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# **Torchlight Energy to Commence Drilling in Marcelina Creek Project**

## **First of Six Planned Horizontal Buda Wells**

HOUSTON, TX--(Marketwired - May 24, 2013) - [Torchlight Energy Resources, Inc.](#) (OTCQB: TRCH) ("Torchlight Energy" or "the Company") today announced that Edde Drilling, the drilling contractor on their Marcelina Creek Project in Wilson County, TX, will spud the Johnson #2H well within the next few days. Torchlight expects the drilling process to take under 30 days and will move directly into completion after analyzing the drilling results.

"We are excited to enter this stage of the development on our Marcelina Creek Project," stated Tom Lapinski, CEO of Torchlight Energy. "With the drilling of the Johnson #2H we continue to execute on Torchlight's mission to develop highly probable oil assets where quick payout on proven reserves can be achieved. This horizontal well will be the first of six laterally extended locations identified for drilling for this project and target the Buda formation."

The Marcelina Creek Project is located in Wilson County, Texas. The play involves the upper cretaceous formations including Austin Chalk, Buda, and Eagle Ford formations. Torchlight currently has two wells producing on the lease, one from the Buda Formation and a second horizontal Austin Chalk well. The lease is completely surrounded on all four sides by Eagle Ford producers from well-known companies such as Hunt Oil and Clayton Williams. Torchlight Energy has a 75% Working Interest in the majority of the 1,080 acre block with 50% WI in a 280 acre section.

## **About Torchlight Energy**

Torchlight Energy Resources, Inc. (OTCQB: TRCH), based in Houston, Texas, is a high growth oil and gas Exploration and Production (E&P) company with a primary focus on acquisition and development of highly profitable domestic oil fields. The company currently holds interests in Texas, Kansas and Oklahoma where their targets are established plays such as the Eagle Ford, Mississippian and Hunton trends. For additional information on the company, please visit [www.torchlightenergy.com](http://www.torchlightenergy.com).

## **Forward-Looking Statement**

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