



NEWS RELEASE

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**Marksmen Energy Inc.
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**MARKSMEN ANNOUNCES SECOND CLOSING OF PRIVATE PLACEMENT
AND GRANT OF STOCK OPTIONS**

CALGARY, ALBERTA, May 18, 2016 – Marksmen Energy Inc. (“Marksmen” or the “Company”) is pleased to announce that it has completed the second closing of its previously announced non-brokered private placement for 878,000 common shares (the “Common Shares”) of Marksmen at a price of \$0.05 per share for aggregate gross proceeds of \$43,900 (the “Private Placement”), bringing the total raised to date to \$627,364.

Marksmen did not pay any commissions in connection with the second closing of the Private Placement.

Completion of the Private Placement is subject to regulatory approval including, but not limited to, the approval of the TSX Venture Exchange Inc. The Common Shares issued are subject to a four month hold period from the date of issuance.

The proceeds of the Private Placement will be used primarily for on-going capital projects including the drilling, completing and equipping of well(s) in Pickaway County, Ohio, USA. The gross costs of the Company’s first well, Davis Holbrook #1, are estimated to be \$125,000 USD to drill, \$75,000 USD to complete and \$100,000 USD for surface and related equipment. In total this equates to approximately \$390,000 CDN. A third party has the right to participate in this well up to 25%. The Company may opt, in conjunction with the third party, to drill a second well on the same formation. Alternatively, a portion of the funds will be used to further optimize existing wells with recompletions and workovers estimated at approximately \$100,000 USD or \$130,000 CDN or for other opportunities. Remaining proceeds will be used to fund general and administrative obligations.

The Company intends to complete a third closing in the near future.

The Company also announces the granting of stock options to purchase 1,735,000 Common Shares to employees, directors, officers and consultants subject to regulatory and TSX Venture Exchange approval. The options were issued with an exercise price of \$0.05 per share, vest as to one-third (1/3) immediately and one-third (1/3) on each of the first and second anniversaries of the grant date and have a five year term from the date of issuance.

For additional information regarding this news release please contact Archie Nesbitt, Director and CEO of the Company at (403) 265-7270 or e-mail info@marksmen.ca.

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This news release may contain certain forward-looking information and statements, including without limitation, statements pertaining to the use of proceeds, operations and the closing of the private placement including the Company's ability to obtain necessary approvals from the TSX Venture Exchange. All statements included herein, other than statements of historical fact, are forward-looking information and such information involves various risks and uncertainties. There can be no assurance that such information will prove to be accurate, and actual results and future events could differ materially from those anticipated in such information. A description of assumptions used to develop such forward-looking information and a description of risk factors that may cause actual results to differ materially from forward-looking information can be found in Marksmen's disclosure documents on the SEDAR website at www.sedar.com. Marksmen does not undertake to update any forward-looking information except in accordance with applicable securities laws.