Serica Energy plc ("Serica" or the "Company")

Notification of major shareholding

Serica Energy plc (TSX: SQZ; AIM: SQZ) announces that the Company was informed on 4 October 2011 that Mr Paul Curtis has increased his holding in the company to 7,281,000 shares representing 4.12% of the issued share capital.

The Company has 176,660,311 shares issued and outstanding.

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