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2012 International Conference on Health, Safety & Environment to be held in Perth, Australia

Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia (20 July 2011) – The eleventh edition of the Society of Petroleum Engineers (SPE) International Conference on Health, Safety & Environment in Oil and Gas Exploration will be held 11-13 September 2012 in Perth, Australia.

The 2012 International Conference on HSE marks the first time this event will be held in Australia and will be co-organised by the Australian Petroleum Production & Exploration Association (APPEA), the national body representing the collective interest of the upstream oil and gas exploration and production industry.

The theme of the 2012 IHSE conference is **“Protecting People and the Environment – Evolving Challenges.”**

Chevron Corporation is the host organisation for the event, and Melody Meyer, President Chevron Asia Pacific Exploration and Production Company, will serve as the conference’s General Chairman, while Tom Gouldie, Operations Integrity Engineer, Drilling & Petroleum Engineering, Santos Ltd., and Tom Norris, Chevron Regional HSE Manager, Chevron Upstream and Gas will act as Programme Co-Chairmen. With a 45-year history of producing oil at Australia’s Burrow Island and Thevenard Island oil fields, and with Chevron’s programmes which have achieved and maintained high safety and environmental standards at its operating locations, Chevron’s achievements in exploration and production in Australia, and around the world, will assist the committees in ensuring a world-class HSE event for industry professionals.

This event will feature an extensive and comprehensive technical programme covering the key topics of health, safety, environment, social responsibility and HSE management, featuring components including plenary, panel, technical and knowledge sharing sessions, which will strike an appropriate balance between emerging industry issues, best practices, and lessons learned.

A technical exhibition will be held in conjunction with the conference, allowing professionals to see the latest innovative technologies and processes being utilised by the industry.

The previous International Conference on HSE was held 12-14 April 2010 in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, with over 1,000 industry professionals from 47 countries in attendance and more than 220 papers presented.

The International Conference on HSE is a biennial event, founded in 1991, and serves as the exploration and production industry’s premier event highlighting HSE best practices and challenges. The event provides a gateway to the latest thinking for thousands of health, safety and environment professionals working in and beyond the oil and gas sector.

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