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African Petroleum Corporation Limited
(“African Petroleum Corporation” or the “Company”)

**ASIC NO-ACTION LETTER AND ENTERING INTO OF LENDING OPTION
AGREEMENT AND OVER-ALLOTMENT OPTION AGREEMENT**

Reference is made to the stock exchange announcement dated 9 May 2014 regarding the announcement, and the terms, of African Petroleum Corporation Limited’s (OSE ticker code "APCL", NSX ticker code "AOQ") initial public offering of the Company’s shares on Oslo Axess (the "Offering"), and the approval by the Financial Supervisory Authority of Norway of the prospectus dated 9 May 2014 prepared in connection with the Offering and the expected listing of the shares of African Petroleum Corporation on Oslo Axess (the "Prospectus").

The Company hereby informs that Pareto Securities AS, acting as Manager in the Offering (the “Manager”), has received the no-action letter from the Australian Securities & Investments Commission (“ASIC”), in connection with the stabilisation activities that the Manager may carry out in connection with the Offering as further described in the Prospectus.

As a consequence, the Manager has today entered into the lending option agreement with Sarella Investments Limited (the "Lending Shareholder") and the Company in order to facilitate the use of the over-allotment facility, as described in the Prospectus. Further, the Company, the Manager and the Lending Shareholder have entered into the over-allotment option agreement whereby the Manager is granted a share option to secure redelivery of the borrowed shares to the Lending Shareholder.

Should the Manager exercise the over-allotment option, carry out stabilisation activities and exercise the greenshoe option, this will be separately announced by the Company and/or the Manager.

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About African Petroleum Corporation Limited

African Petroleum Corporation is a dynamic, independent oil and gas exploration company operating eight licences in four countries offshore West Africa. The Company's assets are located in fast-emerging hydrocarbon basins, principally the West African Transform Margin, where several discoveries have been made in recent years, including African Petroleum's Narina-1 discovery in February 2012, which proved a working hydrocarbon system in the Liberian basin. With a combined net acreage position of 28,295km² through its licences in Côte d'Ivoire, Liberia, Senegal and Sierra Leone, the Company has matured its portfolio rapidly, acquiring more than 15,000km² of 3D seismic data and successfully drilling three wells, one of which was the first hydrocarbons discovery in the offshore Liberian deep-water basin. The Company emphasises that although the well encountered hydrocarbon columns supported by pressure and sample data, the accumulation does not qualify as reserves or contingent resources under the Petroleum Resources Classification Framework, which requires flow tests.

For more information about African Petroleum Corporation, please see www.africanpetroleum.com.au

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