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**Black Rock Oil & Gas Plc  
Acacia Este Oil Discovery**

On 3 July 2007 Black Rock Oil & Gas Plc ("Black Rock" or the "Company", stock code: BLR), the AIM-traded oil and gas exploration and production company, announced that the Acacia Este exploration well in the Las Quinchas Association Contract in Colombia had been spudded by its joint venture operator, Kappa Resources Colombia Limited ("Kappa") on Saturday, 30 June 2007 and that drilling operations were underway.

Acacia Este was drilled to a total depth of 3,970 feet. Fair to good oil shows were encountered whilst drilling the target Lower Mugrosa Formation.

The Board of Black Rock is delighted to announce that preliminary interpretation of the logs run at total depth indicates oil saturation in good quality porous sandstones.

These initial results are very encouraging and preparation for testing of the well has now commenced in order to assess the well's potential productivity. Results of the testing should be known in approximately 10-20 days time.

Dr John Cubitt, Managing Director of Black Rock Oil & Gas Plc, commented:

*"The results of the drilling to date are very encouraging and if the testing results are positive, Acacia Este could be a highly significant discovery for Black Rock."*

**Qualified Person**

Dr John Cubitt (a Director of the Company) has been involved in the oil and gas production industry for more than 26 years. Dr John Cubitt is a registered Chartered Geologist (CGeol) and has a BSc and PhD in geology. He has compiled, read and approved the technical disclosure as it relates to Black Rock in this regulatory announcement.

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**Notes to Editors:**

Black Rock Oil & Gas Plc, headquartered in the UK, is an AIM listed (AIM:BLR) exploration and production company with licences in the Southern Gas Basin of the UK North Sea and the Middle Magdalena Basin, onshore Colombia.

**Colombia:**

Black Rock has Joint Ventures with Kappa Resources Colombia Limited (Kappa) in the Las Quinchas Association Contract and the Alhucema E&P Contract, both situated in the prolific hydrocarbon basin of the Middle Magdalena Valley.

Operated by Kappa, and following completion of its farm-in obligations, Black Rock's 50% interest in the Las Quinchas Association Contract is subject only to approval of the transfer of the interest by the state oil company, Ecopetrol.

The Las Quinchas Block contains the Arce, Bukhara and Baul heavy oilfields and a number of exploration prospects including the Acacia Este oil discovery. The Arce oilfield contains heavy oil and is currently undergoing a steam injection test to determine commerciality and development options.

The Alhucema Block, immediately to the North of the Las Quinchas Block contains a number of prospects and leads and one well is planned on the Juanes prospect later in 2007. A 2D seismic programme was undertaken in 2006.

**United Kingdom:**

Black Rock has a 15% interest in two adjacent license blocks (49/8c and 49/9d) situated in the Southern Gas Basin of the North Sea.

Block 49/8c contains the Monterey Gas discovery and the Stinson prospect.

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