

NEWS RELEASE

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BEACH REPORT OVER 100% INCREASE IN 2P OIL RESERVES ON EX PEL 91

Vancouver, British Columbia, October 24th, 2018. Newport Exploration Ltd ("Newport" or "the Company") is pleased to provide an update on licences in the Cooper Basin, Australia over which the Company has a 2.5% gross overriding royalty. This information was reported by Beach Energy Ltd ("Beach") (ASX: BPT) in its 2018 Annual Report dated 23rd October, 2018.

OIL RESERVES - EX PEL 91

As at 30 June, 2018, Beach report 2P oil reserves of 25.5 MMboe and 1P oil reserves of 16.5 MMboe. This represents a more than 100% increase in 2P oil reserves since Beach's Reserve report of August 2017. Beach's Reserve report of August 2017 did not break down 1P Reserves by individual licence.

GAS RESERVES - EX PEL's 91, 106 & PRL 26

As at 30 June, 2018, Beach report 2P gas reserves of 9 MMboe (77% ex PEL 106, 18% PRL 26 & 5% ex PEL 91) and, 1P gas reserves of 3 MMboe (77% ex PEL 106, 14% PRL 26 and 9% ex PEL 91). Beach's Reserve report of August 2017 did not report any Reserves or Resources for PRL 26.

RESERVE CLASSIFICATION AND REPORTING

The Reserves and Resources as reported by Beach in ex PEL's 91 and 106, and PRL 26, cannot be independently verified by the Company in accordance with classification requirements in compliance with NI 51-101 and the Canadian Oil and Gas Evaluation Handbook ("COGEH") as the Company does not have access to the underlying technical data. As such, the Reserves and Resources reported by Beach may not satisfy the definitions of Reserves and Resources for the purposes of NI 51-101 Canadian reporting requirements. The Reserve classification system used by Beach is governed by the "Reserves and Resources Disclosure Rules for Mining and Oil and Gas Companies" as required by the Australian Securities Exchange Rules and in compliance with the Petroleum Resources Management System ("SPE-PRMS") guidelines, an internationally recognized Reserve Classification system for Oil and Gas properties.

GUIDANCE

The timing and any revenues to the Company resulting from the production from the Reserves and Resources as reported by Beach in ex PEL's 91, 106 and PRL 26 cannot be predicted by the Company. The Company continues to strongly encourage shareholders and potential investors to access information released independently by Beach and Santos Ltd to keep current during exploration, development and production guidance of all the licenses subject to the Company's gross overriding royalty.

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