



**News Release
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Crocotta Energy Inc. and Eastshore Energy Ltd. Announce Combination

Calgary, Alberta, April 18, 2007 – Crocotta Energy Inc. ("Crocotta") and Eastshore Energy Ltd. (TSX Venture: EST.A; EST.B) ("Eastshore") are pleased to announce that their respective Boards have unanimously approved a combination of the two entities through a Plan of Arrangement (the "Arrangement"). Under the terms of the Arrangement, Crocotta will acquire all of the issued and outstanding shares of Eastshore on the following basis as elected by the shareholders:

1. Subject to 2 below, all holders of Eastshore Class A shares ("Eastshore Shares") will have their choice of receiving \$0.65 cash per Eastshore Share or 0.58 of a Crocotta common share ("Crocotta Shares") per Eastshore Share (value \$0.725/Eastshore Share based on one Crocotta Share valued at \$1.25/share).
2. Under the Arrangement, Crocotta is prepared to pay 100% in cash up to a maximum of \$27,807,818 or up to 70% in Crocotta Shares up to a maximum of 17,369,191 Crocotta Shares.

It is a condition of the Arrangement that Eastshore convert all of the Eastshore Class B shares ("Class B Shares") to Eastshore Shares on the basis of 10 Eastshore Shares for each Class B Share prior to obtaining the interim order in connection with the Arrangement and the Eastshore Annual and Special Shareholders' Meeting.

Based on the April 17, 2007 closing price of the Eastshore Shares on the TSX Venture Exchange (\$0.51/share), the \$0.65 per share cash offer constitutes a 27% premium to Eastshore shareholders while the share exchange at \$0.725 constitutes a 42% premium to Eastshore shareholders.

Transaction Highlights

Eastshore Shareholders:

- Expands Eastshore W5 projects at Niton, Ricinus, Sunchild and Hanlan, Alberta into Crocotta's capital projects at Lookout Butte and North Pembina, Alberta and Cache Creek, B.C.;
- Increases combined oil and gas activity levels (ie - accelerated drilling programs and increased acquisition focus);
- Access to a larger technical and operational team;

- Still significantly exposed to Eastshore assets as a meaningful portion of combined entity;
- Combined entity will have cash on hand (no debt) and access to additional capital to accelerate current projects and add additional projects; and
- Increased tax horizon due to the combined large tax pool base.

After the Arrangement, the 24 sections of land at Hanlan which hold a significant portion of Eastshore's future growth potential will still be material in the combined entity. During 2007, Crocotta's larger technical team will undertake a complete geological, geophysical and engineering review in order to assess the next steps to be taken at Hanlan. For 2007, Crocotta intends to tie-in the recently completed 13-21-46-17W5 well in the northern part of the field and will review the producing wells at 15-24 and 6-25-45-17W5 for frac stimulation. In addition, the most recently drilled well at 12-34-45-17W5 will be evaluated for further work. Further drilling, completion, and land activity for 2008 will be determined based on completion of technical review and further production data gathered throughout 2007.

Crocotta Shareholders:

- Accretive to Crocotta's projected cash flow, production and proved plus probable reserves on a per share basis;
- Significantly increases the size of Crocotta's prospect inventory;
- Expands and diversifies Crocotta's asset base thereby reducing its geographic and capital concentration risk;
- Adds approximately 540 boepd comprised of 40% light crude oil and NGL's and 60% natural gas;
- Adds 2.0 mmoeb of proved plus probable (1.6 mmoeb proved) reserves based on GLJ Petroleum Consultants Ltd.'s ("GLJ") December 31, 2006 report;
- Adds approximately 27,200 gross (18,740 net) acres of undeveloped land;
- Adds quality assets, primarily operated with high working interests, generating netbacks of \$35.60 per boe in the fourth quarter of 2006; and
- Based on an enterprise value for Eastshore of approximately \$33.9 million (assuming 50% cash and 50% share election), and net of \$4.0 million of undeveloped land value, the combination metrics are approximately:
 - \$14.66 per boe of proved plus probable (\$19.20 per boe proved) reserves based on GLJ's evaluation of reserves at December 31, 2006; and
 - \$55,400 per boepd based on March 2007 production of approximately 540 boepd.

Pro Forma Crocotta Highlights

Management of both Crocotta and Eastshore believe that the transaction provides many strategic benefits including benefits of size and scale through a larger production base, operational and geographic synergies, an expanded inventory of projects and increased access to capital.

- Pro forma Crocotta will have:
 - Reserve base of 2,767 mboe (GLJ December 31, 2006 combined proved plus probable reserves) comprised of 35% light crude oil and NGL's and 65% natural gas. Note that Crocotta's internal views on the properties with respect to capital deployment etc. are different from the current view of GLJ and may result in a difference in the timing and/or quantity of reserves booked at closing;
 - Current production of approximately 680 boepd, 40% light crude oil and NGL's and 60% natural gas;
 - 2007 exit production estimated at over 1,100 boepd based on rest of year capital expenditures of approximately \$12.0 million;
 - Undeveloped land base and farm-in lands exceeding 36,200 net acres;
 - Over 20 identified drillable locations; and
 - Over \$65 million in tax pools and losses.

The combined entity, which will continue as Crocotta Energy Inc., will be managed by the current Crocotta management team and will welcome Gary Burns to its Board of Directors. Mr. Burns has 39 years of experience in the oil and gas industry throughout Western Canada and will provide project continuity and contact with Eastshore shareholders in the expanded Crocotta entity.

Gary Burns, President, CEO and a Director of Eastshore stated, "This merger with Crocotta accomplishes a number of objectives which are focused on increasing and accelerating value to the shareholders of Eastshore as part of the combined entity. Firstly, this combination provides immediate access to working capital to be deployed into development of joint property interests and immediate growth on production. Secondly, Crocotta brings an expanded and experienced management and technical team with history of accelerating growth and creating multiples of shareholder value."

Rob Zakresky, President, CEO and a Director of Crocotta stated, "The combination creates a number of synergies that both shareholder groups will benefit from in addition to the increased scope of the overall operation that will reduce the overall business risk of the entity while still providing exposure to the significant upside of the combined properties."

Crocotta Financing and Capitalization

Crocotta currently has available net cash of approximately \$16.8 million (including assumed exercise of existing put/call arrangements) and no debt. Crocotta has also entered into a financing arrangement to issue 7.2 million Crocotta Shares priced at \$1.25 per share for gross proceeds of \$9.0 million contingent on closing of the Arrangement. In conjunction with this offering, Crocotta will have an option to issue up to an additional 8.0 million Crocotta Shares priced at \$1.25 per share for a period of 10 business days time after closing of Arrangement.

Crocotta currently has 30 million shares outstanding (including assumed exercise of existing put/call arrangements).

Assuming the Arrangement is completed and Eastshore shareholders elect "all cash", Crocotta will have approximately 45.2 million shares outstanding and \$3.5 million net cash. This assumes Crocotta will exercise its option to issue the additional 8.0 million shares noted above.

Assuming the Arrangement is completed and Eastshore shareholders elect to receive the maximum number of Crocotta Shares, Crocotta will have approximately 54.6 million shares outstanding, cash of \$13.0 million and no debt. This assumes Crocotta will not exercise its option to issue the additional 8.0 million shares noted above.

Board Recommendations

Based on these and other factors, the Boards of Directors of both Crocotta and Eastshore have determined that the Arrangement is in the best interests of Crocotta and Eastshore and the Board of Directors of Eastshore recommends that its shareholders vote in favour of the Arrangement. Management and directors of Eastshore, representing approximately 10% of the outstanding fully diluted common shares of Eastshore, have agreed to vote in favour of the Arrangement. The Boards of Directors of both Crocotta and Eastshore have unanimously approved the Arrangement and the Arrangement Agreement.

The Arrangement prohibits Eastshore from soliciting or initiating any discussions concerning the sale of material assets or any other business combination and provides Crocotta with the right to match any competing proposal in the event of such proposal. Under the terms of the Arrangement, Crocotta is entitled to receive a \$1.5 million break fee from Eastshore in certain circumstances, including if Eastshore enters into an agreement with another party for a takeover of Eastshore or if the Eastshore Board of Directors recommends that its shareholders deposit or vote their Eastshore Shares in favour of another proposal. In addition, Eastshore is entitled to receive a \$1.5 million break fee from Crocotta in certain circumstances.

Full details of the Arrangement will be included in an information circular to be completed by Eastshore which is expected to be mailed to Eastshore shareholders early May 2007. Successful completion of the Arrangement is subject to court and regulatory approvals and the approval of the Arrangement by at least two-thirds of Eastshore's shareholders voting at an annual and special meeting. It is anticipated that the Eastshore annual and special meeting required to approve the Arrangement will be held in early June 2007. If approved by the Eastshore shareholders, the Arrangement is expected to close shortly after the annual and special meeting.

Background Information on Crocotta

Crocotta is a non-trading public entity that is a reporting issuer in Alberta, Manitoba, Ontario and British Columbia. Historical information can be found at www.sedar.com.

In November 2006, the current management team led by Rob Zakresky and a group of private investors recapitalized Crocotta and refocused the business plan towards oil and gas activities in the Western Sedimentary Basin.

Rob Zakresky, President and CEO, has previously led various public oil and gas companies including Chamaelo Exploration Ltd., Chamaelo Energy Inc., Viracocha Energy Inc. and Bellator Exploration Inc.

Background Information on Eastshore

Eastshore is a Canadian junior oil and gas exploration, development, and production company. The Corporation's focus is on areas of liquids-rich natural gas and light oil in West Central Alberta.

Financial Advisors

Jennings Capital Inc. acted as sole financial advisor to Eastshore and has advised the Board of Directors of Eastshore that it is of the opinion, subject to its review of the final form of the documents effecting the Arrangement, that the consideration to be received by the Eastshore shareholders pursuant to the Arrangement is fair from a financial point of view to the Eastshore shareholders.

Forward-Looking Statements

Certain information set forth in this document, including managements' assessment of the future plans and operations of Crocotta and Eastshore and the benefits of the proposed acquisition, contains forward looking statements. By their nature, forward-looking statements are subject to numerous risks and uncertainties, some of which are beyond Crocotta and Eastshore control, including the impact of general economic conditions, industry conditions, volatility of commodity prices, currency fluctuations, imprecision of reserve estimates, environmental risks, competition from other industry participants, the lack of availability of qualified personnel or management, stock market volatility and ability to access sufficient capital from internal and external sources. Readers are cautioned that the assumptions used in the preparation of such information, although considered reasonable at the time of preparation, may prove to be imprecise and, as such, undue reliance should not be placed on forward looking statements. The actual results, performance or achievement of Crocotta, Eastshore or the combined entity could differ materially from those expressed in, or implied by, these forward-looking statements and, accordingly, no assurance can be given that any of the events anticipated by the forward looking statements will transpire or occur, or if any of them do so, what benefits that Crocotta and Eastshore will derive therefrom. Crocotta and Eastshore disclaim any intention or obligation to update or revise any forward-looking statements, whether as a result of new information, future events or otherwise.

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