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DRILLING REPORT - 22 September 2011

WELL NAME: Hedinia 10 ST3, PNG

Oil Search reports that as at 0600 PNG time on 22 September, preparations were underway to kick off a sidetrack, ST3, from the Hedinia 10 ST2 well.

During the week, pressure and log data was acquired in the upper portions of the Hedinia 10 ST2 well. Attempts to acquire pressure data in the Toro sandstone failed due to mechanical reasons.

The Hedinia 10 ST3 well is designed to establish the up-dip potential of the Hedinia forelimb.

The participants in Hedinia 10 ST3 are:

Total	100%
Petroleum Resources Kutubu Limited	6.75%
Merlin Petroleum Company	18.69%
Merlin Pacific Oil Company Limited	2.91%
Ampolex (PNG Petroleum), Inc.	11.61%
Oil Search (PNG) Limited	60.05%

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