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Serica Energy completes reorganisation and announces changes to nonexecutive directors

TORONTO, Sept. 1 /CNW/ - Serica Energy plc (TSX Venture: SQZ) today announced that it has completed a reorganization whereby the common shares of Serica Energy Corporation are automatically exchanged on a one-for-one basis for ordinary shares of Serica Energy plc, a newly formed company incorporated under the laws of the United Kingdom. In addition, each shareholder of the Corporation receives beneficial ownership of part of the "A" share of Serica Energy plc issued to meet the requirements of public companies under the United Kingdom jurisdiction.

The Reorganisation was approved at the annual and special meeting of shareholders of the Corporation held on June 15, 2005. Articles amending the Corporation's constitution to effect the Reorganisation were filed with the British Virgin Islands Registrar of Companies on August 23, 2005.

The TSX Venture Exchange has given its final approval to the Reorganisation. Following completion of the Reorganisation, Serica Energy plc becomes the sole shareholder of the Corporation and shares of Serica Energy plc will begin publicly trading on the TSX Venture Exchange effective September 2, 2005 under the Corporation's previous share symbol "SQZ". Letters of transmittal will be mailed to registered holders of the Corporation's common shares. Shareholders are encouraged to complete and return the letters of transmittal in order to receive shares of Serica Energy plc in place of their shares in Serica Energy Corporation, as shares of Serica Energy Corporation will no longer constitute good delivery.

Serica Energy plc also announces changes to the Board of Directors, which are taking place today following completion of the Reorganisation.

Mr. Ken Pearce, who has been acting as a non-executive director, is resigning from the Board effective today. Mr. Pearce will continue to provide his services as Company Secretary. His place on the Board is taken by Mr. Paul Ellis whose appointment as Chief Executive Officer of the Company was announced on July 11, 2005.

In addition, Mr. Amjad Bseisu has expressed a wish to retire from his position as a non-executive director of the Board of Serica in order to be able to devote more of his time and attention to Petrofac Resources where he is employed as Chief Executive. The Board recognises his executive responsibilities with Petrofac Resources and has reluctantly accepted his resignation which will also take effect from today.

Mr. Tony Craven Walker, Chairman of the Board, acknowledged the contribution that both Mr. Pearce and Mr. Bseisu had made to the Board and said, "We shall miss the considerable input that both have made to develop the Company's resources. Mr. Bseisu, in particular, has been instrumental in supporting the early development of the Company following the consolidation with Kyrgoil Holding Corporation at the beginning of last year.

Serica is now commencing an exploration drilling program which holds much potential and we are grateful for the contribution that both Mr. Pearce and Mr. Bseisu have made to bring the Company to this point. The Board welcomes Paul Ellis who brings considerable additional experience to the Board as Serica's new Chief Executive Officer."

For further information concerning the Reorganisation or to receive an additional copy of the letter of transmittal, please contact Equity Transfer Services Inc. at (416) 361-0930 or by sending an e-mail to info@equitytransfer.com.



About Serica Energy plc

Serica Energy plc is an international oil & gas exploration and production company with primary activities in Indonesia, the UK North Sea and Spain. It currently has offices in Singapore, Jakarta and the United Kingdom.

Please visit the Company website, www.serica-energy.com

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