

PNC Provides \$25 Million In Senior Secured Financing To Superior Coring Systems

PITTSBURGH, Jan. 16, 2013 – PNC announced today \$25 million in senior secured revolving credit for Superior Coring Systems Inc. Headquartered in Alberta, Superior Coring provides core sampling and drilling services primarily to oil and gas producers operating within the Western Canadian Sedimentary Basin. The facility was sought to acquire five hybrid drilling rigs from Essential Energy Services Inc., a large, publicly traded company based in Calgary, and to provide for ongoing working capital needs.

The facility is being provided by PNC Bank Canada Branch, the name under which PNC Bank, National Association, a member of The PNC Financial Services Group, Inc. (NYSE: PNC) does business in Canada.

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