

Africa Energy Corp.

Africa Energy Closes USD 45 million Private Placement and Commences Trading in Stockholm

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VANCOUVER, May 4, 2018 /CNW/ - **Africa Energy Corp. (TSX Venture: AFE) (Nasdaq First North: AEC)** ("Africa Energy" or the "Company"), an oil and gas company with exploration assets in South Africa and Namibia, announces the successful closing of the equity issue, on a private placement basis, of common shares in the Company (the "Common Shares") announced on April 25, 2018 (the "Private Placement").

The Private Placement rendered gross proceeds of USD 45 million to the Company through the issuance of 362,390,625 Common Shares at a price of CAD 0.16 (corresponding to SEK 1.09) per share. Following the Private Placement, the Company has 681,586,094 common shares outstanding.

As previously announced on April 27, 2018, Nasdaq approved the Company's application for listing of its common shares on Nasdaq First North Stockholm. The Company's common shares commenced trading on Nasdaq First North Stockholm today under ticker "AEC". The Company's shares continue to trade on TSX Venture Exchange under ticker symbol "AFE".

Payment for the Common Shares was made in cash. The gross proceeds from the offering will be used to finance the Company's acquisition, drilling and other joint venture costs for its projects offshore South Africa and offshore Namibia, as well as for general corporate purposes, including listing and transaction costs.

Common Shares issued to Canadian residents will be subject to resale restrictions under Canadian securities expiring September 5, 2018, and Common Shares issued to residents outside of Canada pursuant to the Private Placement may not be sold, transferred or otherwise disposed of on the TSX Venture Exchange or, except pursuant to an exemption from prospectus requirements under Canadian securities laws, to any person in Canada or otherwise into Canada until September 5, 2018.

Pareto Securities ("Pareto") acted as manager and bookrunner for the Private Placement and as financial advisor in connection with the dual listing of the Company's shares. Pareto is also acting as Certified Adviser to Africa Energy on Nasdaq First North Stockholm. A brokerage fee on the Private Placement of approximately USD 1.1 million was paid to Pareto.

Africa Oil Corp. is a related party of the Company, and the issuance of Common Shares to Africa Oil Corp. constitutes a "related party transaction" as defined under Multilateral Instrument 61-101 ("MI 61-101"). The transaction is exempt from the formal valuation and minority shareholder approval requirements of MI 61-101 pursuant to sections 5.5(b) and 5.7(e), respectively, of MI 61-101. In that regard, the Company's Board of Directors and, separately, its independent directors considered the Company's cash on hand and its financial obligations and determined, unanimously in both cases, that failure to complete the Private Placement would have caused significant financial hardship to the Company.

About Africa Energy Corp.

Africa Energy Corp. is a Canadian oil and gas company with exploration assets offshore Namibia and South Africa. The Company is listed on TSX Venture Exchange (ticker "AFE") and Nasdaq First North Stockholm (ticker "AEC"). Africa Energy Corp. is part of the Lundin Group of Companies and is actively building an exploration and production portfolio across Africa.

Important information

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