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The Manager
The Australian Securities Exchange
The Company Announcements Office
Level 4/20 Bridge Street
SYDNEY NSW 2000

Dear Sir/Madam,

RE: DEEMED WITHDRAWAL BY ALLIED OIL & GAS PLC FROM THE EP426 JOINT VENTURE

Please find details of the Default by Allied Oil & Gas Plc and their deemed withdrawal from the EP426 Joint Venture.

The EP426 Joint Venture interests are as follows:

<i>Empire Oil & Gas NL (Empire Oil Company (WA) Limited) (Operator)</i>	46.91%
<i>ERM Power Limited (ERM Gas Pty Ltd)</i>	30.87%
<i>Norwest Energy NL (Westranch Holdings Pty Ltd)</i>	22.22%

Yours faithfully

JL CRAIG MARSHALL
Managing Director
EMPIRE OIL & GAS NL

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Deemed Withdrawal by Allied Oil & Gas Plc from the EP426 Joint Venture

Empire Oil & Gas NL announces that with effect on and from 13 May 2013 at 24:00 hours Allied Oil & Gas Plc (Allied) was deemed to have given notice of its withdrawal from the EP426 Joint Venture as a result of it being in default of its obligations under the EP426 Joint Operating Agreement (JOA).

As a result of that withdrawal Allied is deemed to have assigned all of its right, title and interest in EP426, any petroleum within the area of EP426 and in all Joint Venture property to Empire Oil Company (WA) Limited (Empire WA), ERM Gas Pty Ltd (ERM) and to Norwest Energy NL (Norwest) in proportion to their respective Percentage Interests. This means that Empire WA's Percentage Interest in the EP426 Joint Venture increases by 4.69% to 46.91%, ERM's Percentage Interest increases by 3.09% to 30.87% and Norwest by 2.22% to 22.22%.

Allied's defaulted Cash Call amounts will be funded by Empire Oil Company (WA) Limited as to 46.91%, by ERM as to 30.87% and Norwest's as to 22.22%.

The EP426 Joint Venture is planning the North Erregulla 3D Seismic Survey for 1st Quarter of 2014.

Competent Person's Statement

Information in this ASX Release related to exploration results that are based on information compiled by Mr J L Craig Marshall who is a full time employee of Empire Oil & Gas NL. J L Craig Marshall is a Fellow of the Australian Institute of Mining and Metallurgy and is a Certified Practising Geologist BSc (Hons), F.Aus.Imm, CPGEO, with more than 30 years' experience relevant to oil and gas exploration and production.

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