Sahara Announces Joint Venture With Saskatchewan First Nation Band

Sahara Energy Ltd. has entered into a joint venture agreement with the Mosquito Grizzly Bear's Head Lean Man First Nation Band in Saskatchewan to exclusively identify and explore lands that may contain oil and gas potential under the Treaty Land Entitlement Agreement (the TLE Lands).

The joint venture will continue initially for a period of three years and may be extended by agreement between the parties. In the joint venture, the band has agreed to make available its oil and gas rights on 62,000 acres to the company comprised of approximately 13,000 acres of TLE Lands which are available anywhere in Saskatchewan with undisposed mineral rights, approximately 14,000 acres of nominated TLE Lands currently owned by the band in western Saskatchewan and approximately 35,000 acres of land on the band's reserve lands.

Sahara will conduct oil and gas exploration and development on the 62,000 acres of lands and has agreed to provide employment, business and training opportunities to the band pursuant to the joint venture.

"We are very pleased to enter into this exclusive joint venture business arrangement with the Mosquito Band and look forward to the complimentary business opportunities arising from identifying and exploring oil and gas prospects on the 62,000 acres held by the band in the highly prospective area of western Saskatchewan," said **Pete Boswell**, president of Sahara, in a news release.

Chief **Kelly Bird** of the Mosquito Grizzly Bear's Head Lean Man First Nation Band said his community is pleased to form a business venture with Sahara to explore for oil and gas on the band's lands in Saskatchewan. "We anticipate substantial benefits for our people as a result of employment and training opportunities for our workforce."