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January 2010 – Happy New Year!

This year I have decided to make a list of New Year's resolutions that I am going to keep, here they are:

10. *Gain 10 pounds—I can strike this off my list early—I am 5 months pregnant*
9. *Watch more TV*
8. *Eat more chocolate*
7. *Spend more money on useless items – (OK, a diaper wipe warmer was a good idea at the time)*
6. *I will think of a password other than “password”*
5. *I will stop emailing, tweeting, FaceBook or MSN messaging and be on the phone at the same time with the same person*
4. *I will try to figure out why I really need nine email addresses*
3. *I will be at least 10 minutes late for every function I attend*
2. *I will not bore my boss with the same excuse for taking leaves, does maternity leave count?*
1. *Travel to more exotic destinations – like to see the world's largest ball of twine!*

If you have any company or industry news, or would like me to attend an event for Grapevine coverage, please send me an email lorna.engleson@cggveritas.com or call at (403) 205-6134. Thanks!

19th CALGARY MINING FORUM

The **Calgary Mining Forum**, to be held at the Ramada Hotel, Calgary, Alberta, on April 20 to 23, 2010, has two essential objectives: (1) to highlight mineral exploration in Alberta, and (2) to provide Canadian mineral exploration companies an opportunity to put their projects before an interested public.

The Calgary Mining Forum Organizing Committee seeks submission of oral or poster papers for the 2010 Forum and would welcome talks on a variety of exploration activities. The abstracts may not be longer than 1 page. Tables and figures may be included if they are black and white and are embedded in the text. The abstracts should be in a common format, preferably Microsoft format, and a 10 – 12 point font size. Additional information on the conference and registration may be found at the Calgary Mineral Exploration Group (MEG) website, www.meg.calgary.ab.ca

If you have an interest in presenting an oral paper or poster, please submit a title to abstracts2010@meg.calgary.ab.ca as soon as possible to allow the Technical Program Committee some lead time in developing the program.

The final abstract deadline is February 19, 2010.

ENERGIZE YOUR FUTURE – Grapevine Coverage: Lorna Engleson

Energise Your Future 2009 was held at the Les Pyramids in Paris, France November 18-20. CCGVeritas was the Platinum sponsor and I, along with 30 other young professionals, was able to attend.

Each booth was clearly catered to the young professional, 35 and under crowd with cafe style seating, foosball and air hockey tables set up, it had a very inviting hip and modern feeling.

I took my seat in the main auditorium waiting for what I thought was going to be a four-hour power point presentation to begin – ugh.

Modern discotheque music began in the background, the lighting was straight out of a rock concert and the host was charismatic and charming – Ok, now you have my attention!

A selection of our peers entered the stage posing questions to industry leaders such as: Is a sustainable ethical future within our grasp? Matching our skills to the challenges? Where is the energy world heading? These touchy subjects were addressed by our industry leaders and the answers were not rehearsed or professionally written on cue cards, but answered open and honestly on the fly. This was not the easiest of situations to be in with 1214 young professionals staring at you.

After each session, we would break off into groups to discuss the topics above. These thought provoking discussions left me empowered and believing that someone like me can enforce change.

If you have the opportunity to attend the 2010 conference in New Delhi, I strongly recommend it. You will come back empowered and inspired to contribute responsibly to the energy industry.

For more information:
www.energiseyourfuture.com

LIGHT UP THE WORLD

Volunteers needed! As part of our ongoing commitment to community, our convention will be holding our seventh annual charity event at GeoCanada 2010 in May. To date, we have raised over \$77,000 with our silent and live auctions.

This year we are once again proud to support *Light Up The World (LUTW)* with the proceeds of the auction. Founded in Calgary in 1999, LUTW is an international development organization dedicated to providing renewable energy and innovative lighting solutions to communities in need in the developing world. Their goal is to bring affordable, safe, healthy, efficient and environmentally responsible solutions to the almost 2 billion people worldwide that do not have access to electricity.

Volunteers are needed to help raise awareness about the silent auction. It's a great way to meet people in the industry and the time commitment is only a few hours a month. If you would like to be involved in this most worthy endeavour, or if your company would like to donate an auction item, please contact Sean Callaghan sean@surveyza.com, (403) 819-4190.

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CSEG New Members

Bate, Steve	ION
Bin Merdhah, Waled	U of C
Fournier, Dominique	Student
George, Jennifer	Talisman Energy
Harris, Tim	Stack Energy
Hess, Conrad	Student
Howatt, Tara	Student
Julio, Shelley	Student
Kalynn, Jessica	Student
Kary, Ben	Student
Kotkas, Joel	Tundra Oil and Gas
Kung, Lindsay	U of C
Miri, Shpigel	SAIT
Moradi-Monfared, Saman	Student
Moore, Jason	U of C
Postlethwaite, Ben	Student
Ruygrois, Erci	Arcis
Schmidt, Thomas	Harvest Operations
Shamash, Ari	Student
Smith, Larry	Brooks Range
Steinhoff, Chris	Student

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ARCIS ANNOUCEMENT

David Munro, Chairman of the Board of Arcis Corporation, is pleased to announce the appointment of Mr. Bradley (Brad) K. Torry to the role of President & CEO effective September 11, 2009.

Since the company’s inception in 1996, Arcis has provided high quality geophysical products and services to its clients. As a founder, Brad has played an integral role in growing the company and its seismic data library to be one of the most current, high quality resources for seismic data in Western Canada as well as supporting the growth of its technology to offer global solutions to the exploration industry. With the support of his leadership team he will continue to grow the company throughout the domestic and international geophysical community.

Mr. Torry has a B.Sc. in Geophysics from the University of British Columbia. He brings to Arcis a broad knowledge of exploration geophysics, seismic applications and a successful track record in the business community. His leadership team consists of Holly Elrick, CFO & VP Finance; Rob Howey, SVP Processing; Thane McKay, VP Sales; John Ropchan, VP Geophysical Operations and Sharon Richardson, HR Manager.

Arcis is also pleased to announce the realignment of its sales and business development team. With the support of Arcis’ technical representatives, this team will focus on account management and sales opportunities that spans our business, continuing to provide seismic solutions to our valued clients through our unique complement of seismic services.

These services include participation “spec” surveys, project management, data processing, reservoir services, data marketing, and access to a current and extensive data library.

To meet our sales and business development team, and to find out more information, please visit www.arcis.com

THE OIL & GAS INDEX

The Oil & Gas INDEX is pleased to announce two major improvements to their free public search service at WWW.OILANDGASINDEX.COM

The first, “QUICKFIND” is a search for active and historical explorers and producers of western Canada. It was developed for those who cannot locate a company.

The second, “QUICKPICKS” is a search by business type (products and services) and location of active service and supply companies in western Canada. Results provide complete information on premium-listed companies including personnel and links.

The Oil & Gas INDEX, published quarterly since 1987, and AVS ONLINE SERVICE has earned the reputation of being the industry’s leading authority on companies operating in Western Canada.

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