

PRESS RELEASE

RIVAL ENERGY LTD. FIRST QUARTER FINANCIAL RESULTS

May 24, 2007 (Calgary) - RIVAL ENERGY LTD. (“RGY” – TSX Venture Exchange) is pleased to release its operating and financial performance for the first three months of 2007. For this most recent quarter, Rival Energy’s oil and natural gas revenues and average production volumes were at record levels.

Rival’s active 2006 Q4 drilling program provided a substantial improvement in production volumes leading into Q1 of 2007. Average production volumes increased to 1136 barrels of oil equivalent per day (boe/d) for this most recent quarter, a 40% increase over the first quarter of 2006. Higher production volumes drove Rival’s oil and natural gas revenues to a record \$5.3 million, up 46% over Q1 of 2006. This performance also delivered a significant improvement in cash flow from operations, which grew by 48% to \$2.4 million or \$0.11 per share for the quarter, versus \$1.7 million and \$0.08 per share respectively from the first quarter of 2007.

These metrics clearly keep the Company on track to meet its forecasted growth and performance targets for fiscal 2007.

Highlights Table

Three Months Ended
March 31

<u>Financial</u>	<u>2007</u>	<u>2006</u>	<u>Change %</u>
Oil & gas sales	\$5,317,220	\$3,633,016	46
Cash flow from operations	2,442,969	1,650,426	48
Net income	67,470	273,378	(75)
Cash flow from operations per share	0.11	0.08	38
Net income per share	0.00	0.01	(70)
Average shares outstanding (000)	22,309	19,809	13
<u>Operating (6:1 BOE)</u>			
Average daily production			
Natural gas (mcf)	2,157	2,655	(19)
Oil and NGL (bblsd)	776	369	110
Barrels of oil equivalent (boe)	1,136	812	40
<u>Average Sales Price</u>			
Natural gas (\$/mcf)	\$ 7.57	\$ 7.63	(1)
Crude oil (\$/bbl)	54.88	53.18	3

Rival Energy’s first quarter activities were almost exclusively focused upon the completion, tie-in and placing on-production the remaining wells from the nine (net) successful oil wells the Company drilled

during the last four months of 2006. During the first quarter of 2007, Rival drilled two wells in its core Morinville area and this activity resulted in one successful exploration well (natural gas) and one abandonment. This shallow natural gas well is expected to be tied-in and placed on-stream by the end of May this year.

Rival's capital program for the initial part of 2007 has been curtailed due to the current industry environment. Higher drilling and field operating costs continue to encourage us to delay certain projects, and with an extended Spring break-up, additional drilling will not occur until the end of May or beginning of June this year. Throughout this period Rival has been working to increase its inventory of drillable prospects and develop more activity specific to its newer core areas within W5M and W6M. Rival remains committed to an active program for the latter part of 2007 and is working hard to prioritize its drilling prospects and capital spending program.

Corporate sales volumes remain strong as production from our most recent wells continues to perform to expectations through the initial flush production stage. With two wells to be tied-in and placed on production during Q2 (one oil and one natural gas), Rival expects to maintain its average production at approximately 1100 boe/d for the quarter.

Operationally, Rival realized a significant reduction in both its operating costs and transportation tariffs throughout the first calendar quarter of 2007. The increased oil production at the Company's owned and operated facilities in Bellshill, where a high proportion of the facility costs are fixed, showed a marked improvement in operating costs on a per barrel of oil equivalent basis due to the increased throughput. Transportation costs per boe were also down due to the increased volumes of oil that was pipeline connected versus that which was trucked to processing facilities.

Rival is in the process of putting significant emphasis on expanding the development of its internal prospect inventory. The Company is putting substantial time and energy into its new core areas in central and northern W5M and the central W6M of the Peace River Arch. Currently Rival has plans for three 3D seismic programs to be shot at the earliest opportunity and has identified a considerable number of prospects that must be further evaluated internally prior to attempting to acquire land deals to access the prospects of interest. Rival expects the results from these programs to continue the Company's growth momentum and allow it to establish a stronger foothold in these newer core areas.

Rival Energy remains on track to achieve record corporate performance in 2007. The Company's targets of averaging 1,100 barrels of oil equivalent per day (boe/d) for calendar 2007 and generating cash flow per share of \$0.38 remain achievable.

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The term barrel of oil equivalent (BOE) may be misleading, particularly if used in isolation. A BOE conversion ratio of six thousand cubic feet to one barrel is based on an energy equivalency conversion method primarily applicable at the burner tip and does not represent a value equivalency at the wellhead

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