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APPOINTMENT OF CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER

Providence Resources P.l.c., ('Providence') the London (AIM) and Dublin (ESM) quoted oil and gas exploration and production company, is pleased to announce the appointment of Mr. Simon Brett as Chief Financial Officer with immediate effect. Simon previously held the position of Group Financial Controller of Providence and has worked at Providence since 2008. Prior to joining Providence, Simon held senior finance positions with Damovo Ireland Limited and Coca Cola Bottlers Ireland Limited. Simon has a BA in Business Studies from the Liverpool John Moores University and he is a member of the Institute of Management Accountants, having qualified in 1996. Between 1996 and 2003, Simon worked in the UK for a number of multinational companies including Johnson Wax, Sega Europe Limited and US Can Corporation.

Commenting on the announcement, Mr Tony O'Reilly, Chief Executive Officer said:

"I am very happy to announce the promotion of Simon to the position of Chief Financial Officer of Providence. Since joining us in 2008, Simon has proven to be a very effective manager of the Providence finance function and I am very pleased that he has taken up this new opportunity at what is a very exciting time of Providence's corporate development."

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About Providence

Providence Resources Plc is an Irish based oil and gas exploration company whose shares are traded on the AIM market in London and on Dublin's ESM market. Providence's portfolio of production, appraisal and exploration assets includes licence interests in Ireland (offshore) and the United Kingdom (onshore & offshore). In 2011, Providence, along with its partners upwards, commenced a circa \$500 million multi-year drilling programme on a number of exploration and development wells in 6 different basins offshore Ireland. This programme represents the largest drilling campaign ever carried out offshore Ireland. www.providenceresources.com.