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Shamaran Announces Completion of Standby Purchase Transactions

February 17, 2015 - ShaMaran Petroleum Corp. (“ShaMaran” or the “Company”) (TSX VENTURE: SNM) (NASDAQ FIRST NORTH: SNM) announces that, in connection with the previously announced Rights Offering and as agreed in the standby purchase agreement, the Company has issued an aggregate of 40,906,078 common shares of the Company (“Common Shares”) at a subscription price of CAD 0.10 per share for gross proceeds of CAD 4,090,607.80 to its major shareholders, Lorito Holdings SARL, Zebra Holdings and Investments SARL and Lundin Petroleum BV (collectively the “Standby Purchasers”), which represents all Common Shares not otherwise subscribed for by Rightholders. In addition the Company has issued a further aggregate of 14,569,684 additional Common Shares to the Standby Purchasers in respect of the guarantee fee, as defined under the standby purchase agreement.

Pareto Securities AB acted as manager of the Rights Offering and Georgeson Shareholder Communications Canada, Inc. acted as information agent for the Rights Offering. Pareto is not registered as a dealer in any Canadian jurisdiction and, accordingly, has not, directly or indirectly, solicited offers to purchase or sell Common Shares or Rights in Canada.

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ShaMaran is a Canadian based Kurdistan focused oil development and exploration company with a 20.1% direct interest in the Atrush oil discovery, which is currently undergoing appraisal and development. ShaMaran is listed on the TSX Venture Exchange and Nasdaq First North (Stockholm) under the symbol “SNM”.

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ShaMaran’s Certified Advisor on Nasdaq First North is Pareto Securities AB.

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