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## DRILLING REPORT - 24 March 2011

WELL NAME: Mananda 5, PNG

Oil Search reports that as at 0600 hrs PNG time (-1 hr AEDT) on 24 March, testing was ongoing at the Mananda 5 well in PPL 219.

During the week, an extended flow test was initiated over the Toro A zone. At the time of reporting, the Toro A had been flowing for approximately 60 hours at rates of up to 1,900 bopd, with a maximum choke of 32/64" and a Gas: Oil Ratio of 900 scf/stb.

The forward plan is to continue the extended flow test of the Toro A zone. Testing will continue for a further one to two weeks.

Mananda 5 is located approximately 18 kilometres north west of the SE Mananda oil field.

The participants in Mananda 5 are:

Oil Search (PNG) Limited	71.25%
Nippon Oil Exploration (Niugini) Limited	20.00%
Merlin Petroleum Company	8.75%
Total	100%

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