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Dear Sir/Madam,

RE: WOODSIDE PETROLEUM LTD. - EXEMPTION FILE NO. 82.2280

In accordance with Rule 12g 3-2(b) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, we enclose a copy of the following Stock Exchange Releases which has/have recently been filed with the Australian Stock Exchange ("ASX") in relation to:

- Last major contract awarded for LNG expansion, lodged with the Australian Stock Exchange on 27 August 2003.

It would be greatly appreciated if you could return by fax (+61 8 9348 4990) a copy of this letter as proof of receipt.

Yours faithfully
WOODSIDE PETROLEUM LTD.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Rebecca Sims'.

**Rebecca Sims
Compliance Officer**

Handwritten initials and date: DW 9/16



NEWS RELEASE

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LAST MAJOR CONTRACT AWARDED FOR LNG EXPANSION

The North West Shelf Venture today announced the award of a A\$14 million contract to Australian construction company United Constructions KG Pty Ltd for the commissioning of the Venture's fourth LNG train.

The contract is the last major contract for the Train 4 project which is now well-advanced. It was awarded by the Kellogg Joint Venture, on behalf of the Venture operator, Woodside Energy Ltd.

United KG is part of the Sydney-based diversified engineering services company, United Group Limited. Elements of the contract include:

- Flushing of piping
- Installation of temporary connections, piping and equipment for pre-commissioning and commissioning
- Fabrication of temporary piping systems
- Pigging of piping
- Checking, alignment and testing of rotating equipment
- Assistance with commissioning of equipment

The United KG commissioning work force will peak at about 90 people.

United KG is currently working on two other major LNG expansion project contracts – the mechanical erection of facilities in the off-plot area of the Train 4 project and the prefabrication of pipe-spools and the mechanical erection of the second trunk-line onshore terminal. These contracts total nearly A\$90 million.

Woodside's General Manager Onshore Projects, Manfred Henze, said the award of the commissioning contract further extended United's long association with construction activities on the North-West Shelf, stretching back nearly 20 years.

The second trunkline and fourth LNG Train are part of the A\$2.4 billion expansion of North West Shelf Venture facilities that will boost LNG production to nearly 12 million tonnes a year. The fourth train will have a capacity of 4.2 million tonnes of LNG a year and is more than 75% complete overall. The project is scheduled for completion in mid-2004.

The six equal participants in the North West Shelf Venture are: Woodside Energy Ltd. (operator); BHP Billiton Petroleum (North West Shelf) Pty Ltd; BP Developments Australia Pty Ltd; Chevron Australia Pty Ltd; Japan Australia LNG (MIMI) Pty Ltd; and Shell Development (Australia) Proprietary Limited.