

PRESS RELEASE

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TORC OIL & GAS LTD. ANNOUNCES SECOND QUARTER 2013 FINANCIAL & OPERATIONAL RESULTS - POSITIONS FOR STRATEGIC TRANSITION TO A SUSTAINABLE DIVIDEND PLUS GROWTH COMPANY

CALGARY, ALBERTA - TORC Oil & Gas Ltd. ("TORC" or the "Company") (TSX: TOG) is pleased to announce its financial and operating results for the three and six months ended June 30, 2013 and provide an update on the strategic transition to a dividend plus growth company.

The associated Management's Discussion and Analysis ("MD&A") dated August 12, 2013 and unaudited financial statements as at and for the three and six months ended June 30, 2013 can be found at www.sedar.com and www.torcoil.com.

| Highlights | Three months ended June 30, 2013 | Three months ended June 30, 2012 | Six months ended June 30, 2013 | Six months ended June 30, 2012 |
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| <i>(in thousands, except per share data)</i> | | | | |
| Financial | | | | |
| Funds flow from operations ⁽¹⁾ | \$ 16,580 | \$ 2,428 | \$ 31,855 | \$ 6,222 |
| Per share basic ⁽²⁾ | \$ 0.09 | \$ 0.02 | \$ 0.17 | \$ 0.06 |
| Per share diluted ^{(2), (3)} | \$ 0.08 | \$ 0.02 | \$ 0.16 | \$ 0.06 |
| Net income (loss) | \$ 3,340 | \$ (840) | \$ 4,470 | \$ (3,431) |
| Per share basic ⁽²⁾ | \$ 0.02 | \$ (0.01) | \$ 0.02 | \$ (0.03) |
| Per share diluted ^{(2), (3)} | \$ 0.02 | \$ (0.01) | \$ 0.02 | \$ (0.03) |
| Exploration and development expenditures | \$ 18,384 | \$ 23,298 | \$ 67,865 | \$ 67,238 |
| Property acquisitions, net of dispositions | \$ (556) | \$ 191 | \$ (324) | \$ 5,627 |
| Net working capital (net debt) ⁽⁴⁾ | \$ (2,088) | \$ 13,396 | \$ (2,088) | \$ 13,396 |
| Common shares ⁽²⁾ | | | | |
| Shares outstanding, end of period | 193,178 | 105,889 | 193,178 | 105,892 |
| Weighted average shares (basic) | 193,104 | 105,818 | 193,020 | 105,651 |
| Weighted average shares (diluted) | 195,341 | 105,818 | 197,380 | 105,651 |
| Operations | | | | |
| Production | | | | |
| Crude oil and NGL (Bbls per day) | 3,363 | 737 | 3,329 | 774 |
| Natural gas (Mcf per day) | 5,696 | 399 | 5,686 | 419 |
| Barrels of oil equivalent (Boepd, 6:1) | 4,312 | 804 | 4,276 | 844 |
| Average realized price | | | | |
| Crude oil and NGL (\$ per Bbl) | \$ 85.45 | \$ 78.75 | \$ 83.78 | \$ 83.45 |
| Natural gas (\$ per Mcf) | \$ 3.71 | \$ 1.82 | \$ 3.48 | \$ 1.89 |
| Barrels of oil equivalent (\$ per Boe, 6:1) | \$ 71.65 | \$ 73.14 | \$ 69.96 | \$ 77.56 |
| Netback per Boe (6:1) (\$) | | | | |
| Operating netback ⁽¹⁾ | \$ 46.35 | \$ 43.18 | \$ 44.99 | \$ 49.79 |
| Operating netback (prior to hedging) ⁽¹⁾ | \$ 46.30 | \$ 43.18 | \$ 44.95 | \$ 49.79 |
| Funds flow netback ⁽¹⁾ | \$ 42.25 | \$ 33.16 | \$ 41.15 | \$ 40.52 |
| Wells drilled: | | | | |
| Gross | 4 | 4 | 13 | 13 |
| Net | 4.0 | 4.0 | 9.6 | 11.2 |
| Success (%) | 100 | 75 | 100 | 85 |

(1) Management uses funds flow from operations (cash from operating activities before changes in non-cash working capital and the settlement of decommissioning obligations) and operating and funds flow netback to analyze operating performance and leverage. Funds flow as presented, and operating and funds flow netback does not have any standardized meaning prescribed by International Financial Reporting Standards and therefore may not be comparable with the calculation of similar measures for other entities.

(2) The corporate acquisition of Vero Energy Inc. in November 2012 has been accounted for as a reverse takeover. As a result, the number of outstanding common shares, stock options, incentive shares and warrants of comparative periods have been reduced by a factor of 0.87 (the share exchange ratio), in order for the comparative common share, stock options, incentive shares, warrants, per share and per diluted share amounts to be equivalent.

(3) In the three and six months ended June 30, 2012, the diluted number of shares is equivalent to the basic number of shares due to stock options, incentive shares and/or warrants being antidilutive. Therefore, in this period, the diluted per share amounts are equivalent to the basic per share amounts.

(4) Net working capital (net debt) is calculated as current assets (excluding financial derivative assets) less current liabilities (excluding financial derivative liabilities) and non-current deferred lease incentives.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

The Company's achievements in the second quarter of 2013 include the following:

- Increased production to 4,312 boepd in the second quarter of 2013 from 804 boepd in the second quarter of 2012;
- Second quarter 2013 represents TORC's 10th consecutive quarter of production growth;
- Cash flow increased to \$16.6 million in the second quarter of 2013 from \$2.4 million in the second quarter of 2012;
- Cash flow per share increased to \$0.09 per share in the second quarter of 2013 from \$0.02 per share in the second quarter of 2012, a year over year increase of over 350 percent;
- Cash flow increased 9 percent over the first quarter of 2013 from increased production, a reduction in costs and higher commodity prices;
- At quarter end, the Company remained undrawn on an available \$125 million credit facility, with net debt of only \$2 million;
- The Company drilled 4 (4 net) wells during the second quarter with a 100 percent success rate; and
- Subsequent to quarter end, TORC announced the strategic transition to a sustainable dividend plus disciplined growth entity through the acquisition of high netback, low decline assets in southeast Saskatchewan.

STRATEGIC TRANSITION

Subsequent to the end of the second quarter, TORC announced a \$510 million acquisition of low decline, high netback light oil producing assets in southeast Saskatchewan (the "Acquisition") and a strategic transition of the Company's business model to an intermediate light oil producer paying a sustainable dividend while also delivering disciplined per share production growth. In conjunction with the Acquisition, TORC secured a cornerstone equity investment by the Canadian Pension Plan Investment Board ("CPPIB") for \$170 million and a \$242 million bought deal public offering for gross proceeds of \$412 million. The CPPIB investment provides strategic support and differentiated access to capital, and in combination with the bought deal public offering, positions TORC with a strong balance sheet and significant financial flexibility. The assets being acquired have long established decline profiles along with extensive light oil infrastructure providing stable, predictable cash flow. The acquired assets are complementary to TORC's current light oil platform in the Cardium trend and the emerging play at Monarch and position TORC for sustainable dividends to shareholders while providing a balanced approach to disciplined growth. To support this transition, TORC has been active hedging pro forma production at levels above budgeted commodity prices. These hedges are detailed in the corporate presentation at www.torcoil.com.

The Acquisition is expected to close on September 9, 2013, subject to shareholder approval as well as customary conditions and regulatory approvals including approval of the Toronto Stock Exchange and the required approval under the Competition Act (Canada).

An information Circular was mailed to shareholders on August 9, 2013 providing further information regarding the Acquisition and the special meeting of shareholders to be held on September 5, 2013 and has been filed on SEDAR (www.sedar.com). The CPPIB investment and bought deal public offering closed on August 6, 2013 with proceeds being held in escrow pending completion of the shareholder vote and the Acquisition. The subscription receipts, issued under the bought deal public offering, have been listed and posted for trading on the Toronto Stock Exchange (TSX: TOG.R) until the conversion to common shares upon the closing of the Acquisition.

OPERATIONAL UPDATE

In the second quarter, TORC continued to execute its Cardium development drilling program and its Monarch delineation program.

CARDIUM

The Cardium development program executed in the second quarter resulted in drilling 2 (2 net) Cardium light oil wells achieving a 100 percent success rate. Year to date, TORC has drilled 11 (7.6 net) Cardium development wells with a 100% success rate.

With the evolution of TORC's Cardium drilling program from a delineation based program in 2012 to a development program in 2013, TORC has been focused on key cost drivers to improve program efficiencies and improve economic parameters. These initiatives include shorter rig moves, rig efficiency, pad drilling, infrastructure centralization and a continuous program of oilfield service cost reductions. This focus has resulted in the Corporation achieving actual Cardium well costs 10 – 15 percent below initial budgeted costs, with the Company's most recent wells realizing even greater efficiencies. Based on results to date, the Company continues to execute a completion technique using slick water fracs. The Company believes this type of frac will result in superior long term performance of the wells. The Company's average well cost has dropped below \$3.5 million per well from \$3.9 million per well initially budgeted. With the strategic transition to a dividend plus growth model, cost discipline and efficiency will continue to be a driving focus in the Cardium program going forward.

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| Southeast Saskatchewan Light Oil Development Inventory | Greater than 130 net undrilled locations |
| Cardium Light Oil Development Inventory | Greater than 300 net undrilled locations |
| Emerging Light Oil Resource Exposure | Greater than 150 net sections at Monarch |
| Sustainability Assumptions | Corporate decline ~25 percent Light Oil Full Cycle Capital Efficiency ~\$40,000/boe/d (IP 365) \$45 per boe cash netback (\$90 Edm light) |
| Run Rate Cash Flow ⁽²⁾ | ~\$155 million |
| Maintenance Capex | ~\$95 million |
| Annual Dividend (paid monthly) | \$0.10 per share \$46 million \$35 million (net of CPPIB DRIP participation) |
| Run Rate Free Cash Flow ⁽²⁾ | ~\$25 million |
| Targeted Growth | >5 percent (\$90 Edm light) |
| Targeted All-in Payout Ratio | Less than 100% |
| Net Debt/Bank Line | Estimated Net Debt of less than \$150 million at year end Bank line of \$350 million, greater than 55 percent undrawn at year-end |
| Debt/Cash Flow | 1.0x (year-end 2013) |
| Pro Forma Shares Outstanding | 455 million (basic) 482 million (fully-diluted) |
| Tax Pools | Greater than \$1 billion |

Notes:

(1) *Company gross reserves being pro forma TORC's working interest share before deduction of royalties and without including any royalty interests of pro forma TORC. Based on the respective independent reserve reports of the Acquisition and TORC, prepared by GLJ Petroleum Consultants and Sproule Associates Limited respectively and each effective as of December 31, 2012 and prepared in accordance with NI 51-101 and the COGE Handbook.*

(2) *Based on \$90 Edmonton Light and \$3.00 AECO.*

(signed)

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TORC Oil & Gas Ltd. is a Calgary based company active in the acquisition, exploration, development and production of crude oil and natural gas in Western Canada.

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This news release contains certain forward-looking information and statements within the meaning of applicable securities laws. The use of any of the words "expect", "anticipate", "continue", "estimate", "may", "will", "project", "should", "believe", "plans", "intends" and similar expressions are intended to identify forward-looking information or statements. In particular, but without limiting the foregoing, this news release contains forward-looking information and statements pertaining to the following: the recognition of significant additional reserves under the heading "Reserves", the volumes and estimated value of TORC's oil and gas reserves; the life of TORC's reserves; the volume and product mix of TORC's oil and gas production; future oil and natural gas prices; future results from operations and operating metrics, and future development, exploration, acquisition and development activities (including drilling plans) and related production and reserves expectations.

The recovery and reserve estimates of TORC's reserves and resources provided herein are estimates only and there is no guarantee that the estimated reserves or resources will be recovered. In addition, forward-looking statements or information are based on a number of material factors, expectations or assumptions of TORC which have been used to develop such statements and information but which may prove to be incorrect. Although TORC believes that the expectations reflected in such forward-looking statements or information are reasonable, undue reliance should not be placed on forward-looking statements because TORC can give no assurance that such expectations will prove to be correct. In addition to other factors and assumptions which may be identified herein, assumptions have been made regarding, among other things: that TORC will continue to conduct its operations in a manner consistent with past operations; results from drilling and development activities consistent with past operations; the quality of the reservoirs in which TORC operates and continued performance from existing wells; the continued and timely development of infrastructure in areas of new production; the accuracy of the estimates of TORC's reserve volumes; continued availability of debt and equity financing and cash flow to fund TORC's current and future plans and expenditures; the impact of increasing competition; the general stability of the economic and political environment in which TORC operates; the general continuance of current industry conditions; the timely receipt of any required regulatory approvals; the ability of TORC to obtain qualified staff, equipment and services in a timely and cost efficient manner; drilling results; the ability of the operator of the projects in which TORC has an interest in to operate the field in a safe, efficient and effective manner; the ability of TORC to obtain financing on acceptable terms; field production rates and decline rates; the ability to replace and expand oil and natural gas reserves through acquisition, development and exploration; the timing and cost of pipeline, storage and facility construction and expansion and the ability of TORC to secure adequate product transportation; future commodity prices; currency, exchange and interest rates; regulatory framework regarding royalties, taxes and environmental matters in the jurisdictions in which TORC operates; and the ability of TORC to successfully market its oil and natural gas products.

The forward-looking information and statements included in this news release are not guarantees of future performance and should not be unduly relied upon. Such information and statement, including the assumptions made in respect thereof, involve known and unknown risks, uncertainties and other factors that may cause actual results or events to differ materially from those anticipated in such forward-looking information or statements including, without limitation: changes in commodity prices; changes in the demand for or supply of TORC's products, the early stage of development of some of the evaluated areas; unanticipated operating results or production declines; changes in tax or environmental laws, royalty rates or other regulatory matters; changes in development plans of TORC or by third party operators of TORC's properties, increased debt levels or debt service requirements; inaccurate estimation of TORC's oil and gas reserve and resource volumes; limited, unfavourable or a lack of access to capital markets; increased costs; a lack of adequate insurance coverage; the impact of competitors; and certain other risks detailed from time-to-time in TORC's public disclosure documents.

The forward-looking information and statements contained in this news release speak only as of the date of this news release, and TORC does not assume any obligation to publicly update or revise any of the included forward-looking statements or information, whether as a result of new information, future events or otherwise, except as may be required by applicable securities laws.

Meaning of Boe and Boepd

When used in this press release, boe means a barrel of oil equivalent on the basis of 1 boe to 6 thousand cubic feet of natural gas. Boepd means a barrel of oil equivalent per day.

Boe's may be misleading, particularly if used in isolation. A boe conversion ratio of 1 boe for 6 thousand cubic feet of natural gas is based on an energy equivalency conversion method primarily applicable at the burner tip and does not represent a value equivalency at the wellhead. Given that the value ratio of oil compared to natural gas based on currently prevailing prices is significantly different than the energy equivalency conversion ratio of 6 Mcf to 1 BOE, utilizing a conversion ratio of 6 Mcf to 1 BOE may be misleading as an indication of value.