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# ASX ANNOUNCEMENT (ASX: BRU) 20 October 2008

## Lawford 1 Well – Drilling Update

Please find attached release made by the operator, New Standard Energy for the Lawford 1 Well Drilling Update.

Buru has a 35% participating interest in this well with an option to earn an additional 15% interest.

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Yours faithfully,

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#### **ASX Announcement**

#### LAWFORD 1 WELL DRILLING UPDATE (ASX: NSE)

New Standard Energy Ltd (**NSE**) is pleased to provide the attached drilling update for the Lawford 1 well currently being drilled on EP417. The Lawford 1 well was at a depth of 1,300m as at 06:00hrs this morning and drilling currently continues ahead in 8 ½" hole. The current shale sequence is thicker than anticipated (currently in excess of 100m thick) and the sandstone/shale sequences of the Anderson and Laurel formations are still anticipated to be present between the current depth and the expected total depth of the Lawford 1 well. At this stage the well remains ahead of expectations in terms of drilling progress as can be seen from the attached time depth curve.

The Lawford 1 well is targeting the reservoir sands of the Anderson Formation and the Laurel Formation. The Lawford 1 well is testing a very large basin-centred anticlinal structure with in excess of 150 metres of vertical closure. The structure has an areal extent of more than 69 square kilometres. The large size of the Lawford structure means it has the potential to contain very significant volumes of oil and gas if hydrocarbons are present. Conservative volumetric calculations suggest that if hydrocarbons are present, the structure could hold in excess of 500 BCF of recoverable gas or some 440 million barrels of oil in place

Further drilling updates will be provided in due course.

Lawford 1 participants:

New Standard Energy Ltd	65%
Buru Energy Ltd	35%

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**Competent Person:** The information in this announcement is based on information compiled and reviewed by Dr Mark Hagan (BSc Hons, PhD) who is a Petroleum Geologist and Geophysicist with more than 35 years experience in the industry. Dr Hagan is Technical Director of New Standard Energy and consents to the inclusion in the report of the matters based on his information in the form and context in which it appears.

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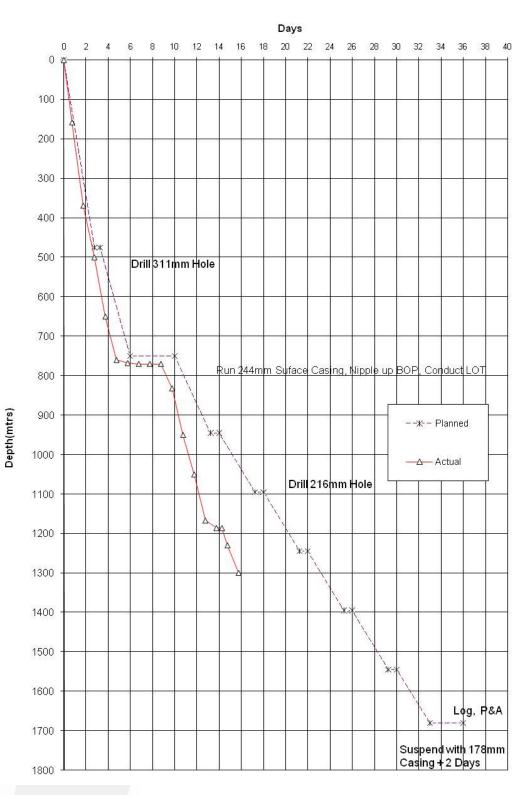


### ASX RELEASE

Lawford I Petroleum Exploration Well EP 417, Canning Basin, Western Australia

Permit:	EP417, Canning Basin, Western Australia
Well Name:	Lawford 1
Drilling Rig:	ADS rig 6
Report Period:	06:00hrs Thursday 16 October to 06:00 hrs Monday 20 October
Spud Date:	12:30 hrs, Saturday 4 October '08
Well Location:	19° 50′ 38″ S 126° 37′ 50″ E
Elevation:	286m above sea level
Proposed Total Depth:	1,650m
Primary Targets:	Anderson sands Laurel sands
Present Depth:	1,300m as at 06:00 hrs on Monday 20 October '08
Operations Since Last Report:	Drilled ahead in 8 $\frac{1}{2}$ " hole through the Pre Grant/Lower Grant shale sequences from 1,050m to 1,300m.
Current Operations:	Drilling ahead in 8 ½" hole through the thick shale sequences of the pre Grant/Lower Grant formations for the sandstones reservoir targets of the Anderson and Laurel formations.
Hydrocarbon Indications:	Trace background gas (up to 7 units)
Well Participants:	65% New Standard Energy Ltd 35% Buru Energy Ltd
Comments:	The current shale section is thicker than predicted and is currently in excess of 100m thick. The expected sandstone/shale sequences of the Anderson and Laurel formations are anticipated between current depth of 1,300m and TD.

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#### Lawford 1 Time Depth Curve

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