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### **Crown Point Announces Operating and Financial Results for the Three Months Ended March 31, 2016**

**TSX-V: CWV: Crown Point Energy Inc.** ("Crown Point", the "Company" or "we") today announced its operating and financial results for the three months ended March 31, 2016.

Copies of the Company's unaudited condensed interim consolidated financial statements and Management's Discussion and Analysis ("MD&A") for the three months ended March 31, 2016 are being filed with Canadian securities regulatory authorities and will be made available under the Company's profile at [www.sedar.com](http://www.sedar.com) and on the Company's website at [www.crownpointenergy.com](http://www.crownpointenergy.com). All dollar figures are expressed in United States dollars ("USD") unless otherwise stated, and M\$ means thousands of USD.

"Argentina, in the last part of 2015, entered an era of optimism and growing expectation resulting from the election of the government of Mauricio Macri. The new government is methodically bringing responsible government to Argentina, providing the country with an opportunity to realize its full economic potential" said Murray McCartney, CEO of Crown Point. Currency controls were relaxed by the Argentine government in December 2015 and the Argentine peso ("ARS") underwent a devaluation. A portion of Tierra del Fuego ("TDF") operating costs and general and administrative expenses incurred in Argentina are denominated in ARS. As a result, a portion of the Company's operating costs per BOE and general and administrative expenses have decreased in USD equivalent terms.

The Argentine government has also reached agreements with hold-out creditors who had refused to restructure certain of Argentina's bond debt after Argentina defaulted on the debt in 2001. In April 2016, Argentina sold \$16.5 billion of sovereign debt, the biggest emerging market bond sale ever and the country's first global issue in 15 years. The deal raised funds to pay amounts owing to the hold-out creditors. As a result, the bond crisis has been resolved and Argentina has regained access to international capital markets. We believe that 2016 will continue to bring positive change for Argentina and its oil and natural gas industry. Natural gas self-sufficiency for Argentina is a stated objective of the Macri government; we believe that the Argentine oil and natural gas industry will be encouraged to invest through a higher domestic natural gas pricing policy.

## **OPERATIONAL UPDATE**

### **Tierra del Fuego Concession**

#### Drilling Program

During 2014 and 2015 Crown Point and its partners drilled 13 new wells, of which eight wells are on production, three wells have been suspended pending further study, one well has been included in the 2016 capital planning program for a remedial completion workover, and one well is awaiting completion at a time yet to be determined.

The Company has identified a number of older producing and non-producing wells on the Las Violetas concession as candidates for fracture stimulation during 2016. Two wells have been fracture stimulated to date, one of which has been returned to production whilst the second has been placed on a production test.

#### Potential Resource Play Identified

A potential Springhill tight gas sandstone resource play has been identified in two wells (LFE- 1001 and

LFE-1003) drilled on the eastern flank of the Las Flamencos Pool that could extend southeast to the San Luis area. Both wells encountered an average 10 metres of tight natural gas saturated Springhill sandstone which can be mapped for 20 km using regional control provided by older abandoned wells and 2-D seismic data lying between the Los Flamencos and San Luis gas pools.

### **Cerro de Los Leones Exploration**

The Company has a 100% working interest in the 100,907 acre area covered by the Cerro de Los Leones (“CLL”) Concession Permit, which is located in the northern portion of the Neuquén Basin in the Province of Mendoza, Argentina.

During 2015, the Company undertook an evaluation of the potential of two older wells previously drilled in the Vega del Sol structure, which lies approximately 4 km west of the La Hoyada exploration well (LH x-1) drilled by the Company in 2014.

Vega del Sol x-1 (VdS x-1) was drilled and cased in 1995 and completed in a naturally fractured volcanic intrusive within the Chachao formation, producing oil at rates between 250 and 350 bbls of oil per day. Vega del Sol x-3 (VdS x-3) was drilled and cased in 2002 and completed in several zones within the shallow Neuquén group where two separate sand intervals tested natural gas. Both wells were subsequently abandoned by YPF when they relinquished the acreage.

After completing its evaluation of the Vega del Sol wells, the Company took the decision to re-enter both wells and conduct further testing. VdS x-3 was re-entered in November 2015 and three additional sand zones within the Neuquén Group were perforated, stimulated and tested. The well was then placed on an 80 hour production test with all perforated zones co-mingled. During the test period, the well flowed gas, oil and water at restricted rates of 665 Mcf per day of gas, 10 bbls per day of oil plus 18 bbls per day of treatment fluid and formation water. Total gross production during the test was 1.75 MMcf of gas and 90 bbls of liquids comprised of 35% oil and 65% treatment fluid and water. VdS x-3 was suspended as a potential oil and gas producer and will be tested in conjunction with VdS x-1 by pipelining the production through the VdS x-1 facilities.

VdS x-1 was re-entered in December 2015 to swab test the fractured igneous sill in the Chachao formation. Swabbing operations continued for 3 days at the end of which time a stabilized production rate of 8.9 bbls of oil per hour or 215 bopd (zero water cut) was achieved. A total of 145.8 bbls of oil and 497.6 bbls of treatment water were recovered.

VdS x-1 was suspended while production facilities, consisting of a single well battery and separator, were installed on the wellsite and a 1.3 km flowline connecting the VdS x-3 location to VdS x-1 were installed. Testing of VdS x-1 well commenced in April 2016 and testing operations at VdS x-3 are scheduled to commence in May 2016.

## **OUTLOOK**

Crown Point estimates a total of \$5.0 million of capital expenditures for 2016 comprised of \$4.7 million on the TDF concessions and \$0.3 million on the CLL concession. Crown Point expects to meet these obligations, along with its other anticipated expenses, using funds flow from operations, working capital which totaled approximately \$1.5 million at the end of Q1 2016 and \$1.9 million of expected Petróleo Plus bond proceeds.

The Company anticipates the following activities to occur during the balance of 2016:

- LF-1029 has recently been placed on production and is being tested to evaluate the Springhill interval.
- Continuation of the TDF fracture stimulation program through the second quarter of 2016, which includes one older well on the Las Violetas gas pool (LV-104), and EM.x-2 which is located east of the San Luis gas pool. This well flowed gas when it was tested in 1977 and again in 1991, but has remained

shut in since. Of the two wells fracture stimulated this year, one well is on production and the second well currently is on a 4 point modified isochronal production test. The Company is reviewing other candidate wells for additional fracture stimulation programs.

- Ongoing long term production testing of VdS x-1 and VdS x-3 wells at CLL to evaluate possible development locations.
- Completion of geological and seismic evaluation of the Springhill formation on the Rio Cullen and Angostura Concessions to identify one exploration drilling location on both concessions.
- Completion of geological and seismic work to build a drilling inventory on the Rio Chico and Los Flamencos eastern extensions.
- Evaluation of a Springhill tight gas fairway extending south and east of the Los Flamencos pool to the western limit of the San Luis gas pool.

Management is taking a prudent approach to discretionary spending and will continue to review the Company's cost structure to reduce expenses and improve efficiencies where possible.

### Commodity Prices

#### *Oil*

Domestic oil pricing policy has been influenced by the worldwide collapse in international oil prices. The intent of the Argentine government is to allow domestic pricing to be coupled with international benchmarks, however it is evident that the government is reluctant to allow domestic pricing to fall precipitously as this could result in a severe downturn in the industry, which in turn could trigger extensive layoffs, social unrest and disruptions. The government has therefore entered into a new oil pricing scheme for 2016 which fixes domestic oil prices approximately US\$10 per barrel lower than the previous pricing scheme, which expired on December 31, 2015. The Company expects to receive US\$61.10 per barrel for its TDF oil in 2016.

#### *Natural gas*

On March 29, 2016, the Ministry of Energy and Mines issued Resolutions 28/2016 and 34/2016 which set new natural gas prices as of April 1, 2016. The TDF natural gas price for residential sales are expected to be approximately \$2.66 to \$4.25 per Mcf, depending on variables such as the exchange rate from ARS to USD, and the type of residential user classified based on the volume of natural gas consumed which may result in a discounted price for certain residential users, depending on consumption levels.

### SUMMARY OF FINANCIAL INFORMATION

(expressed in \$, except shares outstanding)	March 31 2016	December 31 2015
Working capital	1,499,486	642,828
Exploration and evaluation assets	7,814,423	7,731,691
Property and equipment	30,513,453	32,250,082
Total assets	45,422,188	47,197,795
Non-current financial liabilities <sup>(1)</sup>	947,928	1,253,469
Share capital	116,003,355	116,003,355
Total common shares outstanding	164,515,222	164,515,222

(expressed in \$, except shares outstanding)	Three months ended March 31	
	2016	2015
Oil and gas revenue	3,676,349	4,042,683
Net loss	(1,343,778)	(1,647,320)
Net loss per share <sup>(2)</sup>	(0.01)	(0.01)
Cash flow from (used by) operations	792,862	(152,055)
Cash flow per share – operations <sup>(2)</sup>	0.00	(0.00)
Funds flow from operations	831,235	78,631
Funds flow per share – operations <sup>(2)</sup>	0.01	0.00
Weighted average number of shares	164,515,222	132,515,466

(1) Non-current financial liabilities are comprised of bank debt. The total amount outstanding at March 31, 2016 is \$2,595,470 of which \$1,647,542 is classified as current and \$947,928 is long-term (December 31, 2015 – \$2,416,186; \$1,162,717 current and \$1,253,469 long-term).

(2) All per share figures are based on the basic weighted average number of shares outstanding in the period. The effect of options is anti-dilutive in loss periods. Per share amounts may not add due to rounding.

### TDF Operating Netback

The Company's operating netback was lower in Q1 2016 than Q1 2015 due to lower sales volumes and commodity prices, which was offset by a decrease in per BOE amounts for royalties and operating costs.

	Three months ended March 31	
	2016	2015
Light oil bbls per day	266	264
NGL bbls per day	12	18
Natural gas Mcf per day	7,107	7,297
BOE per day	1,462	1,499
Per BOE		
Oil and gas revenue (\$)	27.64	29.97
Royalties (\$)	(5.13)	(5.31)
Operating costs (\$)	(10.48)	(11.03)
Operating netback (\$)	12.03	13.63

As shown in the table below, the Company received lower unit prices for commodities sold during the first quarter of 2016 resulting in an 8% decrease in total revenue per BOE as compared to the first quarter of 2015.

	Three months ended March 31		
	2016	2015	Change
Light oil revenue per bbl (\$)	61.10	70.60	-13%
NGL revenue per bbl (\$)	6.82	8.28	-18%
Natural gas revenue per Mcf (\$)	3.39	3.58	-5%
Revenue per BOE (\$)	27.64	29.97	-8%



## TDF Sales and Production Volumes

During Q1 2016, the Company's average daily sales volumes were 1,462 BOE per day, up 3% from 1,416 BOE per day in Q4 2015 due to the sale of inventoried volumes of oil and down 2% from 1,499 BOE per day in Q1 2015 due to natural declines.

TDF average daily production volumes for Q1 2016 averaged 1,421 BOE per day, down 7% from 1,431 BOE per day in Q4 2015 and down 8% from 1,437 BOE per day in Q1 2015. The decrease in Q1 2016 daily production volumes is due to the natural decline of wells combined with restricted production from some existing wells during the last three days of March due to a fire in the San Martín main gas line in Santa Cruz Province. Normal production levels were restored on April 1, 2016.

## Operating Costs

Operating costs were \$10.48 per BOE in Q1 2016 as compared to \$11.03 per BOE in Q1 2015 due in part to the effect of the devaluation of the ARS against the USD which has declined 49% since currency controls were lifted in December 2015 including 13% during Q1 2016. A portion of the Company's operating costs, including rates for field personnel and trucking, are set and settled in ARS based on the ARS to USD exchange rate at a particular point in time. Rates are subsequently adjusted in the event of significant changes in the ARS to USD exchange rate. The Company expects salary and certain other costs to increase in the second quarter of 2016 in response to the devaluation of the ARS against the USD.

## General and Administrative ("G&A") Expenses

G&A expenses were 40% lower in Q1 2016 than Q1 2015. The decrease is due to a reduction in staffing levels as well as other efficiencies and cost savings achieved in the Canadian and Argentina offices combined with the effect of the devaluation of the ARS against the USD which reduced certain ARS denominated expenses.

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## About Crown Point

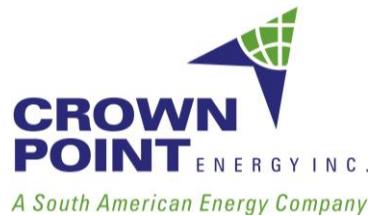
Crown Point Energy Inc. is an international oil and gas exploration and development company headquartered in Calgary, Canada, incorporated in Canada, trading on the TSX Venture Exchange and operating in South America. Crown Point's exploration and development activities are focused in the Golfo San Jorge, Neuquén and Austral basins in Argentina. Crown Point has a strategy that focuses on establishing a portfolio of producing properties, plus production enhancement and exploration opportunities to provide a basis for future growth.

### **Advisory**

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