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ROCKHOPPER EXPLORATION PLC (The 'Company')

Director Dealing

The Company announces that it has received notification that Pierre Jungels, the Company's Executive Chairman, and Chris Walton, a Non-Executive Director, on 5 July 2010 acquired ordinary shares of 1 pence each in the Company ("Ordinary Shares"). Details of their purchases are set out in the table below:

	Number of shares purchased	Average price paid	Number of shares held following the acquisition	% of issued share capital after the acquisition
Pierre Jungels	23,350	298.5 pence	889,424	0.46
Chris Walton	8,300	297.625 pence	32,109	0.02

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