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ASX Announcement

- **Norwest commences airborne GGI survey on Isle of Wight licence in Southern England**
- **High resolution ground gravity survey completed on Dorset licence**

Norwest Energy NL (ASX:NWE) is pleased to provide an update on exploration activities in our South of England, UK licenses awarded in the recent UK 13th Onshore Licensing Round. Norwest is operator of two licenses including PEDL 238 (Norwest 50% and Osceola Hydrocarbons Ltd 50%) along with PEDL 239 (Norwest 75% and Osceola Hydrocarbons Ltd 25%).

Norwest has commenced an extensive "Airborne Gravity Gradiometry Survey" (GGI) being flown in part over the PEDL 239 License area on the Isle of Wight. The survey, which is estimated to take one to three weeks (subject to weather conditions), is being conducted by Bell Geospace on behalf of Norwest's wholly owned UK subsidiary, NWE Southern Cross. The survey is being flown using a modernized 1944 Dakota DC-3 fixed-wing twin-propeller aircraft equipped with a gradiometer. The main objective of the survey is to measure geophysical characteristics of rocks that extend some 2000 meters below the earth's surface. The survey results will be used to better understand the oil and gas potential of the Isle of Wight and surrounding region.

For and on behalf of
Norwest Energy NL

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Company Secretary

About Norwest Energy NL

Norwest is a Perth-based exploration and production company with project interests in Australia and the UK.

Norwest maintains a UK office to support its North Sea activities as well as to seek out UK and International exploration and production opportunities. It also maintains a representative office in New Delhi.