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

**ANNOUNCES SCORPION INTERNATIONAL LTD AS CLIENT FOR \$168 MILLION  
NEW CONDITIONAL CONTRACT AWARD**

Lamprell (symbol: LAM), a leading provider of specialist engineering services to the international oil & gas industry, is pleased to confirm that the conditional US\$168 million contract announced on 6 July 2007 is with Scorpion International Ltd., a subsidiary of Scorpion Offshore Ltd. ("Scorpion"). This is for the construction of a LeTourneau Super 116E jackup drilling rig. It is conditional upon Scorpion securing certain financing requirements, which are expected to be completed within the next thirty days.

In addition to the award of the first unit, options have been agreed for a further four units which can be exercised over an 18 month period from December 2007. These contracts will be subject to negotiation, allowing for flexibility to take into account any potential cost variations.

This is the first contract between Lamprell and Scorpion and represents a further strengthening of Lamprell's blue chip client list that, among others, includes BG Group, Noble Drilling, SBM Offshore, Saipem and Nabors Drilling International.

**Commenting on this contract award Chairman and Chief Executive Officer, Peter Whitbread, said:**

*"We are delighted to be working with a drilling contractor of the stature of Scorpion in building up their fleet of state-of-the-art ultra-premium jackup drilling rigs. It is a testament to Lamprell's reputation in this premium sector that we have been able to secure this work and, critically, to be considered for future projects. Contract awards of this nature underpin our growing confidence in the prospects for Lamprell, as we highlighted in our recent trading statement."*

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## Notes to editors

- Lamprell, based in the UAE, has played an increasingly prominent role in the development of the offshore industry in the Arabian Gulf for over 30 years, in later years providing specialised services to the offshore oil and gas 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 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 three 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.