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HALF YEAR RESULTS

2018 FIRST HALF FINANCIAL RESULTS

- Increase in net profit of 36% to $34.2 million and supporting a strong net cash equivalent position of US$164.2 million
- Acquisition of 50% participating interest in the Ungani oilfield, onshore Western Australia and farm-in of 50% participating interest in each of exploration licences EP391, EP428 and EP436
- Successful drilling resulting in oil discovery in Block 03/33 Pearl River Mouth Basin, offshore China
- Drilling completed at D21 and J4 oilfields, offshore Sarawak, Malaysia

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- 8% increase in production to 7,833 BOEPD (1H2017: 7,220 BOEPD).
- Sales revenue of US$94.8 million (1H2017: US$64.7 million), with an average realised oil price of US$68.8/BBL, a discount of 3% compared to the average Brent price of US$70.6/BBL.
- Production costs of US$12.2/BOE (1H2017: 10.4/BOE), increased due to workovers in Beibu Gulf oilfield.
- Net profit after income tax increased 36% to US$34.2 million (1H2017: US$25.1 million), largely driven by improved oil price and higher sale volume.
- Net cash flow from operations increased 55% to US$65.0 million (1H2017: US$42.0 million), attributable to higher cash received from sales.

Commenting on the results, ROC’s Chief Executive Officer, Dr Yuanlin Jiang, stated:

“It has been an active and successful first half for ROC, headlined by outstanding operating and safety performance in the Beibu Gulf, Pearl River Mouth Basin and Sarawak Basin, growth activities through acquisitions, and strong earnings and cash generation.

Exploration success in Block 03/33 Pearl River Mouth Basin, offshore China was an exciting result. The oil discovery provided encouragement for commercialisation of this potential significant resource.
We also announced the acquisition of 50% participating interest in the Ungani oilfield and a farm-in of 50% participating interest in three exploration licences. These transactions follow from our strategy to continue to invest in high impact exploration new ventures and maintaining our presence in Australia.

In Malaysia, we completed a four well drilling campaign at the D21 oilfield and three wells at the J4 oilfield. Preparations are underway to conduct the next drilling campaign at the D35 oilfield.

We have an exciting second half ahead of us with significant development opportunities and a strong exploration inventory to maintain and grow production."

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