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Whiting Petroleum Corporation to Present at Credit Suisse Energy Summit

DENVER – January 26, 2006 – Whiting Petroleum Corporation (**NYSE: WLL**) today announced that it will present at the Credit Suisse First Boston Energy Summit at the Vail Cascade Resort & Spa in Vail, Colorado on Tuesday, January 31, 2006 at 12:55 p.m. Mountain Standard Time (2:55 p.m., Eastern Standard Time). James J. Volker, Chairman, President and Chief Executive Officer, will discuss the Company's strategy, development plans and outlook.

Whiting's live presentation may be accessed on the Internet by logging onto the following link: <http://w.on24.com/r.htm?e=19650&s=1&k=FC3A98A8187D4E7FEEC64A9612518C29>. The presentation materials and link to the webcast will also be available on Whiting's website at www.whiting.com beginning January 31 and accessible through March 3, 2006.

About Whiting Petroleum Corporation

Whiting Petroleum Corporation is a growing energy company based in Denver, Colorado. Whiting Petroleum Corporation is a holding company engaged in oil and natural gas acquisition, exploitation, exploration and production activities primarily in the Permian Basin, Rocky Mountain, Mid-Continent, Gulf Coast and Michigan regions of the United States. The Company's stock trades publicly under the symbol WLL on the New York Stock Exchange. For further information, please visit www.whiting.com.