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## AWARD OF DRILLING RIG CONTRACT OPHIR OIL DEVELOPMENT

### KEY POINTS:

- **Jack-up drilling rig contract awarded for Ophir oil field offshore Peninsular Malaysia**
- **Rig mobilisation Quarter 2, 2017**
- **Experienced rig contractor**

Octanex N.L. (**ASX Code: OXX (Octanex)**) advises that a contract for jack up drilling rig services for the Ophir Oil field offshore Peninsular Malaysia has been awarded to UMW Offshore Drilling Sdn Bhd (UMW).

The contract award follows a successful tender by UMW, an experienced offshore drilling company listed on Bursa Malaysia.

The NAGA 2, a self-elevating mobile offshore drilling unit, will be mobilised to the Ophir field in Quarter 2, 2017 in order to drill three production wells at the field.

Located offshore Peninsular Malaysia, the Ophir oil field is being developed under a Risk Service Contract (RSC) granted in 2014 to Ophir Production Sdn Bhd (OPSB), a joint venture company in which Octanex has a 50% interest.

The Ophir oil field is being developed via three production wells, a well head platform (WHP) and leased Floating Production Storage and Offload (FPSO) vessel.

Octanex's share of the Ophir project is fully funded via OPSB's 75% project financing and Octanex's strategic alliance and funding arrangements with major shareholder, Malaysian, Sabah International Petroleum.



*Figure 1 NAGA 2 Jack-up Drilling Rig*

Octanex COO, Rae Clark said "The award of the drilling rig contract locks in significant cost savings for the Ophir project and is an important milestone for the Ophir development."

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