

SAHARA ENERGY LTD.
(TSX Venture Exchange: SAH)
(U.S. Quotation: SAHRF)

Cease Trade Order Issued

Calgary, Alberta (May 15, 2009) – Sahara Energy Ltd. (the “Corporation”) announces that cease trade orders were issued by the Alberta Securities Commission on May 7, 2009, and by the British Columbia Securities Commission and the Ontario Securities Commission on May 11, 2009, for failure to file continuous disclosure materials, including the audited annual financial statements, annual management discussion and analysis and certification of annual filings for the year ended December 31, 2008. As a result, the Corporation’s securities have been suspended from trading on the TSX Venture Exchange until such time as the cease trade orders have been revoked and the Corporation meets TSX Venture Exchange requirements in relation to reinstatement of trading, including meeting Tier Maintenance Requirements.

The Corporation is working with its auditors and reserve engineers to finalize its audited annual financial statements, management discussion and analysis, and reserve report, which the Corporation expects to be completed by the end of June.

About Sahara Energy Ltd.

The Corporation is a junior oil and gas company focused on the exploration and development of oil and gas in Western Canada.

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Such factors include, but are not limited to: the impact of general economic conditions in Canada and the United States; industry conditions including changes in laws and regulations including adoption of new environmental laws and regulations, and changes in how they are interpreted and enforced; competition; the lack of availability of qualified personnel; fluctuations in commodity prices; the results of exploration and development drilling and related activities; imprecision in reserve estimates; the production and growth potential of the Corporation’s various assets; fluctuations in foreign exchange or interest rates; the ability to access sufficient capital from internal and external sources; and obtaining required approvals of regulatory authorities. Accordingly, the Corporation gives no assurance nor makes any representations or warranty that the expectations conveyed by the forward-looking statements will prove to be correct and actual results may differ materially from those anticipated in the forward-looking statements. The Corporation undertakes no obligation to publicly update or revise any forward-looking statements.