

ZENITH ENERGY LTD

NEWS RELEASE

ZENITH ANNOUNCES PRIVATE PLACEMENT

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(TSX.V: ZEE)

Calgary, Alberta / TheNewswire / January 19, 2016 / Zenith Energy Ltd. ("Zenith" or the "Company") (TSX VENTURE: ZEE) announces that the Company is proposing a non-brokered private placement of up to 12,500,000 units of the Company ("**Units**") for gross proceeds of up to \$1,000,000.

The Units will be offered at a price of \$0.08 per Unit. Each Unit will consist of one common share in the capital of Zenith ("**Common Share**") and one Common Share purchase warrant ("**Warrant**"). Each Warrant will be exercisable for one Common Share at a price of \$0.15 per share for a period of 24 months from the date of closing of the offering.

Gross proceeds from the sale of Units will be used to meet the Company's commitments under its work program and for general working capital purposes.

Closing of the private placement is expected to occur in multiple tranches and is subject to certain conditions including, without limitation, the receipt of all necessary approvals including the approval of the TSX Venture Exchange. The initial closing will occur prior to February 17, 2016. The securities issued pursuant to the private placement will be subject to a four month hold period.

About Zenith Energy Ltd.

Zenith focuses on the acquisition and further development of proven onshore oil and gas fields where production has declined over time, but which are capable of increased productivity following an injection of capital and optimization through its corporate engineering and technical expertise. To maximize shareholder value, Zenith targets acquisitions of production opportunities that offer strong logistics and close proximity to refineries and pipelines. Zenith's management and directors have extensive international and governmental experience and possess the technical knowledge to execute this strategy.

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This news release contains forward-looking statements and forward-looking information within the meaning of applicable securities laws. The use of any of the words "expect", "anticipate", "continue", "estimate", "objective", "ongoing", "may", "will", "project", "should", "believe", "plans", "intends" and similar expressions are intended to identify forward-looking information or statements. More particularly and without limitation, this news release contains forward-looking statements and information concerning (i) the Company's plan and objectives, (ii) the current and future potential of the Company's assets, (iii) the revenue associated with production and (iv) the closing of the offering. The forward-looking statements and information are based on certain key expectations and assumptions made by Zenith, including the ability to execute its strategy and realize its growth opportunities including its ability to raise financing needed to execute its plans. Although Zenith believes that the expectations and assumptions on which such forward-looking statements and information are based are reasonable, undue reliance should not be placed on the forward looking statements and information because Zenith can give no assurance that they will prove to be correct. By its nature, such forward-looking information is subject to various risks and uncertainties, which could cause the actual results and expectations to differ materially from the anticipated results or expectations expressed. These risks and uncertainties, include, but are not limited to, Zenith being unable to obtain additional financing or other resources to realize its growth opportunities and Zenith's inability to close the offering. Readers are cautioned not to place undue reliance on this forward-looking information, which is given as of the date hereof, and to not use such forward-looking information for anything other than its intended purpose. Zenith undertakes no obligation to update publicly or revise any forward-looking information, whether as a result of new information, future events or otherwise, except as required by law.

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