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**Bumi Armada Announces 'Steel on Water 2'
Newbuild Programme with 4 new vessels**

Malaysia-based international offshore oil field services provider, Bumi Armada Berhad ("Bumi Armada"), announced today its newbuild programme, 'Steel on Water 2' with the issuance of a Letter of Intent ("LOI") for four Multi-Purpose Platform Support Vessels ("MPSV"), with an option to build four additional units. This newbuild programme follows fast on the heels of the company's 'Steel on Water 1 Programme' of 20 newbuilds which were all successfully delivered by 2010.

The LOI was issued by Bumi Armada, to Nam Cheong Dockyard Sdn Bhd for the construction of the first four units of diesel-electric, DP2* MPSVs built to Clean Design, Comfort Class and enabled for a 100 tonne crane, helideck, ROV* and moon pool. The four MPSVs will cost approximately USD 130 million (excluding owner furnished equipment) and are expected to be delivered in the second quarter of 2014.

Bumi Armada's Executive Director and CEO, Mr Hassan Basma elaborated, "The offshore support vessel ("OSV") sector is highly competitive and it is critical to have a balance of capability and capacity to compete across our markets in Asia, Africa and Latin America. These 4 + 4 vessels are part of our OSV expansion programme, 'Steel on Water 2', that will spearhead development of a greener, cleaner, safer and more efficient fleet. With increased safety

and operational requirements post-Macondo, there is a corresponding growth in demand for larger, safer, fuel-efficient and technically-more sophisticated deepwater vessels.”

“This newbuild programme complements our recent acquisition of deepwater vessels – the Armada Tuah 107 and 108 - and we will continue to look at a combination of buying and building vessels to expand and optimize our deepwater OSV fleet. Our strategy is to ensure we have the right vessels, in order to provide the best possible service to meet our customers’ offshore oil field needs as the exploration and production of oil moves further from shore into the deeper, harsher waters.”

All four MPSVs will be 88.8 metres long, with 4,500 metric tonnes deadweight and DP2 capability to support offshore deepwater activities with multi-purpose functions of transporting cargo (such as fresh water, diesel, bulk cement, liquid mud, drilling chemicals and equipment), personnel, oil recovery and be on standby for rescue work. In addition, each vessel will have accommodation for a total of 60 personnel on board. The four MPSVs will be complementing the company’s current fleet of over 40 OSVs and will equip Bumi Armada with the latest Platform Supply Vessel (PSV) and MPSV tonnage in this region.

*Note**

DP2: Dynamic positioning; a computer-controlled system to automatically maintain a vessel’s position by using its propellers and thrusters. DP2 or DP3 indicates level of redundant systems built into the safety system.

ROV: remotely operated vehicle

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About Bumi Armada Berhad

Bumi Armada Berhad is a Malaysia-based international offshore oil field services company serving its clients in over 10 countries across Asia, Africa and Latin America.

Bumi Armada provides these offshore services via 4 main business units and 2 support units. The main business units are Floating Production Storage and Offloading ("FPSO"), Offshore Support Vessels ("OSV"), Transport & Installation ("T&I") and Oilfield Services ("OFS"). These are complemented by 2 support units which are Fleet Management Services ("FMS") and Engineering, Procurement & Construction ("EPC").

With over 40 OSVs and 3 FPSOs in operation (and 2 more under conversion), a derrick pipe-lay barge and a SURF vessel, Bumi Armada is the largest OSV owner operator in Malaysia and the sixth largest FPSO operator in the world. For more information, please refer to www.bumiarmada.com.

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