

## NEWS RELEASE

CANELSON DRILLING ANNOUNCES  
RESIGNATION OF DIRECTOR

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CALGARY, ALBERTA - CanElson Drilling Inc. ("CanElson") announces that, due to health issues, Henry Lawrie has tendered his resignation as a director of the company. CanElson would like to thank Mr. Lawrie for his loyalty, commitment and dedication to the success of the company since being appointed as a director on its formation in June 2008. Mr. Rodger Hawkins has been appointed as the Chair of the company's Audit Committee to replace Mr. Lawrie.

CanElson is an Alberta, Canada corporation that is engaged in the manufacture and operation of drilling rigs in Canada's Western Sedimentary Basin.

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