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GALLEON ANNOUNCES STOCK SPLIT AND INCREASES 2006 GUIDANCE

CALGARY, ALBERTA – Galleon Energy Inc. (“Galleon”) announces that its board of directors has recommended a stock split of its Class A shares on the basis of 3 Class A shares for each 2 Class A shares currently held. The trading price of Galleon's Class A shares has increased substantially and the board of directors believes that the stock split will encourage greater market liquidity and wider distribution among retail investors. Galleon's shareholders will be asked to approve the stock split at a special meeting of shareholders to be called in early June, 2006. In addition to shareholder approval, the stock split is subject to receipt of all regulatory approvals.

Q1 2006 drilling update

In first quarter 2006, 30 (28 net) wells were drilled with a success rate of 83%. Wells cased for production include 3 light oil (2.8 net), 19 natural gas (16.9 net) and 3 heavy oil (3.0 net). 60% of the locations were exploratory. In first quarter 2006, Galleon drilled a major light sweet oil (39° API) discovery in the Puskwa area of Alberta, as previously announced on March 9, 2006.

High impact project

- One rig is currently drilling a well which is located 0.8 km from the first discovery well at Puskwa.
- Two rigs have been contracted to commence drilling immediately after breakup. 10-12 wells are planned in the remainder of 2006.
- Three (2.5 net) deep oil and gas discoveries were drilled in first quarter 2006 in Puskwa and Calais. Two of these wells tested at a combined rate of 2,790 boepd including the previously announced light sweet crude oil discovery well which tested at 2,559 boepd. Three additional zones in the first discovery well have not yet been tested.
- These wells are expected to be on stream subject to completion of new facilities.
- Shot 234 km² of 3D seismic at Puskwa and Eaglesham and expanded the drilling inventory to 38 locations.

Tight gas project

- Two rigs have been contracted to commence drilling immediately after breakup. Up to 50 wells are planned in the remainder of 2006.
- Galleon has identified 120+ locations.
- Drilled and cased 8 (net 6.8) natural gas wells in first quarter 2006.

- Increased land access by 66,000 gross acres to total land access of 313,440 gross acres.
- New production capacity is approximately 5 mmscfd net (833 boepd) which is expected to be tied-in during second quarter 2006.

Galleon is increasing the full year 2006 production guidance due to the highly successful drilling programs in the tight gas and high impact projects. Minor delays were experienced in first quarter 2006 due to startup issues on new natural gas facilities and third party facility interruptions. Galleon plans to construct its own facilities in these areas to better control and predict production deliverability.

Current production is in excess of 9,600 boepd based on field estimates. Additional production capacity of 3,000 boepd is anticipated to be on stream in second and third quarter 2006 depending on the timing of tie-ins, facility construction and regulatory approvals. Approximately 333 boepd of the production capacity is related to the Puskwa light sweet oil discovery well.

Revised production guidance

Estimated average daily production (boepd)	Old guidance ⁽¹⁾		New guidance ⁽²⁾	
	Low	High	Low	High
Q1 2006	9,200	9,600	8,600	9,200
Q2 2006	10,200	10,600	9,800	10,600
Q3 2006	11,000	11,400	11,700	13,000
Q4 2006	11,600	12,000	12,500	14,000
Exit 2006	12,000	12,500	13,000	15,000

(1) Old guidance does not include production guidance announced on March 9, 2006 related to the Puskwa discovery well

(2) Based on and assuming estimated decline rates, the anticipated drilling program results using an average success rate of one in three and the drilling and tie-in of successful wells being completed on schedule.

Galleon is a technically oriented high growth junior oil and gas company with focused operations in the Peace River area of Alberta. Galleon commenced operations in October 2003 and has had significant success in acquiring undeveloped acreage, drilling and purchasing production.

Galleon has 34,628,909 Class A shares and 922,500 Class B shares issued and outstanding which trade on the TSX under the symbols "GO.A" and "GO.B".

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