

ShaMaran Announces Payment for Atrush Oil Deliveries

VANCOUVER, British Columbia, March 21, 2018 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) – ShaMaran Petroleum Corp. (“ShaMaran” or the “Company”) (TSX VENTURE:SNM) (OMX:SNM) reports that TAQA Atrush BV, Operator of the Atrush Block, has received USD 17.5 million on behalf of the Atrush co-venturers from the Kurdistan Regional Government as payment for December 2017 crude oil deliveries from the Atrush license to the export market. These funds will be shared between the Atrush co-venturers according to the terms of the agreements.

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ABOUT SHAMARAN

ShaMaran Petroleum Corp. is a Kurdistan focused oil development and exploration company with a 20.1% direct interest in the Atrush oil discovery. The Atrush Block is currently undergoing an appraisal and development campaign. Production from Atrush commenced in July 2017.

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