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Dear Sir/Madam

## Paladin Energy Ltd Successfully Completes A\$68.2M/C\$69.2M Institutional Placement of Shares

PERTH, WESTERN AUSTRALIA -- Paladin Energy Ltd (ASX Code: PDN; TSX Code: PDN) ("Paladin" or the "Company") has completed the bookbuild for a private placement to institutional and accredited investors of 56.9M ordinary shares (representing 7.3% of Paladin's existing issued capital) to raise approximately A\$68.2M/C\$69.2M.

The placement was priced at A\$1.20 (C\$1.22) per share which represents a 8.4% discount to Paladin's last closing price on ASX. The new shares will rank equally with existing shares.

RBC Capital Markets and UBS AG, Australia Branch acted as Global Joint Lead Placing Agents to the placement.

John Borshoff, Paladin's Managing Director/CEO commented, "Paladin has delivered consistent growth in production over the past five years. It is now acknowledged as one of the leading independent companies in the uranium sector. This has been recognised by its peers (as demonstrated by the range of parties interested in securing equity participation at the project level) and the investment community (as demonstrated by the strong institutional support of today's transaction, despite significant volatility in global equity markets). We believe today's raising, together with future operational cash flows and proceeds from our current strategy to monitise certain non producing assets, will provide significant financial flexibility and provide a sound platform for the Company to achieve its corporate objectives".

Accordingly, the Company hereby requests that the trading halt on its securities be immediately lifted.

Yours faithfully Paladin Energy Ltd

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## **About Paladin Energy Ltd**

Paladin is listed on the Australian Securities Exchange and the Toronto Stock Exchange under the symbol "PDN". Paladin is a uranium production company with two operating mines in Africa, projects in Australia, Canada and Niger and a strategy to become a major uranium mining house. Since 1998, during a period of sustained downturn in global uranium markets, Paladin accumulated a quality portfolio of advanced uranium projects each having production potential.

The Langer Heinrich Uranium Mine in Namibia is operational with a targeted annual production of 5.2Mlb  $U_3O_8$  and a mine life maintainable at approximately 20 years. Langer Heinrich is expected to reach nameplate production capacity in the 1<sup>st</sup> quarter of 2012. The Kayelekera Uranium Mine in Malawi is an operating mine that recently underwent a plant upgrade and is currently operating at 90% of nameplate capacity. Paladin is forecasting total group  $U_3O_8$  production of 7.4 to 7.9Mlb in FY2012.

Paladin's ordinary shares were in trading halt on ASX yesterday and will re-commence trading on ASX at market open today.

## Additional Notes:

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