengo Gas Development.

On March 24, 2023 the Indonesian Ministry of Energy and Mineral Resources (MEMR) issued a press release expressing discontent with the communication provided prior to the indirect change of control transaction between Criterion and AWE (Offshore) Pty Ltd. Criterion is aware of the press release but finds the content unclear and has requested a meeting with the MEMR to seek clarification as Criterion is highly confident that the communication and documentation provided by Criterion to SKK MIGAS is in accordance with MEMR Regulation 48/2017 and any other relevant laws and regulations.

Criterion is focused on its continued engagement with its Bulu PSC joint venture partners to deliver the Lengo domestic gas development in an efficient and sustainable manner.

See original MEMR press release [here](#).

About Criterion Energy Ltd.

Criterion Energy Ltd. is an upstream energy company focused on the acquisition and sustainable development of assets in SE Asia that are capable of scalable growth and cash generation. The Corporation focuses on maximizing total shareholder return by executing on three strategic pillars, namely (1) successful and sustainable reputation, (2) innovation and technology arbitrage, and (3) operational and safety excellence.

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