

CRIMSON EXPLORATION INC.

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Additional Information and Where to Find It

This communication does not constitute an offer to sell or the solicitation of an offer to buy any securities or a solicitation of any vote or approval. The proposed merger transaction between the Company and Crimson Exploration Inc. (Crimson) will be submitted to the stockholders of both companies for their consideration. The Company expects to file with the SEC a registration statement on Form S-4 that will include a prospectus of the Company and will also comprise a proxy statement for each of the Company and Crimson. INVESTORS AND SECURITY HOLDERS OF THE COMPANY, CRIMSON AND OTHER INVESTORS ARE ADVISED TO READ THE PROSPECTUS AND PROXY STATEMENTS AND ANY OTHER RELEVANT DOCUMENTS FILED WITH THE SEC WHEN THEY BECOME AVAILABLE BECAUSE THOSE DOCUMENTS WILL CONTAIN IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT THE PROPOSED MERGER. The definitive joint proxy statements and prospectus will be

mailed to stockholders of the Company and of Crimson. Investors and security holders may obtain a free copy of the joint proxy statement and prospectus when it becomes available, and other documents filed by the Company with the SEC, at the SEC's web site at <http://www.sec.gov>. Free copies of the proxy statement, when it becomes available, and the Company's other filings with the SEC may also be obtained from the Company by directing a request to the Company, Attention: Investor Relations department, or by calling (713) 960-1901.

Participants in Solicitation

The Company and its directors, executive officers and other members of its management and employees may be deemed to be soliciting proxies from the Company's stockholders in favor of the proposed Merger. Information regarding the Company's directors and executive officers is available in its Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2012 filed with the SEC on August 29, 2012, and definitive proxy statement relating to its 2012 Annual Meeting of Stockholders filed with the SEC on October 12, 2012. Stockholders may obtain additional information regarding the interests of the Company and its directors and executive officers in the proposed Merger, which may be different than those of the Company's stockholders generally, by reading the joint proxy statement and prospectus and other relevant documents filed with the SEC when they become available.

