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## InterOil Highlights Value Created by ExxonMobil Transaction

*Company Files Management Information Circular for Special Meeting on the ExxonMobil Transaction*

*Urges Shareholders to vote **FOR** the ExxonMobil Transaction*

**Singapore and Port Moresby, August 19, 2016:** InterOil Corporation (NYSE: IOC; POMSoX: IOC) today announced that it has filed and will commence the mailing to InterOil shareholders of the Management Information Circular (the "MIC") relating to the Company's Special Meeting of Shareholders (the "Special Meeting") to vote on the transaction with Exxon Mobil Corporation ("ExxonMobil"). The Special Meeting is scheduled to be held on September 21, 2016 in New York City and shareholders of record as of August 10, 2016 will be entitled to vote at the meeting.

To be counted, all proxies must be received by 12:00 PM ET on September 19, 2016.

The Board recommends that shareholders vote **FOR** the ExxonMobil transaction to receive significant and superior value for their investment in InterOil.

The MIC, letter to shareholders and other materials regarding the value-creating transaction with ExxonMobil and the Board's recommendation for the Special Meeting can be found at <http://www.interoil.com/exxonmobil-transaction>, or in InterOil's filings on [www.sedar.com](http://www.sedar.com) and [www.sec.gov](http://www.sec.gov).

The full text of the letter to shareholders accompanying the MIC follows:

**\*\*\* Vote Today FOR the ExxonMobil Transaction \*\*\***

August 19, 2016

Dear InterOil Shareholders,

On July 21, 2016, InterOil entered into a definitive agreement under which ExxonMobil agreed to acquire the company in a transaction valued at more than

\$2.5 billion. Your Board of Directors has unanimously recommended that InterOil shareholders vote **FOR** the transaction in connection with a Special Meeting scheduled to be held on September 21, 2016.

### **VOTE FOR THE EXXONMOBIL TRANSACTION TO REALIZE COMPELLING VALUE FOR YOUR INVESTMENT IN INTEROIL**

A vote for the ExxonMobil transaction is a vote **FOR**:

- **A Material and Immediate Premium:** For each share of InterOil stock held, InterOil shareholders will receive \$45 worth of ExxonMobil common shares (calculated based on a 10-day VWAP) and a Contingent Resource Payment (“CRP”). The share consideration represents a premium of 42.2% to InterOil’s closing price on May 19, 2016 (the day prior to the announcement of the Oil Search transaction).<sup>1</sup>
- **Significant Potential Upside in PRL 15 Resource through the CRP:** The CRP provides a cash payment to shareholders of ~\$7.07 for each share they hold for each incremental certified tcf of PRL 15 2C resource above 6.2 tcf, up to a maximum of 10 tcf of certified resource.
- **Exposure to Future Value:** InterOil shareholders who retain their ExxonMobil shares will benefit from ownership in the world’s preeminent energy company, which provides a larger asset base, a current 3.2 percent dividend yield and 34 consecutive years of dividend growth, and is listed on the NYSE.

To realize the immediate benefit of the ExxonMobil transaction, we encourage you to vote **FOR** the ExxonMobil transaction. Vote TODAY online, by telephone or by completing, signing and dating the enclosed proxy, and returning it in the enclosed postage-paid envelope **by 12:00PM ET on September 19, 2016.**

**To learn more about our value-creating transaction with ExxonMobil please visit <http://www.interoil.com/exxonmobil-transaction/>.** InterOil’s Management Information Circular also includes additional information about the background of the transaction, the Board’s recommendation and the value-creating benefits of this transaction.

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<sup>1</sup> Based on InterOil’s closing price of US\$31.65 per share as of May 19, 2016.

## THE TRANSACTION WITH EXXONMOBIL DELIVERS COMPELLING VALUE

Together, the base consideration of \$45 worth of ExxonMobil shares (calculated based on a 10-day VWAP) per each InterOil share and the CRP represent a compelling value for InterOil shareholders. The table below illustrates the range of potential outcomes of the Elk-Antelope resource estimate:

Tcfe	6.2 (Base Volume)	7.0	8.0	9.0	10.0 (Cap)
Share Consideration Value	\$ 45.00	\$ 45.00	\$ 45.00	\$ 45.00	\$ 45.00
CRP – Potential Value <sup>1</sup>	\$ 0.00	\$ 5.66	\$ 12.73	\$ 19.80	\$ 26.87
<b>Aggregate Consideration (US\$/share)</b>	<b>\$ 45.00</b>	<b>\$ 50.66</b>	<b>\$ 57.73</b>	<b>\$ 64.80</b>	<b>\$ 71.87</b>
<i>Premium to May 19 close<sup>2</sup></i>	<i>42.2 %</i>	<i>60.1 %</i>	<i>82.4 %</i>	<i>104.7 %</i>	<i>127.1 %</i>
<i>Premium to 1-month VWAP<sup>3</sup></i>	<i>41.2 %</i>	<i>58.9 %</i>	<i>81.1 %</i>	<i>103.2 %</i>	<i>125.4 %</i>
<i>Premium to 3-month VWAP<sup>4</sup></i>	<i>48.2 %</i>	<i>66.8 %</i>	<i>90.1 %</i>	<i>113.4 %</i>	<i>136.6 %</i>

<sup>1</sup> Represents potential future payment at given certified resource level; not discounted to present value.

<sup>2</sup> Based on InterOil's closing price of US\$31.65 per share as of May 19, 2016, prior to announcement of the Oil Search transaction.

<sup>3</sup> Based on InterOil's 1-month VWAP up to and including May 19, 2016 of US\$31.88 per share.

<sup>4</sup> Based on InterOil's 3-month VWAP up to and including May 19, 2016 of US\$30.37 per share.

The CRP will be deposited into escrow at closing and will be paid to former InterOil shareholders based on and following the completion of the interim resource certification process in accordance with InterOil's existing Share Purchase Agreement with Total SA, which will include the Antelope-7 appraisal well that is scheduled to be drilled later in 2016. **Importantly, the CRP is structured so ExxonMobil's interests are aligned with the interests of InterOil shareholders to ensure a robust and accurate certification process.**

## VOTE FOR THE EXXONMOBIL TRANSACTION TO RECEIVE SIGNIFICANT AND SUPERIOR VALUE FOR YOUR INVESTMENT IN INTEROIL

Your vote counts, and to ensure that you receive the value to which you are entitled, we urge you to vote **FOR** the ExxonMobil transaction **TODAY**.

On behalf of your Board and the management, thank you for your continued support.

Sincerely,

Chris Finlayson  
Chairman

Dr Michael Hession  
Chief Executive Officer

**If you have any questions, require assistance with voting your proxy card or need additional copies of the proxy materials, please contact:**



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**A VOTE FOR THE EXXONMOBIL TRANSACTION IS A VOTE “FOR”:**

- ✓ A **material and immediate premium** to InterOil’s share price
- ✓ A CRP that provides a **direct cash payment** to shareholders based on the value upside from Elk-Antelope field certification
- ✓ **Exposure to future value** via ownership in ExxonMobil’s high quality, diverse asset base and reliable dividend stream

## VOTE TODAY

- To be counted, all proxies must be received by 12:00PM ET on September 19, 2016
- Vote online at: [www.proxyvote.com](http://www.proxyvote.com)
- Vote by phone at: 1-800-454-8683 within the US and 1-800-474-7493 within Canada

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### About InterOil

InterOil Corporation is an independent oil and gas business with a sole focus on Papua New Guinea. InterOil's assets include one of Asia's largest undeveloped gas fields, Elk-Antelope, in the Gulf Province, and exploration licenses covering about 16,000sqkm. Its main offices are in Singapore and Port Moresby. InterOil is listed on the New York and Port Moresby stock exchanges.

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## **Forward Looking Statements**

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## **Legal Notice**

None of the securities anticipated to be issued pursuant to the ExxonMobil transaction have been or will be registered under the United States Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "U.S. Securities Act"), or any state securities laws, and any securities issued pursuant to the ExxonMobil transaction are anticipated to be issued in reliance upon available exemptions from such registration requirements pursuant to Section 3(a)(10) of the U.S. Securities Act and applicable exemptions under state securities laws. This document does not constitute an offer to sell or the solicitation of an offer to buy any securities.

There can be no assurance that the transaction with ExxonMobil will occur. The ExxonMobil transaction is subject to certain approvals and the fulfillment of certain conditions, and there can be no assurance that any such approvals will be obtained and/or any such conditions will be met.