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BIRCHCLIFF ENERGY LTD.

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BIRCHCLIFF ENERGY LTD. ANNOUNCES THE CLOSING OF ITS \$62 MILLION FINANCING

Calgary, Alberta - Birchcliff Energy Ltd. ("Birchcliff" or the "Company") (TSX: BIR) is pleased to announce that it has completed a bought deal equity financing with a syndicate of underwriters co-led by GMP Securities L.P. and Scotia Capital Inc. and including Cormark Securities Inc., HSBC Securities (Canada) Inc., RBC Capital Markets, Thomas Weisel Partners Canada Inc. and Canaccord Capital Corporation pursuant to which the underwriters have purchased on a "bought deal" basis 8,000,000 common shares ("Common Shares") of Birchcliff at a price of \$6.20 per Common Share for aggregate gross proceeds of \$49,600,000 (the "Bought Deal Offering").

Birchcliff is also pleased to announce that Mr. Seymour Schulich has purchased 2,000,000 Common Shares of Birchcliff by way of private placement at a price of \$6.20 per common share for aggregate proceeds of \$12,400,000 (the "Private Placement").

Net proceeds of the Bought Deal Offering and Private Placement will initially be used to pay down the Company's bank debt and then will be used to fund a portion of the Company's ongoing capital program.

Birchcliff is extremely pleased that the Province of Alberta announced the extension of the drilling incentive and new well royalty programs for one year.

The \$200 per meter drilled royalty credit and the 5% royalty rate for new wells is very significant to Birchcliff.

In the light of last week's announcement, Birchcliff is reviewing its 2009 and 2010 capital spending and will provide guidance for the remainder of 2009 and a portion of 2010 in the next several weeks.

Birchcliff Energy Ltd. now has 122,807,637 common shares outstanding.

FORWARD LOOKING STATEMENTS

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