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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:

- Drilling Report – Mauritania Offshore Drilling Update, lodged with the Australian Stock Exchange on 8 February 2005;
- Drilling Report – WA-271-P (Falcone-1A), lodged with the Australian Stock Exchange on 8 February 2005.

It would be greatly appreciated if you could return by fax (+61 8 9214 2728) a copy of this letter as proof of receipt.

Yours faithfully
WOODSIDE PETROLEUM LTD.

**Rebecca Sims
Compliance Officer**

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MAURITANIA OFFSHORE DRILLING UPDATE

Woodside Mauritania Pty Ltd, a wholly-owned subsidiary of Woodside Petroleum Ltd., reports the following activity offshore Mauritania since the last report issued on 1 February 2005.

PSC-B, Block 4 Tiof-6 and Chinguetti Development wells

Tiof-6 Appraisal well

The 'West Navigator' drillship has installed completion equipment on the Tiof-6 appraisal well.

At midnight on 7 February 2005, the 'West Navigator' continued preparations to production test the well.

Chinguetti Development wells

The 'Stena Tay' drill rig continued operations on Chinguetti Development wells. Woodside does not plan to issue announcements regarding operations on Chinguetti development wells, but will do so if necessary to comply with its continuous disclosure obligations under the ASX Listing Rules.

All reported drilling depths are referenced to the rig rotary table and all times are Universal Time (UTC) (Mauritanian time).

The locations of the Chinguetti Oil Field, the Tiof and Banda discoveries and exploration wells are shown on the attached map.

Wells are expected to be drilled in two production sharing contract areas during the remainder of the 2005 campaign. Participating Interests in those areas are:

Company	PSC-A	PSC-B
Woodside group companies (Operator)	53.846%	53.846%
Hardman group companies	24.3%	21.6%
BG group companies	13.084%	11.63%
Premier group companies	--	9.231%
Fusion group companies	4.615%	--
ROC Oil group companies	4.155%	3.693%

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WA-271-P FALCONE-1A

Woodside Energy Ltd., a wholly owned subsidiary of Woodside Petroleum Ltd., operator of the WA-271-P Joint Venture, reports that drilling operations on the Falcone-1A exploration well in the Exmouth Sub-basin have been suspended due to a tropical low located 365 nautical miles from the rig. Operations will resume preparing to drill ahead in 8½ inch hole at a depth of 2,822 metres, once weather conditions improve.

The 'Jack Bates' semi-submersible rig is drilling the well. The well is approximately 60 kilometres west southwest of the Enfield oil field. Water depth at the location is 1,395 metres.

All reported depths (except water depth) are referenced to the rig rotary table.

Joint venture participants in WA-271-P are Woodside Energy Ltd. (60%) and Mitsui E&P Australia Pty Ltd (40%).