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MADALENA PROVIDES UPDATE ON CAN X-1 EXPLORATION WELL

Madalena Ventures Inc. and its wholly owned subsidiary Madalena Austral SA ("Madalena" or the "Corporation"), is pleased to provide an update on the results from its drilling and testing operations on the CAN-X1 exploration well located on the Coiron Amargo Block ("Block") in the Province of Neuquén, Argentina. The CAN X-1 exploration well was drilled to a total depth ("TD") of 10,930 feet and encountered several zones with hydrocarbon potential.

During testing, two intervals totaling 26 feet were perforated in the Sierras Blancas formation. After fracture stimulation, the well tested over a 22 hour period at flow rates of between 660 – 1,620 bopd of 40 degree API light crude oil with 1,170-1,350 mcf/d of gas at flow pressures between 445 – 1,000 psi wellhead pressure yielding total flow test rates of 850 – 1,851 boepd.

The Corporation intends to complete testing operations over the next several days and place the well on production. Once testing is complete the joint venture will return to continue testing the CAN X-3 exploration well drilled in August 2010. The Block covers an area of approximately 102,000 acres (160 sections) and the Corporation has established on the Block an inventory of drillable multi-zone locations delineated by 3D seismic.

On the Curamhuele X-1001 exploration well, the well is being prepared to set 13-3/8 inch casing at 4,000 feet. The well is planned to be drilled to a drilling depth of approximately 8,850 feet in order to penetrate the Lower Troncoso and Avile formations and is expected to reach TD in December 2010.

Madalena is a publicly traded international junior Canadian oil and gas exploration company trading on the TSXV under the symbol "MVN". The Corporation is actively evaluating international oil and gas opportunities with a primary focus on South America.

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Any references in this news release to test rates, flow rates, initial and/or final raw test or production rates, early production and/or "flush" production rates are useful in confirming the presence of hydrocarbons, however, such rates are not determinative of the rates at which such wells will commence production and decline thereafter. Additionally, such rates may also include recovered "load" fluids used in well completion stimulation. Readers are cautioned not to place reliance on such rates in calculating the aggregate production for the Corporation.

All calculations converting natural gas to barrels of oil equivalent ("boe") have been made using a conversion ratio of six thousand cubic feet (six "Mcf") of natural gas to one barrel of oil, unless otherwise stated. The use of boe may be misleading, particularly if used in isolation, as the conversion ratio of six Mcf of natural gas to one barrel of oil is based on an energy equivalency conversion method primarily applicable at the burner tip and does not represent a value equivalency at the wellhead.

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