



## **PETROSHALE PROVIDES INFORMATION ON PREFERRED SHARE DIVIDEND SETTLEMENT**

CALGARY, ALBERTA, August 12, 2020 – PetroShale Inc. ("**PetroShale**" or the "**Company**") (TSXV: PSH, OTCQX: PSHIF) today confirms that it has elected to exercise its right to settle in kind the payment of the quarterly dividend due in August on its outstanding US\$75 million Series A preferred shares (the "Preferred Shares"), which are held by First Reserve (the "Investor").

By electing to pay the second quarter dividend in kind, the ordinary cash dividend of approximately US\$1.7 million (approximately CAD\$2.3 million) will be settled by way of increasing the current US\$77.25 million liquidation preference of the Preferred Shares, at a rate of 12% per annum, or US\$2.3175 million (approximately CAD\$3.1 million). The liquidation preference represents the dollar amount of the Preferred Shares that will be settled or repaid in accordance with the terms of the Preferred Shares. The payment in kind will enable PetroShale to preserve liquidity through this period of market volatility and commodity price weakness. In accordance with the terms of the Preferred Shares, the increase to the liquidation preference increases the amount of voting and exchange rights which accrue to the holder of the Preferred Shares.

As a result, the Company will issue an additional 1,214,622 special voting shares to the Investor, and a further 1,214,622 common shares may be issuable on exchange of the Preferred Shares (in which case the issued special voting shares will be cancelled). Following this issuance, the Investor will own 2,702,702 common shares and 41,702,044 special voting shares, representing approximately 18.2% of the outstanding voting shares of the Company. PetroShale originally negotiated this feature of the Preferred Shares with the Investor to facilitate cash flow management in a period of low commodity prices. The Company has the ability to exercise this right two times in any 12-month period and six times in aggregate over the term of the Preferred Shares. PetroShale previously elected to settle, in kind, its quarterly dividend due in May 2020. Prior to 2020, the Company has settled each of its quarterly dividend payments on the Preferred Shares in cash.

### **About PetroShale**

PetroShale is an oil company engaged in the acquisition, development and consolidation of interests in the North Dakota Bakken / Three Forks.

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