

The Depository Trust Company

IMPORTANT

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DATE: November 23, 2001

TO: All Participants

CATEGORY: Dividends

FROM: Nilesh Desai, Supervisor, Dividend Department

ATTENTION: Dividend Managers, Cashiers & Reorganization Managers

SUBJECT: Rights: Seven Seas Petroleum Inc.
Common CUSIP#: G80550109 Rights Contra-CUSIP#: G80550992
Expires: 12/7/01 (5:00 p.m. E.S.T.) R/D 10/08/01
Rate: One right for every 168.26 shares held

*****WARNING TIME CRITICAL*****

Seven Seas Petroleum Inc. is offering transferable subscription rights (“Subscription Rights”) and transferable contingent subscription rights (“Contingent Subscription Rights”) to all non-Canadian shareholders of its common stock (“Common Stock”) as of the close of business on October 8, 2001 (the “Record Date”). Each holder who owned **at least** 169 shares of the Common Stock on the Record Date, is entitled to one **Subscription Right**. Each holder who owned **fewer than** 169 shares of Common Stock on the Record Date is entitled to one **Contingent Right**. No fractional Subscription Rights will be issued. The total number of Subscription Rights issued to each shareholder will be rounded down to the nearest full Subscription Right.

The Depository Trust Company (“DTC”) is carrying interim on this issue in accordance with the **11/20/01** ex-date. DTC is picking up delivery orders (receives and deliveries) up to and including the **11/23/01** settlement date. DTC will credit Subscription Rights to participants’ accounts on **11/26/01**.

DTC WILL NOT BE ALLOCATING CONTINGENT RIGHTS TO PARTICIPANTS’ ACCOUNTS. DTC participants cannot exercise their Contingent Rights through DTC’s Reorganization Department because the company states that if Series A notes remain available after the shareholders with at least 169 shares exercise their rights, the Contingent Right holders who exercised their Rights

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will receive the remaining notes. If there are not enough Series A notes to allocate one note to each shareholder who exercised his or her Contingent Rights, the Subscription Agent will have sole discretion to determine which shareholders receive the available notes.

Participants who wish to exercise their Contingent Rights on behalf of their beneficial owners, must complete the **“FORM OF NOMINEE HOLDER CERTIFICATION”** (see attached) and submit the form and check directly to U.S. Trust Company of Texas, N.A. (the “Subscription Agent”) at the following address:

U.S. Trust Company of Texas
2001 Ross Avenue Suite 2700
Dallas, Texas 75201
Attention: Bill Barber
Tel#: (214) 754-1255

At the company’s request, DTC forwarded the Subscription Agent a Record Date listing of DTC participants to assist them in processing Subscriptions of the Contingent Rights.

If participants have any questions regarding the Rights Offering, they may contact Mr. Bill Barber (the “Subscription Agent”) at (214) 754-1255 or Mr. Bryan B. Sanchez of the company at (713) 622-8218.

THE DIVIDEND POSITION AND ALLOCATION HISTORY (DPAL) OPTION, ACCESSED VIA THE PTS DIVIDEND ANNOUNCEMENTS INQUIRY (DIVA) FUNCTION, SHOULD BE USED TO CONFIRM YOUR RECORD DATE POSITION HISTORY AND PAYMENT INFORMATION.

Important Note To Canadian Residents:

Shareholders who are residents of Canada are **not** receiving Subscription Rights or Contingent Rights in this Rights Offering because the company was unable to obtain relief from Canadian securities regulatory requirements on a timely basis.

IT IS IMPORTANT THAT PARTICIPANTS REFER TO THE DTC REORGANIZATION INQUIRY FOR PARTICIPANTS (RIPS CODE 59) FOR INFORMATION REGARDING THE SUBSCRIPTION PRIVILEGE AND ANY EXTENSION TO THE EXPIRATION DATE.

If participants have any questions concerning this Important Notice, please contact Mr. Ray Lew or Ms. Susan Alvino of DTC’s Stock Dividend Department at (212) 855-4523/4532.

FORM OF NOMINEE HOLDER CERTIFICATION

The undersigned, a bank, broker, trustee, depository or other nominee holder of rights ("Rights") and contingent rights ("Contingent Rights") to purchase Series A senior secured notes ("Notes") accompanied by warrants ("Warrants") to purchase shares of common stock, par value \$0.001 per share ("Common Stock"), of Seven Seas Petroleum Inc. (the "Company") pursuant to the Rights Offering described and provided for in the Company's prospectus dated November 5, 2001 (the "Prospectus"), hereby certifies to the Company and to U.S. Trust Company of Texas, N.A., as Subscription Agent for the Rights Offering, that the undersigned has subscribed for the principal amount of Notes accompanied by Warrants specified below pursuant to the Rights and Contingent Rights (as described in the Prospectus) on behalf of beneficial owners of Rights and Contingent Rights who have subscribed for the Notes accompanied by Warrants (as described in the Prospectus).

1. The undersigned owned _____ shares of Common Stock of the Company on behalf of ____ beneficial owners as of the close of business on October 8, 2001, the record date.

2. Pursuant to Rights (not including Contingent Rights) issued in the Rights Offering, the undersigned hereby subscribes for \$_____ principal amount of Notes accompanied by Warrants.

3. Pursuant to the Contingent Rights issued in the Rights Offering, the undersigned hereby subscribes for \$_____ principal amount of Notes accompanied by Warrants.

Name of Bank, Broker, Trustee, Depository
or Other Nominee

By: _____
Name:
Title: