

Shamaran Petroleum

ShaMaran Petroleum Corp.: Update on Kurdistan Operations

VANCOUVER, BRITISH COLUMBIA-(Marketwired - Aug. 11, 2014) -ShaMaran Petroleum Corp. ("ShaMaran" or the "Company") (TSX VENTURE:SNM)(OMX:SNM) refers to the recent press release by the Abu Dhabi National Energy Company ("TAQA"), operator of the Atrush Block in the Kurdistan Region of Iraq, reporting that it has suspended its operations at the Atrush Block.

As a result of recent developments and escalating instability around the Kurdistan Region of Iraq, TAQA has suspended operations at the Atrush Block and, as a precautionary measure, significantly reduced staffing levels.

The Company continues to closely monitor the security situation with its Atrush partners and the Kurdistan Regional Government. The safety and security of employees and contractors are of paramount importance.

The Atrush Block partners remain committed to its development and expect to start production in 2015.

ABOUT SHAMARAN

ShaMaran Petroleum Corp. is a Kurdistan focused oil development and exploration vehicle with a 20.1% direct interest in the Atrush oil discovery, which is currently undergoing appraisal and development.

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