



**PRESS RELEASE**

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**CONNACHER APPOINTS STEVE MARSTON TO POSITION OF  
VICE-PRESIDENT EXPLORATION**

Connacher Oil and Gas Limited (CLL - TSX) is pleased to announce the appointment of Mr. Stephen A. Marston to the position of Vice President, Exploration, effective immediately.

Mr. Marston holds a B.Sc. in Geological Engineering from the University of New Brunswick. He has close to twenty years of industry experience with both major and independent oil companies. Most recently he was employed for four years by a successful independent oil company in the position of Chief Geophysicist.

In his new position Mr. Marston will be responsible for the company's overall exploration activity, with a near term emphasis on Connacher's geological and geophysical evaluation program at its Great Divide oil sands property. He will report to Mr. Peter D. Sametz, Executive Vice President and Chief Operating Officer of Connacher.

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