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Talisman Responds To Unsolicited Below-Market
'Mini-Tender' Offer

CALGARY, ALBERTA--Talisman Energy Inc ("Talisman") has learned that TRC Capital Corporation has made of an offer to purchase up to 4.5 million (3.3%) of Talisman's issued and outstanding common shares at a price of \$52.00. The offer price is 8% below Talisman's closing price on July 30, 2001. Talisman does not recommend or endorse this unsolicited offer.

The Canadian Securities Administrators issued a Staff Notice 61-301 recommending that shareholders solicited by mini-tender offers carefully examine a mini-tender to determine whether it is in their interests and consult their financial advisor prior to tendering to the offer. Shareholders who have already tendered their shares to the offer may withdraw them at any time prior to 5:00 p.m. (Toronto time) on August 13, 2001.

The US Securities Exchange Commission has recommended that investors carefully scrutinize and exercise caution in connection with "mini-tender offers" and has issued an investor alert with respect to "mini-tender offers" available at the SEC's web site (<http://www.sec.gov/investor/pubs/minitend.htm>).

Talisman Energy Inc. is the largest independent Canadian oil and gas producer with operations in Canada, the North Sea, Indonesia and Sudan. Talisman is also conducting exploration in the United States, Algeria, Trinidad and Colombia. Talisman has adopted the International Code of Ethics for Canadian Business and is committed to maintaining high standards of excellence in corporate citizenship and social responsibility wherever it does business. The Company's shares are listed on The Toronto Stock Exchange in Canada and the New York Stock Exchange in the United States under the symbol TLM.

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