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- *Umusadege field production averaged approximately 16,340 barrels of oil per day ("bopd") during December 2015 based on calendar days; average field production based on production days was approximately 19,515 bopd during December 2015.*
- *Total production from the Umusadege field in December 2015 was approximately 506,550 barrels of oil ("bbls").*
- *The combined net delivery of oil from the Umusadege field through the Umugini pipeline and the Nigerian Agip Oil Company Limited ("NAOC") export pipeline totaled approximately 501,780 bbls in December 2015 before estimated combined pipeline and export facility losses, and approximately 445,970 bbls after deduction of combined pipeline and export facility losses for December 2015 as estimated by Mart.*
- *Aggregate calculated downtime during December 2015 totaled approximately five days.*
- *The UMU-16 well was spudded on December 6, 2015 to appraise the West Prospect. The well reached the final total depth of 11,372 feet on January 12, 2016. Logging and testing results will determine the potential of the West Prospect and will be released following data analysis and regulatory reporting and approval procedures.*
- *The UMU-15 well short string, completed in the XIV sand, has been production tested resulting in a final flow rate of 1,908 bopd.*
- *The UMU-15 well long string, completed in the XXa sand has been production tested resulting in a final flow rate of 1,084 bopd.*

Mart Resources Inc. (TSX:MMT) ("Mart" or the "Company") and its co-venturers, Midwestern Oil and Gas Company Limited ("Midwestern", Operator of the Umusadege field) and SunTrust Oil Company Limited are providing the following updates on Umusadege field production for December 2015 and other operations.

December 2015 Aggregate Production Update

Umusadege field production during December 2015 averaged approximately 16,340 bopd resulting in total production of approximately 506,550 bbls for the month. Aggregate calculated Umusadege field downtime during December 2015 was approximately five days (based upon days with production of more than 10,000 bopd being considered to have no downtime). There were shutdowns of the Trans Forcados pipeline and the NAOC export pipeline during December 2015 due to operational interruptions for pipeline repairs and general pipeline and facility maintenance, but ongoing production from the Umusadege field was managed by the ability of the field operator to alternate production between the Trans Forcados and NAOC export pipelines. There were no full down days during the month. The average field production based on producing days was approximately 19,515 bopd in December 2015.

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NAOC Export Pipeline Update

Total net crude oil deliveries into the NAOC export pipeline from the Umusadege field for December 2015 were approximately 75,560 bbls before pipeline losses. Based upon the 12-month rolling average rate of pipeline and export facility losses from December 2013 to December 2014 of 17.46%, Mart estimates NAOC export pipeline and Brass River export facility losses for December 2015 will be approximately 13,190 bbls. Accordingly, Mart estimates that the total net crude deliveries into the NAOC export pipeline from the Umusadege field for December 2015 less estimated pipeline losses will be approximately 62,370 bbls.

As previously announced, total net crude oil deliveries into the NAOC export pipeline from the Umusadege field for November 2015 were approximately 177,640 bbls. Actual NAOC pipeline and export facility losses have not been allocated for November 2015 because allocation was suspended beginning in December 2014 by the Department of Petroleum Resources pending an approved loss computation formula. Mart previously estimated pipeline and export facility losses for November 2015 to be approximately 31,010 bbls, based upon the 12-month rolling average rate of pipeline and export facility losses of 17.46% between December 2013 and November 2014.

The NAOC export pipeline was down for 13 days in December 2015 due maintenance and repair work done on the pipeline and operational problems.

Trans Forcados and Umugini Pipeline Update

Based upon Mart's internal production and facility data, the Company estimates that Umusadege field deliveries into the Trans

Forcados export pipeline connected to the Forcados oil export terminal were approximately 426,220 bbls in December 2015. Based upon historic pipeline losses encountered by other exploration and production companies utilizing the Trans Forcados export system, Mart estimates pipeline and export facility losses of 10% of crude oil deliveries, resulting in estimated Umusadege field deliveries of approximately 383,600 bbls for December 2015 after deduction of estimated pipeline and export facility losses.

The Umugini pipeline was down for six days in December 2015 due maintenance and repair work done on the pipeline.

Further to its previous disclosures regarding the absence of accurate and reconcilable injection data from Shell Petroleum Development Company of Nigeria Limited ("SPDC"), the operator of the Trans Forcados oil export terminal system, Mart advises that the Company and its co-venturers have received unreconciled reports that include only preliminary gross oil injection volumes and estimated pipeline and export facility losses. From our initial review, it is not clear whether the reported volumes represent all producers on the system or only Mart and its co-venturers. Mart and its co-venturers have requested additional and more complete information from SPDC in order to accurately reconcile volumes and any attributed pipeline losses. However, based upon preliminary analysis of the volume and loss information provided, Mart has calculated that the average loss rate could range between 10% and 21% of gross oil injections. The Company cautions that it is currently not able to obtain confirmation of these values, and it is not able to perform a reliable reconciliation. Until more accurate and complete information and reports can be obtained from SPDC, Mart will continue to estimate such pipeline losses at a rate of 10% based upon historic pipeline losses encountered by other exploration and production companies utilizing the Trans Forcados export system.

Drilling and Testing Update

The UMU-16 well was spudded on December 6, 2015. The well has been drilled to appraise the West Prospect potential. The well was drilled to the planned total depth of 10,597 feet on December 25, 2015, following which the zones of interest were logged and sampled and the 9 5/8 inch casing was cemented in place. The well was then drilled to 11,372 feet by January 12, 2016 using an 8 1/2 inch hole. The deep section is currently being logged and sampled, after which the deep section will be plugged back. The testing results for the UMU-16 well will be released after full interpretation of the drilling, logging, and sampling data and required approval by the Department of Petroleum Resources in Nigeria.

The UMU-15 well short string completed in the XIV sand has been production tested at multiple choke settings, resulting in a final rate of 1,908 bopd on a 36/64 inch choke during a 6 hour flow test. The oil gravity was 44.2 degrees API with a gas-oil-ratio of 28 scf/bbl. The flowing tubing head pressure was 412 psig with basic sediment and water of 1.3%.

The UMU-15 well long string completed in the XXa sand has been production tested at multiple choke settings, resulting in a final rate of 1,084 bopd on a 36/64 inch choke during a 6 hour flow test. The oil gravity was 47 degrees API with a gas-oil-ratio of 5,254 scf/bbl. The flowing tubing head pressure was 1,320 psig with basic sediment and water of 0%.

The remaining zone in the long string (XVIIa sand) has been cleaned up, however no production testing was undertaken. This zone will be placed on commercial production after depletion of the XXa sand.

Additional information regarding Mart is available on the Company's website at www.martresources.com and under the Company's profile on SEDAR at www.sedar.com.

Except where expressly stated otherwise, all production figures set out in this press release, including bopd, reflect gross Umusadege field production rather than production attributable to Mart. Mart's share of total gross production before taxes and royalties from the Umusadege field fluctuates between 82.5% (before capital cost recovery) and 50% (after capital cost recovery). As a result of the Umusadege field capital expenditure funding arrangement entered into by Mart and its co-venturers with Guaranty Trust Bank Limited ("GTB") in April 2014, during the twelve moratorium period, Mart's share of funding of the 2015 Umusadege field capital expenditure program will be approximately 50% and there will be no recovery of Mart's capital expenditures incurred and not recovered before the start and during the moratorium period. This arrangement results in Mart's share of total gross production before taxes and royalties from the Umusadege being 50% during the during the twelve moratorium period ending in March 2016.

Forward-Looking Statements and Risks

Certain statements contained in this press release constitute "forward-looking statements" as such term is used in applicable Canadian and US securities laws. Any statements that express or involve discussions with respect to predictions, expectations, beliefs, plans, projections, objectives, assumptions or future events or are not statements of historical fact and should be viewed as "forward-looking statements". These statements relate to analyses and other information that are based upon forecasts of future results, estimates of amounts not yet determinable and assumptions of management. Such forward-looking statements involve known and unknown risks, uncertainties and other factors which may cause the actual results, performance or achievements of the Company to be materially different from any future results, performance or achievements expressed or implied by such forward-looking statements.

In particular, there is no assurance that there will not be future disruptions of the NAOC export pipeline or Brass River export facility. Any future disruptions may materially and adversely affect the ability of the Company to transport, deliver and sell its crude oil production from the Umusadege field. Pipeline and export facilities losses are expected to continue in the future and such losses could be material. There is no assurance that there will not be adjustments to previously reported pipeline and export facilities losses by NAOC. There is no assurance that the estimates of current month pipeline and export facilities losses will reflect actual losses once reported to the Company by NAOC.

There is no assurance that there will not be future disruptions to the Umugini Pipeline, Trans Forcados export pipeline or the Forcados export terminal. Any future disruptions may materially and adversely affect the ability of the Company to transport, deliver and sell its crude oil production from the Umusadege field. There is no assurance on when the operators of the Trans Forcados export system will report actual oil injections or pipeline and export facility losses to the Company or that the estimates of the Company regarding oil injection volumes or pipeline and export facility losses referenced in this press release will reflect those volumes and losses reported by the operators of the Trans Forcados export system to the Company. The Umugini pipeline is a relatively new pipeline and will continue to face risk associated with any new pipeline installation and with risks generally associated with pipeline operations in Nigeria.

There is no assurance that the Company will be able to successfully complete the UMU-16 well or that the well will be commercially produced. Statements (express or implied) regarding the ability of the Company to successfully drill, complete, test and commercially produce, transport and sell oil from the UMU-16 well (or any one or more of the hydrocarbon sands encountered or identified by the UMU-16 well) should all be viewed as forward-looking statements.

There is no assurance that the Company will be able to commercially produce, transport or sell oil from the UMU-15 well (or any one or more of the sands identified by the UMU-15 well). Statements (express or implied) regarding the ability of the Company to commercially produce, transport and sell oil from the UMU-15 well (or any one or more of the hydrocarbon sands identified by the UMU-15 well) should all be viewed as forward-looking statements. The foregoing test results herein not necessarily indicative of long-term performance, future production levels, or of ultimate oil recovery from the UMU-15 well.

There can be no assurance that such forward-looking statements will prove to be accurate as actual results and future events could vary or differ materially from those anticipated in such statements. Accordingly, readers should not place undue reliance on forward-looking statements contained in this news release. The forward-looking statements contained herein are expressly qualified by this cautionary statement.

Forward-looking statements are made based on management's beliefs, estimates and opinions on the date the statements are made and the Company undertakes no obligation to update forward-looking statements and if these beliefs, estimates and opinions or other circumstances should change, except as required by applicable law.

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