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EAST WEST PETROLEUM ANNOUNCES PRE-QUALIFICATION GRANTED FOR UPCOMING MEXICO ONSHORE BID ROUND

Vancouver, British Columbia: December 3, 2015 — International oil and gas producer East West Petroleum Corp. (TSX-V: EW) is pleased to announce that it has been notified by the National Hydrocarbon Commission ("CNH") in Mexico that it has met the required pre-qualification criteria to participate in the third phase of the Round 1 licensing process for onshore concessions in Mexico's emerging oil & gas sector.

The third phase of Round 1 encompasses 25 development concessions across the North, Central and South Regions covering a total of over 770 km². All concessions contain existing oil & gas discoveries, with estimated total original petroleum in place of over 2.3 billion boe. East West is completing its due diligence on the available concessions, with the intention of submitting multiple should any meet its criteria. Bids will be submitted and concessions awarded on December 15th, 2015.

David Sidoo, CEO of East West commented, "East West has been closely following the re-opening of the Mexico energy sector and gaining pre-qualification from CNH is an important confirmation of both the efforts of our team to date and the quality and experience of our technical and operating team. East West is now well positioned for the upcoming round of bidding in December and for future opportunities in Mexico."

About East West Petroleum Corp.

East West Petroleum (www.eastwestpetroleum.ca) is a TSX Venture Exchange listed company established in 2010 to invest in international oil & gas opportunities. East West has built a diverse portfolio of attractive exploration assets covering a gross area of over one million acres. The Company has its primary focus on two key areas: New Zealand, where it has established production and cash flow and is evaluating a low risk exploration play, and Romania where it is fully carried on an upcoming high impact 12 well exploration program. In New Zealand, East West holds an interest in three exploration permits near to existing commercial production in the Taranaki Basin, operated by TAG Oil Ltd. (TSX: TAO). The Company also has interests in four exploration concessions covering 1,000,000 acres in the prolific Pannonian Basin of western Romania with Naftna Industrija Srbije ("NIS").

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