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APPOINTMENT OF ACTING CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

The Board of Carbon Energy Limited (ASX:CNX; OTCQX:CNXAY) ('the Company') is pleased to advise that Mr. Morné Engelbrecht has been appointed as Acting Chief Executive Officer of the Company, whilst it continues its search for a permanent candidate for the position.

Morné has more than 13 years of extensive International Oil & Gas and Resources industry experience. Prior to joining Carbon Energy, Morné held several senior financial, commercial management and new business roles. He joined Carbon Energy in October 2011 and has been effective in structuring transactions to give effect to Carbon Energy's new strategic direction.

Morné will assume the role of Acting Chief Executive Officer on 21 December 2012 on the departure of Mr. Andrew Dash.

The Board thanks Andrew for his contribution to the business in a very tough market and for progressing the Company from a start up company with an undeveloped technology through to a proof of concept stage and initial commercialisation. The past 4 years of Andrew's tenure have been some of the toughest in our history and this achievement is no mean feat.

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For and behalf of the Board

Dr Chris Rawlings
Chairman of the Board

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About Carbon Energy

Carbon energy specialises in underground coal gasification (UCG). Our proprietary keyseam technology is the key to unlocking new energy sources, transforming stranded, deep coal resources into high-value fuels with lower carbon emissions.

Carbon Energy's complete end-to-end UCG services deliver world-class gas projects from initial project assessment through to commercial project development, operations, site decommissioning and rehabilitation.

Carbon Energy achieved Proof of Concept of its technology following 10 years of research with Australia's premier scientific research agency, the Commonwealth Scientific and Industrial Research organisation (CSIRO), 5 years of in-field trials and over \$100 million investment in technology development.

By successfully proving our keyseam technology, we have earned a reputation for delivering consistent, high quality product gas which can be used to produce power, fertilisers and pipeline quality gas. keyseam maximises resource efficiency, extracting up to 20 times more energy from the same resource than coal seam gas (CSG), whilst minimising surface disturbance and preserving groundwater quality.

Carbon Energy also has previously announced two wholly-owned assets in southeast Queensland's Surat Basin:

- 1.4 billion tonnes¹ of coal JORC Inferred Resource which is part of a 4 to 8 billion tonnes of coal Exploration target; and
- 743PJ² of Certified 2P syngas reserves.

The Company is headquartered in Brisbane, Australia, listed on the Australian securities Exchange (ASX) as CNX and is quoted on the OTCQX International Exchange as CNXAY in the united states. Carbon Energy has UCG projects in Australia, China, Chile, Turkey and the United States.

¹ See CNX ASX/Media Announcement 10 September 2012. CNX is not aware of any new information that would materially affect the Resources stated.

² See CNX ASX/Media Announcement 8 December 2009. CNX is not aware of any new information that would materially affect the Reserves stated.