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### **BAYTEX ANNOUNCES CLOSING OF OFFERING OF DEBENTURES**

CALGARY, ALBERTA (February 17, 2011) – Baytex Energy Corp. ("Baytex") (TSX, NYSE: BTE) announced today the closing of its offering of US\$150 million principal amount of 6.75% Series B senior unsecured debentures due February 17, 2021 (the "Debentures"). The Debentures were offered on a private placement basis in Canada with RBC Capital Markets and Credit Suisse as joint book runners. Baytex will use the net proceeds from the offering to repay existing indebtedness under its revolving credit facilities and for general corporate purposes.

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The common shares of Baytex Energy Corp. are traded on the Toronto Stock Exchange and the New York Stock Exchange under the trading symbol BTE.

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