



Northern Oil and Gas, Inc. Announces Retirement of 2020 Notes and Updated Financial and Hedging Information

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MINNEAPOLIS--(BUSINESS WIRE)--Oct. 18, 2018-- Northern Oil and Gas, Inc. (NYSE American: NOG) today announced the retirement of the remainder of its 8% Senior Unsecured Notes due 2020. Northern's next dated maturity is for its Senior Secured Second Lien Notes, due May 2023. In addition, Northern is pleased to provide updated financial information after closing on its recent acquisitions and refinancing transactions. Northern is also providing updated hedging information.

HIGHLIGHTS

- Liquidity and debt maturities improved with new credit facility and the retirement of remaining unsecured notes
- Production per share based on fourth quarter guidance improved significantly
- Hedging expanded to help protect realized prices and cash flows, including basis hedges

FINANCIAL UPDATE

The table below sets forth selected operating and financial data both currently and, for comparative purposes, as of June 30, 2018. Liquidity has increased 14% despite over \$450 million in closed M&A transactions. Cash interest expense is expected to decrease over 13%. Fourth quarter production is expected to increase 58% over second quarter levels, as a result of additions from recent acquisitions and organic growth, a 19% increase on a per share basis. Higher production should drive free cash flow in the fourth quarter and beyond, reducing future interest expense further.

	June 30, 2018	October 17, 2018	% Change
Fundamentals			
WTI Oil Prices (per bbl) ⁽¹⁾	\$ 70.16	\$ 69.75	-0.6%
Net Acres	142,248	153,325	7.8%
Production (boe per day) ⁽²⁾	21,046	33,250	58.0%
Liquidity ⁽³⁾⁽⁴⁾⁽⁵⁾	\$ 241.0	\$ 274.5	13.9%
Annualized Cash Interest Expense on Current Balances (mm) ⁽⁴⁾	\$ 78.4	\$ 67.7	-13.7%
Estimated Acquisition Adjustments Payable to Northern (mm) ⁽⁵⁾	\$ 0.0	\$ (24.5)	
First Lien Credit Facility (mm) ⁽⁴⁾	\$ 360.0	\$ 175.0	-51.4%
Second Lien Notes due 2023 (mm)	\$ 344.2	\$ 695.1	101.9%
Unsecured Notes due 2020 (mm)	\$ 149.8	-	
Total Debt (mm) ⁽⁵⁾	\$ 854.0	\$ 845.6	-1.0%
Share Price ⁽⁶⁾	\$ 3.33	\$ 3.66	9.9%
Shares Outstanding (mm)	290.7	385.7	32.6%
Market Capitalization (mm) ⁽⁶⁾	\$ 968.1	\$ 1,411.3	45.8%
Enterprise Value	\$ 1,822.1	\$ 2,256.9	23.9%

(1) Front month NYMEX WTI futures price.

(2) June 30, 2018 production is actual production for the second quarter of 2018. October 17, 2018 production is based on Northern's guidance for the fourth quarter of 2018 (as of 8/9/2018).

(3) Liquidity reflects cash plus borrowing availability under first lien credit facility.

(4) Borrowings under new revolving credit facility will fluctuate based on timing and working capital adjustments.

(5) Pro forma for expected net payments to be received in connection with post-closing working capital adjustments under Pivotal and W Energy acquisitions.

(6) Based on closing share price on Q2 earnings release of 8/9/2018 and 10/17/2018, respectively.

DEBT EXCHANGE UPDATE

Northern has previously announced a number of debt-for-equity exchanges since June 2018 to eliminate \$100.5 million in total principal amount of its

recently retired 8% senior unsecured notes due 2020. Northern issued a total of 32.8 million shares of its common stock upon the initial closings of these exchanges, and several of the exchanges provided for potential additional future consideration depending on Northern's stock price performance. Currently, approximately 40% of the shares initially issued in these transactions are no longer subject to the potential for additional consideration. Based on Northern's closing share price on October 17, 2018, any potential additional consideration owed would be less than \$425,000 on all remaining outstanding exchanges.

UPDATED HEDGING SCHEDULE

Under Northern's new revolving credit facility, the Company has greatly expanded its hedging capacity. Commensurate with the closing of the new facility and the recent acquisitions, combined with substantially higher commodity prices, Northern has added substantial price protection for the remainder of 2018 and beyond. Currently, Northern has 18,769 barrels of oil per day hedged in 2019 at an average price of \$63.32. In addition, as in-basin differentials have widened of late, Northern would note it has 10,000 barrels a day of Clearbrook basis hedges for full year 2019 at an average of -\$2.41 off NYMEX WTI. An updated hedge schedule, excluding the above mentioned basis hedges, is provided below.

	June 30, 2018	October 17, 2018	% Change
Daily Production Hedging Schedule			
Q4 2018	15,014	20,166	34.3%
<i>Average Price</i>	\$ 60.44	\$ 63.66	5.3%
2019	8,658	18,769	116.8%
<i>Average Price</i>	\$ 55.85	\$ 63.32	13.4%
2020	4,729	11,437	141.8%
<i>Average Price</i>	\$ 52.55	\$ 61.01	16.1%
2021	1,730	7,238	318.3%
<i>Average Price</i>	\$ 55.67	\$ 61.18	9.9%

ABOUT NORTHERN OIL AND GAS

Northern Oil and Gas, Inc. is an exploration and production company with a core area of focus in the Williston Basin Bakken and Three Forks play in North Dakota and Montana.

More information about Northern Oil and Gas, Inc. can be found at www.NorthernOil.com.

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Northern has based these forward-looking statements on its current expectations and assumptions about future events. While management considers these expectations and assumptions to be reasonable, they are inherently subject to significant business, economic, competitive, regulatory and other risks, contingencies and uncertainties, most of which are difficult to predict and many of which are beyond Northern's control. Northern does not undertake any duty to update or revise any forward-looking statements, except as may be required by the federal securities laws.

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