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ROYALE COMMENCES DRILLING Planned 4th quarter project already underway in California

San Diego, September 23, 2009 – Royale Energy, Inc (NASDAQ:ROYL). As the natural gas market shows signs of improvement, Royale today announces the drilling of two new wells in its Lonestar project. After a period of decreased industry activity due to the economic downturn, the company has activated its plan to increase production and natural gas reserves.

The Goddard 7-1, which commenced today, is Royale's 14th well drilled in the successful Lonestar area. Immediately following this well the rig will move directly to the Wylie #1 in the same field.

"These wells reflect our optimism that the natural gas market has reached a turning point that marks the beginning of an upward cycle," said Stephen Hosmer, the company's CFO. "In recent months we have been deliberate in the reduction of costs, allowing us to capitalize on the present opportunity."

Royale will also drill several additional wells in California's Sacramento basin in the 4th quarter.

About the Company

Headquartered in San Diego, Royale Energy, Inc. is an independent energy company. The company is focused on development, acquisition, exploration, and production of natural gas and oil in California, Texas and the Rocky Mountains. It has been a leading independent producer of oil and natural gas for over 20 years. The company's strength is continually reaffirmed by investors who participate in funding over 50% of the company's new projects. Additional information about Royale Energy, Inc. is available on its web site at www.royl.com.

Forward Looking Statements

In addition to historical information contained herein, this news release contains "forward-looking statements" within the meaning of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995, subject to various risks and uncertainties that could cause the company's actual results to differ materially from those in the "forward-looking" statements. While the company believes its forward looking statements are based upon reasonable assumptions, there are factors that are difficult to predict and that are influenced by economic and other conditions beyond the company's control. Investors are directed to consider such risks and other uncertainties discussed in documents filed by the company with the Securities and Exchange Commission.

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