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# Maha Energy AB Announces Filing of First Quarter Report

Maha Energy AB (publ) ("Maha" or the "Company") has today released its first quarter results. The report is attached to this press release and available on the Company's website at www.mahaenergy.ca.

# First Quarter 2018

- Daily oil & gas production for the first quarter averaged 1,762 BOEPD (Q1 2017: 115 BOEPD)
- Revenue of USD 8.6 million (Q1 2017: USD 0.5 million)
- EBITDA of USD 4.5 million (Q1 2017: USD -1.0 million)
- Result for the period of USD 2.3 million (Q1 2017: USD -1.3 million)
- Earnings per share of USD 0.02 (Q1 2017: USD -0.02)
- Operating netback of USD 5.9 million or USD 37.02 per barrel (Q1 2017: TUSD -9 or -1.17 per barrel)

(TUSD, unless otherwise noted)	Q1 2018	Q4 2017 <sup>(1)</sup>	Q1 2017	FY 2017
Net Daily Production (BOEPD)	1,762	1,597	115	917
Revenue	8,629	6,939	449	14,604
EBITDA	4,566	2,930	(1,009)	3,213
Result for the period	2,306	2,482 <sup>(2)</sup>	(1,303)	(2,849)
Earnings per share (USD)	0.02	0.03	(0.02)	(0.03)
Cash and equivalents	22,779	18,729	10,961	18,729

<sup>1</sup> Q4 2017 figures include previously disclosed changes to the 2017 Fourth Quarter Report in April 30, 2018 press release

<sup>2</sup> Includes positive adjustment of TUSD 1,423 in relation to FY 2017. Result for the Q4 2017 period before adjustment was \$1,059 and Earnings per share of 0.01

## Letter to Shareholders

Dear Friends and Fellow Shareholders of Maha Energy AB,

When the Gran Tierra Brazil operations acquisition closed in July of last year, Brent oil price was USD 48/bbl. The investment decision was easy because the acquisition made great sense even at those oil prices. The average Brent oil price for the quarter was USD 66.86/bbl. The math is simple – the rising oil price has greatly increased Maha's value and cash flow.

# Maha's Strong Current Financial/Cash Position

Maha closed Q1 with a very strong available cash position of USD 22.8 million (USD 4.0 million more than what we started the year with). The 2018 Capital Plan is expected to be fully funded out of current cash flow – so barring the unforeseen this cash position should remain intact. Our Q1 2018 EBITDA is up over 54% from Q4 2017 – at USD 4.6 million. Maha's Q1 profit (after tax and finance costs) is USD 2.3 million.

Our shareholders will recall to fund the GTE Acquisition Maha issued a 300 million SEK Bond. A quick health check shows Maha has at the end of Q1 USD 22.8 million (SEK 190 million) in cash against total debt of SEK 300 million. Once the 2018 production expansion program is complete this cash balance should increase.

# 2018 Capital Budget Proceeding – On Track

At the Tie Field we are preparing the currently non-free flowing GTE-3 oil well to accept artificial lift. A workover will be required to recomplete the well with a jet pump, and all equipment for this has been ordered. This work is scheduled for June, although we are still awaiting some specialty equipment that will be brought in from Canada and the USA. Immediately after drilling the 107D horizontal sidetrack on Tartaruga, we will mobilize the same drilling rig to travel the 350 km from Tartaruga to Tie in order to drill a new producing well (the "Attic" well). The Attic well is anticipated to be spudded in August. The Attic well will also explore the previously undrilled Boipeba structure, which could contain oil.

When the work on the Tie field is completed towards the end of Q3, we will have 3 producing wells, instead of one. This is very beneficial not only because it will increase production, but it also allows for a more uniform pressure drawdown on the field. Hand in hand with the field work at the Tie Field, Maha is securing both gas and oil sales contracts for the incremental volumes expected from the three wells.

At Tartaruga Field, all is in place for operations to commence during the second quarter. Work has already started on the 7TTG well, where the 7TTG well will be recompleted and the previously untapped P1 and P4 sands will be perforated and placed on comingled production with the P6 sand. After changing out the small 1-1/2" tubing completion with a larger and more robust 2-7/8" completion, a dedicated jet pump will be installed. Previously a single jet pump powered both the 7TTG and 107D wells. This work will be completed during the second quarter of this year.

Once the 7TTG well is completed, a larger drilling rig will be moved in to re-enter and sidetrack the 107D producing well. We will again target the P1 sand, but in a more optimum structural position, and using horizontal drilling technology. Using horizontal drilling technology, we will expose over 400 m. of producing reservoir, compared to the existing +/- 15 m in a vertical well.

At LAK Ranch we started planning and contracting for the completion of Phase 3. Phase 3 was interrupted in 2015/16 due to low oil prices, but results from existing wells are promising and we are therefore going to drill the remaining 6 injectors and 2 horizontal producers. Spudding of the wells are expected in

September this year and work is expected to take 8 weeks to complete. Upon completion of Phase 3, LAK will be netback positive, meaning that production will generate extra cash to allow further growth through internally generated cash flow.

## **Room for Growth**

As has been previously presented – Maha has 6 blocks in the oil prone Reconcavo basin, the development potential at the Tie Field, 27 stacked sands at Tartaruga (of which 23 remain untested) and the substantial oil in place at LAK Ranch (at the shallow depth of 350 m). It is clear Maha has plenty to do and room to grow within its own suite of assets.

## Website

Finally, I encourage you to visit our fresh new website and our YouTube channel. We post almost daily video clips of how work is progressing in the field.

We thank you for your continued support.

"Jonas Lindvall" Managing Director

## <u>Webcast</u>

There will be a live webcast today, May 29 at 1600 CET (Stockholm time) to review and discuss Maha Energy's First Quarter 2018 results and to provide an operational update. The webcast will be broadcast live on Nyhetsbyrån Direkts Youtube Channel and will be hosted by Laikas Mr. Mats Jonsson and will feature Maha Energy's CEO Jonas Lindvall and Maha Energy's CFO Andres Modarelli. For further details please consult the Company's website: <u>www.mahaenergy.ca</u>

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#### Miscellaneous

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#### Maha in Brief

Maha Energy AB is a Swedish public limited liability company. FNCA Sweden AB has been engaged as Certified Adviser. The Company's auditors are Deloitte. The Company's predecessor Maha Energy Inc. was founded in 2013 in Calgary, Canada, by Jonas Lindvall and Ron Panchuk. In May 2016, the new group was formed with Maha Energy AB as parent company for purposes completing an initial public offering on the Nasdaq First North Sweden stock exchange. Jonas Lindvall, CEO and Managing Director, has 26 years of international experience in the oil and gas industry, starting his career with Lundin Oil during the early days of E&P growth. After 6 years at Shell and Talisman, Jonas joined, and helped secure the success of, Tethys Oil AB. Maha's strategy is to target and develop underperforming hydrocarbon assets on global basis. The Company operates three oil fields, Tartaruga and Tie in Brazil and LAK Ranch, in Wyoming, U.S. For more information, please visit our website <u>www.mahaenergy.ca</u>.

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