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**BIRCHCLIFF ENERGY LTD. MOURNS THE PASSING OF  
BOARD MEMBER WERNER (VERN) A. SIEMENS**

**Calgary, Alberta - Birchcliff Energy Ltd. ("Birchcliff") (TSX: BIR)** regrets to announce the passing of Werner (Vern) A. Siemens, on March 2, 2015, a founding shareholder and Director of Birchcliff, at the age of 78.

"Vern was an important member of the Birchcliff family and he will be sadly missed" said Jeff Tonken, President and CEO of Birchcliff. "Vern was an experienced oilman, a dedicated and diligent director whose strong leadership has been invaluable to Birchcliff. Prior to his involvement with Birchcliff, Vern was a founding shareholder and Director of each of Stampeder Exploration Ltd., Big Bear Exploration Ltd. and Case Resources Ltd. Vern was a team player and extremely knowledgeable about matters surrounding a well-run business. Vern's insight, character and warmth, will be dearly missed by his many friends at Birchcliff, as well as his friends and colleagues throughout the industry and our community. On behalf of the entire Birchcliff organization, I would like to extend our heartfelt condolences to Vern's wife Denise, his daughter Elaine and her husband Duncan, his son Craig and his wife Suzanne, his grandchildren and his extended family and friends around the globe."

Vern's long and varied business career included many Executive roles over three decades with Agra Industries Ltd., where he established himself as a very successful businessman. Vern also served as a volunteer, Director, President and General Manager of the Calgary Stampeder Football Club during its rebuilding years from 1985 to 1990.

We grieve the loss of a valued business associate and a wonderful friend, who through his life's work, left this world a better place.

**ON BEHALF OF HIS FRIENDS AT BIRCHCLIFF**

Jeff Tonken, President and Chief Executive Officer

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