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**Re: Appointment of New Chief Financial Officer**

Cooper Energy Limited (ASX:**COE**) ("Cooper Energy") is pleased to announce the appointment of Mr Jason de Ross as Chief Financial Officer. Mr de Ross is based in Adelaide and will replace Mr John Baillie who will leave Cooper Energy in December 2012.

In August 2012 Cooper Energy advised the plan to relocate the Head Office from Perth to Adelaide. The move has both strategic and cost benefits for the Company. Mr Baillie who commenced with Cooper Energy in 2005 and has overseen the financial development of Cooper Energy has decided to not move to Adelaide.

Mr de Ross' qualifications include B. Ec., ACA, MBA and F Fin and he has over 20 years' experience in senior management roles in construction, agribusiness and resources. Most recently as Group Commercial Manager, OZ Minerals Limited Mr de Ross was responsible for finance, analysis, business improvement, cost management, procurement and contracts management. Mr de Ross previously held roles including Group Treasurer and Chief Information Officer and has served on a number of boards and committees.

Mr David Maxwell, Managing Director said "John Baillie has been a valued and key member of the Cooper Energy management team and the Board is very appreciative of his important contribution over seven years". Mr Maxwell commented "Jason de Ross brings valuable experience to the new Cooper Energy management team and we look forward to working with him in this important role."

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