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Dear Sir / Madam

DRILLING REPORT: CHRISTIES – 1

Cooper Energy NL advises the status of Christies-1 at 0600 hours (CST) on 09 July 2003:

Location:	PEL 92; about 80 km west of Moomba and about 11 km south-west of Sellicks-1
Spud Date:	1000 hours (CST) on 23 June 2003
Days since Spud:	16
Operation at 0600 hours:	Preparing 2 7/8 inch tubing and completion assembly.
Final Total Depth:	1957 metres (revised from 2054 metres)
Interests:	Beach Petroleum Ltd (Operator) 75%
	Cooper Energy NL 25%

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Yours faithfully,
COOPER ENERGY NL

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