

First Helium Licenses Second Exploration Well at Worsley

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Drilling of the "4-29" Well Planned for Mid-February

Calgary, Jan. 26, 2022 - [First Helium Inc.](#) ("First Helium" or the "Company") (TSXV: HELI) (FRA: 2MC), today announced that it has received its license from the Alberta Energy Regulator ("AER") to drill its second exploration well, the "4-29", which is located on First Helium's 100% owned, 79,000 acre Worsley landholdings in Northern Alberta, Canada. The Company expects to begin drilling operations in mid-February, 2022.

"Identified by a comprehensive 3D seismic study, the "4-29" well location at Worsley will be drilled as a follow up to our successful 1-30 well, targeting multiple helium gas horizons and potential oil accumulations," said Ed Bereznicki, President & CEO of First Helium. "Drilling 4-29 is an opportunity to build on the strong results from the 15-25 and 1-30 discovery wells, which collectively represent significant growth potential and underlying asset value to First Helium shareholders."

The 4-29 well is located near the Company's 1-30 light oil discovery well, and approximately 3 km SE of the 15-25 helium well on the core Worsley Property. A geologic and seismic review of the region suggests that like the 1-30 and 15-25, the 4-29 prospect presents as a structural high on the Leduc Reef Complex.

The 1-30 light oil discovery well tested at approximately 419 barrels of 35 degree API light oil over 3 days and is expected to be brought on-stream in early February at approximately 400 barrels per day.

The 15-25 was most recently tested last month to contain 1.3% helium content based on a 10-day flow period at 2 million cubic feet per day of raw gas. The raw gas stream is comprised of approximately 65% natural gas, which will be produced along with the helium gas, sold to market and also used to generate power for facility operations.

The 1-30 Leduc well was drilled based on a detailed 3D seismic evaluation of the Worsley Property. The results confirm the Company's geologic model for the area. Based on the Company's assessment of economic Leduc wells along the Worsley Trend, approximately 20% have been light oil producers, the balance have been natural gas producers containing potential economic helium content. A detailed geological and geophysical evaluation of the Company's lands in the vicinity of the 15-25 well, the 1-30 well, and along the broader Worsley Trend has yielded additional compelling drill targets. First Helium will incorporate the results from the drilling and testing of the 4-29 well to strategically pursue new drilling locations across the highly prospective, 90 km wide Worsley Trend.

ABOUT FIRST HELIUM

Led by a core Senior Executive Team with extensive backgrounds in Oil & Gas Exploration and Operations, Mining, Finance, Capital Markets and public junior growth companies, First Helium seeks to be one of the leading independent providers of helium gas in North America.

Building on its successful 15-25 helium discovery well at the Worsley project, the Company has identified numerous follow-up drill locations and acquired an expansive infrastructure system to facilitate future exploration and development of helium across its Worsley land base. Future cash flow from its successful 1-30 oil well at Worsley, anticipated to begin in Q1 2022, will help support First Helium's ongoing helium exploration and development growth strategy.

First Helium holds over 79,000 acres along the highly prospective Worsley Trend in Northern Alberta, and

276,000 acres in the Southern Alberta Helium Fairway, near existing helium production. In addition to continuing its ongoing exploration and development drilling at Worsley, the Company has identified a number of high impact helium exploration targets on the prospective Southern Alberta Helium Fairway lands to set up a second core exploration growth area for the Company.

For more information about the Company, please visit www.firsthelium.com.

ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Edward J. Bereznicki
President, CEO and Director

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