

ASX Announcement – February 17th, 2012**Hawley Oil & Gas:
Sorochynska-202 Spuds**

Hawley Oil & Gas is pleased to announce the spud of its Sorochynska-202 development well.

- Spud was on Wednesday 15th February and as at midnight on the 15th the well was drilling ahead at 15m;
- Spud was delayed in January while procuring replacement diesel engines, then further delayed by severe weather causing problems at site and with mobilisation of essential equipment to site;
- Chernigov NGG drilling company received approval to start drilling following inspection by the country mining (rig) inspector on the 14th;
- Hawley expects the well to reach Total Depth (TD) of 4,250m in August;
- The primary target of the well is the Upper B18 pool, productive at Sorochynska-201.

CEO's Comments

Chief Executive Dr Michael Earle said that "Mobilising equipment and rigging up under more than 30°C of frost is a hazardous and incredibly difficult task, and the crew is to be commended for completing the job under such challenging personal circumstances. Despite the delay, Hawley still expects the well to reach TD in August."

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ASX Code:	HOG
Shares on issue:	285.5 million
Options on issue:	39.8 million
Share Price:	15.5 cents
Market Cap:	\$44 million

About Hawkley

Hawkley is an upstream company focused on the exploitation of undeveloped discoveries made in the Dneiper-Donets Basin in Ukraine. The Company owns 100 per cent of two exploration licences that include the right to pilot production of hydrocarbons.

In 2010, the Company drilled its first well in the Sorochynska licence. Sorochynska-201 was a successful well and was put into production in February 2011. Hawkley intends to build its own gas handling plant in 2012 to enable production to be ramped up for additional production of gas and condensate at its Sorochynska Licence. Incremental production could come from additional development wells on the Sorochynska Field as well as new reserves related to exploration and appraisal drilling.