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Dear Sir/Madam,

RE: EXEMPTION FILE NO. 82.2280

In accordance with Rule 12g 3-2(b) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, we enclose the following documents which have recently been filed with the Australian Stock Exchange.

- Stock Exchange Release in relation to Woodside appointing a new Chief Financial Officer lodged with the Australian Stock Exchange ("ASX") on 25 March 2002.

Kindly acknowledge receipt of this letter and enclosures by signing the duplicate copy and faxing to the writer's attention on (618) 9348 4990.

Yours faithfully  
WOODSIDE PETROLEUM LTD.

REBECCA SIMS  
Administration Officer

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STOCK EXCHANGE RELEASE

**WOODSIDE TO APPOINT NEW CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER**

Bob Carroll, who is currently Woodside's Chief Financial Officer, has advised his intention to retire and Woodside is pleased to announce that Doug Bailey will be appointed to the position. He will commence with Woodside on 15 April 2002.

Doug was Chief Executive and Managing Director at Ashton Mining Limited until its takeover in 2001 and served previously for eight years as Ashton's Executive Director, Finance & Administration.

Woodside would like to acknowledge Bob Carroll's significant contribution to the Company spanning a period of 21 years. During this time Bob occupied a number of senior financial positions and has been Chief Financial Officer for the past five years.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Anthony Niardone', enclosed within a simple oval scribble.

ANTHONY NIARDONE  
Asst. Company Secretary



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REBECCA SIMS  
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