



NEWS RELEASE

ESSENTIAL ENERGY SERVICES TRUST ANNOUNCES CHANGES TO BOARD OF DIRECTORS

CALGARY, ALBERTA, June 9, 2008 — Essential Energy Services Trust (TSX:ESN.UN) ("**Essential**") announces that effective June 9, 2008 Mr. William M. Gallacher has resigned as Chairman and as a member of the board of directors (the "**Essential Board**") of Essential Energy Services Operating Corp., the Manager of Essential, and has advised Essential that he will not stand for re-election at the upcoming annual general and special meeting of unitholders of Essential to be held on June 17, 2008 (the "**Meeting**"). In addition, Mr. Gary H. Dundas has advised Essential that he will not be standing for election to the Essential Board at the Meeting as indicated in the materials mailed to unitholders in connection with the Meeting.

Essential would like to thank Messrs. Gallacher and Dundas for their years of dedicated service to Essential.

Essential also announces that the Essential Board has appointed Mr. James A. Banister to the position of Chairman. Mr. Banister is currently a director of Essential and prior to the merger of Essential and Builders Energy Services Trust ("Builders"), Mr. Banister was the Chairman of the Board of Directors of Builders.

Essential Energy Services Trust provides a range of essential oilfield services to oil and gas producers in western Canada related to the ongoing servicing of producing wells and new drilling activity.

This press release may contain forward-looking statements. These statements are based on current expectations that involve a number of risks and uncertainties which could cause actual results to differ from those anticipated. These risks include, but are not limited to: risks associated with the oilfield services sector (e.g. demand, pricing and terms for oilfield services; current and expected oil and gas prices; exploration and development costs and delays; reserves discovery rates; pipeline and transportation capacity; weather, health, safety and environmental risks), integration of acquisitions, competition, and uncertainties resulting from potential delays or changes in plans with respect to acquisitions, development projects or capital expenditures. Additional information on these and other factors that could affect the Trust's operations or financial results are included in the Trust's documentation and filings with Canadian securities regulatory authorities. Should one or more of these risks or uncertainties materialize, or should assumptions underlying forward-looking statements prove incorrect, actual results may vary materially from those described in this press release. The Trust does not assume any obligation to update these forward-looking statements, except as required by law.

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