ConocoPhillips (NYSE:COP) today announced that the first cargo of liquefied natural gas (LNG) has departed from the Australia Pacific LNG (APLNG) facility on Curtis Island in Queensland, Australia.

" This is a significant milestone for our company and we are proud to have safely loaded the first cargo from APLNG, " said Ryan Lance, chairman and chief executive officer. " The project is expected to deliver long-term, stable production, which will sustain the company ' s base production for more than 20 years. "

Construction of the APLNG facility began in 2011 and consists of two production units, each with the capacity to deliver 4.5 million tonnes per annum of LNG.

&Idquo; Since the establishment of ConocoPhillips Australia East, our focus has been to establish a world-class operations team to safely start up and operate two LNG production units for decades to come, " said Warwick King, president, ConocoPhillips Australia East. &Idquo; We would like to acknowledge the combined efforts of our APLNG joint-venture partners, Origin and Sinopec, for their ongoing support in reaching this major milestone. "

Construction on the second production unit is nearing completion, with expected first LNG in the second half of 2016. The project is expected to be self-funding once the second unit comes on line, which will further increase the company's capital flexibility.

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CAUTIONARY STATEMENT FOR THE PURPOSES OF THE "SAFE HARBOR" PROVISIONS OF THE PRIVATE SECURITIES LITIGATION REFORM ACT OF 1995

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