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SOLARA ANNOUNCES EXECUTIVE APPOINTMENT

CALGARY, ALBERTA - Jan. 18, 2007. Solara Exploration Ltd. ("Solara" or the "Company") is pleased to announce the appointment of Brian A. Skinner to the position of Vice President, Exploration effective February 1, 2007. Over the past 37 years, Mr. Skinner has worked as a geologist in a variety of roles in the oil and gas industry in Western Canada including as a founder and in senior management positions with several emerging oil and gas companies. Mr. Skinner brings a tremendous amount of exploration and business experience to Solara. The Board of Directors and the executive team of the Company look forward to working with Mr. Skinner in his new role.

Alfred F. Fischer has recently resigned as Vice President, Exploration due to increasing responsibilities with his other professional endeavours. The Board of Directors and the Management of the Company thank Mr. Fischer for his contributions over the past year. Mr. Fischer will continue to serve as a director of Solara.

Solara Exploration Ltd. is an emerging junior oil and gas company focused on the exploration, development and acquisition of oil and natural gas assets in Western Canada.

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