

PAN ORIENT ENERGY CORP.

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Press Release

NS-3 Drilling Update

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Calgary, Alberta – Pan Orient Energy Corp. is pleased to announce the Na Sanun-3 appraisal well, onshore Thailand, is currently drilling ahead at a depth of 821 meters, approximately 140 meters above the first volcanic target zone.

Drilling has been slower than anticipated due to delays related to new mud pumps that were recently installed. It is anticipated that NS-3 will be drilled to total depth shortly with test results expected prior to month end.

Pan Orient is a Calgary, Alberta based oil and gas exploration and production company with operations currently located onshore Thailand and in Western Canada.

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