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Appointment of Malcolm King as Director Underscores Confidence in Judith-2 Appraisal Well

Emperor Energy Limited (ASX:EMP) (**'Emperor'** or the **'Company'**) is pleased to advise the appointment of Malcolm King to the Board as a Director of the Company.

Malcolm King is an experienced oil, gas and energy executive with a comprehensive technical, commercial and leadership background both in Australia and internationally with Shell, and more recently with mid and small cap ASX listed energy companies. Malcolm's skills and experience will strengthen the board in the areas of sub-surface geology, offshore drilling and commercial project delivery.

Importantly, Malcolm brings unique first-hand knowledge of the Judith Gas Field, having served as Shell's wellsite geologist on the drilling rig during the Judith-1 gas discovery well in 1989. His decision to join the Emperor Board at this time reflects his strong conviction in the prospectivity of the Judith Gas Field and confidence in the upcoming Judith-2 Appraisal Well, which he sees as a pivotal opportunity to unlock the field's true potential.

Reflecting on Judith-1, Malcolm has long held the view that the discovery represented something of substantial scale. In his recollection of the Judith-1 well, Malcolm commented:

"There were very strong gas shows, irrespective of the heavily overweighted drilling fluid in use to suppress the well. We were sure on the drilling rig that we had found something really big. The gas discovery however, was determined as not being aligned with the key objectives at the time and the decision was made to plug and abandon the well without flow testing."

He currently serves on the board of Buru Energy and is a graduate member of the Australian Institute of Company Directors (GAICD). The team at Emperor Energy welcomes Malcolm onto the Board and look forward to his involvement and stewardship as Emperor Energy navigates the planning, approval, funding and drilling of the Judith-2 Appraisal Well in the Judith Gas Field, Offshore Gippsland Basin, Victoria.

Malcolm's return to the Judith Gas Field more than three decades later underscores both his personal confidence in the asset and Emperor Energy's determination to advance Judith-2 to have a meaningful positive impact on the East Coast Australia gas crisis, as a significant domestic gas supplier. This announcement has been authorised for release by the Board of Directors of Emperor Energy Limited.

Yours faithfully



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