



**CANADIAN NATURAL RESOURCES LIMITED ANNOUNCES
SHAREHOLDER APPROVAL FOR TWO-FOR-ONE SHARE SPLIT
CALGARY, ALBERTA – May 5, 2005 – FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

Shareholders of Canadian Natural Resources Limited (“Canadian Natural”) approved by a large majority, a subdivision or “Share Split” of its issued and outstanding Common Shares on a two-for-one basis at the Corporation’s Annual and Special Meeting of Shareholders held May 5, 2005. It is believed the Share Split will encourage greater market liquidity for the Company’s Common Shares and provide opportunities for ownership of the Company’s Common Shares by a wider group of investors.

The subdivision will be effected by issuing on or about May 27, 2005 to shareholders of record as of the close of business on Friday, May 20, 2005 a certificate for one additional Common Share for every one Common Share held as of such record date.

Canadian Natural is a senior oil and natural gas production company, with continuing operations in its core areas located in Western Canada, the U.K. portion of the North Sea and Offshore West Africa.

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