



LEADER ENERGY SERVICES ANNOUNCES INCREASE TO PRIVATE PLACEMENT

January 28, 2005, Calgary, Alberta (TSX Venture: LEE) – Leader Energy Services Ltd. ("Leader" or the "Company") announced that it has, subject to regulatory approval, agreed with Research Capital Corp. to increase the amount of its previously announced private placement to a maximum of 5,800,000 Units for gross proceeds of \$7,250,000. All other terms of the offering remain the same.

Leader Energy Services provides essential field services for oil and gas well stimulation from two locations in Grande Prairie and Red Deer, Alberta. Leader supplies coiled tubing and flameless nitrogen pumping services as well as other flameless equipment and services including hot oilers, boilers and steamers.

Further information on Leader can be found under the Company's listing at www.sedar.com and on the Company's website at www.leaderenergy.com.

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