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**LAMPRELL PLC**  
("Lamprell" or the "Company")

**TRADING UPDATE**  
**US\$ 55.1 MILLION OF NEW CONTRACT AWARDS**

Lamprell, based in the United Arab Emirates and listed on London AIM (symbol: LAM) is a leading provider of specialist engineering services to the international oil & gas industry. Lamprell is pleased to announce the following trading update ahead of the announcement of its audited results for the year ending 31 December 2006, expected early April 2007. In addition, the Company is also pleased to announce the award of contracts for the fabrication of topside process modules for Floating, Production, Storage & Offloading ("FPSO") vessels for Saipem SA and Single Buoy Moorings, Inc ("SBM").

**TRADING UPDATE**

In what continues to be a positive global oil and gas market Lamprell has improved its market position and gained new clients across all core activities. The Company has continued to make good progress in the second half of 2006 with all facilities performing well. The Board therefore anticipates that the Group's net profit for 2006 will comfortably exceed current market expectations.

**FABRICATION OF FPSO MODULES FOR SAIPEM**

Lamprell has been awarded a US\$30.3 million fabrication contract by Saipem SA to build six topside process modules for the Gimboa FPSO vessel which is destined for the Gimboa field, offshore Angola, operated by Sonangol P&P Angola. In addition to the main contract there is an option, for the sum of US\$8.7 million, for the fabrication of the piperack.

The contract, scheduled for delivery in August 2007, includes the fabrication of the lift gas and flash gas compression modules, chemical injection skid, low and high pressure separation modules, process manifold and local equipment room.

The Gimboa field is situated 85 km offshore Angola at a water depth of 700 metres. When completed, the converted tanker will have an oil storage capacity of 1.8 million barrels and a production capacity of 60,000 barrels per day. The Gimboa FPSO is scheduled for deployment in early 2008 to coincide with first oil production.

## **FABRICATION OF FPSO MODULES FOR SBM**

Lamprell has been awarded a US\$24.8 million fabrication contract under a framework agreement with SBM to build the topside process modules and the turntable/manifold structure for the Frade FPSO.

The project, scheduled for completion in November 2007, includes the fabrication of seven topside process modules including test and second stage separation modules, a main gas compression module, a gas/flash gas compression module and the power generation module

The FPSO, moored by an internal turret accommodating 33 risers, will be fitted with topside process modules for the production of 100,000 barrels of oil, the treatment and compression of 106 million standard cubic feet of gas per day and the treatment and injection of 150,000 barrels of water per day.

### **Peter Whitbread, Chairman and Chief Executive, Lamprell said:**

*"We are delighted with the continued good performance of the business in 2006 which, with our successful flotation on AIM in October 2006, has been a pivotal year for Lamprell. We continue to see real growth in all aspects of the business and a broadening of our client base whilst we are also pleased that there continues to be awards of business from our core base of existing customers.*

*The current year has started well with our strongest ever order book, giving us improved visibility of revenue. Given our strong trading position and by continuing to manage the business with a clear focus on risk management, we believe that we are well positioned for further growth in 2007".*

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## NOTES TO EDITORS

- Lamprell, based in the UAE, has played an increasingly prominent role in the development of the oil & gas industry in the Arabian Gulf for over 30 years, in later years providing specialised engineering services to the industry.
- Lamprell's two primary facilities are in Port Khalid, in the Emirate of Sharjah, and in the Jebel Ali Free Zone, in the Emirate of Dubai, both of which are in the UAE.
- The principal markets in which Lamprell operates, and the principal services it provides, are:
  - Upgrade and refurbishment of offshore jackup rigs;
  - New build construction for the offshore oil and gas sector, including Floating Production, Storage and Offloading ("FPSO") systems and other offshore and onshore structures; and
  - Oilfield engineering services, including the upgrade and refurbishment of land rigs.
- Lamprell has grown strongly over the last four years, driven by buoyant conditions in the oil and gas industry and the increase in capacity with the opening of its facility in the Jebel Ali Free Zone in 2002.
- Lamprell joined AIM, a market operated by London Stock Exchange plc, on 16 October 2006.