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Company Announcements Office Australian Securities Exchange Limited 20 Bridge Street SYDNEY NSW 2000

Dear Sir/Madam

By Electronic Lodgement

Paladin Energy Ltd announces expiry of deadline for tender offer

Paladin Energy Ltd (**Paladin**) refers to its invitation of tenders for repurchase for cash of up to U.S.\$200,000,000 of its outstanding U.S.\$325,000,000 5.00 per cent. convertible bonds due 2013 (ISIN XS0349087451) convertible into ordinary shares of Paladin issued on 11 March 2008 (**Bonds**), which are listed on Singapore Exchange Securities Trading Limited.

Paladin previously announced on 23 April 2012 the launch of a tender offer, pursuant to which certain holders of the Bonds (the **Bondholders**) were invited to tender any or all of their Bonds for repurchase by Paladin for cash (the **Offer**) (subject to a minimum tender amount of U.S.\$200,000 in nominal amount of the Bonds) upon the terms and subject to the conditions contained in the Tender Offer Memorandum dated 23 April 2012 as supplemented by the Supplemental Tender Offer Memorandum dated 16 May 2012 (as so supplemented, the **Tender Offer Memorandum**). Terms defined in the Tender Offer Memorandum shall have the same meaning when used in this announcement.

Paladin wishes to inform the Bondholders that, it will not be extending the Expiration Deadline. Therefore, the period for Bondholders to tender their Bonds under the Offer has expired.

Paladin expects to make an announcement on or about 24 May 2012 on the final results of the Offer and an announcement on or about 29 May 2012 stating, *inter alia*, that settlement has taken place, the total consideration paid by it for the Bonds repurchased by it pursuant to the Offer and the aggregate nominal amount of Bonds remaining outstanding following completion of the Offer.

Yours faithfully Paladin Energy Ltd

John Borshoff

Managing Director/CEO

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