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ASX ANNOUNCEMENT

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Austin Strikes Oil in Colorado

- Drilling intersects 790ft column of crude oil
- Testing of the well to begin imminently
- Production facilities have been ordered
- Early signs at newly named Magellan #1 Well promising

The Board and Management of Austin Exploration Limited (**ASX:AKK**) (**The Company**) are very pleased to announce that drilling has intersected a significant 790ft column of oil in the Pierre formation at the Company's flagship Pathfinder project in Colorado. This was evidenced through both the drill cuttings and on the drill string which, when returned to surface, was saturated and dripping in crude oil.

The crude oil has a green coloration which is the same colour/type of oil that has been evidenced in neighbouring oil fields, which have produced more than 15 million barrels of oil from the Pierre formation (see following image of the oil covered drill string on page 2).

Production facilities, which include a pump-jack, tank batteries and flow lines, have now been ordered and testing of the well will begin shortly to analyse its production capabilities. The Company plans test the well for approximately one month.

The well has been named the Magellan #1 Well, which has been officially recorded with the Colorado Oil and Gas Conservation Commission.

Mr. Tim Hart, Austin's COO, who is the drilling operator and is directly managing all well-site operations, commented: "We have been methodically de-risking our exploration which led us to the location to drill this well. To see this much oil at this early stage is a great sign and indicates that a significant hydrocarbon system is present and certainly gives us a great deal to be optimistic about."

The Company looks forward to further updating shareholders on its drilling and well testing activities at Pathfinder in the near future.

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The drill string is covered in a green coloured crude oil as it is brought back to the surface

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