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Whiting Petroleum Corporation Announces 2004 Second Quarter Earnings Release Date and Conference Call

DENVER – July 13, 2004 – Whiting Petroleum Corporation (NYSE: WLL) will release its 2004 second quarter financial and operating results before the market opens on Wednesday, July 28, 2004.

A conference call with investors, analysts and other interested parties is scheduled for 9:00 a.m. MDT (10:00 a.m. CDT, 11:00 a.m. EDT) on Wednesday, July 28, 2004 to discuss 2004 second quarter financial and operating results. You are invited to listen in by calling (800) 847-4038. Access to a live internet broadcast will be available at <http://www.whiting.com>.

A replay will be available from Wednesday, July 28 to Wednesday, August 4, 2004. You may access this replay at (800) 642-1687 or (706) 645-9291 and entering the pass code #8697187. You may also access a web archive at <http://www.whiting.com>.

Important Announcements

The Company will present at the following conference:

Enercom's Ninth Oil & Gas Conference in Denver, Colorado August 1st-5th. James J. Volker, President and CEO, is scheduled to present on Wednesday, August 3rd.

About Whiting Petroleum

Whiting Petroleum Corporation is a holding company for Whiting Oil and Gas Corporation. Whiting Oil and Gas Corporation is a growing energy company based in Denver, Colorado that is engaged in oil and natural gas acquisition, exploitation, exploration and production activities primarily in the Gulf Coast/Permian Basin, Rocky Mountains, Michigan and Mid-Continent regions of the United States. In a September 2003 study by Oil & Gas Journal, Whiting, based on total assets, would be listed as the 54th largest exploration and production company with operations in the U. S. The Company trades publicly under the symbol WLL on the New York Stock Exchange. For further information, please visit www.whiting.com.