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Providence Resources P.I.c.

PLACING OF 368.2 MILLION NEW ORDINARY SHARES TO RAISE €25.774 MILLION (US\$34.6 MILLION)

The Directors of Providence Resources P.I.c. ("Providence" or the "Company"), the AIM (London) and IEX (Dublin) traded oil and gas exploration and production company, are today pleased to announce that they have agreed the terms of a placing of 368.2 million new Ordinary Shares at 7.0 cents per share, raising gross proceeds of approximately €25.774 million (US\$34.6 million) before expenses (the "Placing") through Cenkos Securities plc.

The proceeds of the Placing will be allocated to a number of specific identified projects and uses:

- The appraisal drilling of the Hook Head Project in the Celtic Sea in Summer 2007;
- The ongoing development of the Company's other Irish offshore assets;
- The proposed appraisal drilling, via a fourth well, at AJE, Providence's Nigerian asset in late 2007 (subject to rig availability);
- Additional investment at the producing Singleton oil field, onshore UK, with a view to near-term cash flow;
- Further possible investment in potential oil and gas developments in the Gulf of Mexico; and
- General working capital purposes.

The two key development projects for 2007 are the previously announced appraisal drilling at Hook Head in the Celtic Sea, offshore Ireland; and further appraisal drilling at AJE, offshore Nigeria. Both of these are projects contain proven discoveries and both wells have been designed to establish the commercial viability of the projects, with the objective, on success, of moving forward to fast track development. The Company will also be looking to advance its portfolio offshore the West coast of Ireland, with particular reference to the planned drilling syndication of the Spanish Point Project.

In addition, the Company continues to seek opportunities which will enhance its production cash flow capabilities, complementing the recent announcement by the Company of its intention to acquire a majority stake at the onshore UK Singleton oilfield, which it is expected will, conditional on completion of the acquisition, significantly increase Providence's daily oil production rates to approximately 600 BOPD.

Commenting on the announcement, Tony O'Reilly Jnr, Chief Executive of Providence said:

"We are delighted today to announce this successful Placing, broadening our already strong shareholder base and attracting ten new UK institutional shareholders. The net proceeds of the Placing will be actively used to enhance the Providence portfolio of production, appraisal, development and high impact exploration assets.

"2007 is expected to be a very exciting year for Providence and its shareholders, and this fundraising, together with our diverse portfolio of interests and key industry relationships, consolidates our position, allowing the Company to maximise its potential in the current economic climate".

Cenkos Securities plc acted for the Company in the Placing with UK institutional investors. The Placing is conditional upon, *inter alia*, admission of the new Ordinary Shares to trading on AIM and IEX. Application has been made for the admission of the new Ordinary Shares to trading on both AIM and IEX ("Admission") and it is expected that Admission will occur and that dealings will commence on AIM and IEX on 17 April 2007. The new Ordinary Shares will rank *pari passu* in all respects with the existing Ordinary Shares currently traded on AIM and IEX. Following Admission there will be 2,466,531,324 Ordinary Shares in issue.

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About Providence

Providence Resources P.I.c. is an independent oil and gas exploration company traded on the AIM (London) and IEX (Dublin) markets. The Company was founded in 1997, but with roots going back to 1981 when its predecessor company, Atlantic Resources Plc was formed by a group of investors led by Sir Anthony O'Reilly.

Providence's active oil and gas portfolio includes interests in Ireland (offshore), the UK (onshore and offshore), the Gulf of Mexico (USA) and West Africa (offshore Nigeria). Providence's portfolio is balanced between production, appraisal and exploration assets, as well as being diversified geographically.

Recent key corporate announcements include:

- Extension to Apollo Licensing Option 05/03, St. George's Channel (announced April 5th, 2007)
- Acquisition of Majority Stake in Singleton (announced April 2nd, 2007)
- Ireland 2007 Celtic Sea Drilling Programme (announced March 30th, 2007)
- Celtic Sea Licence 3/07, OBS Survey & 3 Farm ins (announced March 28th, 2007)
- Initial Farm out at Spanish Point (announced March 15th, 2007)
- Celtic Sea Farm-out to Forest Gate Resources Inc. (announced Feb 23rd, 2007)
- Celtic Sea Farm-out to DYAS and Atlantic Petroleum (announced Feb 7th, 2007)
- Grant of Irish Standard Exploration Licence 1/07 & 2/07 (announced Feb 6th, 2007)
- Award of Licence in UK 24th Seaward Round (announced Feb 2nd, 2007)
- Providence makes oil and gas discovery in Gulf of Mexico (announced Jan 25th, 2007)
- Award of Goban Spur Licencing Option with ExxonMobil & Sosina (announced Nov 1st 2006)
- Secures Rig Slot for 2007 (announced Sept. 25th, 2006)
- 20% Farm-out Deal agreed with CMI on Celtic Sea Licences (announced Sept 5th, 2006)
- Completion of Dunquin Seismic (announced Aug. 8th, 2006)
- Increased production at its Singleton oilfield (announced March 7th, 2006)
- Dunquin Farm-out to ExxonMobil (announced on Feb 13th, 2006) and
- €50 million Revolving Credit Finance Facility with Macquarie (announced on Feb 2nd, 2006).

Comprehensive information on Providence and its oil and gas portfolio, including its 2005 AIM Admission document, 2005 Annual Report, Interim Report 2005 and recent press releases are all available from Providence's website at www.providenceresources.com

Additional Information

Cenkos Securities plc ("Cenkos"), which is authorised and regulated in the United Kingdom by The Financial Services Authority, is acting exclusively for the Company as broker and placing agent in connection with the Placing. Cenkos is not acting for any other person and will not be responsible to anyone other than the Company for providing the protections afforded to clients of Cenkos or for advising any other person in relation to the Placing.

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