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## PERMIAN BASIN PROJECT UPDATE

- **6H WELL IS HAVING PERMANENT PRODUCTION EQUIPMENT INSTALLED.**
- **8A WELL SUCCESSFULLY COMPLETED HYDRAULIC FRACTURING. CURRENTLY UNLOADING INITIAL FRAC FLUID AT 28 BARREL PER HOUR RATE.**
- **9M WELL IS DRILLING AHEAD AT 8,240 FEET WITH ANOTHER 1,200 FEET TO REACH TOTAL DEPTH.**
- **9E WELL LOCATION READIED FOR DRILLING TO START THIS WEEK**

Golden Gate Petroleum Ltd (ASX: GGP) is pleased to provide an update of operational activities in our Permian Basin Project located in Reagan County, Texas.

The first oil and gas discovery at the SRH-C # 6H well is having permanent equipment installed after the successful fracture stimulation program and initial production flow testing of 379 barrels per day of oil over a 24 hour period. The surface pumping unit and robs are to be installed this week. A gas pipeline agreement is being negotiated. The gas tie in point is only 300 feet from the drill site.

The second oil and gas discovery at the SRH-A # 8A well has successfully undergone fracturing by Halliburton. The plugs have been drilled out and the well is flowing frac fluid to surface at a rate of 28 barrels per hour.

The third well. SRH-A # 9M, is currently drilling ahead at 8,240 feet with a planned total depth of 9,400 feet. Once the well reaches total depth, the well will be completed and readied for hydraulic fracturing. Sufficient log information has already been obtained to plan the frac program which is scheduled for late January.

The fourth well, SRH-C # 9E, has its location readied for drilling operations. It is expected to commence drilling operations later this week after the completion of the 9M well.

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**COMPETENT PERSONS STATEMENT:** The information in this report has been reviewed and signed off by Mr Mickey McGhee, Geologist, with over 30 years of experience within the oil and gas sector and an extended background in the Permian Basin.

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