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CANADIAN NATURAL RESOURCES LIMITED ANNOUNCES ACQUISITION OF CONVENTIONAL HEAVY OIL PROPERTIES CALGARY, ALBERTA – August 9, 2002 – FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Canadian Natural Resources Limited (“Canadian Natural”) announces that it has acquired additional producing and non-producing heavy oil properties, primarily in the Lindbergh area of eastern Alberta. These properties are all located adjacent to Canadian Natural’s producing operations in its core area of Eastern Alberta. The acquired properties are currently producing approximately 13,000 barrels per day of crude oil and 10 million cubic feet per day of natural gas.

Canadian Natural’s business strategy focuses on a balance between growth through drilling and acquisition. These newly acquired assets will provide exploitation opportunities through potential operating cost reductions, as well as significant growth in both reserves and production through a combination of well recompletions and the drilling of new locations. The acquisition is a component of Canadian Natural’s existing 2002 capital budget.

Canadian Natural is a senior oil and natural gas production company, with continuing operations in its core areas located in Western Canada, the U.K. portion of the North Sea and Offshore West Africa.

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