



NEWS RELEASE

**Morgan Creek Energy Appoints David Urquhart, P. Eng. As President,  
Chief Executive Officer and Director of The Board**

Dallas, Texas – May 7, 2008/PRNewswire-Firstcall/ -- Morgan Creek Energy Corp., (MCKE-OTC BB) a Nevada corporation (the "Company") has accepted the consent of David Urquhart to act as the President, Chief Executive Officer and as a Director of the Board.

David Urquhart is a Canadian professional engineer with over thirty-five years of progressively responsible operational, engineering, management and executive experience in all facets of the equipment fabrication and hydrocarbon industries; from production operations, drilling and completion operations, exploration and exploitation operations, to plant and facility design and construction, process equipment fabrication, product marketing, project economics, operating budgets, acquisitions and divestitures.

His broad workplace experience has provided him with extensive national and international exposure in business development, facility construction and project management as well as production operations and engineering throughout the Americas and Africa. He is also experienced in operations, manufacturing, marketing and sales in Eastern Europe, the Middle East, the Orient and Africa.

Through his consulting firm, Westhampton Ltd., Mr. Urquhart has provided services to a wide range of junior to mid-size mining and petroleum companies in the United States, Canada, Algeria, Africa, Russia, Tunisia, China and the Middle East.

Prior to founding his own company, Mr. Urquhart served as Vice President, Energy Group for Finex Capital Corporation of Calgary, Alberta. Finex was a Calgary based merchant banking entity owned by First City Trust, and charged with the management of an extensive investment portfolio in both energy and commercial real estate assets. He also served as the senior officer in the establishment of all Finex owned and operated oil and gas service companies, as well as being responsible for providing operational management to all Finex oil and gas production related subsidiary operations.

From the 1960s until 1983, when he joined Finex Capital, Mr. Urquhart was employed in a variety of successive senior management positions, primarily in charge of drilling and production operations for established petroleum development and production companies. The list of firms includes Petroleum Technologies of Wichita, Kansas (1983 – 1987), Hexagon Gas Limited of Calgary, Alberta (1977 – 1983) and Suncor Inc. of Calgary, Alberta (1968 – 1977).

Mr. Urquhart's professional affiliations include the Association of Professional Engineers, Geologists and Geophysicists of Alberta, the Canadian Institute of Mining and Metallurgy -- Petroleum Society, the American Society of Petroleum Engineers and the Association of Drilling Engineers.



David Urquhart received his Bachelor of Science in Mathematics from Dalhousie University, Halifax, Nova Scotia and his Bachelor of Engineering in Mining from Nova Scotia Technical College (now Dal Tech), Halifax, Nova Scotia.

Effective on April 30, 2008, the Board of Directors (the "Board") of Morgan Creek Energy Corp., accepted the resignation of Marcus M. Johnson as the President/Chief Executive Officer. Mr. Johnson remains as a member of the Board of Directors of the Company.

**About Morgan Creek Energy Corp.:** Morgan Creek Energy Corp. is a natural resource exploration company engaged in the acquisition and development of strategic oil and natural gas properties. For further information see: [www.morgancreekenergy.com](http://www.morgancreekenergy.com)

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