

Sound Oil plc ("Sound Oil" or "the Company")

Appointment of Head of Exploration

Sound Oil plc announces that it has appointed Dr. Michael Cope as Head of Exploration based at their new head office in Fetcham, Surrey. Dr. Cope has been a petroleum geologist for more than twenty-five years and brings a wealth of operational experience to the Company. His most recent position was as Principal Geologist with Schlumberger's WesternGeco seismic division where his main focus was new ventures prospectivity assessment. Previously he held a variety of senior exploration positions with the Petrofina Group and with Texaco working on projects in Africa, Central Asia, the Far East and the Northwest European Shelf. He holds BSc and PhD degrees in geology from the University of London.

The Company's new head office address is: Fetchma Park House, Lower Road, Fetcham, Leatherhead, Surrey KT22 9HD (Tel 01372 371 010).

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