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SHARE PURCHASE PLAN CLOSED HEAVILY SUBSCRIBED

Metgasco (ASX:MEL) is pleased to announce that the Share Purchase Plan announced on 13 November 2006 has closed with shareholders lodging applications for over \$4 million.

The offer closed on 18 December 2006 and raised \$4,266,500 by issuing 13,332,819 shares at \$0.32 per share.

The Company is extremely pleased with the positive response from shareholders, where approximately 72% of shareholders have taken up the offer.

Funds from the issue will be used to accelerate gas reserve expansion and additional commercial opportunities.

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