

## **Takeover Offer Update**

February 18, 2011

Northern Energy Corporation Limited (ASX: NEC) provides the following update to shareholders regarding the revised takeover Offer from New Hope Corporation Limited (ASX: NHC) dated 10 February 2011:

- As announced to the market on 11 February 2011, Northern Energy remains actively
  engaged in identifying possible alternatives to the NHC bid, and remains in discussions
  with interested parties;
- As at the date of this announcement, no proposal has been received, however discussions are ongoing;
- Your directors consider it would be premature and potentially prejudicial to shareholders
  to make any recommendation to shareholders regarding the NHC bid at this stage, whilst
  it remains unclear as to whether a favourable proposal will be received from third parties.
- In light of this position, your directors continue to recommend that Northern Energy shareholders **TAKE NO ACTION** in relation to NHC's revised offer at this time.
- Your directors are conscious of the impending closing date of the NHC bid on 25
  February 2011 and will make a further announcement, which it is proposed will include a
  recommendation in relation to the NHC bid, as soon as possible following the conclusion
  of discussions with third parties.

A Northern Energy Information Line relating to the revised Offer is in operation.

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For and on behalf of the Board

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