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FloaTEC Awarded FEED Contract by Chevron for Big Foot ETLP Hull, Moorings and Risers Project

HOUSTON – FloaTEC, LLC – the deepwater joint venture of Keppel FELS and J. Ray McDermott, today announced that it has been awarded a contract by Chevron USA Inc. for the front-end engineering and design (FEED) of the hull, mooring and risers for the proposed Big Foot development facility. The Big Foot field is located in the Walker Ridge Block 29 of the Gulf of Mexico and is owned by Chevron USA Inc. (operator), Statoil Gulf of Mexico LLC and Marubeni Oil & Gas (USA) Inc. The proposed facility will be installed in 5,187 feet of water approximately 200 miles from New Orleans and 35 miles south of Chevron's producing Tahiti field.

The goal is to develop Big Foot with a dry-tree floating drilling and production facility. The hull would be FloaTEC, LLC's proprietary extended tension leg platform (ETLP), with associated foundation piles, tendon mooring systems and top tensioned risers. FloaTEC will provide engineering and project management services to develop the platform hull design, specify the required marine systems equipment and optimize the hull, tendons and risers global design, perform the necessary structural analyses, and ensure close interface management towards subsea and topside scopes under Chevron's overall project leadership. FloaTEC will also assist Chevron in estimating the cost of the facility and plan the subsequent phases of the development. Work on the project is underway.

"We are proud to have been selected as the contractor of choice by Chevron for the Big Foot hull, moorings and risers project," said Eric H. Namtvedt, President, FloaTEC, LLC. "We are very pleased to see our ETLP designs continue to offer superior value to Gulf of Mexico operators and to be given the opportunity to work alongside an industry leader such as Chevron. I am confident that FloaTEC, with the support from our JV parents Keppel and McDermott, will provide access to unique and large resources and capabilities and execute a quality FEED for our client."

About FloaTEC, LLC

FloaTEC, LLC is a 50:50 joint venture company owned by **J. Ray McDermott, Inc.** of Houston and **Keppel FELS Limited** of Singapore; created to design and deliver proprietary floating production systems (FPS). The company boasts an unmatched portfolio of FPS hull designs - encompassing TLP, Spar and Semi-submersible technology. FloaTEC offers both wet tree and dry tree FPS solutions. From technical feasibility, conceptual design and FEED through construction and installation, FloaTEC - in conjunction with its joint venture parent companies J. Ray and Keppel - can transition a project seamlessly from concept to reality.

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