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HUGHES MERGER UPDATE

Further to the announcement dated 10 October 2011 of a merger between EDMS and Hughes Drilling (including Express Hydraulics), EDMS is pleased to announce the parties have entered into the formal Merger Implementation Agreement. There are no material changes to the terms of the merger as previously announced.

Both parties have completed due diligence to their respective satisfaction and the merger is no longer subject to any due diligence conditions.

Following due diligence, the forecast normalised net profit after tax for Hughes Drilling (including Express Hydraulics) for the 12 months to 30 June 2012 is adjusted to \$6,500,000 (from \$6,750,000).

Next month the Company will despatch to shareholders a Notice of Meeting and Explanatory Memorandum seeking approval of the transaction. The shareholders' meeting is likely to be held in late January 2012. Subject to shareholder and regulatory approvals being obtained, the merger is expected to settle shortly thereafter.

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