

BENCHMARK ENERGY CORP. NEWS RELEASE

BENCHMARK ANNOUNCES RESIGNATION OF DIRECTOR

Calgary, Alberta, Canada, April 24th, 2007 - BENCHMARK ENERGY CORP. ("Benchmark" or the "Company" - TSX Venture Exchange: BEE) announces that Jean-Claude Boubée has resigned effective April 23, 2007. The Company wishes to thank Mr. Boubée for his significant contributions to the Company.

As previously announced, Benchmark is continuing to investigate various acquisition and farm-in opportunities in North and West Africa, Indonesia, Colombia, and elsewhere. Further updates on the various projects will be provided as soon as possible. The Company currently has a 33.33% working interest in the Cosmos Concession in offshore Tunisia.

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