



ROCKHOPPER EXPLORATION PLC (“Rockhopper” or the “Company”)

Change of Auditor

The Directors of Rockhopper announce that, following a five yearly review of the external audit function, they issued an invitation to tender to both their existing auditor and a number of new auditors. Following meetings with each of the candidates, the Company has appointed KPMG Audit Plc as the auditor to the Company and its subsidiaries with immediate effect.

Baker Tilly UK Audit LLP has resigned as the Company's auditor and has confirmed to the Company that there are no circumstances in connection with its resignation which it considers need to be brought to the attention of the Company's shareholders or creditors. The Directors of the Company would like to thank Baker Tilly UK Audit LLP for all their hard work over the last five years.

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