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**BIRCHCLIFF ENERGY LTD. ANNOUNCES QUARTERLY  
PREFERRED SHARE DIVIDEND**

**Calgary, Alberta - Birchcliff Energy Ltd. ("Birchcliff") (TSX: BIR)** today announced that its Board of Directors has declared a quarterly cash dividend of \$0.50 per share for the calendar quarter ending on March 31, 2013, on Birchcliff's outstanding Cumulative Redeemable Preferred Shares, Series A. The dividend is payable on April 1, 2013 to shareholders of record as at the close of business on March 26, 2013. The dividend is designated as an eligible dividend for purposes of the *Income Tax Act* (Canada).

Birchcliff is a Calgary, Alberta based intermediate oil and gas company with operations concentrated within its one core area, the Peace River Arch of Alberta. Birchcliff's Common Shares, Cumulative Redeemable Preferred Shares, Series A and Warrants are listed for trading on the Toronto Stock Exchange under the symbols "**BIR**", "**BIR.PR.A**" and "**BIR.WT**", respectively.

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