

## May 14, 2013 News Release

## PhotoSat completes highly accurate satellite topographic mapping of WesternZagros's (TSX-V: WZR) Garmian Block in the Kurdistan Region of Iraq

PhotoSat is pleased to announce that it has completed satellite topography mapping of WesternZagros's Garmian Block in the Kurdistan Region of Iraq, using stereo satellite photos from the high-resolution Pleiades 1A and 1B imaging satellites. Pleiades 1A and 1B are the world's newest 50cm resolution satellites. The satellite topography mapping consists of an elevation point every meter and contours with 1 meter elevation intervals. Based on comparisons between the satellite topographic mapping and thousands of ground survey points on similar projects, the accuracy of the satellite topographic mapping is expected to be about 30 centimeters. The topographic mapping and precision satellite ortho photos will be used for planning and execution of 3D seismic surveys, planning and construction of well sites and well site access roads, field development, and pipeline engineering studies.

"We are delighted to have the opportunity to apply our cutting-edge satellite topographic mapping technology and the world's newest high resolution satellites to advance WesternZagros's Garmian Block in the Kurdistan Region. Exploration and development success on the Garmian Block will provide significant economic benefits to WesternZagros shareholders as well as to the people of the Kurdistan Region," says PhotoSat president Gerry Mitchell.

For more information about PhotoSat's stereo satellite topographic mapping service, <u>click here</u>.

## About PhotoSat

PhotoSat is a team of geophysicists and associated geoscientists specializing in the computer processing of highly accurate elevation data from stereo satellite photos. These detailed topographic maps are used for the identification, evaluation, and monitoring of natural resources, and the planning and design of resource development blocks and their related facilities and infrastructure. Our goal is to provide satellite photos and derived highly accurate elevation and other datasets that enable decision makers in the resource industries to make better decisions in less time. Our principal clients are mining, oil and gas, engineering and environmental companies and government agencies. For more information about PhotoSat, <u>click here</u>.

## About WesternZagros

WesternZagros is an international natural resources company engaged in acquiring properties and exploring for, developing and producing crude oil and natural gas in Iraq. WesternZagros, through its wholly-owned subsidiaries, holds a working interest in each of the Garmian Block and Kurdamir Block Production Sharing Contracts with the Kurdistan Regional Government ("KRG") in the Kurdistan Region of Iraq. WesternZagros is the operator and holds a 40 percent interest in the Garmian Contract Area. Gazprom Neft Middle East B.V. and the KRG hold 40 percent and 20 percent working interests respectively. WesternZagros also holds a 40 percent interest in the Kurdamir Contract Area. Talisman (Block K44) B.V., as the operator, holds a 40 percent interest and the KRG hold the remaining 20 percent working interest. WesternZagros funds 60 percent of costs on the Kurdamir Block and 50 percent of the costs on the Garmian Block. WesternZagros's shares trade in Canada on the TSX Venture Exchange under the symbol "WZR".

Company's website - <u>click here</u>.