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VANCOUVER, BRITISH COLUMBIA--(Marketwire - March 19, 2012) - Horn Petroleum Corporation (TSX VENTURE:HRN) ("Horn Petroleum" or the "Corporation") reports that the Shabeel-1 well on the Dharoor Block in Puntland, Somalia is currently at a depth of 2,384 metres and is drilling ahead to a planned target depth of approximately 3,800 metres.

There are no results to report at this time.

Horn Petroleum Corporation is a Canadian oil and gas company with assets in Puntland, Somalia. The Corporation holds a 60% interest and operatorship in the Dharoor and Nugaal blocks encompassing a Jurassic Rift Basin on trend and analogous to the large oil fields in Yemen. The Corporation's shares are listed on the TSX Venture Exchange under the symbol "HRN".

ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD

David Grellman, President and CEO

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